

and all their successors always pay due respect to this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, otherwise this Warrant to be of no force or Virtue.

Given under our Hands and the Seal of Grand Lodge in London, this Twenty-sixth day of March, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred Sixty and Eight, and in the Year of Masonry Five Thousand Seven hundred Sixty and Eight.

Note—This Warrant is registered (L. S.)

in the Grand Lodge, Vol. 6th, Law Dermott,
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Grand Secretary.

The Lodge's Number and Name. It is to be noted that the name, "St. Andrew's" nowhere appears in the warrant of 1768. The Lodges of the "Ancients" were known by number only until towards the close of the eighteenth century. This was the general rule, and is subject to some exceptions. In the Book of Constitutions, published by the premier Grand Lodge in 1723, we find a list of twenty Lodges, from "No. 1" to "No. 20," inclusive. Subsequently they were further designated by the name of the tavern at which they held their meetings. Thus, in the second edition of the same work, we find a list of one hundred and six Lodges, with such names as, Lodge No. 6. at the Rummer Tavern, in Queen St.; No. 84, at the Black Dog, in Castle St.; and No. 98, at the Bacchus Tavern, in Little Bush Lane. The name and the locality were evidently presumed to be sufficient distinction. About 1793, we hear of the Shakespeare Lodge, at Stratford-on-Avon, the Royal Brunswick, at Sheffield; and the Lodge of Apollo, at Alcester. From that time it became a practice among our English Brethren from which they never departed to adopt some specially distinctive name on the formation of a lodge.

In Scotland, however, as well as in the continental and colonial Lodges distinctive names appear to have been adopted from an earlier period. Among the names in the list of Scotch Lodges in 1736, are those of St. Mary's Chapel, Kilwinning, Aberdeen, etc., undoubtedly taken from localities, and in 1763, we find in Edinburgh such designations as St. Luke's, St. Gile's and St. David's.

In America, from the very introduction of Masonry, appropriate names were selected for the Lodges; such as St. John's Lodge, at Boston in 1734; St. Andrew's Lodge,