



DEDICATION
Under the English Constitution

OF THE

Willem van Orange Lodge. No. 3976,

AT

FREEMASONS' HALL, GREAT QUEEN STREET, W.C.,

On Monday, 14th July, 1919, at 4.15 for 4.45 o'clock,

BY

M.W. Bro. The Right Honourable LORD AMPHILL, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.,
Pro Grand Master,

ASSISTED BY

R.W. Pro. LIEUT.-GENERAL SIR FRANCIS J. DAVIES,
K.C.B., K.C.M.G., Prov. G.M. Worcestershire ... as S.W.
W. Bro. MAJOR-GENERAL SIR DAVID MERCER, *K.C.B.*, P.G.D. ... as J.W.
W. Bro. THE REV. WALTER P. BESLEY, *M.A.*, P.G. Chap... as Chaplain
V.V. Bro. J. S. GRANVILLE GRENFELL, G.D.C. ... as D.C.
W. Bro. A. RANSFORD COLLETT, Dep.G.D.C. ... as Asst. D.C.
W. Bro. LIEUT.-COLONEL MILES J. STAPYLTON, *O.B.E.*, P.G.D.,
D.P.G.M. N. & E. Yorks ... as I.G.



W. Bro. LT.-COLONEL J. A. C. GIBBS, *C.B.*, P.G.D. ... W.M.
Bro. R. A. MORROW ... S.W.
Bro. CAPTAIN W. T. FLETCHER ... J.W.

Musical Arrangements under the direction of W. Bro. C. H. KEMPLING, P.P.G.O. Essex.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

1. The Brethren assemble in the Lodge Room.
2. The Presiding Officer, having entered in procession with the Grand Officers, takes the Chair and appoints his Officers.
3. The Lodge is opened in the Three Degrees.
4. **Opening Hymn.**

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 badge and mystic sign, Hear us, Architect Divine. <i>So mote it be.</i>
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5. The Presiding Officer addresses the Brethren on the motive of the Meeting, and calls upon the Chaplain to give the
6. **Opening Prayer.**
7. Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be."
8. The Director of Ceremonies addresses the Presiding Officer.
9. The Presiding Officer replies and gives directions.
10. The Brethren of the Lodge are arranged in order.
11. The Director of Ceremonies reads the Warrant from the M.V. The Grand Master.
12. The Presiding Officer enquires of the Brethren if they approve of the Officers named in the Warrant of Constitution.
13. The Brethren signify their approval in Masonic form.
14. **An Oration**
On the Nature and Principle of the Institution by the Chaplain.
15. **Anthem.**

Behold how good and joyful a thing it is, for brethren to dwell together in unity.
It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto the beard, even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing.
It is like the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Zion.
For there the Lord promised His blessing, and will be for evermore.—So mote it be.
16. **Dedication Prayer (First Portion).**
17. Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be."
18. *Musical Response*—GLORY BE TO THEE, O GOD.
19. The Brethren turn towards the East, whilst the Presiding Officer pronounces
The Invocation.
20. Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be."
21. The Chaplain reads I. Chron., chap. ii, verses 1 to 16.
22. The Presiding Officer directs the Lodge Board to be uncovered.
The Dedication,
during which the Elements of Dedication 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 blessing on them fell,
In showers of Corn and Wine and Oil.
25. The Presiding 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 Presiding 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 prosperous spoil,
To honour Him by votive hands,
With streams of Corn and Wine and Oil.

33. The Presiding Officer pours Oil—the symbol of Peace and Unanimity.

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

35. The Chaplain reads Leviticus, chap. ii, verse 13.

36. The Brethren sing—

Now o'er our work this Salt we shewer,
Emblem of Thy conservatism,
And may Thy presence, Lord, we pray,
Keep this our Temple from decay.

37. The Presiding Officer sprinkles Salt—the symbol of Fidelity and Friendship.

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

39. **The Presiding Officer Dedicates the Lodge.**

40. **Anthem.**

O how amiable are Thy dwellings, Thou Lord of Hosts, My soul hath a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house; They shall always be praising Thee. Hallelujah!

41. The Chaplain takes the Censer round the Lodge.

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

43. Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be."

44. **The Presiding Officer Constitutes the Lodge under the United Grand Lodge of England.**

45. Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be."

46. **Anthem.**

God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. For the Father seeketh such to worship Him.

47. **Patriarchal Benediction.**

48. Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be."

Lodge Business.

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Installation of the Master.

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Re-Appointment and Re-Investiture of Officers.

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Election of Tyler.

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Election of Committee to consider By-Laws.

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Election of Hon. Members.

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Any other Business.

Closing Hymn.

Now the evening shadows closing,
Warn from toil to peaceful rest,
Mystic arts and rites reposing
Sacred in each faithful breast.

God of Light! whose love unceasing
Deth to all Thy works extend,
Crown our Order with Thy blessing,
Build; sustain us to the end.

Humbly now we bow before Thee,
Grateful for Thy aid Divine;
Everlasting power and glory,
Mighty Architect! be Thine.

So mote it be.

NOTE.

The Willem van Orange Lodge was originally formed by Naval, Military and Civilian Brethren, interned in Holland under the Hague Convention of August, 1917, who had been Prisoners of War in Germany. It was consecrated on July, 1918, No. 118 under the jurisdiction of the Grand Orient of the Netherlands. The Lodge name was chosen in memory of the famous Dutch Prince and Freemason, afterwards King of England, in recognition of the hospitality afforded to British Freemasons by their Dutch Brethren, without whose fraternal co-operation and sympathetic help the Lodge could not have existed—and, as a further binding link between the two great Masonic Powers.