

THE FOLLOWING 'POINTS OF PROCEDURE' HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE FOUNDERS OF THIS LODGE, WHOSE HOPE AND WISH IT IS, THAT THESE WILL BE OBSERVED IN FUTURE, AS TRADITIONAL PRACTISE :-

1. The Sn of the Degree to be given by Officers when addressed by the Worshipful Master, or a Warden (e.g. in opening and closing).
2. Questions at opening to be addressed by the W.M. to the I.G., J.D., and S.D., and to be answered by those Officers.
3. D.C. to lead all perambulations throughout the Ceremony, until the Candidate retires.
4. "The G or T is given by a D.P. on the first K.J. of a Brother's R.M." and similarly in other Degs.
5. Words to be lettered in E and W and halved in S.
6. The Lodge to be squared on all convenient occasions (except when retiring after being entrusted with P.W.) Diagonal walking to be deprecated.
7. Candidate to be in shirt - No waistcoat.
8. Black cloth to be used in 3rd Deg.
9. Oration to be given in 3rd Deg.
10. The word 'Hele' to rhyme with 'Hail'.
11. The V.S.L. to face the Candidate. Points of the Compasses to be placed towards the Candidate.
12. In order to reduce Wear and Tear on the V.S.L. it to be open at II Chron 6, for Initiation Ceremony only.
13. The charge in the 1st Deg. to be given by the J.W.
14. In opening in the 3rd Deg. the prayer "O may Heaven ----- endeavours," to be given by Chaplain.
15. Rituals of the Deg. to be lent to the Candidate, after 1st and 2nd Degs. Full Ritual to be presented after raising.
16. Old working (Modern version as practised in Francis Davies Lodge) to be used at Installations.
17. Ballot Box to be placed behind Screen.
18. Candidates to be limited to two per session (see Resolution of Founders appended hereunder.)
19. Normal sequence of Officers to be :-

W.M.	to	D.C.
D.C.	to	A.D.C.
I.G.	to	Asst. Sec.
Asst. Sec.	to	J.D.
20. Toast of W.M. to be given at Installation Meeting and concluding Meeting of Session only.
21. The explanation of the Initiates Chain to be given after the Initiates Toast.

Resolution of Founders referred to in (18) above and passed at a Meeting of Founders held at 89 Cornwall Street, Birmingham 3 on 6th January, 1953.

"It was unanimously resolved that so far as the Founders of the Lodge were concerned, it be an unwritten Law and binding on future Masters, that, except in exceptional circumstances, not more than two Candidates be initiated each year."

(Signed)

D.R. COUNSELL
Chairman of Founders.

(Signed)

JOHN H. LEWIS
Worshipful Master.