

PROVINCIAL * GRAND * MARK * LODGE.



OF WORCESTERSHIRE

WORCESTER, DECEMBER THE 8TH, 1884.

Under the Banner of the Lechmere Lodge of Mark Masons, No. 59.

W. BRO. HENRY WILSON, M.A., W.M.

Programme * of * the * **C**eremonial

TO BE OBSERVED AT THE

Formation of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire.

And at the Installation of the R.W. Provincial Grand Mark Master Designate,

W. BRO. AUGUSTUS FREDERICK GODSON,
M.A., D.P.G.M.M.M., WARWICKSHIRE, &c.

M.W. Bro. THE EARL OF KINTORE, G.M.M.M.,
INSTALLING MASTER.

❖ ORDER ❖ OF ❖ CEREMONIAL. ❖❖

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8TH. 1884.

Opening Hymn.

The Sun and Moon, Eternal Lord,
Attend Thy sovereign call;
They run, obedient to Thy Word,
Whose laws are concord all.

In storm and sunshine, on the way
By Thee assigned they go;
The Lights that rule the night and day
Their Maker's guidance know.

Teach us, like them, where e'er we be,
To do the Craftsman's part,
To work the work assigned by Thee,
True Masters of our Art.

So let the day be dark or bright,
And rough or smooth our way,
The day, though long, shall bring the night,
The night, though dark, the day.

Eternal Wisdom, beauty, Power,
To Thee be glory given;
The Name we praise in life's short hour
We hope to praise in Heaven.
So may it be.

- 1.—The W.M. of the Lechmere Lodge, No. 59, will be informed that M.W. Bro. the EARL OF KINTORE, Grand Master, is without, and requests admission.
- 2.—The W.M. will appoint a deputation to receive the M.W. Bro. the EARL OF KINTORE, Grand Master, and the Officers of Grand Lodge.
- 3.—The Brethren will stand to Order, and the Organist will play a voluntary.
- 4.—The M.W.G.M. will assume the throne.
- 5.—The M.W.G.M. will open Provincial Grand Lodge, and be saluted with Grand Honours nine times.

Ode.

Great Overseer of All,
On Thee for aid we call,
Son of the Craft:
Steep is the bank to land;
Lend Thou the helping hand,
Safe on the shore to stand,
Raised from the raft.

Where e'er our work be found,
Wood, hill, or casting-ground,
Thine aid we ask:
Grant in the noontide heat,
Hour for refreshment sweet;
Call back to work when meet;
Speed Thou the task.

Then when the shadows fall,
When labour ends for all,
Our wages tell:
Shew Thou the Master's choice;
Bid all our hearts rejoice;
Speak with approving voice,
"All have marked well."

- 6.—The Grand Secretary will read the summons convening the Meeting.
- 7.—The M.W.G.M. will be informed that the R.W. Prov. G.M. Designate, Bro. A. F. GODSON is without, and requests to be Installed.
- 8.—The M.W.G.M. will direct that the Prov. G.M. Designate be introduced in proper form.
- 9.—The Grand Director of Ceremonies, with several Grand and Prov. Grand Officers, will retire, form Procession, introduce the Prov. C.M. Designate, and conduct him to the front of the pedestal in the East. The Grand Secretary will read Memorial from the Brethren of the Province, and the Grand Master's assent thereto.
- 10.—The Grand Chaplain will offer a prayer.

Ode.

Eternal Wisdom, whose decree,
Made light to dawn, and darkness flee,
Illumine Thou our earthly sight,
Make us indeed the Sons of Light.

Eternal strength, whose mighty hand
Hath framed the sky, the sea, the land,
Without Thee, vain were mortal skill;
Make strong our hearts to work Thy will.

Eternal Beauty, who has blessed
The works Thy hands in order dressed,
Make us Thy loveliness to know
And bear Thy Image here below.

- 11.—The Grand Director of Ceremonies will proclaim that "Worcestershire is now and henceforth constituted a Mark Province."
- 12.—The M.W.G.M. will obligate and invest the P.G.M. and conduct him into the Chair, the M.W.G.M. occupying the chair on the left.
- 13.—The Prov. Grand Master will be proclaimed and saluted with Grand Honours seven times.

Anthem.

That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform according as thou hast vowed unto the Lord thy God."

- 14.—The P.G.M. will appoint his Deputy, who will take an O.B., after which he will be invested and inducted into his seat on the right of the P.G.M.
- 15.—The D.P.G.M. will be proclaimed and saluted with Grand Honours five times.
- 16.—The P.G.M. will appoint and invest his officers.

17.—The P.G. Treasurer will be elected by ballot, and invested.

18.—Resolutions, Vote of Thanks, etc., will be proposed, and business transacted.

Closing Ode.

O first and sole Foundation,
O hidden Corner-stone,
Heavenly Star of Morning
O only perfect One.
Descend to this Thy Temple,
And pour Thy blessings free
On us, Thy servants, waiting
In hope of what shall be :

When there shall be no darkness,
No grief and no decay,
Earth's shadows all dissolving
In heaven's eternal day,
No need of word or token,
No need of guard or sign
In that great world of Brothers,
That home of light divine.

There work shall be refreshment,
There parting comes no more ;
That Lodge for aye stands open,
For aye un-tyled the door.
And in those blessed mansions,
With God upon the throne,
Shall Brother meet with Brother
And know as he is known.

19.—The Grand Chaplain will offer a prayer.

20.—The Provincial Grand Lodge will be closed.

21.—The Brethren will retire as ordered by the Grand Director of Ceremonies, the Organist playing a voluntary.

BANQUET AT THE STAR HOTEL AT 5 P.M.

THE R.W.P.G.M. BRO. A. F. GODSON
Will Preside.

TICKETS (EXCLUDING WINE), 6s. 6d. EACH.