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# Programme of the Ceremonial

to be observed on the occasion of

## THE INSTALLATION OF

### W.:Bro. William Allen Douglass Russell

Deputy District Grand Master in charge,

as

### Right Worshipful

### District Grand Master for Natal

on

FRIDAY, THE 22nd MARCH, 1935,

in the

MASONIC HALL, SMITH STREET, DURBAN,

at 8 p.m.

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#### INSTALLING OFFICER:

R.:W.: Bro. ROBERT R. PERROTT,

District Grand Master of South Africa (Eastern Division).





## Order of Proceedings.

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1. The Brethren assemble in the Masonic Hall at 7.30 o'clock, p.m.
2. W.:Bro. A. N. Scott, P.G.D. (Eng.), Past Deputy District Grand Master, and Officers of District Grand Lodge enter in procession, 7.45 p.m.
3. W.:Bro. A. N. Scott takes the Chair and opens District Grand Lodge.
4. The Presiding Officer is saluted, under the direction of the District Grand Director of Ceremonies, with the honours due to his rank.
5. The District Grand Chaplain recites Psalm cxxxiii.
6. Hymn: (O Hundredth):  

All people that on earth do dwell  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,  
Come ye before Him, and rejoice.  
*So mote it be.*
7. The District Grand Secretary reads the Summons convening this Especial Communication of District Grand Lodge and calls the Roll of Lodges and Roll of District Grand Lodge Officers.
8. Provincial and District Grand Masters, and official representatives of Provincial and District Grand Lodges, of other Constitutions are announced, admitted and saluted.



9. The Presiding Officer addresses the Brethren upon the object of this Especial Communication of District Grand Lodge.

10. R.:W.: Bro. R. R. Perrott, District Grand Master of South Africa, Eastern Division, the Installing Officer, is announced.

11. The Presiding Officer directs the District Grand Director of Ceremonies to withdraw with seven District Grand Lodge Officers, to conduct R.:W.: Bro. Perrott into the Lodge.

12. The Deputation withdraws, and, heralded by sound of trumpet, re-enters the Lodge in procession with the R.:W.: District Grand Master of South Africa, Eastern Division, the Brethren standing to order.

13. Hymn: (Tune—Old Hundredth):

Genius of Masonry descend,  
And with thee bring thy spotless train,  
Do at our sacred rites attend,  
Whilst we adore thy peaceful reign.

*So mote it be.*

14. The Presiding Officer welcomes R.:W.: Bro. Perrott, hands him the gavel and takes a seat at the left of the chair.

15. R.:W.: Bro. Perrott takes the chair as Installing Officer, and is saluted, under the direction of the District Grand Director of Ceremonies, with the honours due to his rank.

16. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies announces that W.: Bro. William Allen Douglas Russell, Deputy District Grand Master in charge; R.: Wor. District Grand Master Designate for Natal, is without awaiting admission for the purpose of Installation.

17. The R.:W.: Installing Officer directs the District Grand Director of Ceremonies to retire and to bring to him the Patent of Appointment of the District Grand Master Designate, to enable him to see if it be in order.

18. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies retires and returns with the Patent of Appointment which he hands to the R.:W.: Installing Officer.

19. The Patent being in order, it is passed to the District Grand Registrar; and the R.:W.: Installing Officer directs that the District Grand Master Designate be admitted, and appoints a Deputation of seven District Grand Officers to retire with the District Grand Director of Ceremonies to conduct him into the Lodge.



20. The Deputation withdraws and, heralded by sound of trumpet, re-enters the Lodge in procession with the District Grand Master Designate, the regalia borne before him by two D.:G.:Asst.D.:C's, the Brethren standing to order.

21. Hymn:

Lord, do thou all our Rulers bless  
With wisdom, strength, and happiness;  
May they our Ancient Art defend,  
And all our powers for good extend.

*So mote it be.*

22. The District Grand Master Designate is placed before the Pedestal, the members of the Deputation resuming their several stations: The D.:G.:Asst.D.:C's with the Regalia standing on either side of the Dais.

23. The District Grand Chaplain offers Prayer.

O God Most High, Who rulest all the Kingdoms of the Earth according to Thy Divine pleasure, we beseech Thee mercifully to hear our prayers, and bestow the grace of Thy blessing upon Thy servant whom Thou hast vouchsafed to advance to the Grand Mastership of this District; and as he is exalted in our Craft in the honour of rank, so may he excel likewise in every Masonic virtue. Stablish him with the counsel of peace that he may be mighty in good works, shining with the grace of holiness and zeal, of brotherhood and charity, and that he may worthily and faithfully guide, strengthen and instruct the Brethren committed to his care. Vouchsafe to enrich him with Thy Divine right hand that he may be a wise steward, and able to help lovingly all them that need. Be Thou his worship, his joy in his home, his comfort in sorrow, his counsel in doubt, his helper in labour. Let him learn in Thee for thought and wisdom to rule prudently this Grand Lodge committed to him, so that, ever prospered and rejoicing in the riches of Thy bountiful goodness, he may thankfully enjoy the temporal gifts of this present life, and finally be united in everlasting fellowship with all faithful Brethren in the Grand Lodge above where Thou art our Most Supreme Grand Master for ever and ever. *So mote it be.*

24. The R.:W.:Installing Officer directs the District Grand Registrar to read the Patent of Appointment, after which he puts to the District Grand Master Designate certain questions as to the performance of his duties.

25. The District Grand Registrar reads from the Book of Constitutions No. 77, 78, 85 to 87, 93 to 95, 98 and 114 Articles relating to the office and duties of a District Grand Master, to which the District Grand Master Designate signifies his assent.



26 The R.:W.: Installing Officer addresses the District Grand Master Designate and enquires of him if he can conscientiously undertake the duties of District Grand Master for Natal.

27. The reply being in the affirmative, the R.:W.: Installing Officer administers the Obligation to the District Grand Master Designate.

Chant : Lord have mercy upon us and incline our hearts,  
To keep Thy Law.

28. The R.:W.: Installing Officer invests the District Grand Master with the insignia of his Office, places him in the Chair, and presents him with his Patent, the Book of Constitutions and the By-Laws of District Grand Lodge, and takes his seat on the right of the District Grand Master.

29. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies in the E.C., and two District Grand Officers respectively in the W.: and S.:, proclaim Right Worshipful Brother William Allen Douglass Russell, of Pietermaritzburg, Past Deputy District Grand Master, Past District Grand Warden, Past Master Port Natal Lodge, 738, to be District Grand Master for the Masonic District Grand Lodge of Natal, E.C.

30. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies calls upon the Brethren to salute the District Grand Master with the honours due to his rank.

31. The District Grand Master addresses the R.:W.: Installing Officer and the Brethren, and announces the appointment of W.:Bro. Basil Morey Ford as Deputy District Grand Master.

32. W.:Bro. Ford is placed before the Pedestal.

33. Hymn :

Lord send us guidance from on high,  
Bind fast and close our mystic tie ;  
May Craftsmen all united stand,  
Joined true with apron, heart and hand.

34. The District Grand Master directs the District Grand Registrar to read the Patent of Appointment of the Deputy District Grand Master.

35. The District Grand Master addresses W.:Bro. Ford on the duties of a Deputy District Grand Master, and enquires as to his willingness to accept the charge and to take the Obligation.

36. Assent being given, W.:Bro. Ford is obligated and invested and inducted into his seat at the right of the District Grand Master.



37. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies in the E.:., and two District Grand Officers respectively in the W.: and S.:, proclaim Worshipful Brother Basil Morey Ford, Past Deputy District Grand Master, Past Assistant Grand Chaplain, England, Past District Grand Warden, Past Master Hilton Lodge, No. 3572, to be Deputy District Grand Master for Natal.

38. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies calls upon the Brethren to salute the Deputy District Grand Master with the honours due to his rank.

39. District Grand Lodge is closed.

The Director of Ceremonies directs the District Grand Lodge Officers to form double column whilst the District Grand Master together with the Deputy District Grand Master retire followed by:—

The R.W. Installing Officer.

Officers of Grand Lodge.

The Representatives of Sister Constitutions.

District Grand Lodge Officers.

the Brethren singing:

Lord, do Thou all our Rulers bless  
With wisdom, strength and happiness;  
May they our Ancient Art defend,  
And all our powers for good extend.

Send us Thy guidance from on High,  
Bind fast and close our mystic tie;  
May Craftsmen all united stand,  
Joined true with apron, heart and hand.

*So mote it be.*

*P. K. Francis,*

*D.:G.: Secretary, Natal.*