

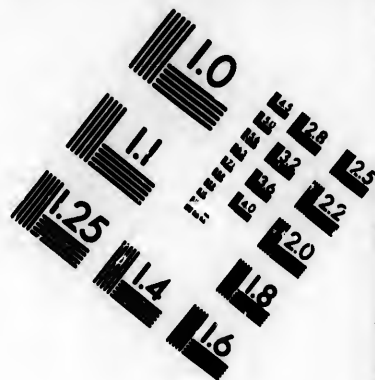
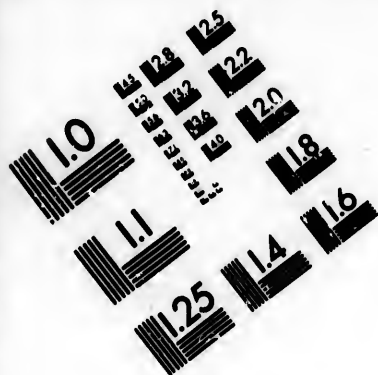
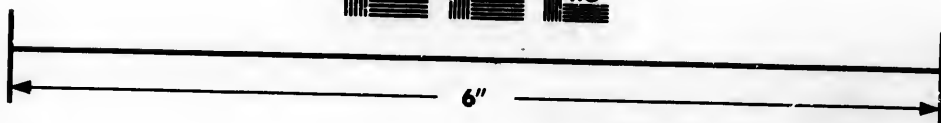
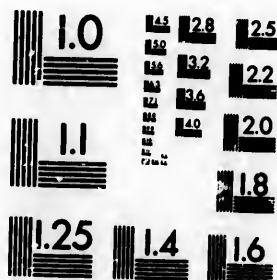


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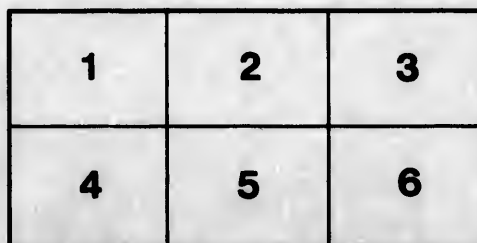
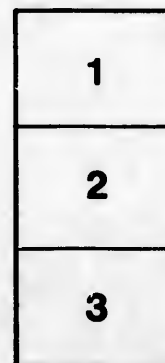
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OF THE

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LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION.

"Thou shalt teach men ordinances and laws, and shall show them the way wherein they must walk, and the work they must do; moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people, able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness, and place them to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, and rulers of tens."—Exodus, c. xviii, vs. 20, 21.

GENERAL DECLARATION:

At all times nothing can be more natural, and at this time nothing can be more reasonable, than that those who have common rights to protect, and common interests to defend, should act together and know each other. It is by division that the benevolent objects of true patriots are frustrated, and their best and noblest efforts for the public good defeated. In these distant but important appendages of our Great Empire, it must be obvious to every loyal and reflecting mind, that a union of intelligence, an increase of means, and a knowledge of each other are essential.

The LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION is formed by persons desirous of supporting, to the utmost of their power, the principles and practice of the CHRISTIAN RELIGION, to maintain the Laws and Constitution of the Country, afford assistance to the distressed members of the Order, and otherwise to promote such laudable and benevolent purposes as may tend to the due ordering of Religion and Christian Charity, and the supremacy of Law, ORDER, and CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOM.

Its members associate in honor of King William III., Prince of Orange, whose name they bear, and whose immortal memory they hold in reverence, tending as he did, under Divine Providence, to the overthrow of the most oppressive bigotry, and the restoration of Pure Religion and Liberty. They revere the memory of that immortal Prince, not only as a Patriot, a Constitutional Monarch,

and a Hero, but as a true Christian; and hope in the adoption of his name, to emulate his virtues, by maintaining pure Religion without persecution, or trenching upon the rights of any.

The Orange Society lays no claim to exclusive loyalty, or exclusive Protestantism; but it admits no man within its pale whose principles are not loyal, and whose creed is not Protestant.

Disclaiming an intolerant spirit, the Society demands, as an indispensable qualification, without which the greatest and the wealthiest may seek admission in vain, that the candidate shall be deemed incapable of persecuting or injuring any one on account of his religious opinions; the duty of every Orangeman being to aid and defend all *loyal subjects*, of every religious persuasion, in the enjoyment of their Constitutional rights.

The rules of the Society are open not only to members of the Institution, but to the whole community; there is no reserve, except the signs and symbols whereby Orangemen know each other; and these mysteries are essential to the proper qualification of the Brotherhood, the recognition of the members, and the prevention of intrusion and imposture from strangers and enemies. The Association is general, not confined to any particular place, person, or nation, but extends itself wherever a Loyal Protestant Briton is to be found, to the remotest corner of the globe, for the establishment of Protestant Faith and British liberty to the latest ages of posterity. Its whole Institution is one neighborhood, within which every Orangeman is at home, in the farthest parts of the world; and such is the mechanism of the Association, that while its operations are thus extended, its every movement is alike felt and answered in every part.

In short, the Orange Institution, like a glorious moral luminary, is intended to pour its refulgence, not on one part only of the ample circumference of the British dominions, but simultaneously on every portion, equally enlightening the whole periphery.

The Institution in these Colonies can never be suppressed, but by means which would subvert the Constitution, and annihilate the connection with the Mother Country.

In many quarters, where the true nature of the Orange Institution is not properly known, its designs and objects have been misunderstood and by others misrepre-

sented. From the name it bears—being connected in every one's mind with the history of parties in Ireland, some are apt to suppose that its sphere is necessarily confined; not reflecting that an instrument which has been chiefly used in the country of its birth to suppress Rebellion, repel Invasion, and secure Domestic Tranquility, may be found equally efficacious to loyal men of all countries, in protecting their lives, liberties, and properties, in these Colonies. The Society is constituted upon the broadest principles of National Freedom. *It takes its stand upon the glorious principles of the Revolution of 1868*; it lays its foundations in the field of British Liberty, it disdains the badge of faction, and knows no emblem save "*the Altar and the Throne*."

As the Prince of Orange was invited to England by a Coalition of Parties, who were united by a common sense of their sacred duty, to preserve their Religion and Liberties, so the Orange Society, named after that immortal Prince, invites a similar combination, and calls upon the sons of Britain, to lay aside political feuds, and like their illustrious ancestors, who signed and sealed the great Covenant of Freedom, to sacrifice every private consideration, and establish a Centralization of Freedom, upon such a comprehensive basis, as will enable every limb and fibre to receive vitality and nourishment from the parent stem.

Queen and Country; heartily desiring of success in those pursuits, yet convinced that God alone can grant them. He should have a hatred of cunning and swearing, and of taking the name of God in vain; he should be an opponent of those who are engaged in the society of all persons who are not of the same faith. Prudence should guide all his actions; temperance, sobriety, and honesty should be his motto; and the interests of the Association be the motive of his endeavours.

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Qualifications essential for a Member.

He should have a sincere love and veneration for his Almighty Maker, productive of those lively and happy fruits—righteousness and obedience to His commands; a firm and steadfast faith in the Saviour of the world, convinced that he is the only Mediator between a sinful creature and an offended Creator. His disposition should be humane and compassionate, and his behaviour kind and considerate; he should be an enemy to savage brutality and every species of unchristian conduct: a lover of rational and improving society: faithfully regarding the Protestant religion, and sincerely desirous to propagate its precepts (i. e.) charity and good will to all men. Zealous in promoting the honor, happiness, and prosperity of his Queen and Country; heartily desirous of success in those pursuits, yet convinced that God alone can grant them. He should have a hatred of cursing and swearing, and of taking the name of God in vain; he should use all opportunities of discouraging them among his brethren, and shun the society of all persons addicted to those shameful practices. Prudence should guide all his actions; temperance, sobriety, and honesty direct his conduct; and the laudable objects of the Association, be the motives of his endeavors.

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Obligation of an Orangeman.

1, A. B.—do solemnly and voluntarily swear, that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and to Her lawful Heirs and Successors, in the Sovereignty of Great Britain and Ireland, and of these Provinces dependent on, and belonging to, the said Kingdom, so long as she or they maintain the Protestant religion and the Laws of this country: that I will, to the utmost of my power, defend her against all traitorous conspiracies and attempts which I shall know to be against her or any of them: that I will steadily maintain the connection between the Colonies of British America and the Mother Country, and be ever ready to resist all attempts to weaken British influence, or dismember the British Empire; that I will be true and faithful to every brother Orangemen in all just actions, neither wronging him nor knowing him to be wronged or injured, without giving him due notice thereof, and preventing it if in my power. I swear that I will ever hold in reverence the name of our Glorious Deliverer, King William the Third, Prince of Orange: in grateful remembrance of whom, I solemnly promise (if in my power) to celebrate his victory over James, at the Boyne, in Ireland, by assembling with my brethren, in their Lodge Room, on the 12th day of July, in every year; I swear that I am not, nor ever will be, a Roman Catholic or Papist, nor will I marry a Roman Catholic or Papist, nor educate my children, nor suffer them to be educated in the Roman Catholic faith, nor am I now or ever will be, a member of any Society or body of men that are enemies to Her Majesty and our Glorious Constitution; that I never was, to my knowledge and belief, rejected in, or expelled from any Orange Lodge; I further declare that I will do my utmost to support and maintain the Loyal Orange Institution; obey all regular Summonses, and pay all just dues (if in my power), and observe and obey the Constitution and Laws of the same; and, lastly, I swear that I will always conceal, and never in any way whatsoever disclose or reveal, the whole or any part of the signs, words, or tokens, that are now about to be privately communicated to me, unless I shall be authorized so to do by the proper authorities* of the Orange Institution, of which I am now about to become a member. So help me God, and keep me steadfast in this my Orangeman's Obligation.

* The proper authorities here referred to, are a Warrant under the Great Seal of the Grand Lodge, or a special authority from a Grand Officer.

CONSTITUTION & LAWS

OF THE

LOYAL ORANGE INSTITUTION.

1. The title of the Society is "The Loyal Orange Association of British America"

2. There shall be one Grand Lodge, to be called "The Most Worshipful the Grand Orange Lodge of British America."

3. There shall be Provincial Grand Lodges, having jurisdiction, territorial and otherwise, as hereinafter set forth.

4. In every County there shall be a County Lodge, and the Provincial Grand Lodge, having jurisdiction over such County, may, upon the application of the majority of the Lodges at work in said County, separate such County into two or more Orange Counties.

5. Each Orange County Lodge may establish within its territory District Lodges.

6. Each Provincial Grand Lodge may grant Warrants for the holding of Private Lodges within its territorial jurisdiction, but such Warrants must be signed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

7. The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of British America shall be composed of its own officers: all past Grand Masters of Good Standing in the Order; Grand Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodges; all past Provincial Grand Masters of good standing in the Order; past Senior Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Secretaries and Grand Treasurers, of the Grand Lodge of B. A., who shall have held their respective offices for five consecutive years, and being in good standing in the Order; County Masters, and, in the absence of a County or District Master, or when either sits or votes in any other capacity, a Proxy, duly appointed for either Lodge, may sit and vote as the representative of the County or District.

8. The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of British America is the sole depository and guardian of the symbols and

mysteries of the whole Order, and the source of supreme legislation for the good government, uniformity and good management of the Association, and the final arbiter in all matters of dispute.

9. No change, alteration, addition or omission, shall be made in the Annual Password, or in the Signs, Symbols, Lectures, Passwords, Mysteries, or Forms of Introduction, except by the authority of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of British America.

10. No change or alteration shall be made in the Constitution or Laws of the Order, except by a two-third vote of the Grand Lodge, at the annual meeting, or at a meeting called for that purpose, on a month's notice, either by summons or notice in the newspapers, as the Grand Master shall direct, and no change shall be made by the abolition or alteration of Provincial Grand Lodges, except at an annual meeting, and unless notice thereof has been given at the next previous annual meeting, and unless concurred in by a two-third vote.

11. The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of British America shall meet on the third Tuesday in the month of June, in every year, except as hereinafter provided, at such place as shall be fixed upon at the next preceding annual meeting, and elect for the year:—

A Grand Master and Sovereign.

A Deputy Grand Master.

A Grand Chaplain.

A Grand Secretary.

A Grand Treasurer.

A Grand Lecturer, and

A Grand Director of Ceremonies.

And these high dignitaries, together with the Provincial Grand Masters, shall constitute the Executive of the Grand Lodge for the time being. Immediately after the election of these officers there shall be elected one Deputy Grand Secretary, one Deputy Grand Treasurer, two Deputy Grand Lecturers, and not more than ten Deputy Grand Chaplains, and all of the said officers shall, by virtue of such office, be members of the Grand Lodge, and entitled to sit and vote therein, so long as they shall hold office, and until their successor shall be appointed and sworn into office.

12. The Grand Master and Sovereign, at each session of the Grand Lodge, shall appoint an Outside Tyler (whose remuneration shall not exceed three dollars per diem), and also an Inside Tyler.

13. Every Provincial Grand Master shall, by virtue of his office, be a Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and shall take precedence at all Grand Lodge Meetings, next after the Most Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, according to seniority of office.

14. The Grand Master and Sovereign may call a special or emergency meeting of the Grand Lodge, and may also call the annual meeting at an earlier, or postpone it to a later, day than that above fixed, in which case notice must be mailed to each member of the Grand Lodge at least two weeks previous to the day for holding such meeting.

15. The Grand Master and Sovereign shall, if present, preside at all meetings of the Lodge; if absent, the Most Worshipful Deputy Grand Master shall preside; if both are absent, the senior Grand Officer present shall preside, and while so presiding shall have all the powers of the Grand Master and Sovereign, and the next senior officer present shall take the place of the Deputy Grand Master.

16. Order of proceedings—first day:

(1) Reception of the Annual Report of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

(2) Appointment of Annual Committees, viz.:

Finance.

Correspondence.

Credentials.

Suspensions and Expulsions.

(3) Reception of Petitions.

(4) Referring Petitions.

(5) Notices of Motion.

(6) Unfinished Business.

(7) General Business.

Second, and subsequent days:

(1) Reading and adoption of preceding day's minutes.

(2) Reception and adoption of Finance Committee's Report.

(3) Election of Officers.

(4) Reception of Reports.

(5) Receiving Petitions and Memorials.

(6) Notices of Motion.

(7) Unfinished Business.

(8) General Business.

(9) Before a final adjournment takes place, the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge for the day upon which such final adjournment takes place, shall be read for approval.

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The Grand Lodge shall meet on the first day of the session at noon, and on every subsequent day at nine a. m., except otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master shall summon a meeting of the Grand Lodge at all times, when required by a requisition signed by any five Grand Officers, or by any twelve members of the Grand Lodge, stating the object for which such meeting is required; and for all such meetings of the Grand Lodge at least two weeks notice must be given.

When the Grand Lodge is not in session the affairs of the Institution shall be directed by the Grand Master, who is the head. His designation shall be "The Most Worshipful." Whenever his judgment shall be given, it shall be given in writing, which must be acted upon until reversed by the Grand Lodge.

In case of a vacancy in the office of Grand Master by death, resignation or absence from British America, or any other cause, the office, with all its powers, shall be filled by a Deputy Grand Master, in the following order:—First, by the Most Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, and then by a Provincial Grand Master in the order of seniority.

All committees shall be appointed by the Lodge upon motion duly made and seconded.

The Annual shall be adopted at the annual meeting of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge by a committee of not more than three, of which committee no one beneath the rank of a Provincial Deputy Grand Master shall be a member. When adopted, the committee shall report to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, whose duty it shall be to communicate the same to the County Masters within their Provinces, the County Masters to District Masters, and District Masters to Masters of Private Lodges not in arrears for dues.

Masters of Lodges shall be, *ex officio*, members of all committees over which they preside.

In all cases where pains and penalties are inflicted according to the Constitution, the party against whom judgment is pronounced, shall have the right of appeal to the next highest Lodge, and so on to the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of British America. All judgments shall be final unless appealed from within three months.

When a brother appeals against a judgment, the proceedings and testimony shall be made out in full to enable the testimony to be fully gone into, and it shall be the duty of

the Secretary of the Lodge giving judgment, on receiving notice of appeal within the time limited, to transmit, without delay, a full report of all the proceedings and evidence had and adduced on the hearing of such case, to the Secretary of the Lodge appealed to.

All Lodges shall make an annual return, on or before the first day of February, to the District, County, or Provincial Grand Lodge within whose jurisdiction they are, according to the form adopted by the Grand Lodge, which will be found attached to this Book of Regulations.

Each Lodge shall pay not less than two dollars annually to the Provincial Grand Lodge, and in no case shall receive the Annual until this regulation is complied with. Any County or District Officer failing to transmit Grand Lodge dues to the proper officer appointed to receive the same, when such shall have been entrusted to him, or any brother failing to deliver money of the Order intrusted to him, shall be expelled.

Isolated Lodges—that is, such Lodges as by reason of distance, or any other circumstance, cannot be conveniently attached to any particular District—are to communicate directly with the Grand Master, or, under his orders, to attach themselves to such County as he may direct.

EXPULSIONS.

Expulsion shall take place for the following offences:—

I. For violating the obligation of secrecy, of signs, passwords, and lectures.

II. For maliciously destroying or taking away the property of the Institution.

III. For following any immoral or unlawful practices for a living, upon conviction before the Lodge.

IV. For educating his child in any Roman Catholic School, Nunnery, or Monastery.

V. For any felony on conviction of a jury.

The names of all members expelled shall be reported to the Provincial Grand Lodge, together with the cause of expulsion, and when the time for making an appeal has passed, the Secretary of the Lodge shall report the case to the County Master, and mark the same "unappealed."

In issuing process for the trial of any delinquent, where suspension or expulsion may follow, the summons shall be signed by the Master, and countersigned by the Secretary, and have the Seal of the Lodge attached, each Lodge having

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Any member who shall utter, print; publish, or circulate, or who shall cause to be printed, published, or circulated, or be privy to the printing, publishing, or circulating of any matter or thing derogatory to the Association, or the character of any of its officers, or in censure of any Grand Officer, or any member divulging or communicating any matter, proceeding or thing, or the substance or meaning of any matter, proceeding or thing, had or transpired in open Lodge, to any person not being an actual member in attendance on some Lodge of the Association, under warrant, whether the facts transpired or the business transacted were in his presence so transacted or transpired, or whether communicated to him by a brother, or who shall publish or cause to be published any proceedings of the Lodge without the sanction of the Lodge or the Grand Master, given in writing, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of his obligation, and shall be expelled; or otherwise dealt with as the majority of the Lodge shall determine.

Any brother who shall be deemed guilty of any publication in violation of the next preceding section, shall be summoned before the Grand Lodge, and suspended, expelled or dealt with in any other way that the Grand Lodge may deem meet. In all cases where a brother shall be summoned, he shall receive at least one month's notice from the Grand Secretary that a charge will be preferred against him, setting forth such charge in writing, and notifying him to be present to answer the same, and in case he fail to appear, the charge shall be investigated in the same manner as if he were present.

The power here given to the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge shall be exercised by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodges, in so far as it may affect them.

WARRANTS.

All applications for Warrants must be made to the District Master, and through him to the County Master, thence to the Provincial Grand Officers.

Every application for a new Warrant shall be made by at least six members (who shall draw their certificates for that purpose), who shall be of the Arch Purple Order, and who shall set forth in their application the name of the brother who is to be made the Master, and also the place where the

said Lodge is to be held, and which place of meeting cannot be changed without the sanction of the District Master.

Any Master or Brother in charge of a Warrant, who shall lend or use the same for opening or holding any other private Lodge than the one for which said warrant was issued, or shall give a copy or duplicate of the same, and which copy or duplicate shall be used by any individual, whether a member of the Order or not, for the opening or holding any Lodge, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of his trust, and shall be suspended for three years, or expelled. And any brother acting under a warrant so lent, or a copy or duplicate so given, shall likewise be suspended or expelled; and no Lodge or Orangeman shall acknowledge any individual thus surreptitiously initiated; and any Officer giving the Annual to any of the offending parties, or to any of the surreptitiously introduced members, shall be considered equally guilty, and shall be suspended for three years: the County Officers to institute process, and the County Lodge to examine into the case or cases, and report the same fully to the first meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge; and County Master to have power to summon Orangemen to give evidence.

FORMS, RITUALS, ETC.

There shall be a Book of Forms and Rituals, with appropriate charges, as published by the Grand Lodge, and no other forms shall be used but such as are contained in it.

Two copies of such Book of Forms and Rituals shall be kept in the Lodge room of each Lodge, and shall never be taken from the chest, except for cases of initiation or installation.

The dress, insignia, and other decorations of the various Orders shall be such as, and none other than, those set forth in the Book of Forms and Rituals.

No decoration shall be worn in any Lodge, as appertaining to an Order, except the bearer be strictly entitled thereto.

Every brother shall appear in Lodge in appropriate regalia, and no brother shall be permitted to address the Lodge or take any part in the proceedings unless so clothed.

Every brother, when he enters a Lodge at work, shall advance to the centre and salute the chair, by giving the proper sign of the degree at work.

The forms of Certificates and Summonses are given in the

schedule hereunto affixed, and none other shall be the forms used by the Association.

DEGREES.

There are five degrees in the order of Orangeism: Orange, Purple, Blue, Royal Arch Mark, and Royal Scarlet, which shall be conferred only in open Lodge; the first four of which shall be conferred only by the Master, Deputy Master, or, in case of their absence, the senior Committeeman.

The Grand Master shall have power to confer, or authorize the conferring of the degrees of Purple, Blue, Royal Arch Mark, and Royal Scarlet, but always in due rotation, without waiting for the lapse of the usual probationary time, but the brethren upon whom the Degrees are thus conferred shall be members attached to some Lodge then meeting under warrant. The power by this regulation conferred on the Grand Master to curtail probationary time to be used only in cases of necessity, by conforming strictly in all other matters to the regulations of the Grand Lodge, and to the peculiar ritual of the Degree to be conferred, by obtaining the presence of such number of members as satisfy the requirements of the Degree to be conferred, and an entry of the manner in which the Degree is so conferred shall be made in the Initiation or Degree Book of the Lodge to which such member or members belong.

Any brother giving any of the Degrees, or part thereof, unless fully and duly authorized to give them, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of his obligation, and shall be dealt with accordingly.

Three months shall elapse between the conferring of each Degree, except where otherwise provided, and in no instance shall it be lawful to give any Degree out of rotation, and any Lodge or Grand Officer wilfully infringing on this regulation shall pay a fine of not less than four dollars, nor more than twenty dollars, to be paid to the County fund; the process to issue on the Master or Senior Officer for the time being, when such infringement took place, and in case of refusal to pay such fine, the brother (if a Master or Senior Officer) so refusing shall be tried by the County Lodge; if a Grand Officer, by the Grand Lodge to which he belongs, and suspended or expelled.

APPOINTMENTS.

All appointments in the Association, of whatever nature, are subject to the approval of the Grand Lodges respectively, within their several jurisdictions.

DISPUTES.

Any dispute arising between the Private Lodges shall be referred to the District Lodge, if both be in the same District, but, if not, then to the County Lodge; if not within the same County, to the Provincial Grand Lodge; and if both be not under the jurisdiction of the same Provincial Grand Lodge, such dispute shall be referred to the M. W. Grand Lodge for adjustment, its awards in such disputes being final.

No Grand Officer or Provincial Grand Officer shall be tried for any offence, except in the Grand Lodge or Provincial Grand Lodge of which he is such officer.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The Grand Master shall preserve order and decorum and decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Grand Lodge.

2nd. The Grand Master shall not take part in any debate, nor vote on any motion, unless on an equal division, when he may give his reason for voting; or he may express his views upon any question in debate, before the vote is taken, upon a written request signed by two members of the Grand Lodge.

3rd. When the Grand Master is called on to explain a point of order or practice, he shall state the rule applicable to the case, without argument or comment.

4th. Every member of the Grand Lodge, previous to his speaking, shall rise from his seat uncovered, and address himself to the Grand Master.

5th. When two or more rise at the same time, the Grand Master shall decide who is to speak first.

6th. When the Grand Master is putting a question, no brother shall speak, walk out of, or across, the Lodge Room.

7th. No brother, while speaking, shall be interrupted, except upon a point order, nor shall any brother pass between him and the chair.

8th. When a brother is called to order he shall resume his seat until the question of order is decided; he may, however, be permitted to explain, but in no case to introduce new matter.

9th. Whenever the Lodge is appealed to against a decision of the Grand Master, it shall be put without debate in the following words: "*Shall the Chair be sustained?*" the

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10th. No brother shall speak disrespectfully of the Queen, or any member of the Royal Family, or of the persons administering the Government of the Dominion of Canada, or any of the Provinces of British America, nor shall he use any unmannerly, immoral, or indecent language, when speaking of the proceedings of any Lodge, or member, nor shall he speak beside the question in debate.

11th. A member may require the question in discussion to be read for his information at any time of the debate, but not so as to interrupt a brother speaking.

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20th. The Grand Master shall receive and read every motion when seconded, before it can be debated.

21st. No motion to reconsider shall be received, unless made by a Brother who shall have voted in the affirmative.

22nd. It shall be the duty of the Grand Master when he

conceives that a motion which he has received and read may be contrary to the Rules of the Lodge, to inform the Lodge thereof before such motion is put, and to recite the rule applicable to the case.

23rd. No motion to amend an amendment to an amendment shall be received.

24th. The yeas and nays shall be taken only upon the request of two members of the Grand Lodge.

25th. In all unprovided cases the Grand Master shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Grand Lodge.

26th. No Brother shall be permitted to take his seat, speak, or vote, unless clothed in regalia, suitable to his rank and station, in the Lodge.

27th. Any Brother refusing to take his seat when the Grand Master's gavel is heard, shall be fined, for the first offence, one dollar; for every successive offence, two dollars, and upon refusal to pay said fines, the offending Brother shall be compelled to leave the Lodge Room.

These Rules shall apply to all Lodges so far as they can be applied. "Grand Lodge" shall be held to mean any Lodge, and "Grand Master" shall be held to mean the presiding officer thereof.

DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

His title shall be "The Most Worshipful Deputy Grand Master," and his duties are, to occupy the Deputy Chair when the Most Worshipful Grand Master is present, and to take his seat when absent.

THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

Shall conduct the religious services of the Grand Lodge.

THE GRAND SECRETARY

Is the custodian of the Great Seals, Warrants and Warrant Plate Registers, Rituals, Books, Papers, Correspondence and other property of the Grand Lodge. It is his duty to attend all meetings of the Grand Lodge, and keep a correct record of its proceedings, conduct its correspondence, attend to the preparation of Warrants and Dispensations upon application duly made, distribute to the several Provincial Grand Secretaries the Rituals, Forms, Annual Reports, and other printed matter of the M. W. Grand Lodge; prepare for the use of the Committee on Credentials, at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, a list of the members of the Grand

Lodge, with the office or position held by each, and present to the Grand Lodge, at each annual meeting, a report of the state and progress of the Association.

GRAND TREASURER.

The funds of the Association shall be lodged in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, and that officer shall produce his books at every annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, when the same shall be examined and audited by two auditors, competent Brothers, appointed by the Grand Lodge for such purpose. He shall furnish sureties, to be approved by the Grand Master, and no monies shall be put out by him except in pursuance of a vote of the Grand Lodge, or on the written order of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and all money votes in the Grand and Provincial Grand Lodges, must originate with the Finance Committee of each respectively.

GRAND LECTURER.

It shall be the Grand Lecturer's duty to visit every Provincial Grand Lodge when ordered by the M. W. Grand Master, and give lectures of the different Degrees, and for that duty he shall be paid his expenses by the Grand Lodge.

GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES.

It shall be the duty of the Grand Director of Ceremonies to attend all meetings of the Grand Lodge, and all meetings specially presided over by the Grand Master, when the ensign or standard of the Grand Lodge may be displayed, so as to indicate the presence of Head Quarters. He will have charge of all that relates to cavalcades, processions, and public ceremonials. He will marshal and arrange all Lodges, Orders and Degrees of the Association according to law and usage, and take charge generally of all matters which may relate to the proper order of Lodges, the station and precedence of officers and members, and the dress and insignia to be worn by them.

DEPUTY GRAND OFFICERS.

The Deputy Grand Secretary, Deputy Grand Treasurer, Deputy Grand Lecturer, and all Deputies of the Grand Director of Ceremonies, shall be aiding, and assist the heads of their respective departments, and shall strictly obey all such instructions as they may receive from them.

THE OUTSIDE TYLER

Shall guard the entrance to the Lodge from the outside, and allow no one to pass until properly tested; he shall, after being satisfied that the applicant seeking admission is entitled to enter, give the proper alarm to the Inside Tyler, and, under no circumstances, shall the Outside Tyler open the door of the Lodge.

THE INSIDE TYLER

Shall post himself at the door of the Lodge, inside. On hearing an alarm from the Outside Tyler, he shall answer the same, and, at the proper time, open the door and ascertain the cause of alarm; but under no circumstances shall he open the door during the delivery of any Lectures or the taking of a vote after the question has been put by the Chair.

These duties shall apply to, and be the guide for, all officers of all Lodges, so far as they can be applied.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and all the Grand Officers, shall be, *ex officio*, members of all Lodges they may visit, and entitled to exercise all the rights of members, except in the distribution of the Lodge funds, the election of officers, and the establishing or amending the Bye-Laws of the Lodge; and the Most Worshipful the Grand Master shall be entitled to take the chair of any Lodge, when he is present, while such Lodge is in session.

This section shall apply to Provincial Grand Lodges, and such officers of such Provincial Grand Lodges shall have the like powers, and be, *ex officio*, members of every Lodge in jurisdiction of such Provincial Grand Lodge.

No meeting of the Grand Lodge shall be held except at least twelve companions of the Royal Scarlet Order be present thereat.

Visitors, being Members of the Order, may be admitted to the meetings of the M. W. the Grand Lodge, with the approbation of the officer presiding.

At all meetings of the Grand Lodge, Provincial Grand Lodges, County Lodges, and District Lodges, before an adjournment, it shall be determined by a vote in the said Lodges, when the next meeting shall be held.

All work of every kind required to be done for, or on behalf of, the Grand Lodge, shall be done as the M. W. the Grand Master shall direct.

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE.

1. Grand Master and Sovereign.
2. Deputy Grand Master.
3. Provincial Grand Masters, taking precedence in order of appointment, re-election for two or more consecutive terms being taken as a continuation of one term; if two or more claim, by equal term, seniority to be given to Provincial Grand Lodge.
4. Past Grand Masters, taking precedence according to order of appointment.
5. Past Deputy Grand Masters who shall have held office for five consecutive years.
6. Past Provincial Grand Masters, taking precedence by same rule as Past Grand Masters.
7. Grand Chaplain.
8. Grand Secretary.
9. Grand Treasurer.
10. Grand Lecturer.
11. Grand Director of Ceremonies.
12. Past Grand Secretaries and Treasurers who shall have held office for five consecutive years.
13. Provincial Deputy Grand Masters, taking precedence by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
14. Provincial Associate Deputy Grand Masters, taking precedence by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
15. Deputy Grand Chaplains, in order of appointment.
16. Deputy Grand Secretary.
17. Deputy Grand Treasurer.
18. Deputy Grand Lecturers, in order of appointment.
19. Provincial Grand Chaplains, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
20. Provincial Grand Secretaries, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
21. Provincial Grand Treasurers by the same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
22. Provincial Grand Lecturers by the same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
23. Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
24. Provincial Deputy Grand Chaplains by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.
25. Provincial Deputy Grand Secretaries, by same rule as Provincial Grand Masters.

26. Last Past Provincial Grand Officers (except Masters), in same order, and by same rules respectively as Provincial Grand Officers.

27. County Masters taking precedence in order of appointment, re-election for two or more consecutive terms being reckoned as a continuation of one term; if two or more claim by equal term, seniority to be given to the County Lodge having greatest number of private Lodges, and if equal still, seniority to be given to the County Lodge first organized.

28. District Masters, ditto, reading District for County.

29. Master of Lodges, according to number of Warrant.

30. Past County Masters, by same rule as County Masters.

31. Past District Masters by same rule as District Masters.

32. Last Past Masters of Lodges by same rule as Masters.

33. County officers in their respective positions, by same rule as County Masters.

34. District Officers, in their respective positions, by same rule as District Masters.

35. Officers of Private Lodges, in their respective positions, by same rule as Masters.

36. Private Members by same rule as Masters.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGES.

1. All the parts of the former Upper Province called Upper Canada, lying west of the counties of Durham and Victoria, shall constitute a separate Province to be called the Province of Ontario West.

2. All the parts of the former Province of Upper Canada, bounded on the west by the counties of Durham and Victoria (both counties inclusive), shall constitute a separate Province to be called the Province of Ontario East.

3. Lower Canada shall form a separate Province to be called the Province of Quebec.

4. Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, and the Bermudas, shall form a separate Province, to be called the Province of Nova Scotia.

5. New Brunswick shall form a separate Province to be called the Province of New Brunswick.

6. The Island of Prince Edward shall form a separate Province, to be called the Province of Prince Edward.

7. The Island of Vancouver shall form a separate Province, to be called the Province of Vancouver.

8. The Island of Newfoundland shall form a separate Province to be called the Province of Newfoundland.

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9. The Island of Jamaica, and all the British possessions in the West Indies shall form a separate Province to be called the Province of West Indies.

10. All that part of British America lying West of the Rocky Mountains, on the main land, shall form a separate Province, to be called the Province of Columbia.

11. All that part of British America, dividing the Province of Columbia from the Province of Ontario, shall form a separate Province, to be called the Province of Saskatchewan.

12. The Provincial Grand Lodge in each of the several Provinces shall meet, elect its own Grand Officers, levy its own dues, divide its territory into Counties, Districts, or the local Divisions, and make such Rules and Regulations for management of its own local affairs, and the government of its own members, as it may deem just and prudent, and shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution or authority of the Grand Lodge of British America. Any two or more Provincial Grand Lodges may unite and form one Provincial Grand Lodge, on a two-third vote of each of such Provincial Grand Lodges.

13. The Provincial Grand Lodges shall meet within their respective Provinces, in such places as they shall annually determine after their first meeting, on the third Tuesday in the month of February in each year, and elect for the year, Grand Master, two Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Chaplain, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Deputy Grand Secretary, Grand Lecturer, and Grand Director of Ceremonies, and not more than ten Deputy Grand Chaplains.

14. The members entitled to sit and vote at Provincial Grand Lodges shall be its Grand Officers; last Past Grand Officers, being actual members, who shall have complied with the requirements of the Order; County Masters, District Masters, Masters of Private Lodges, and Proxies of such Lodges, when the Masters are not present, or where they sit in any other capacity; Officers of the M. W. Grand Lodge as set forth in Rule 7, under the head of M. W. Grand Lodge; all Past Grand Masters of the M. W. Grand Lodge, and all Past Provincial Grand Masters in the Provincial Lodges of which they have been Grand Masters respectively, provided always that such Past Grand Masters, and Past Provincial Grand Masters, shall be members in good standing in some Private Lodge which shall have paid its dues.

15. Any vacancy in the office of Provincial Grand Master, during the currency of his office, by death or any other cause, shall be filled by the succession of the senior Provincial Deputy Grand Master thereto.

16. No Provincial Grand Lodge shall be held unless there are at least twelve Companions of the Royal Scarlet Order present.

17. Meetings of the Provincial Grand Lodge shall be presided over by the Provincial Grand Master, or a Deputy Provincial Grand Master; if neither of them be present, the senior Officer present shall preside, and, while so presiding, shall have all the powers of the Provincial Grand Master.

18. Every Provincial Grand Lodge shall have, within its Province, all the powers, rights, and authorities of the Grand Lodge, but in subordination to the Grand Lodge; and there shall be an appeal to the Grand Lodge from the Provincial Grand Lodge,—and on such appeal the decision of the Grand Lodge shall be final and conclusive.

19. Provincial Grand Treasurers, when elected, shall furnish two sureties in five hundred dollars each, and be bound himself in one thousand dollars; and shall, as often as once in three months, remit to the Grand Treasurer of the M. W. Grand Lodge, all monies (as Grand Lodge dues) in his hands constitutionally belonging to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, together with a statement of what Lodges paid the money, and any Treasurer neglecting or refusing to comply with this Rule may (on complaint) be suspended by the Grand Master, or the Grand Master may take such other action as he may think necessary.

20. It shall be the duty of each Provincial Grand Secretary to transmit annually to the Grand Secretary of M. W. Grand Lodge, within two months after the Annual Meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge, a Report in writing, stating the names of the Provincial Grand Officers, County Masters and District Masters for the current year within the jurisdiction of his Provincial Grand Lodge, and the Post Office address of each, together with a list of the suspensions and expulsions, and the next place of meeting of his Provincial Grand Lodge.

21. No member of any Grand Lodge, to whatever office appointed, can be allowed to take his seat, or to act in any capacity under such appointment, without having first paid all dues required by the Regulations, and received the five

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23. The M. W. Grand Lodge shall be entitled to receive
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24. Each Lodge shall be furnished by the Provincial
rand Secretary, through the County and District Masters,
ith copies of all forms of Returns, at the expense of the
W. Grand Lodge, and failing to make such Return after
aving received such forms, shall pay a fine of one dollar
to the District Lodge fund, and shall not receive the An-
nal until this Regulation be complied with.

COUNTY LODGES.

1. Members of County Lodges must have at least the
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2. County Lodges shall be composed of County Officers,
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3. Any member of the County Lodge failing to attend
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on of the Lodge.

At the Annual Meeting, the members shall attend with-
at notice, and shall elect for the ensuing year:

- A County Master.
- A County Deputy Master.
- A County Chaplain.
- A County Secretary.
- A County Treasurer, and
- A County Director of Ceremonies.

All of whom must be members of the Lodge.

No brother shall be eligible for election to the office of County Master or County Deputy Master, until he shall have had conferred upon him the Royal Scarlet Degree.

The regular Annual Meeting of the County Lodge shall be held on the first Tuesday in February of each year. Should, however, no Lodge be held on that day, the Officers shall hold office until their successors are elected and installed, which may be done at any subsequent meeting, regular or special, of the Lodge, and it is hereby declared to be the duty of the Lodge, under such circumstances, at its next meeting, regular or emergent, to elect Officers.

Nine members shall form a quorum, without which number being present no County Lodge can open or work.

It shall be the duty of the County Master or presiding Brother to appoint two Tylers, whose duties shall be the same as those of the Tylers of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of British America.

In the absence of the County Master, the Deputy Master shall preside; if both be absent the next senior officer present shall be Chairman, and his powers, *pro tem*, over and in the Lodge shall be those of the County Master.

If the Deputy Chair be vacant, the presiding brother shall direct one of the brethren present to take it.

It shall be the duty of the County Master to countersign all warrants issued during his term of office in his County. Should anything occur, however, to induce him to withhold his signature, he shall at once acquaint the Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Master, and the brother to whom the warrant is directed.

Upon any complaint being made, by not less than five members of a Lodge, against a District Officer, or against the Master or Deputy Master of any Private Lodge, in their official capacity, it shall be the duty of the County Master to call a County Meeting within a reasonable time, not to exceed one month after such complaint shall have been made, and summons the party complained of to appear, and shall, at the same time, notify the parties complaining to attend, in order to substantiate his or their complaint.

Should none of the complaining brethren appear, without any reason given, then shall the Lodge acquit the brother or brethren complained of, and, at their discretion, fine the complaining brethren not more than two dollars each; or should the charge turn out to be frivolous and vexatious, the Lodge may, in addition to the said fine, suspend all or any of the complaining brethren.

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In all such cases the County Master shall summon the meeting of the County Lodge, at some proper place, most convenient to all parties, except when decided otherwise at previous County Meeting.

At a County Meeting a fee may be established for County purposes, and, when established, the Lodges and officers within its limits shall be held liable for the same, in the same manner as all other fees.

Whenever any Lodge becomes dormant by the non-attendance of its members, or from any other cause, the Lodge chest, and any other property of said Lodge, may at once be taken into possession by the County Master, in the name and on behalf of the County Lodge to which such Lodge has been attached, and any claims for rent which may be standing against such property shall be liquidated by such County Lodge, and any person or persons applying for such property thereafter shall reimburse such County Lodge in any sum paid by it on account of such property, previous to receiving it. Under such circumstances, the County Master shall take the Warrant into his possession, and no brother shall, under any circumstances, be allowed to detain the Warrant from the County Master for rent or any other cause whatever, under pain of expulsion, and the County Lodge shall be held responsible for the payment of Grand Lodge dues of all Lodges within the County, including dormant Lodges, until the Warrants are returned, or notice given to the Provincial Grand Secretary.

In case of a Lodge becoming dormant, the County Lodge shall have power to grant a certificate to any member thereof who was in good standing, upon the payment of a fee of fifty cents and all dues which he may have owed to such Lodge at the time it became dormant, (such fees to form part of the County funds,) and such certificate must be sealed with the County Lodge seal, and signed by the County Master, Deputy Master, and Secretary. County Masters shall not be obliged to call a special meeting in all cases of appeal.

Each County Lodge shall, from time to time, fix its place of meeting, and meet as often as it may deem necessary.

DISTRICT LODGES.

District Lodges are composed of the District Officers, Masters, Deputy Masters, Chaplains, Secretaries, Treasurers, and senior Committeemen of Private Lodges, all Past District Masters, and last Past Masters of Private Lodges, all having received the necessary Degrees, and being in connection and good standing in Private Lodges within the District.

Members of the District Lodge must have at least the Degrees of Orange, Purple, and Blue.

The Annual Meeting of the District Lodge shall be held on the second Tuesday in January in each year.

Each District Lodge shall elect for the year a District Master, District Deputy Master, District Chaplain, District Secretary, District Treasurer, and District Director of Ceremonies.

Each District Lodge shall, from time to time, fix its own place of meeting, and meet as often as it deems necessary.

It shall also be the duty of each District Master to visit each Lodge in his District, at least once in every year, and he shall have power to correct all irregularities, taking for his guide the Regulations of the Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge.

The District Master shall have power to cause any subordinate officer to be summoned before the District Lodge for any refusal to obey his orders, given in conformity with the Rules and Regulations of the Association, and such summons shall be proceeded with, in manner and form, as pointed out herein.

It shall be the duty of the District Master to open all new Lodges in his District, and to install the Master thereof.

It shall also be the duty of the District Master to see that the Annual Returns are made, and Grand Lodge dues paid by Private Lodges, on or before the Annual District Meeting, and to report the same, and also those who have not paid, or made returns, to the County Lodge, at or before its annual meeting.

The powers conferred, and the duties imposed, upon the District Master, in his absence, shall be exercised and performed by the District Deputy Master, and in the absence of both, the senior officer present at any District Meeting.

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shall preside, and shall have during the sitting of the Lodges and for the purposes thereof, all the powers of the District Master.

Seven members shall be necessary to form a quorum.

No member shall be eligible for election as District Master unless he has the Royal Scarlet Degree; nor can any one be a District Master who has not first received that Degree.

At a District Meeting a fee may be established for District purposes, and when so established, the Lodges and Officers within its limits shall be held liable for the same, in the same manner as all other fees.

Any person being an Orangeman, and having withdrawn from constant and regular attendance, by certificate or otherwise, and thereafter being deemed guilty of any crime unworthy the character of an Orangeman, his case shall be considered by the District Lodge; and if, after such consideration, it shall be decided that the charge involves expulsion, then he shall be notified by the District Secretary that the charge or charges will be heard and examined at the next ensuing County Lodge, and that he is required to appear with his certificate, to answer such charges. In case of his non-appearance, and proof of the service of the notice having been made, then the decision of the District Lodge as to the penalty of expulsion shall be confirmed, and notice thereof shall be given to all parties concerned.

Each District Lodge shall have power to frame Bye-laws (not contrary to this Constitution) for its own guidance.

Not less than three Private Lodges shall, in all cases, be necessary to constitute a District.

PRIVATE LODGES.

No new Lodge shall be opened until a Warrant has been issued for it, and no Lodge can open or work unless its Warrant is placed in some conspicuous part of the room, so as to be easily seen by the Brethren.

Five members shall constitute a quorum, and no Lodge can work with less in any Degree.

All Lodges under Warrant must have a Master, a Deputy Master, a Chaplain, a Secretary, a Treasurer and a Director of Ceremonies, and, as soon as possible, five Committeemen.

The following shall be the order of business in a Private Lodge:—

1. Lodge to be opened with prayer.

2. Lecture to be repeated.
3. Minutes of former meeting read.
4. Members to be proposed.
5. Candidates to be initiated.
6. Public business connected with the principles, honor and prosperity of the Association discussed.
7. Roll called and dues collected.
8. Lecture repeated.
9. Lodge closed with prayer.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of Officers shall take place at the December monthly Meeting in each year, and the officers then chosen shall be then and there installed and at once enter on the duties of their respective offices.

If in case of accident, necessity, or any other cause, an election should not take place on the night specified in the next preceding Rule, then it shall be lawful for the Master or Senior Officer for the time being to call a Special Meeting for the purpose, as early as possible, or to leave such election to the Monthly Meeting in January.

The Master, Deputy Master, Secretary, Treasurer and Senior Committeeman must have the Royal Arch Degree.

In case of a change of Officers, it shall be the duty of the Past Master, on the night of Installation, to install the Master elect, who shall then install the other officers of the Lodge, agreeable to forms laid down in the Rules, Regulations and Rituals of the Grand Lodge.

It shall not be necessary to install any officer who is re-elected to the same office, but his former obligation shall stand good.

If the Past Master is not present, the Past Deputy Master, or any Past Master, or Past Deputy Master, or, in their absence, any Past Officer shall install the Master elect, or Deputy Master elect, if the former be absent.

A majority of the members present shall be sufficient to elect a Master and the other officers.

In case the resignation or death of the Master elected by the Lodge, then the Deputy Master shall take his place, and the Senior Committeeman shall take the place of the Deputy Master, and the Lodge shall elect another Committeeman, who shall be the Junior, the Committeeman rising by the vacancy, and, in the same manner, shall all other vacancies be filled by calling the next Junior Officer to the vacant

place, except the offices of Chaplain, Secretary, Treasurer and Director of Ceremonies, in which case the Lodge shall make an election.

ADMISSION OF MEMBERS.

Application for admission into the Order must be made to the Lodge nearest the place of residence of the candidate, and must be in writing, signed by the candidate and vouched for by two members of the Lodge in good standing, who shall sign the same, provided always that the Master of the Lodge to whom application for admission should be made may obtain consent for the candidate to such admission in some other Lodge, naming it, and such other Lodge may then entertain the application.

All applications for admission must be made at one Monthly Meeting, and accepted or rejected at a subsequent Meeting, except in case of extreme necessity, on a dispensation in writing by the Most Worshipful or Provincial Grand Master, which shall be entered on the Minutes of the Lodge.

If three members vote against his admission, it shall be conclusive. If less than three, it shall be submitted to the Committee of the Lodge to investigate and report. The committee shall inquire into the candidate's character and the grounds of objection of the opposing Brother or Brethren, and shall report upon both points. If, on hearing such report, three members vote nay, the candidate shall be rejected; if less, admitted. Voting to be *viva voce*.

If any Master or Acting Master initiate a candidate in violation of the preceding Rule, he shall be tried by the District Lodge, on complaint being made, and the District Lodge may inflict such punishment as it deems sufficient; provided always that the offending Brother shall have timely notice of such charge being preferred, and when and where the case will be tried. And the County Lodge may, in addition, if the circumstances of the case justify it, call in the Warrant of the Lodge in which such initiation on advancement was had, and take possession thereof; provided always in favor of Brethren who have been so admitted, and received one or more Degrees, not knowing that they were unconstitutionally given, and they may make application to the Lodge nearest their place of residence, for admission as a member, and, if admitted, may, on filing their Certificate from the Lodge to which they belonged, be registered as a

member of such Lodge, and entitled to all the privileges thereof, and of all the Degrees he has received.

If, previous to, or at the time of voting for a candidate, it shall have been ascertained that such candidate has applied to two or more Lodges it shall not be competent to withdraw the name from either; but the Master of the Lodge which shall first meet after the nomination, shall direct the Secretary when the period arrives for voting upon the nomination in question, to enter the application "*rejected for double application*," of which proceeding the Master of the other Lodge or Lodge to which application was made, or applications made, shall be notified: and when the name of the candidate comes up, the notification from the Lodge in which the record was made shall be read and entered, and shall be the end of all action on the case or cases. A violation of this Rule shall subject the Lodge violating it to a penalty of \$5, to be recovered before the County Lodge and applied to County purposes.

No Lodge shall receive any brother to membership without his first having deposited his Certificate, and having in writing surrendered all right to it, and having been accepted in open Lodge.

It shall not be lawful for any Lodge to admit a Brother who is not a regular member, nor to allow one to deposit his Certificate, when such Certificate has been obtained surreptitiously, under a penalty of \$4, to be paid to such fund as shall be directed by the County Lodge, whose officers shall try and adjudge the case; and in no case shall a Lodge be required to return a Certificate when the Master, in his opinion, or the Lodge, in its opinion, deems that the good of the Society requires that it be withheld: provided always, that any Certificated Member from Great Britain or Ireland shall be permitted to deposit his Certificate, if such Certificate shall appear correct, upon taking the Orange obligation.

Upon a member being initiated, he shall sign the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Lodge, and shall receive a printed copy of the same from the Secretary of the Lodge.

DEGREES.

All Degrees must be given in and by the Lodge of which the Brother is a member. Infraction of this rule will subject the offender to the penalties of suspension or expulsion.

No Brother shall be advanced to a Degree who has been

the privileges guilty of cursing, swearing, or drinking to excess, or who has not, in all matters, conducted himself as he should have done in those already conferred.

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Each Lodge shall have power to make By-laws for the government of its own members, provided such By-laws be not inconsistent with this Constitution.

No business connected with the affairs of the Society shall be transacted, except in open Lodge, guarded by a Tyler.

The Master of a Lodge may at any time call a meeting of emergency, of which due notice shall be given.

Every Lodge shall keep on file a book of the Constitution and all the Reports of the Grand Lodge, and the Secretary shall, from time to time, note in the book of the Constitution, all changes made therein.

Previous to the opening of a Lodge, the Master shall cause every one in the room to be examined, and no one shall be allowed to remain while the Lodge is open who is not a Brother in good standing.

When a member has been initiated he shall be put in charge of some Brother for instruction in the principles and working of the Order.

When the Worshipful Master is absent, the Deputy Master shall preside; when both these are absent, then the senior Committeeman present; and in absence of all five Committeemen, then the Lodge may elect one from amongst the Brethren in attendance to preside.

ANNUAL.

The Annual shall be communicated by the Master of every Private Lodge to the members of his Lodge, but he is strictly forbidden to communicate the same to any member in default of his dues.

No member shall receive the Annual at any Lodge but that of which he is a member; nor shall any Master give the Annual to any member of the Order, except to the members of his own Lodge. Any Master or other officer violating this Rule shall be fined \$4 before the District Lodge.

CERTIFICATE.
Any member wishing to withdraw his certificate, shall, in the first place, pay the fee for the same, and all dues and charges against him, which having been paid, the certificate may be granted forthwith; in case of necessity, by the officers of the Lodge, provided there be no known objections to the brother receiving the certificate; but in no case shall it be withheld longer than one month from the date of the application to the Lodge in session, if there be no charge of impropriety against the applicant, or no just grounds for withholding the same, and provided that after demand, the brother may leave his certificate unclaimed and continue in connection by a regular payment of his dues, which shall act as a rescinding order to the original grant of the certificate.

MASTER AND DEPUTY MASTER.

The Master shall preside at all meetings, preserve order and decorum, and decide questions of order, in accordance with the Constitution.

The Deputy Master shall, when the Master is present, occupy the Deputy Chair; when absent, the Master's chair.

SECRETARY.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the records of the Lodge, to enter all the proceedings in the form they take place, in open Lodge, and shall obtain the Master's signature, after approval by the Lodge at the next meeting, he, the Secretary, countersigning the same: he shall make out all returns, in manner provided by the Grand Lodge, and shall conform, in all things, to the Regulations, in keeping his books and entries, and to perform any other duties which his own Private Lodge may impose upon him.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall receive all monies, and shall balance his accounts as often as the bye-laws of his own Private Lodge shall direct, and shall in no case pay out money without the order or under the regulations of the Lodge. He shall also be the guardian of all the other property of the Lodge of which he is a member, unless the Lodge may assign such duties to other officers.

COMMITTEE.

The Committee shall try all cases of a violation of the

Constitution or Bye-laws which shall be referred to it; they shall enquire into the reputation of candidates, whether submitted to them by a negative vote or not. They are to be guided as well by the Bye-laws of their own Lodge as by the Regulations of the Grand Lodge, the latter governing in all cases where provisions are made; and the report of such Committee may either be confirmed, amended, or rejected. The Committee shall, in all cases, report by resolution, which resolution shall set forth the conclusion they have arrived at, from the testimony before them, with their recommendation in the premises.

After the Lodge is opened, no visiting member shall be admitted without giving the Annual to the outside Tyler, or the permission of the Master.

Any Tyler, whether within or without, who shall leave his post without permission, shall be subject to a fine of 25 cents.

Any Tyler allowing a brother to leave the room without the sanction of the Master, shall be subject to a fine of 25 cents.

Any member who shall be in default of dues, and shall remain in default for three months after demand for payment has been made upon him, may be suspended until such dues are paid.

The Master, or presiding officer of the Lodge, may, after the dues have been collected, call for a return of all those who have been six months in arrear, and direct the Treasurer to make a demand for payment; and it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to make such demand for payment, and report on every case, at the next monthly meeting, when process shall be ordered to issue against all the defaulters to appear at the next monthly meeting.

Any brother charged with having committed a crime meriting the penalty of expulsion, shall receive notice of his trial at least eight days before the day fixed, such notice to be in writing. He shall have the right, under the signature of the Master, to compel the attendance of any brother, whether a member of the Lodge or not, and any brother so summoned as a witness, shall attend, under a penalty of \$1, to be imposed and collected by the District Lodge for District purposes.

In all cases when a brother has left the country, being in arrears for dues, or having defrauded the Lodge in any way, or committed any crime, he shall be suspended or expelled.

by the Lodge in the same manner as if he had been summoned.

Should the brother who is to take his trial fail to appear, and no sufficient reason shall be assigned, then the trial of the case shall be proceeded with in the same manner as if he were actually present.

The names of all persons expelled from the Society by any order of a private Lodge, shall be transmitted to the Grand Lodge, together with the cause of expulsion.

PINES.

No member of a Lodge shall absent himself from the first meeting in December, unless by special permission from the Master, under a penalty of 25 cents.

Any brother entering a Lodge Room intoxicated shall be fined 25 cents for the first offence, 50 cents for the second offence, and for the third, may be suspended.

Any brother misbehaving himself during the sitting of the Lodge, shall be liable to a fine, to be imposed by the Master, not to exceed \$1, and, if necessary, the Master may order him to withdraw from the room, which it shall be the duty of the brethren present to carry out.

Any brother transacting any private business, or making, or promising to make, any bets, or laying wagers, in open Lodge, shall be subject to a fine of not less than 10 cents nor more than \$1.

No brother shall leave the Lodge Room after the Lodge is opened, without permission from the Master or brother presiding; and any brother violating this Rule shall be summoned to appear at the next meeting, and shall be fined not less than 25 cents nor more than \$1.

Any brother not attending a Lodge when a general summons has issued, shall pay a fine of 25 cents, unless he assign a sufficient reason for his absence, to be so declared by the Master.

Any member failing to attend, when specially summoned, may thereafter be cited to appear before the Committee, who, after having investigated the charge, may adjudge the brother to pay a fine not exceeding \$2, or to be suspended or expelled; judgment to be reserved for the decision of the Lodge.

Any brother who shall, on any occasion, or at any time, so conduct himself as to bring discredit or dishonor upon the Association, shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject

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to either fine, suspension, or expulsion, as the Lodge, upon the report of the Committee, shall determine.

All fines shall be ordered to be collected under the written authority of the Master.

DISPUTES.

Any dispute arising which is not provided for by the Rules and Regulations of the Association, shall be decided by the Master, or Officer presiding at the time, and the parties shall submit to his orders, saving the right of appeal, in the first instance to the District, secondly to the County, then to the Provincial Grand Lodge.

All dues shall be paid by Private Lodges for the year ending on the last day of the natural year.

All former Constitutions of the Loyal Orange Association are repealed and abolished.

in either the suspension or expulsion, or expulsion, upon the report of the Committee, shall be decided by the Association. All cases shall be referred to be collected under the written authority of the Association.

Any dispute which is not decided by the Association and the Association of the Association, shall be decided by the Association or by the Association of the Association, and the parties shall submit to his decision, saving the right of appeal in the first instance to the Association, according to the County. All cases shall be referred to the Association for the year ending on the last day of the financial year. All former resolutions of the Local Orange Association are repealed and abolished.

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FORM OF APPEAL.

E. O. A. B. A.

To.....
or County Master of.....as the case may be.)

Sir and Brother, —I, (or we,) the undersigned, hereby give notice that I, (or we,) appeal against the decision and judgment rendered by Loyal Orange Lodge No. , (or District or County Lodge of..... as the case may be,) in the matter of Brother....., against Brother....., for....., and request that you will produce, or cause to be produced, all documents and evidence in relation thereto, at the next meeting of the District (County or Provincial Grand) Lodge, in order that the appeal may be fully investigated.

Dated at

Signature

Witness my hand and seal this 18 day of June 1902.

FORM OF PROXY.

L. O. A., B. A.

To the Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of.....

This to certify that Brother.....has been duly nominated and appointed in open Lodge as Proxy for Loyal Orange Lodge No. ., held at.....in the District of.....and County of.....to sit and vote in the Provincial Grand Lodge of.....for the year 18.....

In testimony whereof witness our hands and seal of our Lodge
at this day of ^{April} 18

{ Lodge } W. Master.
{ Seal. } Secretary.

FORM OF ORDINARY SUMMONS.

L. O. A., B. A.

To.....

Sir and Brother,—By order of the Worshipful Master (or County or District Master, as the case may be,) you are summoned and required to attend a Meeting of L. O. L. No. (or the County or District Orange Lodge of, as the case may be,) at on the day of, 18, , at o'clock, M.

Dated at

this day of 18

..... Secretary, (or County
or District Secretary, as the case may be.)

FORM OF CHARGE.

L. O. A., B. A.

To the Worshipful Master of L. O. L., No. , (or District, or County
Master of , as the case may be).

Sir and Brother,—I, (or we,) hereby charge Brother of
L. O. L., No. , (or if an Officer state his official capacity,) with having
violated the "Constitution and Laws" of the Loyal Orange Association
as follows, that is to say:—(Here give date of offence as near as possible,
and state particulars of such offence,) and pray that investigation
may be had in this matter.

Dated at this day of 18 Signatures. }
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FORM OF SUMMONS FOR TRIAL OF A MEMBER.

L. O. A., B. A.

To Sir and Brother,—You are hereby summoned and required to appear
before the Committee of L. O. L., No. (or before the Lodge, or Dis-
trict or County Lodge of as the case may be) at
on the day of 18 at o'clock M., and make
answer to the charge hereto annexed.

{ Seal of Private, District or County }
{ Lodge, as the case may be }

W. (or District County) Master.
Secretary (of Private, District, or County Lodge.)

Dated at this day of 18
(Here follows Copy of charge)

FORM OF SUMMONS FOR TRIAL OF A MEMBER.

L. O. A., B. A.

To Sir and Brother,—You are hereby summoned and required to appear
before the Committee of L. O. L., No. , (or before the Lodge, or Dis-
trict or County Lodge of as the case may be,) at
on the day of 18 at o'clock M., as witness in the
case of Brother against Brother for
(Here give substance of charge).

{ Seal of Private, District or County }
{ Lodge, as the case may be }

W. (or District or County) Master,
Secretary (of Private, District or County Lodge,

as the case may be).

Dated at this day of 18

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FORM OF ORDINARY SUMMONS.

L. O. A., B. A.

To

Sir and Brother,—By order of the Worshipful Master, (or District, or County Master, as the case may be), you are summoned and required to attend a Meeting of L. O. L., No. , (or the District or County Orange Lodge, as the case may be).

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR WARRANT.

L. O. A., B. A.

To the Officers of the Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of

We, the undersigned, members of the Loyal Orange Association, being desirous of forming a Lodge under your jurisdiction, herewith enclose the requisite fee (\$6), and respectfully request that a Warrant may be granted us, made out in the name of Brother as Master, to be held at in the District of and County of

Dated at

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cants; not
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NOTE.—This Application must pass through the hands of the District and County Masters.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE FROM A PRIVATE LODGE.

L. O. A., B. A.

We, the Master, Deputy Master, and Secretary of Loyal Orange Lodge No. held at in the District of County of and Province of do certify that Brother

has regularly received the Degree of a Free Orange man in this, our Association, and that he has conducted himself, during his stay amongst us, to our satisfaction. We therefore request all regular Lodges of our Association to recognize and admit him as such.

In testimony whereof, witness our hands and seal of our Lodge, at this day of 18

{ Lodge Seal. }

..... Worshipful Master.
..... Deputy Master.
..... Secretary.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE FROM A COUNTY LODGE.

L. O. A., B. A.

We, the Master, Deputy Master, and Secretary of the County Orange Lodge of the County of in the Province of do certify, from evidence produced, that Brother was a member in good standing in Loyal Orange Lodge, No. (formerly held at in the District of in our said County), when

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE.

said Lodge, No. became dormant and that he has regularly received the Degree of a Free Orange man: We therefore request all regular Lodges of our Association to recognize and admit him as such.

In testimony whereof, witness our hands and seal of our said County Lodge at this day of 18

{ Seal of } County Master.
 { County Lodge. } County Deputy Master.
 County Secretary.

FORM OF ANNUAL RETURN FROM DISTRICT LODGE TO COUNTY AND
 PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGES.

Annual Return of the District Lodge of.....to the.....Lodge of.....

Office.	Name of Officer for 18	No. of his Private Lodge.	P. O. Address.
District Master.....			
District Deputy Master....			
District Chaplain.....			
District Secretary.....			
District Treasurer			
District Dir. of Ceremonies			

PRIVATE LODGES.

No. of Lodge.	Name of Master, Dep. Master, and Secy. for 18	P. O.	Time of Meeting in each Month.	Place of Meeting, lot, con., &c., or village.	Township.	No. of Members.	Remarks on suspensions, expulsions, returns, dues, &c.
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	D. M.						
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We certify that the foregoing is a correct Return of the several Lodges meeting within the District of in the County of for the year ending 31st December, 18

{ Seal of } District Master.
 { District Lodge. } District Secretary.

(Two Forms are to be filled up immediately after Annual District Meeting, and sent one to the County Master and one to the Provincial Grand Secretary).

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FORM OF ANNUAL RETURN FROM COUNTY LODGE TO PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE.

Annual Return of the County Lodge of.....to the.....Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of.....

Office.	Name of Officer for 18	No. of Private Lodge.	P. O. Address.
County Master			
County Deputy Master..			
County Chaplain			
County Secretary			
County Treasurer			
County Dir. of Ceremonies			

DISTRICT LODGE.

Name of District.	Name of Master, Dep. Master, and Sec'y for 18	P. O	No. of each Lodge in the District.	Nos. which have not made Returns.	Nos. which have not paid dues.	Remarks.
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	D.P.M.					
	D.S.					
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	D.P.M.					
	D.S.					

PRIVATE LODGES.

No.	W. Master for 18	P. O.	Time of Meeting in each month.	Place of Meeting, lot, and con., or village, &c.	Township.	No. of Members	Suspensions, Expulsions, and Remarks.

We certify that the foregoing is a correct Return of the County Lodge of for the year ending 31st December, 18

{ Seal of
County Lodge. }

.....County Master.
.....County Secretary.

(This Form to be filled up immediately after County Annual Meeting and sent to the Provincial Grand Secretary).

CONSTITUTION AND LAWS.

FORM OF ANNUAL RETURN FROM PRIVATE LODGE TO DISTRICT, COUNTY, AND PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE.

Annual Return of L. O. L. No. , to the.....Lodge of.....

Number.	Name.	New Officers.	Age.	Post Office.	Occupation.	During the year.						Date, period, and cause of suspension.	Date and cause of expulsion.	Remarks.
						Initiated.	Joined by Certificate.	Reinitiated.	Withdrawn by Certificate.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Remaining in Membership.		
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We certify that the foregoing is a correct Return of Loyal Orange Lodge, No. , for the year ending 31st December, 18 , which Lodge meets at in the Township of District of and County of on the of each month.

{ Lodge } W. Master.
{ Seal. } Secretary.

(Three Forms to be filled up immediately after Annual Election in December, and sent one to the District Master, one to the County Master, and one to the Provincial Grand Secretary.)

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We certify that the foregoing is a correct Return of Loyal Orange Lodge for the year ending 31st December, 18

{ Seal of }
{ County of }
{ District of }
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(This form to be filled up immediately after County Annual Meeting and sent to the Provincial Grand Secretary.)

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FORM OF ROLL BOOK.

Roll Book of Loyal Orange Lodge No. for the year 18 .

No.	Name.	Arrears.	January.	February.	March.	April.	December.	Total paid.	Arrears.	Remarks.
1	Thos. Scott	\$ cts.	\$ c. 25 P. A.	\$ c. 25 P. 1 00	\$ c. 50 A. P. P.	\$ c. 50 P. P. P.	\$ c. 25 P. P.	\$ c. 3 00	\$ c. 25	
2	John Fox	0 75	P. A.	P. A.	P. P. P.	P. P. P.	P. P.	2 25		
3	Robert Jones		P. P.	P. P.	P. P. P.	P. P. P.				
4	Henry Edwards	1 00	P. P.	P. P.	P. P. P.	P. P. P.				
5	Robert Knox	0 25	P. A.	P. P.	P. P. P.	P. P. P.				
6	Lewis Perry									
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The above is the form for keeping Private Lodge Books, showing when any member paid any thing, as also his attendance, which is marked P when present, and A when absent; it also shows the amount paid to Treasurer every month, then as many additional columns as may be necessary are to be added under each month.

FORM OF PROPOSITION BOOK.

Proposition Book of L. O. L., No.

Number.	Name.	Residence.	Occupation.	Church.	Where born.	Vouchers.	Proposer.	Second.	Date of Application.	Date of Proposition.	Remarks.
11	J. Thomas	32 Brockville	Merchant.	Ch. of Eng.	Ireland...	H. Sam'l.	W. Wilson	J. Gould...	21 Jan '51	3 July '51	
12	W. Holter	37 Barrie	Physician.	do	Canada	J. Thomas	J. Thomas	H. Johnson	" " " "	" " " "	
13	J. Lee	29 Newburgh	Carpenter.	W. Meth.	do	J. Wylie.	J. Andrew	J. Wylie	" " " "	" " " "	Rejected
14	H. Benne	21 Nanapan.	Yeoman.	Ch. of Eng.	England.	W. Wilson	J. Ford	J. Peters	" " " "	" " " "	
15	W. Harris	41 Kingston.	Clerk.	Presb.	Scotland.	" " " "	H. Sam'l.	J. Kelly	" " " "	" " " "	By Cr.
16	J. Wilson.	54 Whitby	Gent....	do	Ireland...	" " " "	W. Wilson	J. Thomas	21 Ap '51	3 May '51	do

FORM OF MEMBERSHIP AND DEGREE BOOK.

Membership and Degree Book of L. O. L., No.

Number.	Name.	Date of admission by		Purple.	Blue.	R. A. P.	R. Scarlet.	Date of withdrawal by Expulsion, and Certificate.	Suspensions, Expulsions, and other remarks.
		Initiation.	Certificate.						
109	J. Thomas ..	11	12 July, 1851	—Nov. 1852	—April 1853	—Sept 1853	—April 1854	—May 1853	Expelled Nov. '53 for violation of obligation.
111	Wm. Holton	12	" Sept "	—Jan. "	—Aug "	—Sept 1852			
112	Henry Barnes	14	" Feby 1852	—May, 1853					
113	W. Harrison	15	" Feby 1852						
114	John Wilson	19	" May "						

LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION.
FORM OF APPLICATION FOR INITIATION.

L. O. A., B. A.

To the Worshipful Master of Loyal Orange Lodge, No.

Sir,—It is my wish and desire to become a member of the Loyal Orange Association by joining your Lodge, No. . I herewith enclose my fee of admission, and am vouched for by two members of your Lodge.

Signature,.....
Age,

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..... } Vouchers' names.

Residence.....
Occupation.....

Dated at.....
this.....day of.....18

FORM OF APPLICATION WITH CERTIFICATE.

L. O. A., B. A.

To the Worshipful Master of L. O. L., No.

Sir and Brother,—It is my wish and desire to become a member of your Lodge, No. . I herewith deposit my Certificate, assigning to your Lodge all claims thereto; I enclose admission fee, and am willing to be governed by the By-laws of your Lodge.

Dated at.....
this.....day of.....18

Signature.....
Age,.....
Residence,.....
Occupation,.....

