

wth all other buildings; and he gave ym charge in this manner; First that ye should be true to ye Kinge and to ye Lords ye served; and that they should live well together; and bec true one to another; and that they should call one another fellowes; and not servants nor knave nor other foule names: and that ye should truly serve there paymt to ye lord that others serve; and that ye should ordaine ye wisest of them to be made mr of ye Lords worke; and neither for love great liveinge nor riches; to set another that hath litle cuninge to be mr of ye lords worke. Wherebye hee should bee evilly served or they ashamed; and that ye should call the gouvnor of ye worke mr of ye worke whilst ye worke wth him; and many other charges that weare two long to tell; and to all these charges hee made ym sweare the great oath; men used in yt time; and ordained for them reasonable payment; yt ye might live by it honestly; and alsoe that ye should come & assemble with others that ye might have counsell in there Crafts; yea might worke best to serve there lord; for his pfitt and worspp, and to correcte themselves if ye had trespassed; and thus ye Craft of Geometry was govnrned there; and yt worthy mr gave it ye name of Geometry and it is called Masonrie in this land; long after the children of Israell were come into the land of . . . . It is now amongst us in ye cuntry of Jerusalem Kinge David begann the temple of Jerusalem that is wth them "templum dei;" And ye same Kinge David loved Masons well; and cherished them; and gave ym good payment. And hee gave ym charges that you shall heare afterwards; and after ye decease of King David; Solomon yt was sonne to David pformed out ye Temple his Father had begun; and hee sent afterwards Masons of divers lands and gathered ym together; soe yt hee had fourescore thousand workers of stone; and they weare named masons; and hee had 3 thousand of them; wt which weare ordained mrs and gournors of yt worke, and there was a king of another region yt men called Hiram and hee loved well kinge Solomon; and gave him timber for his worke; and hee had a son named Anyon and hee was mr of Geometry; and he was chief mr of all his Masons; and mr of all his gravel workes, and of all other Masons, that belongeth to ye temple; and this witnesseth the Bible in libra 2, Solo. Capite 5.

And this Sonne Solomon conferred both charges and Manners; yt his father had given to Masons; and thus was ye worthe Craft of Masons conferred in ye Country of Jerusalem; And in many other Kingdomes; Glorious Craftsmen walkeing abroade into divers Countres; Some because of Learninge more craft; and other some to teach there craft; and it befell that a curious workman; who was named Ninius Greacus & had beene at ye makeinge of Solomon's Temple; and came into France: & there taught ye craft of Masonrie; to ye men of France that was named Charles Martill; he loved well this craft and drew to him this Nenius Greacus; and learned of him ye craft; and tooke upon ye charges and Mannrs and afterwards by ye grace of god hee was elected Kinge of France; and when he was in his Estate hee tooke many Masons; and made Masons there yt weare none; and sett ym in worke and gave ym both charges and mannrs & good payment; wch he had learned of other Masons; and conferred ym charter from yeare to yeare to hold their assembly, and thus came ye Craft into France; All this while England was voyde, both of any Charge or Masonrie; untill ye time of St. Albons; and in his time ye King of England that was a Pagan; And hee walled ye Towne wch is now called St Albons;