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Ch. of DUDLEY, no. 252

1. Minutes of Harmonic of no. 313 (252) for 14<sup>th</sup> May  
1844 record that

Wm. Shedden  
Morris  
Wasefield  
Harper  
& Patterson

comprised a Comtee to enquire into the  
costs of a Royal Arch Chapter.

2. On 13<sup>th</sup> July 1844 a Petition was drawn up  
for submission to Grand Chapter.

It recommended:-

John Windows HARRIS, of St. Peter's Ch. A. = 109 (W. of 109) as Z  
~~Rev. H. R. Slade~~

John SHEDDEN - Ch. of St. Titus no. 51 (43) - H  
James MORRIS " " " " " " - J

other Founders:-

Rev. H. R. SLADE, D.D.

Paul LAW

Joseph SPENCER

G. S. CLARKE,

Thomas CLEGG

C. W. DARRBY

3. Warrant (Chapter) dated 14<sup>th</sup> August 1844.

\* Consecration took place on (Fri) 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1844.

at the Grand Inn, Dudley.

4. The consecration was carried out by:-

E. Comp.	John Window Harris	as (Z)
anxiety "	Rev. Henry Robert Slade, D.D.	as (H)
" "	Jouis Charles de fonde	as (J)
Comp.	Thomas Cleas	as S. E.
"	George Hilton	as S. N.
"	Moses Drummond	as P. Soj <sup>r</sup>
"	Thomas Tiddes Meryall	as Asst. "
"	Paul Law	as " "
"	John Shedden	as Janitor

5. Immediately after the Consecration (by the Bishop)  
(Chapter) E. Comp. Shedden & Comp. fall respectively  
proposed & seconded that as candidates for exaltation

Brs. William Wasefield, W<sup>m</sup> Colburn Robinson, John Bolton, & Alexander Patterson (all members of Harmonia L. No. 313 (252). The ballot was clear & they were thereupon elected and appointed as follows:-

- Comp. John Bolton — Se. E.,
- " John Pateman — " N.
- " W<sup>m</sup> Wasefield — P. Top
- " Alexander Patterson — West.
- " Thomas Payne — " "
- " W. C. Robinson — Janitor.

Comp. Alexander Patterson was the landlord of the Swan Inn, in which the Chapter met.

Comp W<sup>m</sup> Wasefield, at this time aged 43, was initiated in Harmonia L. No. 313 (252) on 5<sup>th</sup> July 1842 & installed as W. M. in 1846 & again in 1862. He was appointed the first Provincial Senior Grand Warden of the ~~Province~~ Province of Worcesterline in 1844, Prov. G. Treasurer in 1852, which Office he held until 1873. He relinquished the Treasurership on his appointment by R. W. Br. Alexander Tobie (presumably on the advice of W. Br. W. W. Hoden, Dep. P. G. M.). As Dep. P. G. M. until the age of 81 he served the Province with great distinction.

① Alexander Tobie was at this time <sup>simultaneously,</sup> P. G. M. & Grand Registrar.