

circle) and also one candle placed in the centre of the circle. The eleven candles are not to be lighted till the candidate has reached the Deputy Master, the one in the centre is not to be lighted.

¶ The Chaplain, or Master shall then proceed as follows:—

“Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of Herod the King, behold there came wise men from the East to Jerusalem, saying, where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his Star in the East, and are come to worship him. And lo the star which they saw in the East, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the Star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy, and when they were come into the house, they saw the young child and fell down and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold and frankincense, and myrrh.—*Matthew, ch. ii., v. 1, 2, 9, 10, 11.*

¶ Here the Candidate pays his Initiation Fee.

¶ The Candidate shall then subscribe his name in the Lodge Book, the Deputy Master saying to him.