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**Consecration of The LODGE OF EQUITY, No. 5554,**

AT THE

Masonic Temple, Broad Street, Birmingham, 1.

ON

FRIDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1935, AT 5 P.M.

BY

**R.W. Bro. Col. W. F. WYLEY, V.D., D.L., P.G.D., Provincial Grand Master,**

ASSISTED BY

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| W. BRO. Lt.-Col. J. H. C. HORSEFALL, Prov.S.G.W.             | ... .. | as S.W.          |
| „ „ W. A. OUBRIDGE, Prov.J.G.W.                              | ... .. | as J.W.          |
| „ „ Rev. G. D. ROSENTHAL, Prov.G.Chaplain                    | ... .. | } as CHAPLAINS   |
| „ „ Rev. E. F. WALDY, Prov.G.Chaplain...                     | ... .. |                  |
| „ „ H. S. POND, Prov.G.Treasurer                             | ... .. | as TREASURER     |
| „ „ SAMUEL GUISE, Prov.G.Secretary                           | ... .. | as SECRETARY     |
| „ „ E. S. STAMP, P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.D.C.                     | ... .. | as D.C.          |
| „ „ A. W. ROBINSON, Prov.G.Organist                          | ... .. | as ORGANIST      |
| „ „ L. B. DAVIS, Prov.G.Pursuivant                           | ... .. | as INNER GUARD   |
| „ „ W. A. JEBOULT, Prov.G.Pursuivant                         | ... .. | as INNER GUARD   |
| „ „ JOHN WILD, 4134, 4538, P.M., 1431, 4035, 5051, P.P.G.W., | ... .. | MASTER DESIGNATE |
| „ „ ALDWYN EVAN BAGGE, 4035.                                 | ... .. | S.W. „           |
| „ „ ALFRED REEVES, 4035.                                     | ... .. | J.W. „           |

# CONSECRATION CEREMONY.

## Order of Procedure.

- 1 The Brethren assemble in the Lodge Room.
- 2 The Consecrating Officer, having entered in procession with the Officers of Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge, takes the Chair and appoints his Officers.

### Opening Hymn.

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Hail Eternal, by whose aid All created things were made ; Heaven and Earth Thy vast design, Hear us, Architect Divine.	May our work begun in Thee Ever blest with order be ; And may we when labours cease Part in harmony and peace.	By Thy glorious Majesty, By the trust we place in Thee, By the Lodge and mystic sign, Hear us, Architect Divine, So mote it be.
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- 4 The Lodge is opened in the Three Degrees.

- 5 The Consecrating Officer addresses the Brethren on the object of the Meeting, and calls upon the Chaplain to give the

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### Opening Prayer.

- 7 *Response*—"So mote it be."

- 8 The Director of Ceremonies addresses the Consecrating Officer.
- 9 The Consecrating Officer replies and gives directions.
- 10 The Brethren of the New Lodge are arranged in order by the Director of Ceremonies.
- 11 The Provincial Grand Secretary reads the Warrant.
- 12 The Consecrating Officer enquires of the Brethren if they approve of the Officers named in the Warrant.
- 13 The Brethren signify their approval in Masonic form and resume their seats.

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### An Oration.

on the Nature and Principles of the Institution is then given by the Chaplain.

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### Anthem.

Behold, Brethren, how good and joyful a thing it is to dwell together in unity. Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity in itself. For our Brethren and Companions' sakes, we will wish thee prosperity. Yea, because of the house of our God, we will seek to do thee good. The Lord preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth and for evermore.

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### Dedication Prayer (First Portion).

- 17 *Response*—"So mote it be."

- 18 *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO THEE, O GOD.

- 19 The Brethren turn towards the East whilst the Consecrating Officer pronounces

### The Invocation.

- 20 *Response*—"So mote it be."

- 21 The Chaplain reads II. Chron., Chap. ii., verses 1 to 16.

- 22 The Consecrating Officer directs the Lodge Board to be uncovered.

## The Consecration,

during which the elements of Consecration are carried round the Lodge.

23 The Chaplain reads Psalm lxxii., verse 16.

24 The Brethren sing—

When once of old in Israel,  
Our early Brethren wrought with toil,  
Jehovah's blessings on them fell  
In showers of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

25 The Consecrating Officer scatters Corn—the Symbol of Plenty.

26 *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.

27 The Chaplain reads Nehemiah, Chap. x., verse 39.

28 The Brethren sing—

When there, a shrine to Him alone  
They built with worship, sin to foil,  
On threshold and on Corner-stone,  
They poured out Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

29 The Consecrating Officer pours Wine—the Symbol of Joy and Cheerfulness.

30 *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.

31 The Chaplain reads Exodus, Chap. xxx., verses 25 and 26.

32 The Brethren sing—

And we have come, fraternal bands,  
With joy and pride, and precious spoil  
To honour Him by votive hands  
With streams of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

33 The Consecrating Officer pours Oil—the Symbol of Peace and Unanimity.

34 *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.

35 The Petitioners are arranged round the Lodge Board facing outwards, where they remain until after the Dedication.

36 The Chaplain reads Leviticus, Chap. ii., verse 13.

37 The Brethren sing—

Now o'er our work this salt we shower,  
Emblem of Thy conservant power ;  
And may Thy presence, Lord, we pray,  
Keep this our temple from decay.

38 The Consecrating Officer sprinkles Salt—the Symbol of Fidelity and Friendship.

39 *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH.

40 **The Consecrating Officer Dedicates the Lodge.**

41 The Chaplain takes the Censer three times round the Lodge.

42 **Dedication Prayer** (*Second Portion*).

43 *Response*—"So mote it be."

44 The Director of Ceremonies arranges the Brethren in the West, the Master and Wardens Designates in the Centre, all facing East.

45 **The Consecrating Officer Constitutes the Lodge.**

46 *Response*—"So mote it be."

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**Patriarchal Benediction.**

48 *Response*—"So mote it be."

## Lodge Business.

### The Installation of the Master Designate.

Election of Treasurer.

Election of Tyler.

The W.M. will appoint and invest his Officers and invest the Treasurer and Tyler.

To pass By-Laws of the Lodge.

Propositions of Joining Brethren.

Propositions of Candidates for Initiation.

The R.W. Bro. the Provincial Grand Master and his Officers will retire.

The Lodge will be closed.

### CLOSING HYMN.

### FOUNDERS.

- W. BRO. JOHN WILD, 4134, 4538, P.M. 1431, 4035, 5051, P.P.G.W.  
" " WILLIAM EDWARD CHESHIRE, P.M. 4035.  
" " ERNEST ALFRED POPLUR, P.M. 1431, 4035, 5094, P.P.A.G.D.C.  
" " JOHN WILLIAM DAINS, 1431, P.M. 4035, P.P.A.G.D.C.  
" " ALDWYN EDWIN BAGGE, 4035.  
" " ALFRED REEVES, 4035.  
" " ALFRED PERCY FELTON, 4035.  
" " CYRIL YOUNG, 4035.  
" " HARRY ALBERT THURSTON CATTON, 3480, 4035.  
" " REGINALD GEORGE BOARDMAN, 4035.  
" " EDWIN GEORGE LLEWELLYN CATTON, 4035.  
" " JOSEPH CHARLES THOMAS BLAKE, 3818.  
" " FRANCIS WALTER ALBERT COLLIER, 4035.  
" " MAURICE BERNARD HANCOCK, 3798.  
" " ALBERT EDWARD RANSLEY, 4035.  
" " FRANK RUSSELL TUBBS, 4035.  
" " COL. LEVI JOHN ALBERT GAY, 468, 4035.  
" " JOHN FORSTER HARRISON, 4035.  
" " THOMAS ALFRED ANDREWS, 4144.  
" " HAROLD ERNEST GRICE, P.M. 1431, P.P.G.D.