

*Then the M. W. Grand Master will say :*

W. GRAND MARSHAL: You will now make proclamation that this Foundation Stone has been laid in ample and ancient form.

*The W. Grand Marshal shall say :*

By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Prince Edward Island, I now proclaim the Foundation Stone of the City Building, to be laid in ample and ancient form, according to the customs and usages of Free and Accepted Masons. This proclamation I make once, twice, thrice, in the South, in the West, and in the East.

*The Grand Master ascends the platform. when the following Ode will be sung :*

TUNE.—“ *Duke Sheet.*”

O, Lord of Hosts, whose glory fills  
The bounds of the eternal hills.  
And yet vouchsafes in Christian lands  
To dwell in temples made with hands.

Grant that we who here to-day,  
Rejoicing, this foundation lay,  
May be in very deed Thine own,  
Built on the precious Corner-stone.

Endue Thy creatures with Thy grace  
That shall adorn Thy dwelling-place;  
The beauty of the oak and pine,  
The gold and silver, make them Thine.

To Thee they all pertain; to Thee,  
The treasures of the earth and sea;  
And when we bring them to Thy throne  
We but present Thee with Thine own.

The heads that guide endue with skill,  
The hands that work preserve from ill,  
That we who these foundations lay  
May raise the topstone in its day.

*The Grand Master then addresses the assembly as follows :*

“ *Men and Brethren here assembled :* Be it known unto you that we be lawful Masons, true and faithful to the laws of our country, and engaged, by solemn obligations,