

PROVINCIAL

WORCESTERSHIRE



GRAND LODGE OF

Antient Free and Accepted Masons.

The Right Wor. Bro. **GENERAL SIR FRANCIS J. DAVIES**, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., D.L., P.G.D.

PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER.

The Wor. Bro. **W. T. PAGE**, P.G.M.

DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER.

377 Lodge, Bagley Road,  
Epsombridge,

1st October, 1930.

Dear Sir and Brother,

By Command of the Right Wor. Provincial Grand Master I hereby give you notice that the next Annual Meeting of this Provincial Grand Lodge will be held at the Public Hall, Worcester, under the Banner of the "Worcester" Lodge, No. 280, on Saturday, the 18th day of October next, at 2.45 p.m. and hereby summon you and such Brethren of your Lodge as are Members of Provincial Grand Lodge to be then and there present, that your Lodge may be duly represented.

The attendance of Brethren of this and other Provinces, being Master Masons, is cordially invited. In order to obtain entrance, the Admission Slip must be properly signed.

Yours fraternally,

**D. V. Stanton**, P.P.C. Treasr.

Provincial Grand Secretary.

BUSINESS to be transacted at the Meeting is stated on the Agenda subjoined.

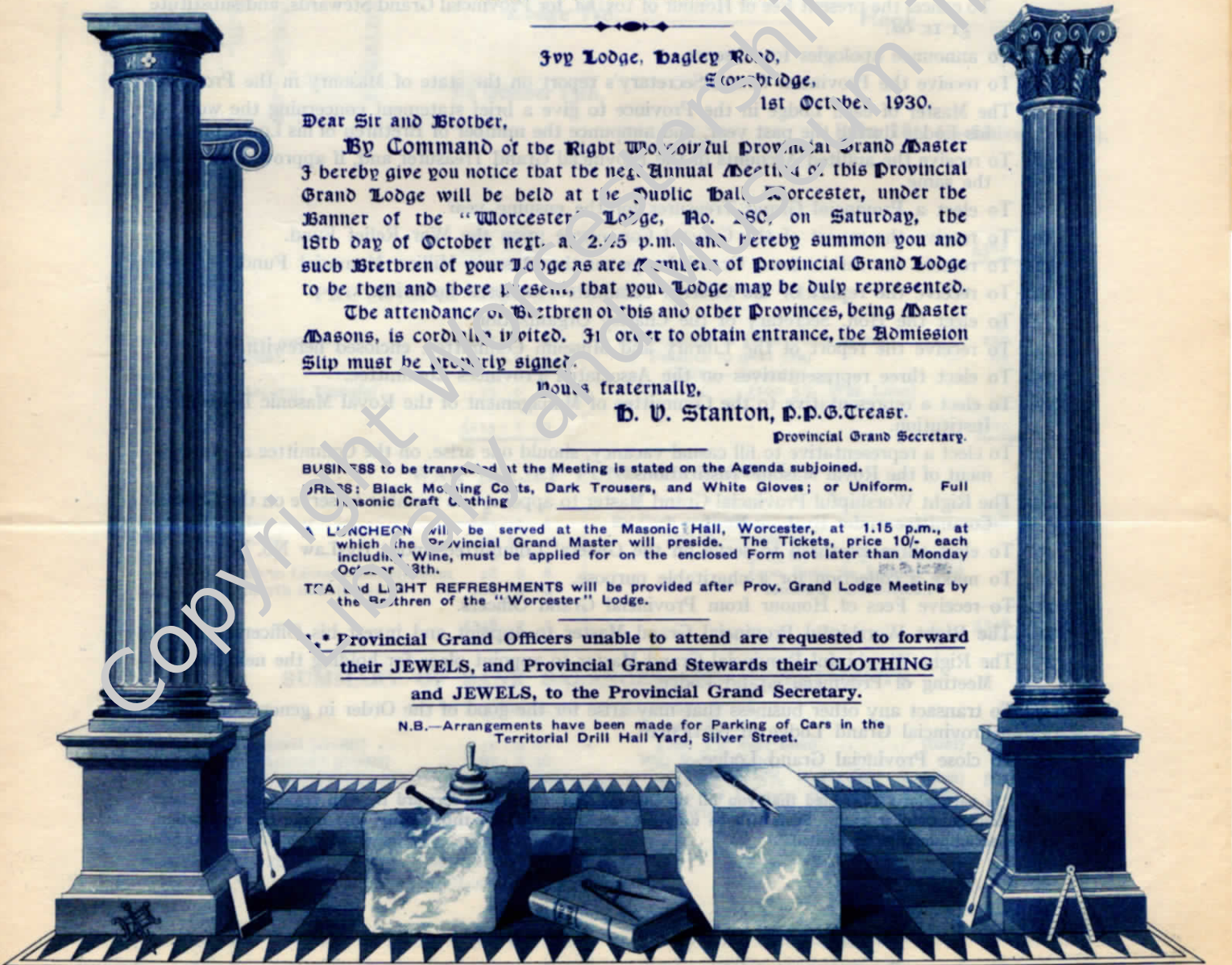
DRESS: Black Morning Coats, Dark Trousers, and White Gloves; or Uniform. Full Masonic Craft Clothing.

LUNCHEON will be served at the Masonic Hall, Worcester, at 1.15 p.m., at which the Provincial Grand Master will preside. The Tickets, price 10/- each including Wine, must be applied for on the enclosed Form not later than Monday October 13th.

TEA and LIGHT REFRESHMENTS will be provided after Prov. Grand Lodge Meeting by the Brethren of the "Worcester" Lodge.

\* Provincial Grand Officers unable to attend are requested to forward their JEWELS, and Provincial Grand Stewards their CLOTHING and JEWELS, to the Provincial Grand Secretary.

N.B.—Arrangements have been made for Parking of Cars in the Territorial Drill Hall Yard, Silver Street.





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The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master and Provincial Grand Officers will enter the Lodge Room, and Provincial Grand Lodge will be opened in due form at 3.0 p.m.

## Business:

1. To read the Summons convening Provincial Grand Lodge.
2. To confirm the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting, held at Moseley, Birmingham, on the 19th of October, 1929.
3. To confirm the Minutes of the Especial Meeting held at Worcester on the 31st of May, 1930.
4. To confirm the following Resolutions duly passed at the Especial Meeting as above:—  
BY-LAW No. 4.—To cancel the present wording of "Every Lodge for each of its Contributing Members quarterly 6d." and substitute the following: "Every Lodge for each of its Contributing Members quarterly, 9d. (nine pence)."  
BY-LAW No. 5.—To cancel the present Fee of Honour of £1 11s. 6d. for appointment to Provincial Office below the rank of Superintendent of Works, and substitute £2 2s. 0d.  
To cancel the present Fee of Honour of 10s. 6d. for Provincial Grand Stewards, and substitute £1 1s. 0d.
5. To announce apologies for absence.
6. To receive the Provincial Grand Secretary's report on the state of Masonry in the Province.
7. The Master of each Lodge in the Province to give a brief statement concerning the work of his Lodge during the past year, and announce the number of Brethren of his Lodge present.
8. To receive the audited Accounts of the Provincial Grand Treasurer and, if approved, to adopt the same.
9. To elect a Provincial Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.
10. To receive the report of the General Committee upon the War Relief Fund.
11. To receive the return from Grand Lodge on the Masonic Million Memorial Fund.
12. To receive the report of the Charity Committee, enclosed herewith.
13. To elect the Hon. Secretary of the Charity Organization.
14. To receive the report of the Library and Museum Committee, enclosed herewith.
15. To elect three representatives on the Associated Provinces Committee.
16. To elect a representative to the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution.
17. To elect a representative to fill casual vacancy, should one arise, on the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Institutions.
18. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master to appoint one member to serve on the General Committee under By-Law No. 6.
19. To elect three Brethren to serve on the General Committee under By-Law No. 6.
20. To make a collection for a charitable purpose.
21. To receive Fees of Honour from Provincial Grand Officers.
22. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master to appoint and invest his Officers.
23. The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master to appoint place for holding the next Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge.
24. To transact any other business that may arise for the good of the Order in general or of this Provincial Grand Lodge in particular.
25. To close Provincial Grand Lodge.

It is particularly requested that you fill up the enclosed Form and forward it, with remittance, not later than Monday, October 13th. Seats will be numbered and reserved for those only who make this application, as the accommodation is limited.



# Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1929-30.

## MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT.

Income.	£ s. d.	Expenditure.	£ s. d.
To Fees of Honour .. .. .	51 19 6	By Balance from last year .. .. .	24 13 1
" Dispensations, &c. .. .. .	7 4 0	" Calendars .. .. .	67 17 0
" Calendars .. .. .	90 18 4	" Tylers' Fees .. .. .	4 2 0
" Lodge Dues .. .. .	234 19 0	" Rent .. .. .	55 0 0
		" Associated Provinces—Subscription .. .. .	1 1 0
		" Library and Museum .. .. .	20 0 0
		" Insurance .. .. .	12 8 6
		" Printing and Stationery .. .. .	55 15 7
		" Postages and Sundries .. .. .	17 17 1
		" Expenses of Charity Organization .. .. .	12 10 2
		" Grand Lodge Dispensations .. .. .	11 17 0
		" Wreaths .. .. .	4 10 0
		" Especial Meeting Expenses .. .. .	13 0 0
		" Bank Charges and Cheque Book .. .. .	6 4 0
		" Reserve Fund Transfer .. .. .	25 0 0
		" Benevolent Account Transfer .. .. .	54 4 5
	<u>£385 0 10</u>		<u>£385 0 10</u>

## BENEVOLENT ACCOUNT.

To Collection at Provincial Grand Lodge ..	28 2 0	By Balance from last year .. .. .	238 14 11
" Bank Interest .. .. .	14 11	" Donation to Highbury Hospital .. .. .	42 0 0
" Donations from Lodges and Chapters as per list .. .. .	149 13 6	" Grand Lodge No. 174 (Widow) .. .. .	10 0 0
" Reserve Fund Transfer .. .. .	150 0 0	" " " 224 ( " ) .. .. .	10 0 0
" Management Account Transfer .. .. .	54 4 5	" " " 377 ( " ) .. .. .	10 10 0
		" Balance to next year .. .. .	71 9 11
	<u>£382 14 10</u>		<u>£382 14 10</u>

## PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE RESERVE FUND.

To Balance from last year .. .. .	81 13 9	By Transfer to Benevolent Account .. .. .	150 0 0
" War Loan Interest .. .. .	5 0 0	Balance to next year .. .. .	65 1 10
" Bank Interest .. .. .	8 1	(NOTE.—Invested : £100 5% War Loan)	
" Management Account Transfer .. .. .	25 0 0		
	<u>£215 1 10</u>		<u>£215 1 10</u>

## WAR RELIEF FUND ACCOUNT.

To Balance from last year .. .. .	109 2 5	By Cash at Bank .. .. .	348 7 2
" War Loan Interest .. .. .	30 15 4	(NOTE.—Invested : £615 8s. 8d. 5% War Loan ; £400 Loan to Library and Museum Committee.)	
" Bank Interest .. .. .	6 2 9		
" Interest on Loan to Library and Museum .. .. .	28 6 8		
" Loan repaid (through instalment) .. .. .	100 0 0		
	<u>£348 7 2</u>		<u>£348 7 2</u>

## SUMMARY OF BANK BALANCES AND INVESTMENTS.

Bank Balances :—	Investments :—
Benevolent Account (credit) .. .. .	Reserve Fund :
Reserve Fund Account (credit) .. .. .	£100 5% War Loan .. .. (cost)
War Relief Fund Account (credit) .. .. .	War Relief Fund :
	£615 8s. 8d. 5% War Loan .. (cost)
	Loan to Library and Museum Com-
	mittee .. .. .

Examined and found correct and securities inspected.

September 13th 1930.

THOMAS MASON, P.P.G.W.

R. HARRY KING, Prov. J.G.W.

H. V. STANTON,

Prov. G. Treasurer, pro tem.

Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire.

ANNUAL MEETING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18th, 1930.



Please reserve.....seats at the Luncheon to be held at the  
Masonic Hall, St. Nicholas Street, Worcester, for which I enclose.....

To Wor. Bro. E. FRANKLIN,  
The Butts,  
Worcester.

Signature .....

Lodge No..... Rank.....

Applications must be received on or before October 13th,  
as accommodation is limited.

Price 10/- (inclusive of wine).

Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire.



ADMIT to the Public Hall, Worcester, on  
October 18th, 1930, at 2.30 p.m.

Signature.....

Lodge No.....

Rank .....



# Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire.

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## Minutes of the Annual Meeting

HOLDEN AT THE MOSELEY AND BALSALL HEATH INSTITUTE, BIRMINGHAM  
ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH, 1929.

*Present :*

The Right Worshipful Brother General Sir Francis J. Davies, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.V.O., D.L., P.G.D.  
PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER IN THE CHAIR; and

The Worshipful Brother W. T. Page, P.G.D.  
DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER;

Officers of Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge (Present and Past), Visitors, and a large number of Brethren.

Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting, held at Dudley on the 20th day of October, 1928, were confirmed.

Apologies were announced from the Provincial Grand Masters of Warwickshire, Gloucestershire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, and Herefordshire; from the Deputy Provincial Grand Masters of Shropshire, Gloucestershire, Warwickshire, and Staffordshire; the Grand Secretary (V.W. Bro. Sir COLVILLE SMITH, C.V.O.); the Assistant Grand Secretary (W. Bro. SIDNEY WHITE); the Provincial Grand Secretaries of Staffordshire, Shropshire, and Gloucestershire; and a number of distinguished Brethren.

The Acting Provincial Grand Secretary's Report was read, as follows:—

" I have the honour to report that the number of subscribing Brethren in the Province at December 31st, 1927, was 1,905.

" During the year 1928 we lost in membership by deaths and resignations, 85, and gained by Initiation and Joining Members, 157; making a total at December 31st, 1928, of 1977 subscribing Brethren: an increase of 72. From this total has to be deducted the number of Brethren who are members of more than one Lodge in the Province.

The number of Lodges in the Province is now 38; the "Northfield" Lodge, No. 5056, the "Thistle" Lodge, No. 5064, and the Lodge of St. Oswald, No. 5094, having been consecrated in November, April and February last respectively, by the Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master, assisted by the W. Deputy Prov. G. Master and the Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge.

" The Ceremonies in the Lodges during the year consisted of the usual Installations, 83 Initiations, 83 Passings, 94 Raisings, and the Lectures and Explanations of the Tracing Boards were given on 48 occasions.

" The visitation to the various Lodges by the Provincial Grand Officers during the year has again given great satisfaction, both to the Lodges and the Provincial Officers, who have reported very favourably on the working of the Degrees and the progress of Masonry in the Province generally.



" The Province records its appreciation of the honour of P.G.Std.B. conferred upon W. Bro. C. B. SHUTTLEWORTH, P.M. 280, P.P.G.W., by the M.W. Grand Master at the Grand Festival in April last.

" The year has been marked by the loss of several Provincial Grand Officers, and many letters of sympathy with the Province have been received from all parts of the country."

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master, in expressing his satisfaction on the progress of Masonry in the Province, regretted that during the past year the loss of a number of distinguished Brethren has, unfortunately, to be recorded. He specially referred to the esteemed Provincial Grand Secretary, W. Bro. WILLIAM SOMERS, P.A.G.D.C., P.P.G.W., whose whole-hearted work for the Province was so well-known and whose death was a very great loss. A further loss which would be severely felt was that of W. Bro. C. P. PERRY, P.Asst.G.Std.B., P.P.G.W., the Hon. Secretary of the Provincial Charity Organization, the result of whose splendid work for Charity was seen in the sound position in which the Charity Organization for the Province now stood. To the relatives of these worthy Brethren he tendered the sincere sympathy of the Province.

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master referred to the Minutes of Grand Lodge calling attention to the growing practice of a presentation at an Installation Meeting to the outgoing W. Master from the Initiates of the Lodge during his year of office, a practice which was regarded as being extremely undesirable and which, if done in this Province, he hoped would be immediately discontinued.

He felt it was again necessary to refer to the appointment of Provincial Grand Stewards. The growth in the Province increased the importance of this office and which would not be conferred on any Brother below the rank of Installed Master.

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master regretted the absence, through illness, of the Acting Provincial Grand Secretary (W. Bro. H. V. STATION), whose place was being kindly undertaken by W. Bro. R. A. ERNEST PAYNE, P.A.G.D.C., P.P.G.W., P.P.G.Sec.

The W. Masters made brief statements concerning the work of their Lodges; the number of Brethren in attendance being declared as follows:—

252	Harmonic	7	3638	Wyche	4
280	Worcester	10	3643	Campbell	18
377	Hope and Charity	16	3863	Kings Heath	17
498	Royal Standard	13	3873	Mystic Quest	8
529	Sempiternus Fidelis	14	3879	St. Mary's	6
560	Veritas	11	4001	Kings Norton	10
564	Stability	10	4004	St. Werstan	7
573	Perserverance	18	4144	Pro Patria	10
1097	St. Michael	10	4437	Dudley Castle	14
1274	Royds	12	4495	Bordesley	8
1874	Lechmore Volunteer	18	4565	Fort Royal	10
2034	Masefeld	15	4621	St. Edburgha	13
2380	Goodson	12	4846	St. Nicolas	11
2654	Ayer	13	4935	Bon Accord	6
2724	St. Laurence	25	5028	Mosaic	8
3185	Stechford	18	5035	Francis Davies	5
3308	Abbot Lichfield	13	5056	Northfield	16
3378	Page	8	5064	Thistle	4
3569	Avon	9	5094	St. Oswald	8

Members of Lodges in Province ..... 434

Visitors ..... 12

TOTAL..... 446



The audited accounts of the Provincial Grand Treasurer (W. Bro. H. V. STANTON) were received and adopted; and a vote of thanks was accorded to him for his services.

No nomination under By-Law No. 7 having been received for the office of Provincial Grand Treasurer, the Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master declared W. Bro. H. V. STANTON duly re-elected.

The Report of the General Committee upon the War Relief Fund was received and adopted.

In moving the adoption of his final Report on the Masonic Million Memorial Fund, W. Bro. C. D. EATON, P.A.G.D.C., whilst expressing his great appreciation of the loyal support to the appeal of the M.W. Grand Master, regretted that a few Lodges were behind in the collection of the amounts promised by individual members and hoped a special effort would be made to clear them up during the ensuing year. The Report was unanimously received and adopted.

The Report of the Charity Committee was taken as read, received, and ordered to be entered upon the Minutes.

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master proposed the election of W. Bro. ALFRED ALLEN, P.Asst.G.Std.B., P.P.G.W., as Hon. Secretary of the Provincial County Organization, and in doing so desired to place on record the excellent work he had done in this connection as Assistant to the late W. Bro. C. P. PERRY. This was seconded by V.W. Bro. S. S. SOMERS, P.G.Treasr., and carried unanimously. W. Bro. ALLEN suitably responded.

The Report of the Library and Museum Committee was taken as read, received, and adopted.

A collection was then taken for charitable purposes, amounting to £28 2s. od., and the Provincial Grand Treasurer was requested to make this sum up to forty guineas as a donation to the Highbury Hospital for Disabled Soldiers.

W. Bro. C. D. EATON, P.A.G.D.C., V.W. Bro. S. S. SOMERS, P.G.Treasr., and W. Bro. R. HARRY KING were elected to represent the Province on the Associated Provinces Committee.

W. Bro. A. ALLEN, P.Asst.G.Std.B., P.P.G.W., was re-elected as representative to the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution.

W. Bro. GLOVER F.M., 4001, P.P.C.P., was re-elected as representative to fill any casual vacancy should one arise on the Committee of Management of the Royal Masonic Institutions.

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master appointed W. Bro. T. MASON, P.P.G.W., as his representative on the General Committee under By-Law No. 6.

W. Bro. R. A. E. PAYNE, P.A.G.D.C., P.P.G.W., and W. Bro. W. J. HILL, P.P.G.W., were elected to serve on the General Committee under By-Law No. 6.

The Acting Provincial Grand Secretary reported that all Fees of Honour had been paid.

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master said that before appointing his Officers he wished to announce that owing to the very recent death of the Provincial Grand Secretary (W. Bro. WILLIAM SOMERS), he did not propose at present to fill that office, but that W. Bro. H. V. STANTON would continue to discharge the duties *pro tem*.

*(The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master has subsequently appointed W. Bro. H. V. Stanton as Provincial Grand Secretary, and requested him to act as Provincial Grand Treasurer until the next Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge.)*



The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master then invested his Officers for the year 1929-30, as follows :—

Prov. Senior Grand Warden .....	W. Bro. DOUGLASS RUSSELL....	2724, 1204
" Junior Grand Warden .....	" " R. HARRY KING .....	564
" Grand Chaplain .....	Bro. Rev. R. R. VERITY .....	529
" Grand Treasurer .....	W. Bro. H. V. STANTON .....	498, 4437
" Grand Registrar .....	" " Lt.-Col. L. J. BLANDFORD....	4565
" Grand Secretary .....	" " .....	.....
" Grand Director of Ceremonies .....	" " E. W. BECK .....	3303
" Senior Grand Deacon .....	" " F. W. SMITH .....	4935
" Senior Grand Deacon .....	" " J. CHARLTON .....	2034
" Junior Grand Deacon .....	" " A. M. HARPER .....	2385
" Junior Grand Deacon .....	" " EGERTON WEST .....	3195
" Grand Superintendent of Works .....	" " H. BEAKBANE .....	560
" Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies .....	" " A. A. KING .....	414
" Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies .....	" " F. C. JAMES .....	3724
" Grand Sword Bearer .....	" " H. W. CHESHIRE .....	377
" Grand Standard Bearer .....	" " G. R. BAILEY .....	1874
" Grand Standard Bearer .....	" " J. A. BUDGE .....	3873
" Grand Organist .....	Bro. T. C. MAPP .....	3638
" Assistant Grand Secretary .....	W. Bro. G. CULLIS .....	3378
" Grand Pursuivant .....	" " E. LLOYD MORRIS .....	1204
" Assistant Grand Pursuivant .....	" " R. J. HULLER .....	529
" Grand Steward .....	" " W. TAYLOR .....	3643
" Grand Steward .....	" " W. T. CHAPMAN .....	3569
" Grand Steward .....	" " CECIL CARISS .....	4846
" Grand Steward .....	" " C. W. TOZER .....	1874
" Grand Steward .....	" " C. D. EATON, P.A.G.D.C. ..	1874
" Grand Steward .....	" " ALFRED ALLEN, P.A.G.Std.B.	2654

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master conferred Past Rank, as follows :—

Past Prov. Senior Grand Warden .....	W. Bro. W. E. HUNT .....	498
" " Senior Grand Warden .....	" " HENRY VALE .....	560
" " Senior Grand Deacon .....	" " HARVEY GIBBS .....	2654
" " Senior Grand Deacon .....	" " JAMES MITCHELL .....	4935
" " Grand Standard Bearer .....	" " P. H. BULLAS .....	573
" " Grand Tyler .....	Bro. W. LITTLER .....	1874

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the W. Master and Brethren of the " St. Laurence " Lodge for the excellent arrangements made for this meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge.

The W. Master of the " St. Laurence " Lodge suitably replied.

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master accepted the invitation of the " Worcester " Lodge, No. 280, to hold the next Annual Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge under the banner of that Lodge.

The R. W. Provincial Grand Master extended a cordial welcome to the visiting Brethren.

Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed in due form.



# Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire.

Antient Free and Accepted Masons.

## Especial Meeting

HELD AT THE MASONIC HALL, WORCESTER, on SATURDAY,

31st MAY, 1930, at 3.30 p.m.

*Present :*

The Right Worshipful Brother General Sir Francis J. Davies, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., D.S., P.G.D.  
PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER IN THE CHAIR; and

The Worshipful Brother W. T. Page, P.G.D.  
DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER;

Officers of Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge (Present and Past), Masters, Past Masters,  
and Wardens of the several Lodges in the Province.

Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form.

The Summons convening the Meeting was taken as read.

Apologies were announced from a number of Brethren.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master proposed that the recommendation of the General Committee, as to the proposed amendments to the Provincial By-Laws, be received.

Seconded by W. Bro. THOMAS MASON, P.P.G.W., and carried.

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master then put the following amendments to the Meeting, and they were duly adopted:—

BY-LAW No. 2.—To insert after "Past Provincial Grand Superintendents of Works" the words "Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies" and "Past Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies."

BY-LAW No. 4.—To cancel the present wording of "Every Lodge for each of its Contributing Members quarterly 6d." and substitute the following: "Every Lodge for each of its Contributing Members quarterly, 9d. (nine pence)."

BY-LAW No. 5.—To cancel the present Fee of Honour of £1 11s. 6d. for appointment to Provincial Office below the rank of Superintendent of Works, and substitute £2 2s. 0d.

To cancel the present Fee of Honour of 10s. 6d. for Provincial Grand Stewards, and substitute £1 1s. 0d.

The General Committee having recommended the following in substitution for By-Law No. 6.



BY-LAW No. 6.—“ The General Committee shall consist of the Provincial Grand Master, the Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Provincial Grand Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary, and the Honorary Secretary to the Provincial Charity Organization, with four Past Masters being Members of Provincial Grand Lodge, one of whom shall be appointed by the Provincial Grand Master and three to be elected by the Members of Provincial Grand Lodge at the Annual Meeting thereof next ensuing, thereafter one of the elected Members shall retire each year, but shall be eligible for re-election, such Member being the one who has been the longest in office. Nominations for the elected Members must be made in writing and forwarded to the Provincial Grand Secretary at least one month previous to the Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge at which the election takes place. In the event of a contest the election shall be by ballot.”

BY-LAW No. 6A.—“ The General Committee shall meet as required for the purpose of considering and reporting upon all financial matters of Provincial Grand Lodge administration and all matters referred to them by the Provincial Grand Master. Five to form a quorum.”

W. Bro. C. D. EATON, P.A.G.D.C., moved as an amendment to insert after the word “ Secretary ” on the second line “ Director of Ceremonies.”

This was seconded by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master and carried.

W. Bro. C. D. EATON, P.A.G.D.C., then moved as an amendment to the proposed new By-Law No. 6A that “ three ” be substituted for “ five ” in the last line, referring to the quorum.

This was seconded by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master and carried.

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master proposed that By-Law No. 15 be cancelled, and that the following be substituted:—

“ No alteration in, or addition to, these By-Laws shall be made excepting by Resolution carried at a Meeting of Provincial Grand Lodge by a majority of at least two-thirds of the Members present after due notice has been given to the Provincial Grand Secretary and inserted in the Summons for the Meeting.

“ At such Meeting any Member of Provincial Grand Lodge present may move an amendment to the alteration proposed, and such amendment shall be first put to the Meeting, and if carried, shall then be put as a substantive Resolution. If the proposed alteration or the amendment thereto shall be agreed to and afterwards confirmed and duly approved by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, the Provincial Grand Secretary shall enter the same in the Book of the By-Laws.

“ All By-Laws and Resolutions passed in Provincial Grand Lodge as above, shall require no confirmation except as provided in the Book of Constitutions.”

Seconded by W. Bro. J. E. BOTTOMLEY, P.P.G.W.

On the suggestion of W. Bro. M. JEFFRIES it was agreed to delete the words “ All ” and “ as above ” in the last clause.

The resolution was then put and carried.

The date for considering the confirmation of the alterations to By-Laws No. 4 and 5 (Book of Constitutions, Rule 204) was fixed for Saturday, 18th October, 1930.

The Rt. W. Provincial Grand Master referred in very feeling terms to the great loss the Province had sustained in the death of W. Bro. W. J. HILL, P.P.G.W., who had been a member of the General Committee since its inception. He had done admirable work for this Province and the City of Worcester, and in the capacity of a citizen had held very high office. The sympathy of the Province had already been extended to the deceased Brother's sister, and an expression of deep regret was ordered to be recorded in the Minutes.

Provincial Grand Lodge was then closed in due and solemn form.



Province of ~~W~~orcestershire.

MASONIC MILLION MEMORIAL FUND.

Return from Grand Lodge, July 1st, 1930.

				PAID		
				£	s.	d.
	Provincial Grand Lodge ..	..	..	105	0	0
	Provincial Grand Lodge—Interest	..	..	2	4	3
252	Harmonic ..	..	..	239	8	0
280	Worcester ..	..	..	131	5	0
377	Hope and Charity ..	..	..	277	6	6
498	Royal Standard ..	..	..	227	8	0
529	Semper Fidelis ..	..	..	232	16	0
560	Vernon ..	..	..	171	3	0
564	Stability ..	H.	..	477	15	0
573	Perseverance ..	H.	..	745	0	0
1097	St. Michaels ..	..	..	15	15	0
1204	Royds ..	..	..	192	11	6
1874	Lechmere Volunteer	H.	..	707	10	0
2034	Masefield ..	..	..	115	10	0
2385	Godson ..	H.	..	582	15	0
2654	Arter ..	H.	..	609	0	0
2724	St. Laurence ..	H.	..	921	1	0
3185	Stechford ..	..	..	103	19	6
3308	Abbot Lichfield..	..	..	113	1	0
3378	Page ..	..	..	272	18	5
3569	Avon ..	..	..	80	7	0
3638	Wyche ..	..	..	66	12	8
3643	Campbell ..	P.H.S.	..	244	13	0
3863	Kings Heath ..	..	..	178	3	6
3873	Mystic Quest ..	H.	..	593	5	0
3879	St. Mary's ..	..	..	15	15	0
4001	Kings Norton ..	..	..	198	15	0
4004	St. Werstan ..	..	..	10	10	0
4144	Pro Patria ..	H.	..	359	18	0
4437	Dudley Castle ..	..	..	162	15	0
4495	Bordesley ..	H.	..	305	11	0
4565	Fort Royal ..	..	..	68	15	6
4621	St. Edburgha ..	P.H.S.	..	389	7	8
4846	St. Nicolas ..	H.	..	164	19	0
4935	Ben Accore ..	H.	..	136	10	0
5028	Mosaic ..	H.	..	157	10	0
5035	Francis Davies ..	H.	..	131	5	0
5056	Northfield ..	H.	..	135	9	0
5064	The ..	H.	..	99	15	0
5091	St. Oswald's ..	H.	..	160	13	0
529	P.A.C. (see 529 Lodge)	..	5 5 0			
3308	R.A.C. (see 3308 Lodge)	..	5 5 0			
3863	R.A.C. (see 3863 Lodge)	..	2 2 0			
1874	R.A.C. (see 1874 Lodge)	..	10 10 0			
4144	Lodge (see 1874 Lodge)	..	21 0 0			
			Included in Lodge Lists			
			..	21	0	0
	TOTAL ..	..	..	£9,974	6	6

H.—Qualified Hall Stone Lodge.

P.H.S.—Promised to qualify as a Hall Stone Lodge.

CHARLIE D. EATON, P.A.G.D.C., P.P.G.W.,

Representative.



Province of Worcestershire Masonic  
Charity Organization.

REPORT OF THE CHARITY AND BENEVOLENT COMMITTEE

To be presented to the Provincial Grand Lodge at the Public Hall, Worcester, held under the Banner of the "Worcester" Lodge, No. 280, on Saturday, October 18th, 1930.

*Your Committee herewith present their Fiftieth Annual Report*

**T**HE subscriptions and donations this year amounted to £2,709 7s. 3d., as against £2,348 6s. 6d. last year. There are 1023 subscribers to the Organization tontine, as against 976 last year.

This year the Province supported the Benevolent Institution. The sum of £2,279 11s. 0d. was sent to the 88th Annual Festival on the 26th of February, 1930. The Festival was supported by 33 Dining Stewards, 97 Non-dining Stewards, 21 Lady Dining Stewards, 7 Lady Non-dining Stewards.

The Province has 4 Male Annuitants and 9 Female Annuitants receiving benefits from the R.M. Benevolent Institution. The amount of the Annuities is £760 per annum.

The sum of £157 7s. 0d. was sent up to the Girls' Institution at the 142nd Anniversary Festival held on the 24th of May, 1930, supported by 4 Stewards and 3 Lady Stewards.

There are 12 Girls receiving benefits from the R.M. Institution for Girls, estimated at £755 13s. for the year 1930.

The sum of £78 15s. 0d. was sent to the Boys' Institution at the 132nd Anniversary Festival held on the 11th of June, 1930, and was supported by 5 Stewards.

There are 9 Boys receiving benefits from the R.M. Institution for Boys, including an ex-pupil, G. S. N. Hughes, who is at St. Mary's Hospital, London, receiving grants in his career.



During the year the Province has given relief of £20 os. od. to the widow of a late Brother of the " St. Laurence " Lodge, No. 2724 ; and £10 10s. od. to the widow of a late Brother of the " Hope and Charity " Lodge, No. 377.

At the Charity Committee meeting held on the 25th of January, 1930, it was unanimously agreed that Brethren successful in the tontine ballot should be allowed, if they wish, to use the amount of their ballot for the purpose of subscribing to the Freemasons' Hospital and Nursing Home. Thirty-one Brethren allocated their tontine drawings to this Institution, to which, with donations, Brethren and Lodges the sum of £347 9s. od. has been contributed. The sum of £6 17s. 3d. has been received and paid over to the Samaritan Fund. This does not represent the whole amount contributed from the Lodges of the Province ; unfortunately, several amounts have been sent direct to the Institution instead of through the Organization, so that no record is kept. The total amount received by the Hospital is : Lodges, £54 2s. 2d. ; and Chapters, £16 15s.

The Committee wish to thank those Ladies and Brethren for their kind assistance, by their donations, to the Masonic Institutions.

ALFRED ALLEN, P.ASST G.S. D.B., P.P.G.W.,  
*Hon Secretary to the Organization.*

# Province of Worcestershire Masonic Charity Organization.

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS, 1929-30.

Presented by W. Bro. ALFRED ALLEN, P.Asst.G.Std.B., P.P.G.W., Hon. Secretary.

	Receipts.		Expenditure.		
	£	s.	£	s.	d.
To Balance in Bank					
Bank Interest	362	8			9
Lodge 252 Harmonic	89	5			0
" 280 Worcester	70	7			0
" 377 Hope and Charity	202	13			0
" 498 Royal Standard	74	1			0
" 529 Semper Fidelis	77	14			0
" 566 Vernon	29	7			0
" 564 Stability	48	6			0
" 573 Perseverance	49	7			0
" 1097 St. Michaels	52	9			6
" 1204 Royds	24	13			6
" 1874 Lechmere Volunteer	15	10			0
" 2034 Masefield	25	4			0
" 2385 Godson	59	1			6
" 2654 Arter	15	19			0
" 2724 St. Laurence	75	0			0
" 3185 Stechford	178	10			0
" 3308 Abbot Lichfield	93	9			6
" 3378 Page	77	14			0
" 3569 Avon	59	1			9
" 3638 Wyche	51	9			0
" 3643 Campbell	82	19			0
" 3863 Kings Heath	50	8			0
" 3873 Mystic Quest	178	10			0
" 3879 St. Mary's	30	9			0
" 4001 Kings Norton	77	14			0
" 4004 St. Werstan	24	3			0
" 4144 Pro Patria	40	19			0
" 4437 Dudley Castle	38	17			0
" 4495 Bordesley	54	12			0
" 4565 Fort Royal	51	9			0
" 4621 St. Edburgha	94	10			0
" 4846 St. Nicolas	100	16			0
" 4935 Bon Accord	141	15			0
" 5028 Mosaic	4	4			0
" 5035 Francis Davies	17	17			0
" 5056 Northfield	58	16			0
" 5064 Thistle	—	—			—
" 5094 St. Oswalds	—	—			—
	2709	9			3
	£3,088	14			6

*Audited and found correct.*

August 1st, 1930.

ERNEST G. APPS, Asst.G.Std.B., P.P.G.W., P.M. 2654 }  
T. H. WINTLE, P.P.G.W., P.M. 529 } Auditors.

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# Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire.

## REPORT

OF THE

### LIBRARY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

**T**HE Committee has pleasure in presenting its eighteenth report to the Provincial Grand Lodge.

At a Meeting of the Library and Museum General Committee held on July 27th, 1929, the resignation was received of W. Bro. C. D. EATON from the office of Vice-Chairman of the General Committee and Chairman of the Executive Committee; a position he had held for upwards of seventeen years. During the whole of this time he has displayed the keenest interest and at the same time been a most generous supporter; and the Committee feel the deepest regret that he should have found it necessary to relinquish the work.

Upon the proposition of W. Bro. W. T. PAGE, D.P.G.M. he was appointed a Vice-President of the Library and Museum Committee, so the Committee feel that they have not entirely lost the benefit of his long experience and wise counsel.

W. Bro. R. H. KING was elected Vice-Chairman in his place.

The Committee are gratified to report that during the year Brethren generally in the Province have evinced much more interest in the Library and Museum, and several parties have been personally conducted by the Hon. Librarian, by special appointment; and it is hoped that during the coming year Lodges will take advantage of any opportunity of visiting.

The Secretary will at any time be pleased to arrange visits of Brethren and friends who are desirous of seeing the Museum.

Attached is a list to date of subscriptions to the "Shackles" Fund, and the Committee desire again to thank those Masonic bodies for their generous support, which has enabled the sum of £1,100 to be repaid of the loans borrowed for the purchase of the collection.

The Committee wishes again to gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following gifts:—

Vols. A.Q.C., Mark Benevolent Jewel 1929, Masonic	
Year Book 1928-1929, Books .....	W. Bro. W. T. PAGE, D.P.G.M.
Books, Jewels, Aprons, and Menu Cards, two Shirt	
Studs .....	W. Bro. C. D. EATON.
Six Jewels, Apron and Collar, and K.T. Clothing....	Bro. J. W. MARTIN.
Draft Catalogue of York Lodge No. 236.....	W. Bro. G. Y. JOHNSON.

Vols. of Norfolk Installed Masters Lodge No. 3905..	W. Bro. GILBERT DAYNES.
Paper on the Beehive and Freemasonry .....	Bro. G. W. BULLAMORE.
Medals, Certificate, &c., of Fortitude and Old Cumber- land Lodge No. 12 .....	W. Bro. F. KNOWLES.
Four Jugs with Masonic Emblems, two Mugs and two Bowls .....	Purchased.
Founder's Jewel, Stechford R.A. Chapter No. 3185 ..	Founders.
Firing Glass .....	W. Bro. G. H. FOSTON.
Paper on the Lodge Summons: reprint from the transactions of the Dorset Masters Lodge, Vol. 19	W. Bro. S. J. FENTON
Two sets of R.A. Clothing, &c.....	St. Wulstan Chapter.
Souvenir of laying foundation stone, Shakespeare Memorial Theatre .....	W. Bro. T. H. WENTLE.
Description of Mosaic Lodge No. 5028 Banner.....	P.M.s of Lodge.
Thirteen Certificates of the late W. Bro. William Masfield, D.P.G.M. ....	Bro. J. V. MARTIN.
Watch Charm .....	W. Bro. D. OATLEY.
P.M. Jewel, Apron, Book .....	Bro. E. DAVIES.
Founder's Jewel .....	Bro. J. R. SANTON.
Consecrating Officer's Jewels, &c., of the late W. Bro. James Jones.....	Mrs. JONES.
Five Certificates of the late Walter Graham .....	Bro. W. LITTLER.
Silver Matchbox, the property of the late W. Bro. Somers .....	Mrs. SOMERS.
Papers .....	W. Bro. H. J. AUBREY.
Book and MSS. ....	W. Bro. C. H. COOK.
Grand Lodge Minutes.....	W. Bro. G. R. GIBSON.
Steward's Badge, 1928 M.M.B.L. ....	W. Bro. C. J. KNIGHT-COUTTS.
Song Book, Federation Lodge No. 4007 .....	W. Bro. G. E. NINESS.
Two Jugs and Firing Glass .....	Loaned by St. Laurence Lodge, No. 2724.
Armchair and set of three Tracing Boards.....	Loaned by Abbot Lichfield Lodge, No. 3308.

Attached is a Statement of Accounts for the past year; and the Committee desires once more to express its very sincere thanks to W. Bro. W. T. PAGE for the manner in which he has kept and presented its accounts; and to all the Masonic bodies in the Province for their generous financial assistance.

Signed on behalf of the General Committee,

**R. H. KING,**  
*Vice-Chairman.*

**F. J. UNDERWOOD,**  
*Hon. Librarian.*



Province of Worcestershire.

LIBRARY & MUSEUM—STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS, 1929-30.

**LIBRARY & MUSEUM.**

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Cash in Bank, 1/7/29 .. ..	8	19	11	Books, Glass, &c. . . . .	30	7	6
Contributions, &c. . . . .	104	8	6	Printing . . . . .	1	15	6
Bank Interest . . . . .	0	6	0	Furniture, Tables &c. . . . .	2	4	6
				Custodian . . . . .	15	0	0
				Sundries . . . . .	2	0	0
				Cash in Bank, 30/6/1930 . . . . .	55	6	11
	<u>£113</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>£113</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>

**NEW CATALOGUE RESERVE FUND.**

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Cash in Bank, 1/7/1929 .. ..	93	9	7	Cash in Bank, 30/6/1930 .. ..	94	17	3
Bank Interest . . . . .	1	7	0				
	<u>£94</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>£94</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>

**SHACKLES COLLECTION FUND.**

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Cash in Bank, 1/7/1929 .. ..	60	0	8	Interest on Loans . . . . .	34	6	8
Contributions &c. . . . .	255	12	0	Repayment of Loans . . . . .	230	0	0
Bank Interest . . . . .	0	0	2	Cash in Bank, 30/6/1930 .. ..	51	14	2
	<u>£316</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>£316</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10</u>

*Audited and found correct. July 22nd, 1930.*

W T. PAGE, D.P.G.M.,  
*Hon. Treasurer.*

T. H. WINTLE, P.P.G.W.,  
R. HARRY KING, Prov. J.G.W.,

*Auditors.*



## Subscriptions to the "Shackles" Fund.

### Donations and Lodge Contributions to date.

	£	s.	d.
Provincial Grand Lodge .. .. .	105	0	0
Provincial Grand Chapter .. .. .	40	15	0
Provincial Grand Mark Lodge .. .. .	15	15	0
Provincial Priory .. .. .	21	0	0
Lechmere-Hughes Chapter .. .. .	5	5	0
Arter Chapter .. .. .	8	8	0
Page Chapter .. .. .	5	5	0
Lechmere Mark Lodge .. .. .	10	10	0
Societas Rosicruciana I.A. .. .. .	10	10	0
St. Dunstan R.C. Chapter .. .. .	5	5	0
St. Nicolas R.C. Chapter .. .. .	5	5	0
Harmonic Lodge .. .. .	32	11	0
Worcester Lodge .. .. .	29	8	0
Hope and Charity Lodge .. .. .	29	8	0
Royal Standard Lodge .. .. .	52	10	0
Semper Fidelis Lodge .. .. .	29	6	0
Vernon Lodge .. .. .	50	4	0
Stability Lodge .. .. .	29	8	0
Perseverance Lodge .. .. .	37	16	0
St. Michael Lodge .. .. .	3	3	0
Royds Lodge .. .. .	33	13	0
Lechmere Volunteer Lodge .. .. .	52	10	0
Masefield Lodge .. .. .	32	11	0
Godson Lodge .. .. .	30	9	0
Arter Lodge .. .. .	50	0	0
St. Lawrence Lodge .. .. .	29	8	0
Stechford Lodge .. .. .	14	14	0
Abbot Lichfield Lodge .. .. .	29	8	0
Page Lodge .. .. .	52	10	0
Avon Lodge .. .. .	30	9	0
Wyche Lodge .. .. .	29	8	0
Campbell Lodge .. .. .	50	0	0
Kings Heath Lodge .. .. .	29	8	0
Mystic Quest Lodge .. .. .	21	0	0
St. Mary's Lodge .. .. .	10	10	0
Kings Norton Lodge .. .. .	26	5	0
St. Warran Lodge .. .. .	21	0	0
Pro Patria Lodge .. .. .	52	10	0
Dudley Castle Lodge .. .. .	52	10	0
Bardsey Lodge .. .. .	24	3	0
Port Royal Lodge .. .. .	29	8	0
St. Edburgha Lodge .. .. .	9	9	0
St. Nicolas Lodge .. .. .	12	12	0
Lodge of Don Accord .. .. .	6	6	0
Mosam Lodge .. .. .	2	2	0
Francis Davies Lodge .. .. .	—	—	—
Northfield Lodge .. .. .	4	4	0
Thistle Lodge .. .. .	—	—	—
Lodge of St. Oswald .. .. .	2	2	0
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£1265			2 0

The amount of purchase: £1,500.

The amount paid off to date: £1,100.

W. T. PAGE, D.P.G.M., *Treasurer.*

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## Donations to Benevolent Fund to 31st July, 1930.

Lodge No.						£	s.	d.
252	Harmonic	..	..	..	..	5	0	0
498	Royal Standard	..	..	..	..	5	5	0
529	Semper Fidelis	..	..	..	..	3	0	0
560	Vernon	..	..	..	..	2	3	0
564	Stability	..	..	..	..	3	3	0
573	Perseverance	..	..	..	..	3	3	0
1097	St. Michaels	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
1204	Royds	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
1874	Lechmere Volunteer	..	..	..	..	5	5	0
2034	Masefield	..	..	..	..	1	0	0
2385	Godson	..	..	..	..	3	13	6
2654	Arter	..	..	..	..	5	3	0
2724	St. Laurence	..	..	..	..	10	0	0
3185	Stechford	..	..	..	..	5	5	0
3308	Abbot Lichfield	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
3378	Page	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
3638	Wyche	..	..	..	..	3	3	0
3643	Campbell	..	..	..	..	3	3	0
3863	Kings Heath	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
3873	Mystic Quest	..	..	..	..	5	5	0
3879	St. Mary's	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
4001	Kings Norton	..	..	..	..	10	10	0
4004	St. Werston	..	..	..	..	3	3	0
4144	Pro. Paola	..	..	..	..	3	3	0
4437	Dunham Castle	..	..	..	..	5	5	0
4565	St. Royal	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
4627	St. Edburgla	..	..	..	..	5	5	0
4840	St. Nicolas	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
4935	Bon Accord	..	..	..	..	3	3	0
5028	Mosaic	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
5035	Francis Davies	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
5056	Northfield	..	..	..	..	10	10	0
5064	Whistle	..	..	..	..	2	2	0
						130	15	6
R.A. Chapter No.	1874	Lechmere Hughes	..	..	..	2	2	0
"	2034	Masefield	..	..	..	2	2	0
"	2654	Arter	..	..	..	10	10	0
"	3308	Abbot Lichfield	..	..	..	2	2	0
"	3643	Campbell	..	..	..	2	2	0
						£149	13	6

H. V. STANTON,

*Prov. G. Treasurer pro tem.*