

1797



1922

Order of Ceremony
of
Celebration

of the
One hundred & twenty-fifth Anniversary
of the

Friendly Lodge,

No. 239, Dist. No. 2

Bro. Benjamin Alberga : Wor. Master.
at the

Masonic Temple, 80 Hanover St.

on

Tuesday, 12th December 1922.

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The 125th Anniversary
of the
Friendly Lodge, No. 239. Dist. No. 2.

1.—The Lodge will be opened in due and ancient form

2.—Opening Ode:—

“ 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 !

3.—Entry of W. M. and Officers of Visiting Lodges.

4.—R. W. the District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge of Scotland will be announced and received with honours.

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5.—R. W. the District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge will be announced and received with honours.

6.—Read and confirm minutes of regular meeting held 14th November, 1922.

7.—Wor. Bro. Frank E. Lyons, Chairman of the Celebration Committee, will move :—

“ That this being the 125th Anniversary of the formation of the Friendly Lodge, a special donation of £125 (being £1 for each year of the Lodge's existence) be made to Charity, as a Thanksgiving Offering to T. G. A. O. T. U., for having preserved the Lodge through various vicissitudes of time and fortune to glory in a century and a quarter of continuous and harmonious working, and that the amount be handed over to the Jamaica Masonic Benevolence Association by the Worshipful Master.”

8.—W. M. will give a short Oration dealing with a brief History of the Lodge from 1797 to 1922.

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9 — Wor. Bro. Altamont E. DaCosta, M.B.E., J.P., will sing:—

“MASONRY UNIVERSAL, IMMORTAL.

“ Where are the wise, the great, the good,
Those sturdy sons of yore,
Who labor'd here with square and plumb,
But labour now no more ?

“ Another generation comes,
And in their places meet,
The silver cord again is loosed
For human life is fleet.

“ O years ! What have they seen, what known,
What ties of love revealed !
What shrines and temples built since then
What bonds of friendship sealed,

“ We'll meet them still for work with rest
In joy, sometimes through tears;
And trust God's blessing on our Lodge—
Another hundred years.

Accompanist—Wor. Bro. H. A. Lake.

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- 10.—Tribute to the Memory of departed Brethren of the Lodge since 1797.

ODE:—

Hail! Masonry Divine!
Glory of ages shine,
Long may'st thou reign!
Where'er thy Lodges stand,
May they have great command,
And always grace the land,
Thou Art Divine!

- 11.—Wor. Bro. Rev. M. H. Solomon, D.G.C., Chaplain, will offer special prayers of Thanksgiving to T.G.A.O.T.U., and implore a continuance of Divine protection—

- 12.—Presentation to the Lodge by Wor. Bro. Altamont E. DaCosta, M.A.E., J.P., of portrait of:—

BRO. SOLOMON BONITTO

one of the Founders of the Lodge, and its first Junior Warden who was invested on 12th December 1797. (The gift of Miss Sarah Bonitto, his grand-daughter).

- 13.—Presentation to the Lodge of New Lodge Banner by Wor. Bro. Alan E. Delgado on behalf of the Celebration Committee.

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14.—Presentation by Wor. Bro. Benjamin Alberga, W.M. to the Jamaica Masonic Benevolence Association of the sum of £125 to be used for charity to mark the occasion of the 125th Anniversary of the Lodge.

15.—W. M. will request the R. W. the District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge to take charge of the Lodge.

Investiture & Appointment of W. M. Alexander
D.G.M. and Officers of the D.G. Lodge will then vacate their chairs. W.M. and Officers of the Lodge will resume their seats—

16.—W.M. will tender a Vote of Welcome to the District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge—

17.—I.P.M. will tender a Vote of Welcome to the District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge of Scotland—

18.—W. M. will ask the usual questions for the first time—
W.M.'s. and representatives of Sister Lodges will be afforded the opportunity of making any remarks they may desire—

with Past Master - D.S.G.W.

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19.—W. M. will ask the usual questions for the second time—

J. W. will move a vote of Welcome to Sister Lodges and Visiting Brethren—

20.—W. M. will ask the usual questions for the third time—

Charity will be collected.

Wor. Bro. Altamont Delgado, Treasurer, will move:—

“ That the charity collected this evening be donated to the Jamaica Masonic Benevolence Association.”

21.—Closing Ode.—

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,
Doth to all thy works extend,
Crown our Order with thy blessing,
Build, sustain us to the end.

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Humbly now we bow before thee,
Grateful for Thine Aid Divine;
Everlasting Pow'r and glory
Mighty Architect ! be Thine.

22.—The Lodge will be closed in due and Ancient Form—

23.—Brethren will remain standing while the District Grand Masters and the Officers of the District Grand Lodges retire in processional order.



Committee of Arrangements

— FOR —

CELEBRATION OF THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY

— OF THE —

Friendly Lodge, No. 239, Dist. No. 2,

1797 -- 1922.



WOR. BRO. FRANK E. LYONS, Chairman.

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Administration 1922-23.

WOR. BRO.	BENJAMIN ALBERGA	..	Wor. Master.
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"	"	E. V. SAMUEL	.. Steward
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"	"	R. L. CONSTANTINE	.. do
"	"	H. BARROW	.. do
"	"	C. P. HOGARTH	.. Tyler.

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REGULAR MEETINGS

2nd Tuesday in each month.

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