

in "Book M." at Newcastle, 1736, as "Read 8 March, 1735 (6). at the Constitution of a new Lodge, at the Fountain, in Pipewellgate, Gateshead." In this Oration 12 lines are repeated under the term "old verses," with reference to the use by the Jews of the Sword and Trowel, and these 12 lines are yet found verbatim in the ritual of Harodim Rosycross of London (time immemorial 1743) the present Royal Order of Scotland, and also the 46° of the Rite of Mizraim; also Ramsay alludes to the subject, 1737.

It is clear to me, however, that in order to put himself in accord with the Craft ritual of Grand Lodge, Laycock abandoned the Harodim, for his name does not appear at its revival about 1742; evidently the old members were dissatisfied with him and his Grand Lodge innovations, and the allusion to "English Masters" is a semi-sneer, it is the 3° of Grand Lodge, the passed Fellow of the North. When they revived the Harodim, therefore, they termed it a Grand Lodge, elected Grand Officers in which Laycock is distinguished by its absence. The first extract, following, refers to the Craft Lodge, the others to a Grand Lodge of the Harodim.

24 June, 1743. John Ellethorne deceased; Ralph Howdon chosen Master.

Grand Lodge Officers, 24 June, 1743: Kendk. Jones, Prov. Grand Master; Wm. Hawdon, Deputy Grand Master; Michael Dalton, S.W.; Thos. Dalton, J.W.; Wm. Dalton, Grand Treasurer. June 23, 1744 Thos. Dalton, P. G. Master; Wm. Hawdon, Dep. Grand Master; Michael Dalton, etc. S & J. W., Richard Hawdon, Treasurer.

June 24, 1745, Kendk. Jones, is Deputy Grand Master.

These are clearly quite distinct from Laycock's, P. G. Lodge, and the following are verbatim printed extracts, which seem to show that under some old arrangement certain members paid 1s. 6d., whilst others paid 2s. 6d. each for what had now become two degrees

termed Harodim and Domatic-an, English Masters 2s. 6d.

"24 June, 1746, Richard Hawdon, P.G.M.; J. Hawdon, S.G.W.; J. Lawther, J.G.W.; J. Foy, D.G.W.M.; Michael Hawdon, Particular Lodge Master; Sen. Thos. Eicles, Jun. Thos. Liddle, Wardens; Wm. Gibson, Chris. Dod, Stewards.

"Memorandum. Highrodiam to pay for meeting in that order only 1s. 6d." Eight names follow who pay 1s. 6d., and three who pay 2s. 6d. each.

"July 1st, 1746. Enacted at a Grand Lodge, held that evening, that no brother Mason shall be admitted into the Dignity of a Highrodiam under less than a charge of 2s. 6d. or as the Domaskin or Forin, as John Thompson from Gateside paid at the same night, 5s."

N. B.—"English Masters to pay for entering into the said Masterships 2s. 6d. per majority."

Thirteen names follow headed,— "Names of the Brothers in the High Order." After that 30 names headed,— "English Masters to pay at entrance 2s. 6d. each." George Keppel, the Manager of (Sir Ambrose) Crowley, Millington & Co., the great Iron-founders, is twice mentioned 1756; Harodim 23 June, 1759. All that we have is a list of names to show reception, and of 5 "Raised Members" 1771-2. But some 20 pages have been torn out of the book.

There is therefore nothing to show the nature of the ritual. To a certain extent there is a correspondence with the Royal Order of Scotland. It is as if the Durham Harodim was a cruder form, which had been modified by the London Jacobites and attached to the faction of Prince Chas. Edward Stuart. It speaks of its highest Chapter as the Sanhedrim, and its London Grand Master has his "Priory Seal." We can trace by documents, neither the "Regius," nor Harodim MSS. till the 18th century, but both exist. The present ritual has been kept intact for over 160 years, and claims the Culdees as its founders, and in every form it is