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A continuation of Reminiscences
of the Worcester Lodge of Freemasons
No 280 "

In recording the many phases
of prosperity and depression of this
ancient lodge which has
^{made good} ~~established~~ its claim to hold a
Centenary Festival in honor of the
establishment of the lodge ~~in the year~~
on the day of 1790
it will be both interesting and
pleasing to record an unbroken
continuation of the workings of the
several degrees of Freemasonry down
to the present day.

There are few lodges in England
that can boast so long a period
~~of~~ produce evidences of so long a
successful career, successful it
must have been to have withstood
the many ~~the~~ mid night storms &
tempests ~~and~~ which it has passed
guided by those worthy and
distinguished Brethren who have borne
the heat & burden of the day and are
now numbered amongst the past.

The lodge does not appear to have
at any time suffered from ^{lack} want
of funds as we learn from the
gentlest accounts that the Fraternity
were wealthy having good funds
in hand & possessing an excellent
stock of choice wines and valuable

furniture and other effects

There is in record a list of Members of a Lodge of Freemasons No 60 which was held at the Masons Arms in Great Fifth Street Worcester under the Ashol constitutions, but afterwards at the Falcon Inn in Sicbury.

1790

At the time of the formation of the Lodge George III was on the throne of Great Britain.

~~Three of years later King Louis XVI of France was executed~~

it was only a few years previously that the independence of the United States of America was consolidated and acknowledged as was also the earliest settlement in Australia

1793

3 years later Louis XVI of France was executed guillotined on January 21st 1793 and immediately following the formation of the First Republic of France - within a short time

~~the~~ followed the victorious England and since the supremacy of her navy fell by the victorious Battles fought by

1794

had have in 1794 at ~~and~~ ~~years later~~ by Nelson's ~~victorious~~ Battle of the Nile, ~~4 years later~~ - at this time

1798

the Irish Rebellion broke out and continued to cause much anxiety until the Union of ~~xxx~~ Great Britain & Ireland was accomplished in 1801

1801

1805

Three years ~~later~~ later Nelson ~~met~~ ^{received} his death wound at the Battle of Trafalgar

Most wonderful preservation of European history

1811

The failing health of George III
made it necessary to ~~appoint~~^{elect} a
a Regency when his eldest son
~~was~~ afterwards George IV was
appointed

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List of Masters in 280 Lodge

- 1870
- 1 Tidcock Chas Foley
 - 2 Smith W^d Lamb
 - 3 Griffiths C. C. W.
 - 4 Sylvester A. A.
 - 5 Gregg C.
 - 6 Stallard W^W
 - 7 Faraw C. S.
 - 8 Lewis J. H.
 - 9 Buck J. R.
 - 10 Lingham J. H.
- 1880
- 1 Wilson J. B. Red
 - 2 Barkley W^W
 - 3 Rowe H^W
 - 4 Budd H. S.
 - 5 Beauchamp A. J.
 - 6 Smith Carrington. C. R. O. S.
 - 7 Rowe A. B.
 - 8 Ferris H. R.
 - 9 Haine W. B.
 - 10 Wood J. S.

to conclude the task of completing the history of Lodge
with meagre materials ~~and~~ a duty surrounded with many
difficulties

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It doesn't
seem that
at York
the assumed
authentic
authority
was great

the incompleteness and paucity of old
Masonic Histories as accounted for by the
fact of - primitive days of our history
not to be surprised - secret societies flourish
each parcel 12 July 1798 per 185 page 11
for felony - such being the case naturally we
that all true sources of information were
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King Arhelstan granted in 926 A.D.
Royal charter to the Brethren Prince Edwin
a charter to permit the assembling of
Masons at York with power to manage
its own affairs (as can then be seen) which
appears in some very many years to
have been one of the centres of Freemasonry.
Hence it is not after years the departure &
assimilation from the Grand Lodge that
was formed in London see W. Austin's
"Illustrations of Masonry"
Responsibility of collecting interesting data and
evidences, conducting researches. The interpretations
of wordly signs which form our very constitutions
are withheld from the public. Refer to Bro
Red Martyr's sermons at Worcester Cathedral
original.
Lodge cultivate in entrance for Northern
going abroad (see blank) form.
a blank occurs in several the numbers of

Rt. Hon
Bro. Robert
Leslie Grand
Decy 1790-

several Lodges about the years 1790
to 1813 - (see 185 Lodge page 11)

14
+ Sept 29 1800 returns attending Magistrates
making returns a course compulsory then
Act passed July 12 1798 see page 11. (185)

see No 185 ^{page} 15 for particulars as to Union of 2
Grand Lodges

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What have we entrusted to Inspectors

~~May~~ 1834 Grand Lodge contributed £1000
to Patriotic Fund

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Stone Masons Arms
Great Fish Street. March 16th 1757

W^m Welsh

Jos Ashure

Jos Burnet

Th^o Nash

Walter Daynes, *A. Mactates, Mayor of Worcester 1760*

Robt Morris

Th^o Freeman

Jno Daynes

Th^o Clay

Th^o Ashton

Jno Evans

Th^o Lawrence

W^m Field *died Feb 26 1767 aged 89 Buried at Albans. Hat also East End*

Robt Hanway

Lewis Barber

Jno Hering

David Rhodes

Jno Stott

Th^o Mills

Jes Lingham

Jno Stephens

Th^o Mills

Th^o Hill *monumental inscription - St Nicholas late of this parish aged 67*

Sam^l Corfield

W^m Dutch

Ben Orick

Ed Amis

Robt Hancock

Jes Crompton

Jos Orton

Th^o Sappinro *died Feb 28 1777 at ^{Alms in} St Andrews aged 74*

Ed Abby

W^m Jenkins

Wm Bayrham

Wm Lawrence

Jno Cox

H^o Higgins

H^o Wood

Paul Geary } Mary wife of Chas Geary died May 22 1757
at St. Helen's }
Wm 26 }

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Stone Masons Arms
Great North St. Nch 16

1757

W^m Welch
 Jas Arthur
 Jas Burnett
 Th^s Nash
 Walter Haynes
 Robt Morris
 Th^s Freeman
 Jm Haynes
 Th^s Clay
 Th^s Arthur
 Jm Evans
 Th^s Lawrence
 W^m Field
 Robt Hanway
 Lem Barber
 Jm Henry
 Daniel Adams
 Jm Stott
 Th^s Mills

a member
 of
 the
 Grand
 Lodge
 of
 the
 Free
 and
 Accepted
 Masons
 of
 the
 County
 of
 Worcester
 in
 the
 Year
 1760

~~M 234~~

~~M 235~~

~~M 236~~

~~M 237~~

~~M 238~~

~~M 239~~

~~M 240~~

~~M 241~~

W^m Field died Feb 25 1760
 Buried St Abans Hall Street &c

M 461 4

M 715

Geo Lynham

Jno Stephens

Thos Miles

Thos Hill

Saml Cowfeld

Wm Sutch

Ben Price

Ed Amis

Robt Hancock

Geo Compton

John O'Neil

M. ~~Widow~~

Thos Jenkins

Ed ~~Widow~~

Wm Jenkins

Geo Lynham

Wm Lawrence

Jno Cox

Thos Higgins

Thos Wood

Paul Jersey

Mary wife of Chas Seamy

aged 22 1767
St Helen

1777
aged 74
St Andrew

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