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FROM  
THE MASONIC HALL  
WORCESTER



**Consecration**  
OF THE  
**St. Werstans Lodge**  
(No. 4004),

By the Right Wor. Prov. Grand Master,  
Lieut.-Gen. Sir Francis Davies, K.C.B.,  
etc.,

AT  
The Masonic Hall, Malvern,

ON  
**Saturday, November 1, 1919, at 3 p.m.**

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V. W. Bro. The Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Worcester, P.G.C., Master Designate.

W. Bro. Dr. William Hammond, P.G.D., S.W. Designate.

W. Bro. J. V. Williams, P.P.G.D.C., J.W. Designate.

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The Lodge will be close tyled at 3 p.m.

# Consecration Ceremony.

1. The Brethren assemble in the Lodge Room.
2. The Consecrating Officer, having entered in procession with the Grand Officers, takes the Chair and appoints his officers.
3. The Lodge is opened in the Three Degrees.

## 4. Opening Hymn.

Hail, Eternal, by whose aid, All created things were made, Heaven and earth Thy vast design, Hear us, Architect Divine.	May our work, begun in Thee, Ever blest with order be; And may we when labours cease 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.
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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 Director of Ceremonies 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. Antient.

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.—GLORY 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 II. Chron., Chap. ii., verses 1 to 16.
22. The Consecrating Officer directs the Lodge Board to be uncovered.

## The Consecration,

during which the elements of Consecration are carried round the Lodge.

23. 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.

24. The Consecrating Officer scatters corn—The symbol of Plenty.

25. *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.

26. The Chaplain reads Psalm lxxii., verse 16.

27. 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.

28. The Consecrating Officer pours Wine—the symbol of Joy and Peacefulness

29. *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.

30. The Chaplain reads Nehemiah, Chap. x., verse 39.

31. The Brethren sing—

And we have come, fraternal bands,  
With joy and pride and prosperous spoil,  
To honour Him by votive hands,  
With streams of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

32. The Consecrating Officer pours Oil—the symbol of Peace and Unanimity.

33. *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.

34. The Chaplain reads Exodus Chap. xxx., verses 25 and 26.

35. The Brethren sing—

Now o'er our work this sign we shower  
Emblem of Thy constant power;  
And may Thy presence, Lord, we pray,  
Keep this our temple from decay.

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

37. *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.

38. The Chaplain reads Leviticus, Chap. ii., verse 13.

39. **The Consecrating Officer Dedicates the Lodge.**

40. **Antem.**

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. Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house; they shall always be praising Thee.  
Hallelujah!

41. The Chaplain takes the Censer round the Lodge.

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. **Antem.**

47. **Patriarchal Benediction.**

48. Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be."

## Lodge Business.

### THE INSTALLATION OF THE MASTER DESIGHATE.

The Treasurer will be elected.

The Charity Steward will be elected.

The Tyler will be elected.

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

Election of two Representatives to Prov. Charity Committee.

Election of Management Committee.

Brethren wishing to join the Lodge will be proposed as original members.

Candidates for Initiation will be proposed.

Collection of Alms.

The Lodge will be closed. The R.W. the Prov. Grand Master and the Grand Officers of England will retire with the W. Master, while the Brethren all stand.

### Founders.

THE VERY WOR. BRO. THE RIGHT REV. LORD BISHOP OF WORCESTER, P.G.C.

WOR. BRO. DR. WILLIAM HAMMOND, P.G.D., etc.

“ “ W. T. PAGE, P.G.D.

“ “ FREDERICK H. ADAMS, P.Asst. G.D.C.

“ “ JOHN VINCENT WILLIAMS, P.P.D.C.

“ “ JAMES WOODYATT, Prov. S.G. Warden.

“ “ C. P. GREEN, P.P.G.S.W.

“ “ E. W. LARKWORTHY, P.P.G.R.

“ “ R. E. L. EVANS, P.P.S.G.D.

“ “ DR. BERT JORDAN, P.P.S.G.D.

“ “ C. F. GETTINGS, Prov. S.G.D.

“ “ D. J. SHEDDON, P.P.S.G.D.

“ “ DOUGLAS RUSSELL, P.P.G.Sid B.

“ “ E. LARKHAM, P.P.G.R.

“ “ F. J. TAYLOR, P.P.G.D.

“ “ REV. R. BURGESS BAYLY.