

☞ The Scots Lodge, ☞

No. 2319 Eng.



St. George's & Election Meeting



Held in the Temple and Venetian Chamber,

Holkott Restaurant, London, W.C.

Thursday, April 27, 1905.



W. Bro. Geo. W. Jones,

Worshipful Master.



With all good wishes

Believe me

Yours for faith.

Ch. Ramsay

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No. 2319 (Eng.)



Canongate
Wilkinning Lodge
No. 2 (Scot.)



From the Original Painting in Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh.

THE INAUGURATION OF BROTHER ROBERT BURNS
AS POET LAUREATE OF LODGE CANONGATE KILWINNING NO. 2, MARCH 1ST, 1787

Burns was affiliated to No. 2 on 1st February, 1787.

The organ shewn in the reproduction is the oldest in use in Scotland, and of wonderfully sweet tone.
Burns's songs have been sung at the Lodge in his presence to its accompaniment.



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The Shawl Collar, Exemplar Cloth (circa 1800), and Pewter
Almsplate (circa 1800) in St. John's Chapel.

This Subventr Menu is dedicated
with fraternal regards to

Bro. Joseph Inglis, W.S.,

The Right Worshipful Master of Canongate Kilwinning
No. 2 (Scotland),

In grateful appreciation of much fraternal kindness, by

The Worshipful Master

of the Scots Lodge, No. 2319 (England).



Menu



"I am bound to you,
That you on my behalf would pluck a flower."
"In your behalf still will I wear the same."
"And so will I."
"Thanks, gentle sir,
Come let us to dinner."—King Henry VI.



Whitstable Natives.

"The world's mine oyster, which I with sword will open."—The Merry Wives of Windsor.



Scotch Broth. Clear Turtle.

"Carry the wine in."—The Merry Wives of Windsor.
"Can adden water,
A drench for sour-rein'd jade; then, bruley-broth,
Decoct their cold blood to such radiant heat."—King Henry V.



Salmon, Mousseline Sauce and Cucumber.

"She that in wisdom never was so frail,
To change the cod's head for the salmon's tail."—Othello.



Whitebait.

"When in disguise and he is parted, tell me what a sprat you shall find him."
—All's Well That Ends Well.



Sheep's Head au Gratin.

"Look on me well; I have eat no meat these five days, yet come thou and thy five men;
And if I do not leave you all as head as a doornail, I pray God I may never eat grass more."
—King Henry VI.



The Haggis.

<p>Faithful, your honest, sonsie face, Great chief-tain o' the pudlin' race! Aboon them a' ye tak' your place— Fauch, tripe or thairm; Weel are ye wordy o' a grace As lang's my airm.</p>	<p>Ye pow'r's wha mak' mankind your care And dish them out their bill o' fare— Auld Scotland wants nae skinking ware That jaups in luggies, But, if ye wish her gratefu' pray'r, Gi'e her a haggis!—To a Haggis.</p>
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"Peace, ye fat-kidneyed rascal! What a brawling dost thou keep!"—King Henry IV.

Mashed Potatoes.

Menu—Continued.



Iced Whisky Punch.

"Wondrous strange snow."—Midsummer Night's Dream.



Lamb and Mint Sauce.

French Beans New Potatoes.

"Fall to, then, as you find your stomach serves you,
No profit grows where is no pleasure taken."—The Taming of the Shrew.



Chicken and Watercress.

York Ham. Salad.

"Wherein is he good, but to waste sack and drink it? Wherein neat and cleanly, but to
carve a capon and eat it? Wherein cunning, but in craft? Wherein crafty, but in villainy?"
—King Henry IV



Apple Tartlets. Fruit Jelly. Ice Pudding.

"There is no more faith in thee than in a stewed prune."—King Henry IV.

"As fit as ten groats is for the hand of an attorney, as the nun's lip to the
friar's mouth; nay, as pudding to his skin."—All's Well That Ends Well.



"I'll make an end of my dinner, there's pippins and cheese to come."

—The Merry Wives of Windsor.

Cheese. . . Dessert.

"Go, bind thou up yond dangling apricocks,
Which, like unruly children, make their sire
Stoop with oppression of their prodigal weight."—King Richard II.

"Sweetest nut hath sourest rind."—As You Like It.



Coffee.



Toasts



The King and the Craft.

"God save the King!"—Macbeth.

"We are true subjects to the King, King Edward."—King Henry VI.

"He is protector of the realm."—King Henry VI.



The M.W.G.M.

H.R.H. The Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, K.G.

"My Lord, we know your grace to be a man
Just and upright; and, for your royal birth,
Inferior to none but to His Majesty."—King Henry V.



The M.W.P.G.M. The Right Hon. Earl Amherst;
The R.W. Dep. G.M. The Rt. Hon. T. H. Halsey, M.P.;
and the rest of the Grand Officers, Present and Past.

"The fam'ly lives in the world."—King Henry VI.

"You have deserved
Such commendation, true applause, and love."—As You Like It.



The M.W. Grand Master Mason of Scotland,
The Hon. Charles Maule Ramsay; and the rest of the Grand
Officers of Scotland, Present and Past.

"I know the gentleman
To be of worth, and worthy estimation,
And not without desert so well reputed.
His worth is warrant for his welcome hither."

—The Two Gentlemen of Verona.



The Worshipful Master.

"Do what you will; your wisdom be your guide."—King Henry IV.

Toasts—Continued.



R.W. Brother Joseph Inglis, W.S., Master, and the Visiting Brethren from Canongate Kilwinning Lodge No. 2 (Scot.).

"From Scotland are we, even of pure love."—King Henry VI.
"Join you with them, like a rib of steel—to make strength stronger."—King Henry V.



The City of Edinburgh.

"The memorials and the things of fame that do renown this city."—Twelfth Night.



The Master Elect.

"He is a very proper man."—Much Ado About Nothing.
"New honours come upon him."—Macbeth.



The Immediate Past and Past Masters.

"Most potent, grave, and reverend signors."—Othello.
"Full of wise saws and modern instances."—As You Like It.



The Initiate.

"Put me in thy breast,
Love, charity, obedience, and true duty."—Richard III.



The Visitors.

"Tis ever common
That men are merriest when they are from home."—King Henry V.



The Masonic Charities.

"A tear for pity and a hand
Open as day for melting charity."—2 King Henry IV
"For charity itself fulfils the law."—Love's Labour Lost.



The Officers of the Lodge.

"My friends and brethren in these great affairs."—2 King Henry IV.



The Tyler's Toast.

"I shall be with you presently, good master."—King Henry VIII.

The Scots Lodge, No. 2319.



List of Officers.

W. Bro. GEO. W. JONES, Worshipful Master.

W. Bro. William Laurie, P.M.	-	-	-	Immediate Past Master
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Archdeacon of London, P.G.C.	-	-	-	Treasurer
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Bro. John E. Chandler	-	-	-	Assistant Steward
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Bro. James Blair	-	-	-	Auditor
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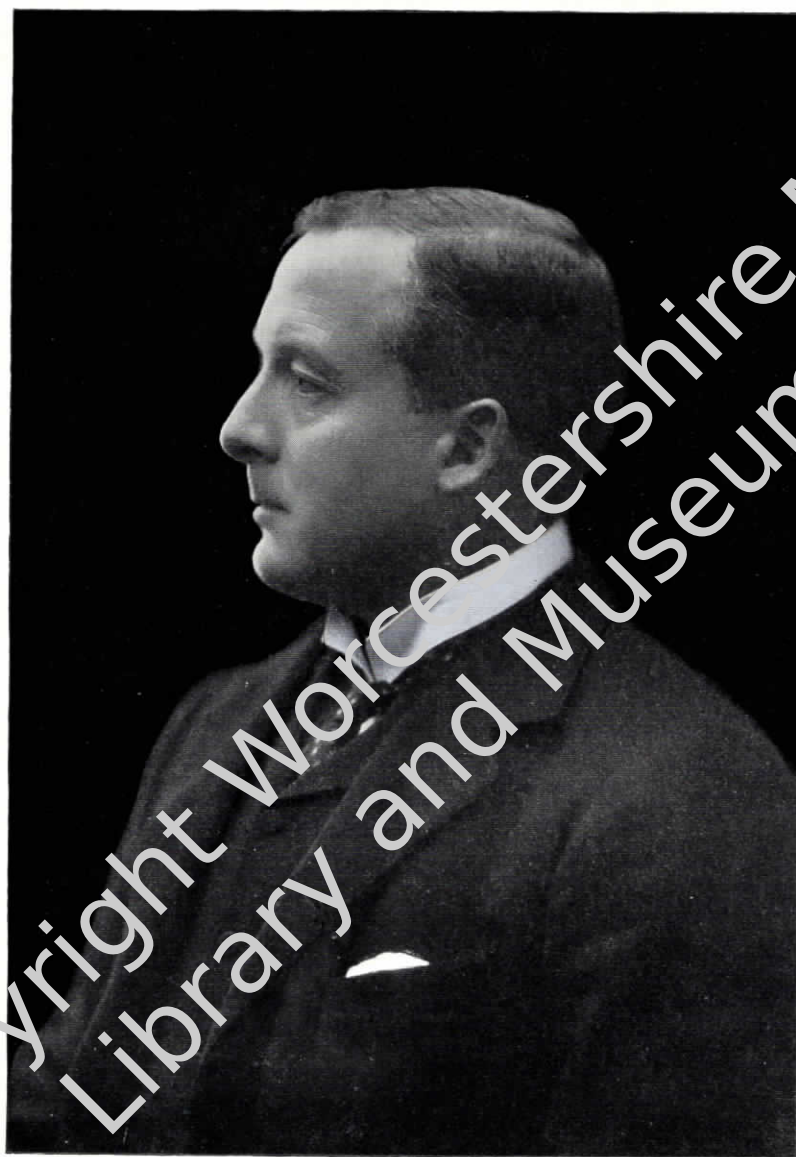
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 " DUNCAN F. GELLION
 " T. GRANT
 " JOSEPH J. WHITEHEAD
 " JAMES THOMSON

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 " WILLIAM CRAIG
 " THOMAS SANDILANDS
 " JOHN MACGREGOR
 " WILLIAM LAURIE



Yours very faithfully,
J. W. Jones.



Yours very sincerely
J. J. J. J.



Canongate Kilwinning No. 2 Edinburgh.



CANONGATE KILWINNING NO. 2, founded as an Operative Lodge during the building of Holyrood Abbey and Palace, in the reign of David I., became a filiated with the general body of Scottish Freemasonry in 1677; taking a warrant or charter in that year from "Mother Kilwinning," in Ayrshire, as appears from her minutes. The Grand Lodge of Scotland was formed on the initiative and under the roof of Canongate Kilwinning, which furnished the first Grand Master. The Lodge Hall, built in 1736, is believed to be the oldest Masonic Lodge Room in the world. The Lodge roll of members contains many illustrious names. St. John's Chapel is inseparably connected with the memory of Burns. The Ettrick Shepherd was another of the Lodge Laureates. St. Clair of Rosslyn, Hereditary Grand Master of Scotland, Sir William Forbes of Pitsligo, James Boswell of Auchinleck (Dr. Johnson's biographer), and Henry Erskine, the famous lawyer, were officers of the Lodge. At the Rebellion of 1715 the Lodge numbered among its members the flower of the Stuart adherents, and suspension of the meetings for twenty years and loss of the early records ensued.

In 1736, a year after the resuscitation of the Lodge, William St. Clair of Roslin was initiated without ballot in Canongate Kilwinning, and was subsequently appointed first Master of the Grand Lodge formed by the four Lodges meeting in and about Edinburgh, having previously resigned his ancestral right to the office of patron, protector, judge, or master of Scottish "Massons," which had been held by the family for six hundred years. There were at this time six Lodges meeting "in and about Edinburgh," but two were ignored in the negotiations as to the institution of Grand Lodge, presumably, says Mr. Allan Mackenzie, historian of the Lodge, for the reason that both were seceders.

In 1735 a less royal pretender than the Old Chevalier caused the Lodge some trouble. John Scott, plumber in Edinburgh, a visiting member, affirmed that he was a Master Mason, but as he refused to undergo the test the Lodge recorded the opinion that "he is a very weak entered Prentice, and in all he can pretend to." In this year the Lodge was presented by Brother John Campbell with a "Breeches" Bible, which is still in use. In 1736 the Lodge received a charter from the Mother Lodge, Kilwinning, confirming the previous warrant or charter of 1677, and the daughter presented the parent with a "Set of Songs." The charter is still in good preservation. In the same year three of the members formed a new Lodge at Leith which was the origin of Leith Kilwinning. An offshoot from this Lodge was "Canongate Kilwinning from Leith," constituted in 1738, which, in 1764 assumed the name of "St. David," in which Sir Walter Scott was made a Mason.

By this time Canongate Kilwinning had built itself a Lodge Room, and on St. John's Day, 1736, the Lodge was visited at St. John's Chapel by the Grand Master and the Earl of Kintore, Grand Warden. An old folio Bible presented to the Lodge in this year is still used. In 1738 the Lodge seems to have been in monetary difficulties, for it is recorded that in consideration of the "deficiency of



The Minute Book of the Incorporation of Masons, &c., of the Canongate, containing the Freeman's oath, entries and explanation of Covenants, list of Deacons from 1585 downwards, &c.

the brethren as to their monthly payments," the Treasurer was empowered to make such compositions as he should think requisite. Owing, doubtless, to this awkward "deficiency," the Lodge found it inconvenient to make immediate payment of an "accout" for wine, and bound itself for twenty pounds interest "yearly and termly" until payment of the principal. In this year the Lodge participated in the "setting the work for this season" at the new Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, and contributed with others for apartments in the Infirmary for five decayed brethren. On December



Water Jugs and Glasses, St. John's Chapel.

27, 1708, the Lodge unanimously admitted John Murray of Broughton, who attained notoriety for his infamous conduct subsequent to the rising of 1745. His name and signature were afterwards, by unanimous resolution, deleted in the Lodge records.

On December 1, 1742, the Lodge was visited by the Earl of Kilmarnock, Grand Master, who was soon to lay his head on the block for the Jacobite cause, and on December 7, 1743, Viscount Kenmure, son of the Kenmure who was beheaded for participation in the "Fifteen," was admitted. On December 4, 1745, the

Lodge, having been adjourned on the 4th of September previous, "on account of the troubles of the country," met, and, having transacted business, adjourned till the first Wednesday of January next, "or to the first Wednesday of any other month on which the Times will admitt the Brethren to meet." Next June the members were recommended to "attend their monthly meetings as formerly." The Lodge was heavily in debt. It owed the Treasurer twenty pounds and a brother ninety, which it covenanted to pay with interest. In June, 1747, a brother presented the Lodge with a copy of "the French Mason Songs," set to music. At this time the property of the brethren comprised "four dozen choppin bottles, three dozen and three glasses," eight "dozen" aprons, five chairs, twenty stools, six long tables, eight "furns," or long stools, "peuther" pint and mutchkin stoups, &c. Primitive plenshing, with a suggestively generous proportion of glass ware.

In November, 1752, the brothers Robert and James Adam, the celebrated architects, were admitted, and next year Sir Ralph Abercrombie, the hero of Aboukir Bay, and James Bruce, the Abyssinian traveller, were entered. In 1752, in Canongate Kil winning, "a charter for constituting a Lodge at Aleppo, in Turkey, was signed by the Most Worshipful Master and the other proper office-bearers of the Grand Lodge, and also by the office-bearers of the Lodge, and on August 12, 1760, R.W. Brother Alexander Drummond, late His Majesty's Consul at Aleppo, was installed in the chair of Canon-gate Kilwinning. The new Master took great interest in promoting uniformity of working among the several Lodges, and a committee was appointed "to



Toddy Jug and Bowl, and Water Bottle, St. John's Chapel.

consider of these things"; but no record of its findings appears in the minutes.

No public movement was considered complete without the co-operation of the Craft, and accordingly we find the brethren of Canongate Kilwinning patronising "a benefit play for the use of the poor of Canongate." The membership at all times included



The "Treasure Chest" of Lodge Canongate Kilwinning.

many prominent actors. At the St. Andrew's Festival of 1761 Brother James Boswell, the biographer of Dr. Johnson, was installed as Junior Warden. In 1762 a brother from "the Primitive Lodge of the Conquered Caribbee Islands" and another from "No. 4 in the East Indies" were admitted honorary members. In 1765 the Lodge contributed ten guineas towards the support of the Charity Workhouse of Edinburgh, "for the benefit whereof there is at present a publick voluntary contribution in the city." In 1766, George, 8th Earl of Dalhousie (ancestor of the Hon. Charles Maule Ramsay, the present Grand Master of Scottish Freemasonry), was entered, passed, and raised. In 1802 the 9th Earl was initiated, and in 1835 the 10th Earl (then Lord Ramsay). All these Earls of Dalhousie were afterwards Grand Master Masons of Scottish Freemasonry, and the present Grand

Master, a son of the 12th Earl, is a worthy successor in that high office, and is a member of the Lodge.

Earl Percy, Lord Binning, and Lord Napier were entered between 1767 and 1769. In 1770, on the petition of Lord Napier, a Military Lodge was constituted in the famous regiment known as the "Scots Greys," of which he was Colonel. The minute of July 7, 1774, signed by James Boswell of Auchinleck as Master, records that "the evening was passed in social glees, every brother having sung, though not as a precedent." Did "Bozzy" have remorseful reflections on the morrow? In 1779 Canongate Kilwinning and Haddington Lodges entered into a restricted union, and the Canongate Kilwinning and St. Giles amalgamated.



The Poet's Box of Lodge Canongate Kilwinning.

In 1786, on the eve of his intended departure for Jamaica, Burns published the first edition of his poems. The second edition, published at Edinburgh, contained a list of subscribers, many of whom were members of Canongate Kilwinning. This Lodge was the first he visited in Edinburgh, and he was affiliated to it on Feb. 1, 1787. On the 6th of the same month the R.W. Master, Alexander Fergusson of Craigdarroch, conferred on Burns the title of Poet-Laureate of the Lodge, but the office was not formally recognised in the minutes until a public subscription was started for the erection of a mausoleum to his memory, to

which the Lodge contributed £21. In "Burns's corner" in the Lodge Room there still hangs the original list of individual subscribers to the fund. The centenary of the inauguration of Burns as Poet-Laureate was celebrated on March 1, 1887, when the Lodge Room was filled with representatives from distant and near Lodges.

The year 1789 saw the laying of the foundation stone of the new University, a ceremony at which, naturally, Canongate Kilwinning was represented. The minutes contain many records of the Lodge having walked in procession. In 1799 it resolved to co-operate in the effort to raise funds to build a Freemasons' Hall for Grand Lodge. On June 24, 1800, Lord Brougham was assumed a member. On May 14, 1801, the brethren joined in the procession at the opening of Leith Docks. Under date December 15 of the same year, the minutes record the presentation to the R.W.M. of a handsome sword bearing the Lodge's motto, "Post Nubila Phœbus" (After Darkness comes Light), for the use of the Lodge.

A Grand Lodge deputation, headed by the 9th Earl of Dalhousie, paid a visit to Canongate Kilwinning in 1803. It came to settle a serious quarrel which had arisen between the Lodge and the Thistle Lodge, the Master of which was accused of having



The Fireplace of the Old Kitchen of the Tenandries of St. John.

spoken of Canongate Kilwinning as pluming herself upon her opulence and prosperity and holding aloof from the sister Lodges. The offending brother made a handsome apology, and all was amity once more. Many of the Edinburgh Lodges seceded from Grand Lodge during 1808, and Canongate Kilwinning threw in its lot with the dissenters. The breach remained open for five years, when, the cause of offence having been removed, the seceding Lodges returned to their allegiance.

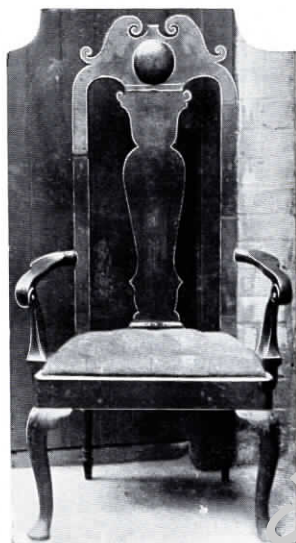
The Lodge took part, on August 27, 1822, in the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the National Monument on Calton Hill—that noble but overreaching beginning destined to be known as “Scotland’s Folly”—when the brethren were addressed by the Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, Grand Master of Scotland; and on July 26, 1825, it was represented at the laying of the foundation stone of the new High School by Viscount Glenorchy, Grand Master. In 1828 records appear of two splendid paintings and an elegant snuff-mull having been presented to the Lodge, and in 1833 a handsome sword was given by the Knights Templars of Scotland and Royal Arch Chapter No. 1.

In 1835 James Hogg, the Ettrick Shepherd, was elected to the Poet-Laureateship of the Lodge, “in obedience since the death

of the immortal Brother Robert Burns,” and a deputation visited the poet at his home in Peeblesshire to initiate him. At the meeting the “Shepherd” sang some of his own sweet songs, to the great delight of the brethren. He did not hold the office long. He died next year, and was succeeded by William Hay, the “Lintie o’ Moray.” A feature of the Lodge was the number of dis-



Old Measures, Drinking and Firing Glasses
and Toddy Ladles of Lodge
Canongate Kilwinning.



The Master's Chair, St. John's Chapel
(circa 1730).

tinguished Poles temporarily associated with it during the troubles in their country. In 1835 ten Polish officers, members of the Lodge, presented it with a portrait of the Master, Alexander M'Neil.

Professor Aytoun, at the "Lays," was elected R.W.M. in 1839. It is notable as showing the social rank of the members, that out of thirty-nine occupants of Edinburgh's civic chair during the sixty-five years preceding 1803, no less than fifteen were members of Canongate Kilwinning. The foundation laying, on August 15, 1820, of Scotland's beautiful memorial of one of her greatest and noblest sons—the Scott Monument—was a great event for the Lodge; and on August 15, 1846, the brethren attended the con-

secration of the statue by Lord Glenligon, Grand Master.

In 1878 Fr. Morris, Past Grand Master of Kentucky, U.S.A., "visited the hall of the old Canongate Kilwinning No. 2 and saw with profound emotion the place consecrated to the memory of so many great and good Masons," and in 1881 a similar minute was entered by "John Mills Browne, Past Grand Master of California."

The Bicentenary was celebrated on December 20, 1875, the Grand Master, Sir Michael Shaw Stewart, presiding.

The foregoing particulars are extracted from the 'History of the Lodge Canongate Kilwinning No. 2,' compiled from the Records, 1677—1883, by Allan Mackenzie, Right Worshipful Master, 1883—1887; Member of Grand Committee, &c., First Principal Canongate Kilwinning Royal Arch Chapter No. 56."

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Masonic Seal connected with
Canongate of date about 1530.

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