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Programme of the Ceremonial

to be observed on the occasion of

THE INSTALLATION OF

E.:Comp. William Allen Douglass Russell

Past 3rd District Grand Principal

as

Grand Superintendent for Natal

on

FRIDAY, THE 22nd MARCH, 1935,

in the

MASONIC HALL, SMITH STREET, DURBAN,

at 7 p.m.

INSTALLING OFFICER:

E.:Comp. Bro. ROBERT R. PERROTT,

Grand Superintendent for South Africa (Eastern Division).



ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

1. The Companions assemble in the Lodge Room at 6.30 o'clock, p.m.
2. E.: Comp T. J. Harding, P.A.C. Soj. (Eng.), Second District Grand Principal in Charge, and Officers of District Grand Chapter enter in procession.
3. E.: Comp T. J. Harding opens District Grand Chapter.
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 Third District Grand Principal recites Psalm cxxxiii.
6. Hymn: (Old 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 Scribe E. reads the Summons convening this Especial Convocation of District Grand Chapter and calls the Roll of Chapters.
8. Grand Superintendents, and official representatives of Provincial and District Grand Chapters, are announced, admitted and saluted.

9. E. . Comp. Robert R. Perrott, Grand Superintendent for South Africa, Eastern Division, the Installing Superintendent, is announced.

10. The Presiding Officer directs the District Grand Director of Ceremonies to withdraw with seven District Grand Officers, and conduct E. . Comp. Perrott into the Chapter.

11. The Deputation withdraws, and, heralded by sound of trumpet, re-enters the Chapter in procession with the E. . Grand Superintendent for South Africa, Eastern Division, the Companions standing to order.

12. Hymn: (Tune—Old Hundredth):

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

13. The Presiding Officer welcomes E. . Comp. Perrott, hands him the Sceptre and takes a seat to the left of the Chair.

14. E. . Comp. Perrott takes the Chair as Installing Superintendent and is saluted, under direction of the District Grand Director of Ceremonies, with the honours due to his rank.

15. The Installing Grand Superintendent addresses the Companions on the object of the Meeting.

16. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies announces that E. . Comp. William Allen Douglas Russell, Grand Superintendent Designate for Natal, is without, awaiting admission for the purpose of Installation.

17. The E. . Installing Superintendent directs the District Grand Director of Ceremonies to retire and bring to him the Patent of Appointment of the Grand Superintendent Designate, to enable him to see if the same be in order.

18. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies retires and returns with the Patent of Appointment which he hands to the E. . Installing Superintendent.

19. The Patent being in order, it is passed to the District Grand Registrar; and the E. . Installing Superintendent directs that the Grand Superintendent 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 Chapter.

20. The Deputation withdraws, and, heralded by sound of trumpet, re-enters the Chapter in procession with the Grand Superintendent Designate, the Regalia borne before him by two District Grand Officers, the Companions 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 Grand Superintendent Designate is placed before the Altar, the members of the Deputation resuming their several stations: The district Grand Officers with the Regalia standing on either side.

23. The E.:. Installing Superintendent directs the District Grand Registrar to read the Patent of Appointment.

24. The E.:. Installing Superintendent addresses the Grand Superintendent Designate and enquires of him if he can conscientiously undertake the duties of Grand Superintendent for Natal.

25. The reply being in the affirmative, the Third District Grand Principal offers prayer.

"Vouchsafe Thy powerful protection Oh Thou True and Living God Most High, to this our solemn conclave and grant that this most Excellent Companion who is now about to undertake the important office of Grand Superintendent of Royal Arch Masons of this District may be endowed through Thine infinite grace with wisdom, skill and ability; so that he may be enabled to perform his high duties as a Ruler in R.:.A.:. Masonry to the advantage and prosperity of our Order, and to the Honour and Glory of Thy Most Holy Name."

26. The Grand Superintendent Designate will kneel whilst the Installing Officer administers the obligation.

27. The E.:. Installing Superintendent invests the Grand Superintendent with the insignia of his Office, places him in the Chair, and presents him with his Patent, the Book of Regulations and the By-Laws of District Grand Chapter, and takes his seat on the right of the Grand Superintendent.

28. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies in the E. ., and two District Grand Officers respectively in the W. . and S. ., proclaim: Most Excellent Companion William Allen Douglass Russell, Past Third District Grand Principal, Past First Principal Port Natal Royal Arch Chapter, 738, to be Grand Superintendent for the Masonic District of Natal.

29. The District Grand Director of Ceremonies calls upon the Companions to salute the Grand Superintendent with the honours due to his rank.

30. The Grand Superintendent addresses the E. . Installing Superintendent and Companions.

31. District Grand Chapter is closed, and the Grand Superintendent, with the E. . Installing Superintendent, the Grand Superintendent, and official representatives, and Officers of District Grand Chapter retire in procession, whilst the Companions sing:

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 coron, heart and hand.

So mote it be.

P. K. Francis,

D. .G. . Scribe E., Natal.