

Sincerity Masonic Hall,
The Hoe, Plymouth.

ORDER

OF

CEREMONIAL

ON THE OCCASION OF

THE DEDICATION

OF THE

'Sincerity' Masonic Hall,

ON

FRIDAY. the 15th of DECEMBER, 1922,

At 4.30 p.m.

Dedication Officers.

W. Bro. J. W. S. GODDING,
Assistant Provincial Grand Master.

ASSISTED BY

W. Bro. G. N. DICKINSON ... Prov. S.G.W,

W. Bro. THE REV. H. B. CLARK ... Prov. J.G.W.

W. Bro. THE REV. THOS. PARRY,, M.A. P. G. Chapn.

W. Bro. HENRY STOCKER, P.A.G.D.C. (Eng.) Prov.G.Sec.

W. Bro. H. J. STAMP, P.A.G.D.C. (Eng.) Prov. G.D.C.

Medical arrangements under the direction of

W. Bro. H. H. KINCH ... Prov. G. Organist.

Order of Ceremonial.



The Brethren will assemble in the Lodge Room, and the Lodge will be opened in the Three Degrees by the Worshipful Master and Wardens of Lodge Sincerity No. 189,



1. A Procession will be formed, and will enter the Lodge in the following order:—

Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies ;

Four Installed Masters.

Carrying the Vessels containing Corn, Wine, Oil and Salt ;

Provincial Grand Secretary,

With the Book of Constitutions on a cushion ;

Provincial Grand Chaplain,

With the Volume of the Sacred Law on a cushion ;

Junior Provincial Grand Warden ;

Senior Provincial Grand Warden ;

The Worshipful **Assistant Provincial Grand Master.**

2. The Assistant Provincial Grand Master will take the Chair ; and the Provincial Grand Wardens will take the Wardens' Chairs.
3. The Assistant Provincial Grand Master and his Officers will be Saluted according to ancient form.

4. **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 blessed 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!

So mote it be!

5. The Assistant Provincial Grand Master will call upon the Provincial Grand Chaplain for the Opening Prayer.

So mote it be!

6. The Assistant Provincial Grand Master will address the Brethren on the motive of the meeting.

7. The Worshipful Master of "Sincerity" Lodge No. (8) will then ask the Assistant Provincial Grand Master to—

Dedicate the Hall to Masonic Purposes.

8. The Assistant Provincial Grand Master will signify his assent, and will call upon the Provincial Grand Chaplain to offer the Dedication Prayer [First portion.]

So mote it be.

9. **Chant.**

EXCEPT the Lord | build the house : their labour |
is but | lost that build it.

Except the Lord | keep the city : the watchman |
waketh | but in vain.

10. The Assistant Provincial Grand Master will direct the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies to uncover the Lodge Tracing Boards.

11. The Worshipful Assistant Provincial Grand Master and the Provincial Grand Wardens (bearing Corn, Wine, and Oil), will proceed around the Lodge, halting in the East, when CORN (the symbol of Plenty) will be scattered over the Lodge, and the Building will be dedicated to FREEMASONRY.

Glory be to Thee, O God.

HAIL, Masonry ! thou Craft Divine,
Glory of Earth from Heaven revealed,
Which dost with Jewels precious shine,
From all but Masons' eyes concealed.

12. The Procession will move a second time around the Lodge, halting in the East, when WINE (the symbol of Joy and Cheerfulness) will be poured upon the Lodge, and the Building will be dedicated to VIRTUE.

Glory be to God on high.

COME, holy Virtue ! by whose aid
In heavenward steps we long to tread,
Bring love, bring Truth, bring Friendship here,
Bring Peace and Unity sincere.

13. The Procession will move a third time around the Lodge, halting in the East, when OIL (the symbol of peace and unanimity) will be poured upon the Lodge, and the Building will be dedicated to UNIVERSAL BENEVOLENCE.

Glory be to God on high.

COME, Charity! with goodness crowned,
Encircled in thy Heavenly robe,
Diffuse thy Blessings all around,
To every corner of the Globe.

14. The Procession will move a fourth time around the Lodge, halting in the East, when SALT (the symbol of Fidelity) will be sprinkled upon the Lodge, and the Building will be dedicated to FRIENDSHIP.

Glory be to God on high.

The Provincial Grand Grand Chaplain will read
Leviticus ii. 13.

15. *Hymn.*

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.
When here a shrine to Him alone
They build, with worship sin to foil,
On threshold and on Corner Stone
They poured out corn and wine and oil.
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.

To build on the great Corner Stone,
To Him who oversees our toil,
This temple to His praise alone
Who gives us salt, corn, wine, and oil.

So mote it be.

16. The Assistant Provincial Grand Master will call upon the Provincial Grand Chaplain to offer the second portion of the Dedication Prayer.

So mote it be.

17. The Worshipful Assistant Provincial Grand Master will then declare the Building duly and solemnly dedicated to FREEMASONRY, UNIVERSAL BENEVOLENCE, and FRIENDSHIP.

So mote it be.

18. **Anthem.**

BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is, 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 life for evermore.

19. **The National Anthem.**

21. The Brethren will stand to order whilst the Worshipful Assistant Provincial Grand Master and his Officers leave the Lodge.

22. The Lodge will then be closed.