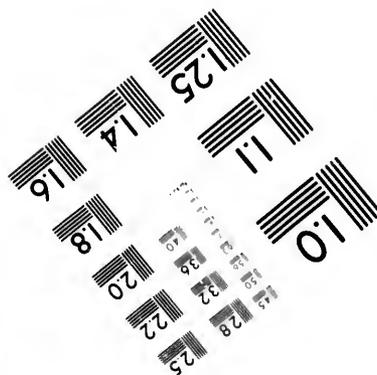
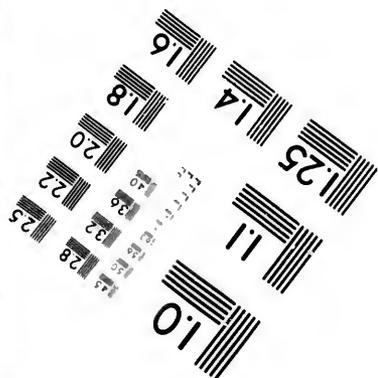
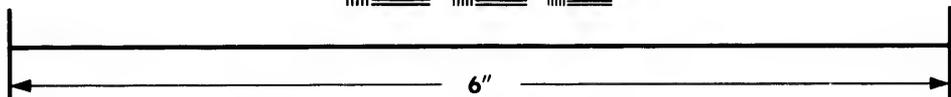
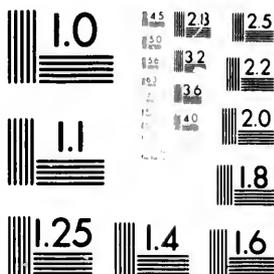


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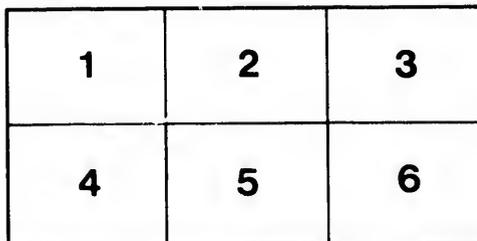
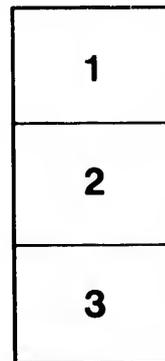
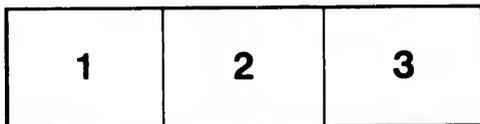
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RULES AND BYELAWS

OF

St. George's Lodge,

No. 849,

OF

Free and Accepted Masons,

ON THE

REGISTRY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND.

WOLVILLE, N.S.,

M. & W. THEAKSTON, PRINTERS,

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Bye Laws.

1. This Lodge shall be called and known by its present title, St. George's Lodge, No. 889, and its regular meetings shall be held at Wolfville, in Kings' County, on the first Tuesday in each month, at 7 P. M. from the 1st of October to the 1st of April, and at 7½ P. M. the remainder of the year.

2. It shall consist of as many members as the Lodge deems fit, and at all meetings every member shall appear in proper clothing, but clothed in no higher degree than that of a Master Mason.

3. A Lodge of emergency may at any time be called by authority of the Master, or in his absence by the Senior Warden, or in their absence by the Junior Warden; but on no pretence without such authority. The business to be transacted at such Lodge to be expressed in the summons and confined thereto.

4. The Candidates for the elective offices of the Lodge shall be elected annually by ballot at the regular meetings in December, and the installation shall take place according to ancient usage on the 27th day of December following.

5. A ballot shall determine any proposition for the initiation or admission of a Candidate, the application for such must be made in writing signed by the Candidate and recommended by two members in good standing. The Candidate's name to be entered by the Secretary and remain upon the Books for at least the space of thirty days before he shall be balloted for. In the event of a favourable report from the investigating committee and not more than two black Balls appearing against him, the Candidate shall be entitled to receive the initiation of an entered Apprentice on the same night, the application not to be noticed unless accompanied by the sum of at least two dollars which shall if he be received form part of his initiation fee. If he be rejected the amount shall be returned to him, but if after being received he decline to come forward, within the space of six months the money shall be forfeited for the benefit of the Lodge.

6. No member shall receive the degree of passing or raising until at least the space of thirty days shall have elapsed from the period of his having received the prior degree, except by dispensation, in the event of his being about to leave the Province.

7. The fees payable to this Lodge shall be as follows: with petition two dollars, at initiation six dollars, at passing six dollars, and at raising six dollars.

8. No Brother Mason shall be admitted as a member of this Lodge without a regular proposition in open Lodge, and his name shall stand on the Books for one month that due enquiry may be made. This Bye Law not to affect his sitting in the Lodge the evening he is proposed, should he prove himself to have been initiated into Masonry in a regular and lawful manner, and raised nor shall he thus be considered as a Brother who has appeared against him.

9. Any brother on being elected a member of the Lodge shall pay into the fund the sum of two dollars, and each member shall pay quarterly the sum of fifty cents.

10. If any brother or candidate, on being balloted for be rejected, it is required of every member and visiting brother present that he do not, on the honor of a Mason, at any time or under any circumstances disclose the same. Any member violating this rule shall be suspended from membership and any visitor guilty of like conduct shall not be allowed again to visit or become a member of this Lodge; and that any brother present may not plead ignorance of this rule, the master shall cause this law to be distinctly read in open Lodge immediately after a rejection and previous to any communication being made to the applicant.

11. All propositions and petitions shall be referred to a committee of three members to investigate and report thereon, and the duty of such investigating committee shall be to make due enquiry regarding the eligibility of all candidates whose petitions shall be before the Lodge, and to carefully ascertain the candidate's age, health, profession, and general character, and make to the Lodge a faithful report of the same.

12. All visiting Brethren shall be subject to the Bye-Laws while in the Lodge, and may be allowed to speak on any subject before the Lodge, on the invitation of the Master.

13. A regular member who is not a dues-paying member to a Lodge shall not be permitted to visit this Lodge more than three times in any one year.

14. Every member of the Lodge may spend seven dollars either per annum, or per month, on a letter addressed to the Secretary, and shall thereon be entitled to a certificate, provided he be in good standing and paid up of his books.

15. No member shall be entitled to vote in the election of officers, or any business connected with the Lodge, who shall be six months in arrears of his dues; and any member who is twelve months in arrears of his dues shall be speedily summoned to pay the same, and if he do not comply therewith, shall be suspended from the privileges of this Lodge, till the same be paid, and shall be reported to the P. G. Lodge accordingly.

16. The funds of the Lodge, so far as all times, be at the disposal of two thirds of the members present in Lodge; but if the amount proposed to be voted exceed sixteen dollars, the consideration thereof shall, at the request of any member, be postponed until the next regular meeting. Nothing in this By-Law shall effect the right to rescind any motion or resolution made to rescind.

17. A general committee shall be appointed annually, and shall have charge of all the business of the Lodge, when it may be proper at any time to refer to their consideration; and it shall be their duty to inspect and audit annually the accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer, and report thereon at the regular meeting in December of each year, and upon such report being confirmed by the Lodge, the Committee shall see that all moneys, books, papers, and other property belonging to the Lodge, in the hands of the retiring Secretary and Treasurer, be handed over to their successors immediately after.

18. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep minutes of the proceedings of the Lodge that may be found necessary to be recorded; to keep an account of all moneys received and paid by him to the Treasurer on account of the Lodge, and to keep a register of all members of the Lodge, and of all persons initiated therein with the dates of their initiation, subversion, passing and raising, also their ages at the time and their additions, for which duty he shall be exempt from the payment of dues, if reasonably constant in his attendance; and the minutes of the evening shall be read by him at the close of every Lodge meeting.

19. The duties of the Treasurer shall be to receive all moneys of the Lodge from the hands of the Secretary, and discharge all debts and demands against the Lodge; and with the authority and sanction of the Master and a majority of the members present; to keep a regular account of the receipts and

disbursements, which account shall be produced and ready for inspection by any member of the Lodge, two days after notice being given at any regular meeting, and that such amount shall be audited by the committee, as provided in the seventeenth Bye-Law, and all sums in the hands of the Treasurer, exceeding *Five Pounds*, shall be invested in such a manner as the Master and majority of the members may deem most proper and secure.

20. Any member may have the right at a regular meeting of the Lodge to call for the reading of the Bye-Laws, or any portion thereof—which the Secretary shall do, if it meets the approbation of the Master and majority of the members present.

21. The Master of the Lodge shall prepare annually, or cause to be prepared by the Secretary, a list of members, stating their names, trades or professions, and place of abode, with the dates of admission, initiation, passing and raising, and the amount of fees due the District Grand Lodge for initiation joining, which list, signed by himself and the Secretary, together with the amount of funds of the Lodge, shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the District G. Lodge, by the earliest convenient opportunity after St. John's Day (December 27).

22. A Lodge Seal shall be furnished, which shall remain in the custody of the Master, and which shall be prefixed to all proper documents. Should it be hereafter changed, the impression so adopted shall be transmitted to the District G. Secretary at the earliest opportunity.

23. There shall be no new Bye-Laws or Rules of Order enacted, nor any repealed, suspended, or otherwise altered, without the consent of a two-thirds vote of the members present, at a meeting especially called for that purpose, and the approval of the District Grand Master, and all matters relating to the business of the Lodge not particularly provided for in the Bye-Laws, shall be regulated by the Master according to the "Laws and Constitution," general regulations and ancient usages of the Craft.

24. The Bye-Laws shall be signed by all the members of the Lodge, and strictly adhered to.

General Rules.

I.—As soon as the Master presiding shall have taken the Chair, the officers and brothers present shall take their respective stations, and the Lodge shall then be opened in due and ancient form.

II.—The order of procedure, after opening shall be as follows :

1. The reading by the Secretary of the Minutes of last meeting, and of every emergency that may have taken place during the month, the consideration of any objection which may be made or any part thereof, and their approval with or without amendment, as the case may require ; but such objections or amendments must have reference only to the manner in which the proceedings of the previous evening may have been recorded.

2. The nomination or election of officers on the evening designated for such nomination or election.

3. The receiving and consideration of reports of the investigating committees, and balloting thereon.

4. The initiation of Candidates, and passing and raising of members.

5. The receiving and consideration of reports of committees, which may require to be done.

6. The reading and consideration of Accounts, Petitions, and other communications in the hands of the Secretary.

7. The appointment of Committees on Petitions.

8. Money appropriations.

9. Good and Welfare—being first unfinished business in order of priority at former meetings ; and secondly, new business, reading Minutes, and Closing.

III.—Any member offering a motion must do so in writing, if requested by the Master or any member of the Lodge.

IV.—No question should be put by the Master, unless regularly moved and seconded, nor be open for consideration until so put, and when put no other motion shall be receivable, unless it be a motion.

1. To adjourn.
2. To lay on the table.
3. To put the previous question.
4. To postpone.
5. To refer.
6. To amend.

The several motions, if made, shall have preference in the order above stated, and the first, second, or third thereof shall be decided without debate.

V.—Any member may require the division of a question when the same may admit of it.

VI.—The Yeas and Nays shall be taken and recorded, on the call of any member, duly seconded.

VII. Every member shall have the privilege of speaking twice on any question, but not oftener, unless by permission of the Master.

VIII.—Any brother intending to speak on a question shall rise in his place, and respectfully address the Chair, confining himself to the question, and avoiding personalities; at the same time giving the sign under which the Lodge is working; and should more than one brother rise at the same time, the Master shall determine which is entitled to the floor.

IX.—Any member who shall so far forget the respect due to himself and the member of the Lodge, as to appear at any meeting in a state of inebriety, or in indecent apparel, or who by any improper conduct shall disturb the peace and harmony of the Lodge, or who shall not obey the gavel of the Master when called to order, shall for the first offence be admonished by the Master; for the second be compelled to withdraw from the room for the evening; and should he for the third time be guilty of a similar offence, he shall be suspended, until he in open Lodge make proper acknowledgement of the fault, and promise amendment.

MEMBERS OF

ST. GEORGE'S LODGE,*From its Formation, till 1st January A.L. 5868.*

Joseph Prescott, W. M.	John Whelpley.
William Skim, S. W.	James Platt,
Thomas Newman, J. W.	John Marsters,
Cornelius Fox, Secy.	Isaiah Smith,
William Twining, Tr.	Samuel Willett,
Alexander Campbell, S. D.	Samuel Waistecoat,
John Porter, J. D.	Charles Starr.
John P. neo, Tyler.	Joshua Ward.
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Josiah Wood,	Moses Stevens
James Hill,	Robert Stone
Simon Cumming,	Joseph Lingley
Bernard Heston,	John Campbell
Joseph McHefhey,	Jephthah Fletcher
William Thomson,	James Bragg
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William Ruggles,	George A. Lockhart
John Burbidge,	William Sangster
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John Manning
Lawrence Leadley
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George Wood

James Palmeter
Samuel Avery
Robert Webb
Eliphalel G. Fuller
Charles F. Fox
John Wescott
Peter Pineo
Cornelius C. Fox

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25th January 5858.*

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Geo. H. Gilmour
Thos. Stump
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Thos A. Curry
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Walter S. Black

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Amos Rathburn
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Eb. H. Curry
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Walter S. Black, Junior Deacon.	John Rounsefell, Inner Guard
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