

about it witch you should have dun, that I might have Sint you Directions with the advice of the Lodges hear, how you shall Proceed.

"You'll not Fail the first oppertunity To Send me a copy of the Warrent and of the Letters that Com with it and Be Sure to Let None of the Other Masons But the Members of St. Andrews into the Fellow Craft or M. M. Part without the Passes for the York & Celwiden (Kilwinning?) masons will not admit of the Modierns no moor than Enter-apprentice. I wish you all the Suchsess you can desier And Bigg You would Asemble your Lodg and instruct them as far as your Capacity: Never forgetting to admonish them to Love one Another, whin I hear from you I shall not fails of Sending you the advice of all the Lodges hear witch will bee of Great Service to you and wil open a Corren-hpondence between you. You have no Business with the Grand Master in Boston as you will hear in due time.

With all the Opinions of the Lodges hear I shall Sind you up the bye Laws of the Lodg hear whitch I Belog to & this will help you to Settle a good & Sure Sement whitch Cannot be easily Broken in Sunder. Be as frugall as possible in Your Expencess whitch will always Keep the Lodg full witch is the Sincear Desier of Your most

Effectionate Frend & Brother

Isaac DeCoster."

The reply reads as follows:

"Boston 3rd Feb., 1761.

"R., Worshipfull Decoster,

"We the Master, Wardens & Brethren of St. Andrew's Lodge No. Assembled in due form Adorned with all our honours, do Most Gratefully Acknowledge the Rect. of Your Letter, with a Coppy of yr. By Laws which we safely recd. for which a Unanimous Vote Passed, That our humble Thanks should be Returned to the Master, Wardens & Brethren of Lodge No. 2 at Hallifax for their favr. in Granting us a Coppy of Their By Laws, &c., And in due Order Drank—Health & Prosperity to the Master, Wardens & Brethren of Lodge No. 2 at Hallifax, Whom we most heartily desire to Greet Well, we shall also do our Utmost Endeavours to Preserve harmony and Order, and have the