

MOSELEY MASONIC HALL

INSTITUTE ROAD, KING'S HEATH.

Opening Ceremony
and
Dedication.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26TH, 1918.

DEDICATION

OF

Masonic Temple

AT THE

MOSELEY MASONIC HALL,

INSTITUTE ROAD, KING'S HEATH.

On Monday, August 26th, 1918, at 3 p.m.,

BY

THE VERY WORSHIPFUL BRO. P. COLVILLE SMITH,
Grand Secretary.

ASSISTED BY

Wor. Bro. W. T. PAGE, F.G.D., Deputy Prov. Grand Master in charge.
Wor. Bro. JOHN SUCKLING PRITCHETT, S.G.D. . . . as S.W.
Wor. Bro. the Rev. G. F. HOUGH, Asst. G. Chap. . . . as J.W.
Very Wor. Bro. the Rev. O. C. COCKREM, LL.D., P.G.D. . . . as Chap.
Wor. Bro. A. D. HANSELL, P.G.D. . . . as D. of C.
Wor. Bro. HOWARD L. RAWSON, Prov. G.D.C. . . . as Asst. D. of C.
Wor. Bro. G. C. KENT, P.G.A.D.C. . . . as I. G.



Under the Banner of
The Lechmere Volunteer Lodge, No. 1874,
W. Bro. Charlie D. Eaton, P.G.Std.B.,
Worshipful Master.

Order of Procedure.

1. The Brethren will assemble in the Masonic Temple.
2. The Lodge will be opened in the three degrees by W. Bro. Charlie D. Eaton, W. Master, Lechmere Volunteer Lodge, No. 1874, assisted by—

Wor. Bro.	T. H. Dean, W.M. 2034	...	...	...	as S.W.
" "	W. H. Collier, I.P.M. 2654	...	...	...	as J.W.
" "	W. Lovett, P.M., Chap. 1874	...	...	...	as Chap.
" "	R. H. Peck, Sec. 1874	...	...	...	as Secretary
" "	A. C. Mason, P.M. 2034 Prov. S.G.W.	...	...	...
	W.M. Designate 3873...	...	...	...	as D.C.
" "	C. Bradon Allen, W.M. 3642	...	...	...	as S.D.
" "	C. P. Perry, P.M. 2654, Prov. G. Treasurer	...	...	...
	W.M. Designate 2263	...	...	...	as J.D.
" "	G. A. Russell, Orgt. 3642	...	...	...	as Orgt.
" "	A. R. Winn, P.M. 2034, P.P.G.S. B.	...	...	...
	W.M. Designate 3878	...	...	...	as I.G.

3. A Procession will be formed and enter the Temple in the following order :—
 - Present and Past Grand Officers.
 - The Acting Inner Guard carrying the Chalice with Oil.
 - The Acting Junior Warden carrying the Chalice with Wine.
 - The Acting Senior Warden carrying the Cornucopia with Corn.
 - The Acting Chaplain.
 - The Dedicating Officer and the Deputy Provincial Grand Master in charge.
4. The Dedicating Officer will take the Chair.
5. The Acting Wardens will take the Wardens' Chairs.
6. The D.P.G.M. in charge and the Grand Officers will be saluted.

7.

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.

8. The Dedicating Officer will address the Brethren on the motive of the meeting, and call upon the Chaplain to give

9.

Opening Prayer.

10. Chant (*omnes*) " So mote it be."

11. The Architect will hand in the plans of the completed structure.

12. The Dedicating Officer will address the Architect.

13. The Chairman of the Committee will address the Dedicating Officer and request him to Dedicate the Temple to Masonic Purposes.

14. The Dedicating Officer will signify his consent and call upon the Chaplain for

The Oration.

15.

Anthem.

Now thank we all our God,
With hearts, and hands, and voices,
Who wondrous things have done,
In Whom His world rejoices ;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath bless'd us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours to-day.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us ;
And keep us in His Grace,
And guide us when perplex'd,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

16. **Dedication Prayer** (First portion).
17. Chant (*omnes*) " So mote it be."
18. **The Invocation.**
19. Chant (*omnes*) " So mote it be."
20. The Chaplain will read —2 Chron., Chap. ii. verses 1 to 16.
21. The Dedicating Officer and Wardens carry the Elements of Consecration Thrice round the Lodge halting in the East after each perambulation.
22. Before the First Circuit the Brethren sing
When once of old in Israel,
Our early Brethren wrought with toil,
Jehovah's blessing on them fell
In showers of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.
23. The Dedicating Officer scatters Corn—the symbol of Plenty.
24. *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.
25. The Chaplain reads Psalm lxxii, verse 16.
26. The Dedicating Officer dedicates the Temple to FREE-MASONRY
27. Before the Second Circuit 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 Dedicating Officer pours Wine—the symbol of Joy and Cheerfulness.
29. *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.
30. The Chaplain reads Nehemiah, Chap. x, verse 39.
31. The Dedicating Officer dedicates the Temple to VIRTUE.

32. Before the Third Circuit 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.

33. The Dedicating Officer pours Oil—the symbol of Peace and Unanimity.

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

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

36. The Dedicating Officer dedicates the Temple to UNIVERSAL BENEVOLENCE.

37. Sanctus—

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty,
Heaven and Earth are full of Thy Glory,
Glory be to Thee O Lord Most High.

38. The Chaplain takes the Censer Thrice round the Temple and halts in the East.

39. Chant (*omnes*) "So mote it be."

40. **Antiphon.**

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone ;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

O God our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

41. **Patriarchal Benediction.**

42. Chant (*omnes*) "So mote it be."

43. The D.P.G.M. in charge assumes the Chair.

44. The Wor. Bro. W. B. Hammond addresses the D.P.G.M. in charge and requests him to unveil the Hughes Memorial Throne, and to accept same from the Brethren of the Lechmere Volunteer Lodge as a gift to the Committee.
45. The D.P.G.M. in charge addresses the meeting and unveils the Throne.
46. Wor. Bro. A. C. Mason offers a gift of the Senior Wardens' Chair from the Brethren of the Mystic Quest Lodge, No. 3873.
47. Wor. Bro. C. P. Perry offers a gift of the Junior Wardens' Chair from the Brethren of the King's Heath Lodge, No. 3863.
48. The D.P.G.M. in charge accepts the gifts on behalf of the Committee.
49. The Wor. Master resumes the Chair.
50. The D.P.G.M. in charge and the Grand Officers retire in Procession.
51. The Lodge is closed in the three degrees.

52.

Closing Hymn.

God Save the King.

God save our gracious King,
 Long live our noble King,
 God save the King.
 Send him victorious,
 Happy and glorious,
 Long to reign over us ;
 God save the King.
 O Lord, our God arise,—
 Scatter his enemies,
 And make them fall ;
 Confound their politics,
 Frustrate their knavish tricks ;
 On Thee our hopes we fix,—
 God save us all.
 Thy choicest gifts in store
 On him be pleased to pour,
 Long may he reign,
 May he defend our laws,
 And ever give us cause
 To sing with heart and voice
 God save the King.

Moseley Masonic Hall.

Trustees—

- WOR. BRO. CHARLIE D. EATON, P.G.Std.B., W.M. 1874.
" " A. W. WATSON, P.P.G.D., P.M., 2034.
" " T. L. GRIFFITHS, P.P.A.G.D.C., P.M. 3643.

Committee—

- WOR. BRO. CHARLIE D. EATON, Chairman
" " C. BRADON ALLEN, W.M. 3643
" " E. G. APPS, P.M. 2654, P.P.G.F.
" " W. H. COLLIER, I.P.M., 2654.
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" " H. L. RAWSON, P.M. 1873, Prov. G.D.C.
" " W. C. RICHARDS, P.M., 2034.
" " A. W. WATSON, P.M. 3879, P.P.G.D.

Architect—

- WOR. BRO. ARTHUR HARRISON, P.M. 3034, P.P.G.S.W.M.

Solicitor—

- BRO. W. COLEY, Secretary 2034.

Hon Treasurer—

- WOR. BRO. H. C. J. HILLS, P.M. 2034.

Hon. Secretary—

- WOR. BRO. A. C. MASON, P.M. 2034, Prov. S.G.W.,
W.M. Designate 3873.

Caretaker—

- BRO. GEO. BLAKEMORE, Tyler 2034.