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HOLDING UNDER THE
GRAND LODGE OF ANTIENT, FREE
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OF SCOTLAND

No. 1372, S. C.
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WARRANT DATED 6th NOVEMBER 1930

· CONSECRATED JANUARY 12th 1931.

Approved by Grand Lodge in 1945

I Lodge Meetings.

1 All Meetings shall be held within the Masonic Rooms, Muristan, Jerusalem.

2. The Regular Meetings shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month from October to June inclusive at 6 p.m., or at such other hour as the Lodge at the previous Regular Meeting may appoint.

3. The Annual Meeting shall be the Regular Meeting held in December of each year. At that Meeting the elective Office-Bearers and the elective members of the Standing Committees shall be nominated and elected.

4. The Installation Meeting shall be the Regular Meeting held on the Second Wednesday in January.

5. All the Meetings referred to in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 above shall be convened by circular letters delivered or posted to

every qualified member at least 7 days previously.

6. All Emergency or Special Meeting shall be convened by circular letters delivered or posted to qualified members at least five days previously.

7. The circulars of every Meeting at which applications for membership are to be considered, shall set forth the particulars required by Law 179.

II Office-Bearers.

8. The Office-Bearers shall be the Master, Immediate Past Master, Depute Master, Substitute Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Director of Ceremonies, Organist, Bible Bearer, Inner Guard, Two Stewards, and the Tyler.

9. The Master shall appoint his Depute. All elective Office-Bearers shall be elected annually by the Lodge. the General Com-

mittee shall prepare beforehand a list of Brethren to be recommended to the Lodge for election to the various elective offices. This list shall appear in the circular convening the Annual Meeting in December.

10. The Secretary, Treasurer and Tyler may receive such remuneration for their services as may be agreed upon at the Annual Meeting.

III Standing Committees.

11. The General Committee for the management of the affairs of the Lodge, shall consist of the Master, all Past Masters of the Lodge who are qualified members thereof, the Senior and Junior Wardens, the Secretary and Treasurer, and two other qualified members of the Lodge elected annually.

12. The Committee of Enquiry shall consist of the office-Bearers named in Law 177 and two other qualified members of the Lodge elected annually.

13. The Audit Committee shall consist of

two qualified members who are not members of the General Committee. They shall be appointed annually. They shall examine the Secretary's books and papers, audit the Treasurers books and Accounts for the year then current, ending 31st December, take an inventory of Lodge jewels, clothing, furniture and other property, and report in writing not later than 14 days prior to the Regular Meeting held in February, at which Meeting the annual Accounts and Reports shall be submitted and considered. The Abstract Statement of Accounts, with the Balance Sheet and the Audit Committee's Report, shall be printed or typewritten, and a copy sent to each qualified member with the circular convening the regular Meeting in February.

14. The Lodge Welfare Committee shall consist of the Chaplain, and two other qualified members appointed annually. They shall visit all sick and ailing Brethren, and report on all such cases at each Regular

Meeting. two shall from a Quoram.

IV Fees.

15. The fee for Entering, Passing and Raising shall be Fifteen Pounds Palestine the whole of which shall be paid previous to Entering and shall entitle the candidate to a Grand Lodge Diploma as a Master Mason.

16. The fee for the Mark (Registration and diploma) shall be 125 mils (2/6d British Sterling).

17. The fee for the affiliation of a Member of the Scottish Constitution shall be:—

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| Master Mason, | LP. 3 (Three) |
| Fellow of Craft, | LP. 4 (Four). |
| Entered Apprentice, | LP. 5 (Five). |

18. The fee for the affiliation of members of other Constitutions shall be Two Palestine Pounds in excess of each of the sums mentioned in paragraph 17 above.

19. The above fees shall include the cost of registration in Grand Lodge and Diploma.

20 In addition, each Initiate and each affiliate from another Constitution shall pay the sum set forth in the First Schedule to Grand Lodge Laws, Part 1, item (eleven).

21. The Annual Contribution due by each Master Mason of the Lodge shall be Palestine Pounds One and Five hundred mils, (LP. 1.500 mils) payable in advance at or before the Annual Meeting in December.

22. Any Master Mason of the Lodge residing outside Palestine may, on giving notice in writing, become a non-resident member. The annual contribution due by each non-resident member shall be Five hundred mils Palestine, payable as provided in the preceding paragraph. Should he again become resident in Palestine the annual contribution due by him while so resident shall be LP. 1.500 mils as provided in the preceding paragraph, the first payment being due at the first Annual Meeting.

ting occurring after the date of his return to Palestine.

23. Any qualified member shall be entitled, on payment of one hundred and twenty five mils, to a Demit signed by the Master and Secretary of the Lodge and countersigned by the Grand Secretary.

V. Admission.

Every applicant for admission, whether Intransit or Affiliate, shall be proposed and seconded by two qualified members, and shall sign with his proposer and seconder, an application form containing the particulars and declarations required by Law 175. The application will then be dealt with in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of Grand Lodge and the Second Schedule thereto.

25. Two Black Balls will exclude.

VI. Benevolent Fund.

26. The Benevolent Fund shall receive 20% of each Annual Contribution including

arrears paid; any donations, subscriptions or legacies which may be received for the purpose, and any sums voted from the General Fund after due notice.

27. The Benevolent Fund shall be administered by the General Committee, subject to confirmation by the Lodge at the next Regular Meeting.

28. The Master may give Casual relief at his own discretion, but in no case shall the sum so given exceed One Palestine Pound to any one individual.

VII. General.

29. The book containing the Roll of Members, shall be signed by every Intransit in open Lodge immediately after his Initiation or Affiliation, and his subscription thereto shall be held as his assent to and approval of these Bye-Laws, a copy of which shall have been handed to him.

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