

➤ PROVINCIAL † GRAND † LODGE †

OF
ANTIENT † FREE † AND † ACCEPTED † MASONS

IN THE

➤ † County of Worcester. †

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER SIR EDMUND A. H. LECHMERE, BART., M.P.,

Provincial Grand Master,

ASSISTED BY

THE WORSHIPFUL BROTHER COLONEL JOHN MACHEN,

Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Warwickshire.

AND THE BRETHREN OF THE

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGES OF WORCESTERSHIRE AND WARWICKSHIRE,

WILL LAY THE

FOUNDATION STONE OF S. AGNES' CHURCH,

MOSELEY,

WITH † FULL † MASONIC † CEREMONIAL,

—†— ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3RD, 1883. —†—

Summerdyne Villa,
Kidderminster.

September 22nd, 1883.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

By command of the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master, I hereby give you notice that an Especial Provincial Grand Lodge will be holden at the National Schools, Moseley, on Wednesday, October 3rd, 1883, at 11.30 o'clock, preliminary to the above ceremony.

You are earnestly invited to be present.

Refreshments will be provided for the Brethren on their arrival at the Schools. After the ceremony of laying the Stone, a Luncheon will be held at the Rink at 2.30 o'clock, to which Ladies and non-Masons will be admitted. Tickets 4/- each, which also admit to enclosure at the site.

Will you please send the enclosed Post Card, to reach me not later than Monday, October 1st, saying if you can be present or not, and if any ladies or friends accompany you, how many? The Provincial Grand Master trusts he will be well supported by the Brethren of his Province.

Yours fraternally,

GEORGE TAYLOR, P.P.S.G.W.,

Provincial Grand Secretary.

TRAVELLING ARRANGEMENTS.—Six persons from any station will be allowed to travel First Class at a fare and a quarter for the double journey. Brethren from the Worcester and Malvern Districts take the Midland Express at 10.7 from Shrub Hill, which will stop at Moseley by arrangement. Brethren from the Kidderminster, Stourport, Stourbridge, Halesowen and Dudley Districts, must reach Snow Hill, Birmingham, at 11.5, where vehicles will be in readiness to take them to Moseley.

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◀ ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS. ▶

A CRAFT Lodge will be opened in the three degrees at the National Schools, Moseley, by the W.M. and officers of *Stability Lodge*, No. 564 (by request) at 11.30 o'clock.

The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master and Provincial Grand Officers will enter the Lodge, and having been received with the customary honours, the Provincial Grand Lodge will be opened in due form at 11.45 a.m. The Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master of Warwickshire, Brother Colonel Machen, accompanied by his Provincial Grand Officers, will enter the Lodge, and having been saluted with the customary honours, and nothing further offering, the Provincial Grand Lodge will be closed.

A procession will then be formed in the following order :—

- Two Tylers with drawn Swords
- Brethren of the Province of Warwickshire, and other visitors, not being Provincial Grand Officers
- Lodges according to their Numbers, Juniors walking first
- Architect with the Plan
- Provincial Grand Steward {
 - A Cornucopia with Corn
 - Borne by a Master of a Lodge
 - Two Ewers with Wine and Oil
 - Borne by Masters of Lodges.
 Provincial Grand Steward
- Past Provincial Grand Pursuivants
- Provincial Grand Pursuivant and Assistant Provincial Grand Pursuivant
- Provincial Grand Organist
- Trowel, borne by a Past Master; Mallet, borne by a Past Master
- Past Provincial Grand Sword Bearer, and Directors of Ceremonies
- Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies and Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
- Past Provincial Grand Superintendents of Works
- Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works, bearing Inscription Plate
- Past Provincial Grand Deacons and Registrars
- Provincial Grand Registrar
- Past Provincial Grand Chaplains
- Past Provincial Grand Wardens
- Provincial Grand Secretary, with Book of Constitutions
- Provincial Grand Treasurer, with Phial containing Coins, &c.
- The Provincial and Past Provincial Officers of Warwickshire and other Visitors, being Provincial Grand Officers
- The DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER OF WARWICKSHIRE
 - The Corinthian Light, borne by the Master of a Lodge
 - The Column of the Provincial Junior Grand Warden, borne by the Master of a Lodge
 - The Provincial Junior Grand Warden, with the Plumb Rule
 - The Doric Light, borne by the Master of a Lodge
 - The Column of the Provincial Senior Grand Warden, borne by the Master of a Lodge
 - The Provincial Senior Grand Warden, with the Level
 - Provincial Junior Grand Deacon
 - Provincial Grand Steward {
 - The Provincial Grand Chaplain
 - Bearing the Sacred Law on a Cushion
 Provincial Grand Steward

The Deputy Provincial Grand Master with the Square
The Ionic Light, borne by the Master of a Lodge
The Provincial Grand Sword Bearer
The RIGHT WORSHIPFUL PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER
Provincial Senior Grand Deacon
Two Provincial Grand Stewards
Provincial Grand Tyler

- 1.—The procession will start from the National Schools at 12.30, and proceed to S. Mary's Church, where a short service will be held. On reaching the church gates the Brethren will divide and face inwards as usual.
- 2.—At the close of the Service, the procession will reform, and preceded by the choir, and clergy of the Diocese, take its way to the site in S. Agnes' Road, at 1.30.
- 3.—On arriving at the site the Brethren will divide and face inwards, and those taking no part in the ceremony of laying the stone will be conducted to the platform set apart for them.
- 4.—A hymn will be sung.
- 5.—Bro. the Rev. H. J. COACHAFER, P.M., P.P.G. Chaplain, will offer a prayer.
- 6.—The Rev. W. H. COLMORE, M.A., Chairman of the Building Committee will address the Provincial Grand Master, and request him to lay the stone.
- 7.—The Provincial Grand Master will address the assembly.
- 8.—The Provincial Grand Chaplain will offer a prayer.
- 9.—The Provincial Grand Master will request the Provincial Grand Secretary to read the Inscription on Plate, and the Provincial Grand Treasurer to deposit the phial containing coins, &c., in the cavity.
- 10.—A Trowel will be presented to the Provincial Grand Master by Mr. G. WILLIAMS.
- 11.—The Provincial Grand Secretary having placed the plate on the lower stone the cement will be laid, and the Provincial Grand Master will adjust the same.
- 12.—Whilst the upper stone is slowly lowered an Anthem will be sung.
- 13.—The Provincial Grand Master will prove the position and form of the stone by the Plumb Rule, Level, and Square, successively delivered to him by the Junior Warden, Senior Warden, and Deputy Provincial Grand Master. He will give the stone three knocks with the mallet.
- 14.—The Cornucopia, containing the Corn and the Ewers, with the Wine and Oil, will next be handed to the Provincial Grand Master who will use them with the accustomed ceremonies.
- 15.—The Provincial Grand Superintendent of Works will hand the Plans of the intended structure to the Provincial Grand Master and also present to him the Architect, and the Provincial Grand Master having inspected and approved the Plans will return them with the usual requests.
- 16.—The Ladies will now deposit on the Stone the Purses received on behalf of the Building Fund.
- 17.—A Hymn will be sung.
- 18.—The Benediction will be pronounced.
- 19.—The Brethren will keep their places whilst the scene is Photographed. (Photographs may be obtained by inquiring through the Provincial Grand Secretary.)
- 20.—The Ceremony being concluded, the Procession will reform as before, and proceed to the Rink, where all articles left at the Schools will have been removed.
- 21.—Public Luncheon in the Rink at 3 o'clock, at which the Provincial Grand Master, Sir E. A. H. LECHMERE, Bart., M.P. will preside. The Brethren will not appear in Masonic Costume at the Luncheon. Full Masonic CRAFT Clothing at the Ceremony.