

Sir & Brother,

You are desired to  
meet the Audit Committee of  
the St. Pauls Lodge at the  
Stork Hotel on Friday next  
the 17<sup>th</sup> instant at 4 o'clock  
precisely, I am

Yours fraternally  
W. Lloyd, Sec<sup>y</sup> P.S.

14<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1840

Circulars posted on 14<sup>th</sup> June

to P.M. Wood  
Treas. M. Banks  
F. & W. Saffield  
P. Secy Moss -  
do Bidder  
J. W. Hiddian  
M. Elect. Keece  
=  
Wm. Ribban  
P.M. Wood

Present. Grand Officers.

I have also invited Clarke

# Birmingham and Gloucester Railway.

Waterton Street

Birmingham. 5<sup>th</sup> Decr 1839

Dear Sir & Bro<sup>r</sup>

I have to apologise for not replying to your very kind note of the 30<sup>th</sup> Novr earlier. I was desirous to have thanked you personally, but find it is uncertain when I may have that pleasure.

My appointment here is nothing very great, it is however satisfactory & though, you know, is always "a little more than we have" but we must be thankful for small mercies. I am happy to say I shall not be new to you from the Lodge, which I shall soon feel great delight in attending. I am much pleased to hear the great accession we have lately made to our numbers, may we still go on and prosper! I had the pleasure to meet Bro Lloyd the other evening who acquainted me with the late proceedings & I much regret to hear of Bro Guaterwoods fall, but must confess I had always a fear that some day he would do something

to disgrace his Masonic principles (if he ever had any) -  
I was much delighted with what of Masonry I saw while  
in London, more particularly with the great attention  
paid to order & the most minute detail in working in the  
Lodge. Pardon the observation, but it strikes me, you are  
not sufficiently zealous in enforcing strict discipline, a  
one thing I was much pleased with, as Brother Sweet left the  
Lodge with firm saluting, & requesting the Masters permission  
to do so - nor on entering, without making the proper steps  
according to the degree then on, & the proper sign to the Masters,  
but the business of our Lodge has increased so rapidly, we have  
hardly had time to look to minute detail. Should I shall  
have the pleasure of meeting you next regular Lodge night,  
will then advise & believe me ever

Faithfully Yours  
W. Kidder  
— (u) —

I have been informed that Wood is preparing treatise  
for the chair !!!

My dear Sir

I yesterday sent Treatise  
instructions respecting the forthcoming  
Circulars, with a list of names due to  
the Lodge including the 2 year in ad-  
vance requesting him to insert each  
Brothers account in their respective circular  
and have now sent him a note relative  
to our Brother Proctor's address agreeable  
to your request.

I congratulate ourselves  
on the result of the Chapter - but where  
shall we meet? I am afraid Mackin  
will not have us - and it never will  
do to hold it at the Swan

I saw Kidder a few days ago  
and he is anxious for the Secretaryship;  
of this I have informed Treatise and  
requested <sup>him</sup> to determine on the next day.

Yrs faithfully  
W Lloyd

Soho 17<sup>th</sup> April 1839 -

My dear Sir

I now begin  
to feel that my Masonic  
Career in the St. Pauls  
Lodge is drawing to  
a close. I should  
like to appoint Greatward  
to any office therein,  
I shall immediately  
leave the room, but  
something strikes me that  
Reece will not take  
the chair. We must  
not however leave the  
Lodge because the Chapter  
is attached thereto —  
— there is one consolation  
left — he can be kept

without the arch. pe  
haps that w<sup>d</sup> be "irregular"

I can hardly expect  
it at this season — but  
if you will give me an  
hour of your Company  
on Sunday afternoon, I  
shall feel much pleasure  
when we can talk the  
things over —

faithfully & sincerely

I am thine

W Lloyd

Solo 27<sup>th</sup> Decr. 1839

St Paul's Lodge - Edgbaston. 1834

To the Ann Dea.

Stough & Larren.

Oct 12<sup>th</sup>

"	"	Self	1	5	0
"	"	Wife	6	0	0
"	"	Porter	4	6	0
"	"	Wine	1	10	0
"	"	Beer	2	6	0
"	"	Butter	4	4	0
"	"	Provisions	10	6	0

4 . 4 . 3

Each paid 3 . 9

to the Asylum 10 . 8 . 0

10 . 8 . 0  
14 . 6  
23 . 13 . 6



My dear Sir

Bro. Kleece & Fiddian took tea with me about nine days back & it was arranged that we should have a meeting before our next sige - they were to appoint the evening & inform me but I have not heard from them - I beg to suggest that we meet to morrow at the Lodge room at 5. for half past & take tea - we can then chat on the subject. I will write Bro Wood, Kleece & Fiddian requesting their attendance -

Subjoined I give you a list of the present officers &c -

Yrs faithfully  
W. Lloyd

Scho 26<sup>th</sup> Decr. 1838.

Bro Kleece S. W. } these I think ought to remain  
" Fiddian S. W. } & having never been install.  
Deacons none appointed last year  
" M Banks Treasr - The Treasurer ought to attend the  
Lodge regular. - If Bro. Banks is  
not re-appointed I have no objection of  
taking the office. - The Treasurer is  
elected by the Lodge -



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J. B. Hibbard Esq  
Edgworth

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Dear Sir

I have been requested by some of our members to solicit you to take the chair of the St. Pauls Lodge for the ensuing year. I shall feel truly proud in your acceding to their wishes and my humble Endeavours shall always be at your Command in assisting to restore it to its former prosperity

I remain

Yrs with fraternal regards

W. Lloyd.

Soho 4<sup>th</sup> Decr 1838.

Dear Sir W.B.

I shall feel obliged by  
your sending an order for the  
payment of our acct. to the  
Lodge. I have applied for  
B.M. Banks, who informs me  
he cannot pay the bill  
without your order -

Would you oblige it for  
Bears as we are rather short  
of Cash today? Hoping  
you are well. believe me  
Yours faithfully  
W. Bull

27 Upper Temple St

March 7th 1840

(over)

I was rather surprised to hear  
a new Warrant had been applied  
for, it was quite news to me  
if I had been applied to I  
should certainly have signed  
it - I trust it may be  
carried into effect. I am very  
glad to see a new Masonic Lodge  
formed in Bonn - I  
visited the St Pauls last Evening at  
the Royal Hotel for the first  
time this Morn. I was quite  
delighted - In my opinion,  
it may properly be styled,  
"a debating Society" - I heard  
of you calling here, I was sorry  
I did not see you.

Icho 15th June 1839

My dear Sir

I am satisfied Cornick can get nothing, by the supper he now gives us; at the time he expected to take 1/6 we had only one joint of meat, and the Lodge was in a pitiable state — the case is now very much altered for although the subscriptions do not defray the expenses the numerous initiations we have will make up any deficiency; I shall therefore cordially second your proposition.

We must however bear in mind that there are several articles of furniture to be wanted, should we go elsewhere. The purple cushion we are using, belongs to the Grand Lodge — we must have a crimson one with silver tassels, the wardens must have pedestals and I should like to see them with cushions, I am also anxious to see a splendid Chair & Canopy in the East

Do you intend initiating the  
Candidates on the 24<sup>th</sup>? there can-  
not be the least objection — it will  
add two to the dinner table and  
lessen the duties on the regular sode  
night.

I shall send a letter of  
invitation to our Pres. & Chaplain.

faithfully  
Yours  
A. B. Ribians

A. B. Ribians Esq

10 Parshall Grove,

Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> 1859

My dear Sir Wm.

I have this day seen  
Mr. Banks and <sup>understand</sup> am  
acquainted with the result of our  
consultation last evening.

He is decidedly opposed to  
our meeting at Mr. Pulls' on  
Wednesday, as he considers him  
not one of us; he therefore  
will provide a very suitable  
and convenient room at his

Spd fellow -  
S.B.S.  
Will always appear to me



Stephens in Worcester St. for our  
use on that night. He  
further adds, that we may have  
the use of those rooms ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup>  
gratuitously until our Exchequer  
will cable us to pay for them.

They are the same rooms for  
which £25 per ann. was asked  
but we can have them for £10  
if not £5. per ann.

I should say if they had been  
built for our express use, they

could not have suited us  
better. Then we shall be  
protected from the insults of  
those who would delight to  
annoy us, and more particularly  
of him of whom it may be said

"*Homini in peris cumquam  
quidam iniquis,*

"*Qui, nisi quis ipse facit, eum  
sectum putat.*"

I shall be prepared with  
any instrument of war; which  
if I mistake not will prove  
the death warrant of St. Paul's.

With these advantages, what  
have we to fear?

Will you be so kind, to let  
Mr. Lloyd know when we shall  
meet, I will take care to be  
on the spot and the clock  
strikes seven — Excuse this  
hasty scrawl

I am my dear Sir Y<sup>r</sup>s.

Yours faithfully & fraternally

J. A. Wood

J. B. Robbans, Esquire,  
to the Hon.

J. Fortescue Compt<sup>r</sup> to Mr. Ribbles,  
and in answer to his enquiries begs to state  
that he will be happy to let to the  
St. Pauls Lodge one Room to be situated  
at their disposal and the use of two  
other rooms shown to Mr. Ribbles on  
Compt<sup>r</sup> Smith and if need be, if requisite  
by giving a day's notice, likewise atten-  
-dances and an cooking that may be re-  
-quired, also fires in each of the rooms  
to the amount of £20-/- annum -

J. F. would have no objection to the  
alteration being made as described to  
Mr. Fiddian -

Wm. A. Fort. 11<sup>th</sup> 1839 -

To the Worshipful Master, Past Masters, Wardens  
and Members of St. Paul's Lodge of Free Masons  
No. 51 Birmingham,

Gentlemen,

I beg to return you,  
in behalf of the family of my late Father,  
our most sincere thanks for the kind expressions  
of sympathy and condolence on his lamented  
decease; contained in your Address of Oct. 31.<sup>52</sup>  
And to assure you that each of us feels such  
kindness to be a source of great comfort under  
our present heavy affliction.

Not having the honor to belong to your Society,  
I cannot enter fully into the merits of those  
schemes connected therewith, of which you  
are pleased to speak so highly: but I feel  
much gratified, so many of his friends and

neighbours should have been testimony to  
his worth and ability: - to whom I would  
be individually to offer my grateful acknowledgments,  
and to implore for them those blessings which  
it is above in the power of Almighty God to grant.

I should have replied to your kind  
communication earlier, but was anxious to  
convey its contents to the members of the  
family, who reside at a distance from Birmingham.

I have the honor to remain,

Gentlemen

Y<sup>r</sup> faithful & obedient Servant

A. J. Adkins  
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Birm<sup>g</sup> - Nov. 1839

To the W. Master of St. Paul's Lodge

Birmingham

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My dear Sir

On Wednesday  
Evening, I met Kiddle and  
Wilkinson in Birmingham  
by appointment, they both  
signed - Wilkinson the  
petition and Kiddle the  
recommendation, as past  
Secretary, &c. &c. Yesterday I  
sent it by a friend, to your  
request, him to recommend  
it in the strongest manner,  
- forward it to the proper  
Quarter - and urge the necessity  
of an early answer - On the  
receipt of which, I solicited  
him to grant an immediate



dispensation as we are  
anxious to be at work

Poor old St Paul Law  
informed is propp'd up by  
Law at all points, - Law  
in the East! Law in the West!!  
Law in the South!!! and Law  
in the North (See?)!!!! That  
has become of Wheeler!

I now find that the  
Board of Severn's purposes  
does not meet until Tuesday  
25<sup>th</sup>. Consequently we can  
not expect an answer until  
after that date - of course  
you will write to some of  
our London friends soliciting  
them to support it

I have much pleasure  
in informing you that  
my domestic circle is

in a mending state - I  
hope your family are all  
well

faithfully

I am

Yours

W. Lloyd

Scho. M<sup>rs</sup> Feby 1840.

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ST. PAUL'S LODGE.

No. 51.

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EMERGENCY.

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Birmingham, February 4, 1840.

SIR AND BROTHER,

You are requested to attend a Lodge of EMERGENCY, to be held at the PLOUGH AND HARROW IN EDGBASTON, ON THURSDAY, the 13th Instant, at Six o'Clock PRECISELY.

By order of the Worshipful Master,

JOHN SMITH,

HON. SECRETARY.

BUSINESS.

—  
INITIATION.

—  
PASSING.

—  
RAISING.

Brother *Chinn* to be balloted for as  
a joining member

Soho 10th March 1840

My dear Sir

I have just received a letter from Bro. Palmer, he says "I cannot give you an answer until I <sup>have</sup> seen and consulted the members of our Lodge, I go to Warwick to day (Monday) and before I return I will endeavour to see Bro. Torre on the subject — when these points are settled, I will inform you of the result — with kind regards to Bro. Ribbons &c &c"

Now, Torre is in possession of all particulars — and if we obtain the consent of the apptd's members, the question is in a nutshell — it is nothing more now left than — are we worthy of a Warrant? It will then rest with Torre who cannot do otherwise than grant permission unless he receives from above, instructions to the contrary — however a few days will determine. Suppose we obtain this Warrant and on the following morning

receive permission to open the L of L,

What must be done? Answer,

Return it and say we feel grateful for their prompt attention - but we can now do without it.

Chinn called upon me yesterday he informed me that Wood is going to a great expence with the Chapter - that the furniture had from Stone is in a very bad state (are you sure that the Alcester furniture has been returned? if it has not - they most assuredly will keep it) and that it is finally agreed to hold it at the athol Lodge Room

I saw a beautiful painting yesterday at Mr. Braters mid way of Constitution Hill - subject Peter released from Prison price £28.

Faithfully

Yours

J. W. Lloyd.

W. Lloyd.

16 Bedford's Buildings's Bath  
11<sup>th</sup> June 1840

Dear Sir

I am in now in a situation to  
treat with you for the purchase of some Masonic  
Furniture, alluded to by you in your letter to me  
of the 16<sup>th</sup> of March last; if you still entertain  
an Idea of purchasing the same. Upon hearing  
from you to this effect, I will furnish you with  
an Estimate and List of the same

I should wish very much to know who  
recommended you to me; You living at  
so great a distance and no one, to my knowledge,  
here being aware of my willingness to dispense  
I am

Yours faithfully  
Wm. Lovell Gray

16 Abford's Buildings Bath  
2<sup>nd</sup> April 1812

Dear Sir / In answer to yours of the 16<sup>th</sup> ulto  
I beg to say I am in possession of Masonic  
Furniture for sale, but shall be unable  
to furnish you with full particulars thereof  
for three weeks or more; but you  
shall hear from me again upon the subject  
Yrs faithfully (Charters)

There not be any  
Warrant for to  
accompany the Furniture of

Wm. Grey  
Wm. Royal Surveyor  
No 61 Bath

Dear Sir & Brother

The favour of your presence is particularly requested at the Office of Brother Mueller at 21 Waterloo Street on Friday evening next the 22<sup>nd</sup> instant at half past 5 o'clock on very important Masonic business. The Chair will be taken at 6 o'clock precisely, and I trust that on this occasion you will put yourself to some inconvenience not only to attend, but to be punctual.

I remain

Dear Sir & Brother

Yours fraternally

J. P. Gibbons.

Nov: 20. 1839.

This Circular was kindly supplied by W<sup>r</sup> Wheeler - It refers to the moral turpitude of one of our members



Warwickshire (to Wit.)

We the undersigned Frederick B. Robbins of Edgbaston in the County of Warwick, and William Lloyd of Solihull in the County of Stafford two of the Members of the Lodge of Free-masons, held at the house of John Landick of the Swan Inn Birmingham in the said County called the St. Paul's Lodge and being N<sup>o</sup> 51, in the list of Lodges, do hereby certify and declare, pursuant to an Act of the 39th Year of His late Majesty King George III entitled

"An Act for the more effectual suppression of Societies established in violation of reasonable purposes, and for better preventing treasonable and seditious practices" - that the said Lodge of ~~the~~ <sup>its</sup> respectively Members as aforesaid, hath been usually held, it now is held, under the denomination of a Lodge of Free-masons, under the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of England, and in conformity with the Rules prevailing amongst the Societies of Lodges of Free-masons in this Kingdom and that the said Lodge meets on the last Thursday in every month, at the house above <sup>stated</sup> ~~mentioned~~, and is composed of the following Members. Viz:

Chris: Surname	Place of Abode	Title, Profession or Business
The Rt Hon: Washington Shirley. ——— }	Charlby Castle	Earl Ferrers.
Samuel Adkins	Bull St: Birm <sup>m</sup>	Chemist
Joseph Wood	Birmingham	Accountant
John Roderick	Do	Auctioneer
William Lloyd	Soho	Accountant
J. J. Neustadt.	Birmingham	Merchant
D. Barnett	Do	Do
Anthony Judge	Do	Prac: Maker
Sam <sup>l</sup> : Banks	Do	Wine Merch <sup>t</sup> .
Morris Banks	Do	Chemist
Thomas Clancy	Do	Comm <sup>r</sup> : Traveller
S. W. Suffield	Do	Chemist
John Norton	Do: (Mid: Edon)	Mechanic
W. H. Reece.	Birmingham	Solicitor
F. W. Fiddes	Do	Architect
John Sanson	Do	Surkeeper
J. K. Maule	Do	Lat <sup>t</sup> : Maker
J. B. Peppers	Edgbaston	Gentleman
Wm Greatwood	Birmingham	Solicitor
Walter Tateham	Do	Perfumer
John Hedges	Do	Accountant
Ed: Wilkinson	Cheltenham	Comm: Trav <sup>r</sup> .
John Machin.	Birmingham	Surkeeper

J. B. Robbarts

W. Lloyd

Birmingham March 1839

Sam<sup>r</sup> Breveton Sen<sup>r</sup>

initiated in to the ancient and honorable  
order of freemasonry

1709 No St Alans Lodge No 150 then at  
the Shakespear Tavern New St Birmingham

1695 initiated - W = M - By  
James Tuning Esq provided  
grand = M = and his officers  
had that office 1 year

continued a member 10 years

1795 Elected to Royal arch masonry in  
the Chapter of Fortitude No 51 then  
at Shakespear Tavern New St  
principally September 3 years then

2 and 3 Chors and continued a member  
15 years

1809 No joined the union lodge No 514

1810 initiated = W = M = had that office 2 years

1811 initiated = W = M = again 2 years more

1814 initiated in the grand Lodge London  
to assist at the installation of the Duke of

Sussex our = G = M = at Wells from 1811

1814 made Grand Sword Bearer to East Sevens  
had that office 10 years

W.C.W.

10101 installed: W - M - of the Makepess Lodge 501

had that office 1 year

1039 - made inner yard St Pauls Lodge to St  
and continue that office

1039 - gemeter to the Royal Chapter St continue

I attended the Grand Lodge in London

11 years Treasurer under the last moyer  
at the grand feast and money

times under our present Grand Master

the Sub of Essex

in London and the city of Bath

Dear

Sir and Brother

I am very sorry to say to you  
I have been very poor owing to labor I have  
had by Rent I have pawned my things and  
mortgaged my bidding and not able to  
work being turned 74 years of age

I Sir will please to get something allowed  
from the aged & Decayed Freemasonry assistance or  
the Fund of Benevolence to meet my intrest money  
at Sept. next it his due shall be thankfull

Yours  
Edward

and your Recommendation will oblige  
me if I had work that I could do or ~~be~~  
sent to ~~work~~ or havey manner of employment  
while had his ~~offer~~ that I could get ~~some~~ ~~trifle~~  
I should be thanfull

22 Oxford St  
Birmingham  
July 10 1742

I shall see you soon

and your very obedient servt  
will give ~~you~~ ~~you~~ your  
kindest  
Ed Brevinton

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BIRMINGHAM  
JULY 18  
1844

Edinburgh

Mr. Thomas

W. P. Rogers

and

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