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“At the early meetings of the Founders a number of names were suggested, but it was decided after full consideration to adopt the name “Summit.” Maybe a high sounding name, as such however it should prove an inspiration to the Brethren, to rise to a high Masonic standard in their lives and actions. It did not suggest in this new Lodge heights already attained, but the substance of those hoped for in its members. Hence also the Motto “MIHI SUMMA MONS”

“In the near neighbourhood of these Masonic Rooms there is an area of land spoken of in local history, as the “SUMMIT.” On this site was placed that wonderful bridge designed by Telford; Engineer, Roadmaker, Architect and Artificer in Metals. It has therefore been adopted as a feature in the Badge with the hill in the background.”

“Over the hill are depicted 7 Stars, serving to illustrate those Virtues which the founders dared to hope all the Brethren of the Summit Lodge would strive to attain.”

“These Virtues, especially Faith, Hope and Charity are referred to in the course of our Lectures. In the 4th Section of the 1st Lecture we read that the Mason who is possessed of them ‘May justly be deemed to have attained the SUMMIT of his profession’ figuratively speaking, an ethereal mansion, veiled from mortal eyes by the starry firmament, emblematically depicted in our Lodges by Seven Stars, which have an allusion to as many regularly made Masons; without which number no Lodge is perfect, neither can any Candidate be legally initiated into the Order.”

THE SUMMIT TOAST

“May every Mason attain the Summit of his profession, where the just will most assuredly meet their due reward.”