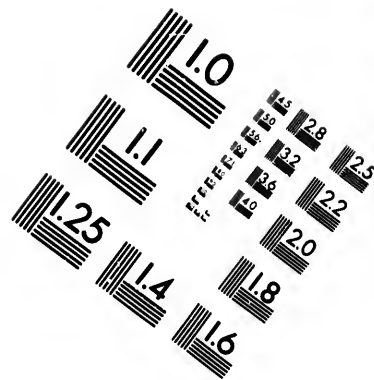
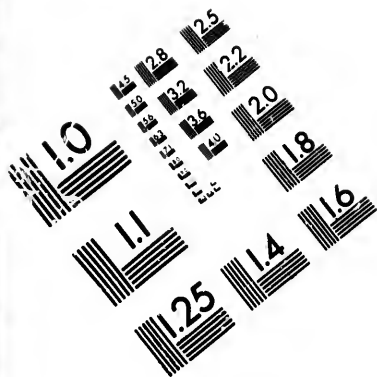
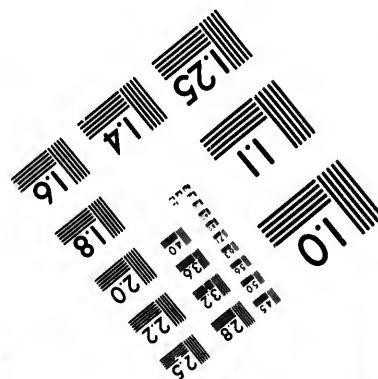
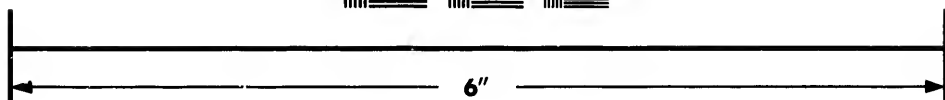
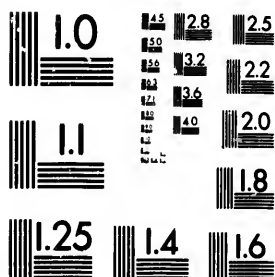




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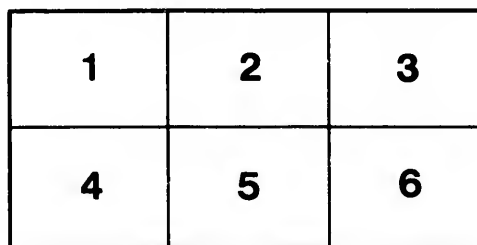
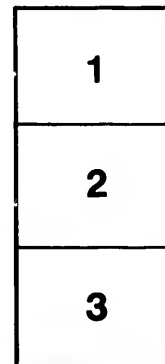
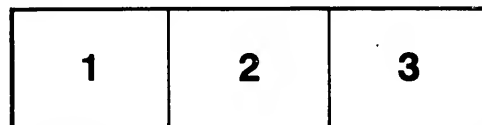
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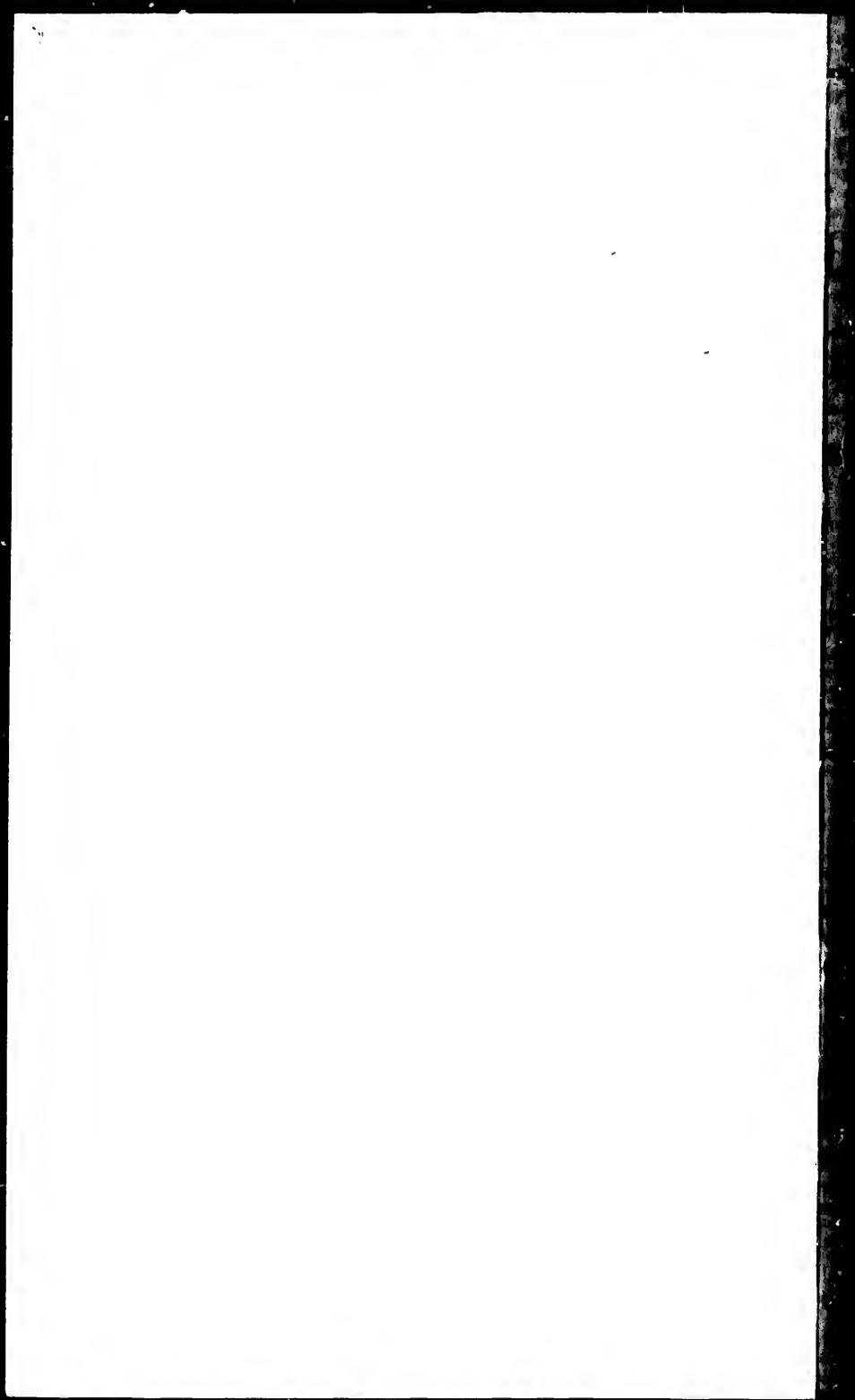
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OF  
**BRITISH NORTH AMERICA:**

ADOPTED BY THE GRAND LODGE AT A MEETING, HELD IN THE  
NEW BRITISH COFFEE HOUSE, CITY OF TORONTO, U. C.  
ON TUESDAY THE 16TH OF JANUARY, 1838.

*The Right Worshipful*  
OGLE R. GOWAN, Esq., OF BROCKVILLE,  
Grand Master, in the Chair.



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## RULES AND REGULATIONS.

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### OBJECTS.

**THE** Loyal Orange Association of British North America, 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 distressed members of the Order, and otherwise promote such laudable and benevolent purposes, as may tend to the due ordering of Religion, or Christian charity.

We associate also in honor of King William the III., Prince of Orange, whose name we bear, and whose Immortal Memory we hold in reverence, tending as he did, under Divine Providence, to the overthrow of the most oppressive bigotry, and the Restoration of the pure form of Religion and Liberty, established in the British Empire; we 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 Religion without persecution, or trenching upon the rights of any.

### QUALIFICATIONS FOR A MEMBER.

He should have a sincere love and veneration, for his Almighty Maker; 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; he should be zealous in promoting the honor, happiness, and prosperity of his Queen and Country; prudence should guide all his actions; temperance, sobriety and honesty direct his conduct; and the laudable objects of the Society, be the motives of his endeavours.

## DECLARATION.

We whose names are undersigned, do sincerely promise and declare, that we will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen VICTORIA, as the lawful Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of these Provinces dependant on, and belonging to the said Kingdom; that we will defend Her to the utmost of our power, against all traitorous conspiracies and attempts whatever, which shall be made against Her Person, Crown, or Dignity; that we will do our utmost endeavours, to disclose and make known to Her Majesty, Her Heirs, or Successors, all treasons and traitorous conspiracies and attempts, which we shall know to be against Her, or any of them; that we will steadily maintain the connexion between the Colonies of British North America and the Mother Country, and be ever ready to resist all attempts to weaken British influence, or dismember the British Empire; that we will be aiding and assisting the Civil and Military powers, in the just and lawful discharge of their official duties, when called on; that we will assemble with our Brethren, in their Lodge Room, on the 12th day of July, in every year, (if in our power, and required so to do,) and lastly we do solemnly promise and declare, that we will do our utmost to support and maintain the Loyal Orange Institution, that we will obey its rules and ordinances, and that we will never, in any way whatever, disclose the whole, or any part of the signs, words, or tokens of that Institution, without permission, first had and obtained, from the proper authorities of the Order.

## GENERAL RULES.

1st. This Society shall be called the Loyal Orange Institution of British North America; and the admission of its Members shall be regulated in strict accordance with the "*Objects*," "*Qualifications*," and "*Declaration*,"

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herein before stated, the Society never to be connected with any object merely of a party or factions nature.

2nd. All candidates desirous of admission, shall be certified to be 18 years of age, and must be proposed by one, and seconded by another Member, at one meeting, and admitted or rejected at a subsequent one : no election or admission to take place, unless one of his vouchers be present, and one negative to exclude, in which latter case, the cause of complaint to be submitted to the Lodge.

3rd. Any person wishing to become a Member, must be admitted into the Lodge nearest his place of abode, or have a recommendation from that Lodge, that he is a proper person, before he can be admitted into any other.

4th. The number of Members in each Lodge, shall be limited, in the discretion of the District Master.

5th. Each Lodge shall have a Master, Deputy Master, Secretary and Treasurer ; the Master to be appointed by the Lodge ; the Deputy Master, Secretary, and Treasurer by the Master, with the approbation of the Lodge ; to be appointed at the first meeting in December, for the year, commencing the first day of January ensuing.

6th. The names of persons rejected in, or expelled from any Lodge of this Society, shall be forthwith sent to the District Master, with the objections to such persons, in order that the District Master may communicate the same to the Grand Lodge ; as those who are unfit for one Lodge, must be so for every other.

7th. The Masters of all Lodges shall make an annual return to the District Master, of the numbers, names, and places of abode, of the Members of their respective Lodges, before the 1st day of January.

8th. All persons to be subordinate to the Master, or person presiding for him, who shall have full power of fining all disorderly persons, to any amount not exceeding five shillings.

9th. Any dispute arising, not provided for by the rules

is to be decided by the Master of the Lodge, and the parties must abide by his decision on pain of expulsion, saving the right of appeal in the first instance to the District Master, secondly, to the County Master; and, finally, to the Grand Lodge, the decision of which must be conclusive in all cases.

10th. No business can be transacted except while the Lodge shall be regularly open, and dinner, supper, or drink, shall not be introduced during that period.

11th. As the laws of Religion and morality should be observed with peculiar attention by all Members of this Society, it is forbidden, under pain of being fined, that any person shall, on any account, be guilty of profane swearing or cursing, or using any indecorous or offensive language, or otherwise deporting himself contrary to the "*Objects*," "*Qualifications*," or "*Declaration*;" and should any Member be guilty of an aggravated repetition, after due caution, of the whole or any of those offences, the person so offending, shall be expelled or suspended, as a majority of the Lodge may think proper.

12th. A confidential Tyler shall attend each Lodge, during the periods it may be open.

13th. No Lodge can be held without a Warrant from the Grand Lodge, countersigned by the County Master, and all applications for Warrants must be made through the District Master to the County Master.

14th. No Warrant to be exchanged, bought, or sold, for any reason, or under any pretence whatsoever; as all Warrants must be issued through the proper authorities, and from the Grand Lodge alone.

15th. The degree of an Orangeman, to be communicated only in the Lodge, when regularly open, and by the proper authority presiding: namely, the Master, Deputy Master, or Secretary; but that no other person, save a Grand Officer of the Grand Lodge, shall be allowed to initiate an Orangeman.

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16th. As the honor and interests of the Order require that the utmost regularity and organization should be observed, so all District Masters, and Masters of Lodges, are referred for instruction and guidance to their respective County Masters, who shall have the power of fining all disorderly persons, or suspending them (if thought expedient) till the next ensuing Meeting of the Grand Lodge.

#### RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF DISTRICTS.

17th. The several Lodges in British North America, shall be divided into Districts, by the County Lodge, so as to suit the convenience of the members, and facilitate the despatch of public business.

18th. Each District shall have a District Master, and District Secretary, to be appointed by the Masters, Past Masters, Deputy Masters, and Secretaries, in the District, for one year, commencing the 1st day of January, annually.

19th. During the absence, suspension or non-appointment of a District Master, the senior Master shall act for the time.

#### RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF COUNTIES.

20th. Each County shall have a County Master, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, to be chosen by the District Masters and Secretaries, for one year, commencing the 1st day of January, annually—all subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge.

21st. The Corresponding Secretary shall be resident at, or near, the seat of the Grand Lodge; and it shall be his duty to communicate regularly with the County Master, for the information of the Grand Lodge.

#### RULES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GRAND LODGE.

22nd. The Grand Lodge shall meet once in every year; that is to say, on the second Tuesday in January, and proceed to elect for the year, a Grand Master, Deputy Grand

Masters, a Grand Secretary, a Grand Treasurer, a Grand Chaplain, a Deputy Grand Secretary, a Deputy Grand Treasurer, a Deputy Grand Chaplain, and a Grand Committee; and the persons entitled to sit and vote on those occasions, shall be, all Past Grand Officers, County Masters, Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, District Masters, and Masters of Lodges.

23rd. The Grand Master may, at any time, direct the summoning of an emergent meeting of the Grand Lodge; and he shall at all times do so, when required by a requisition signed by the Deputy Grand Masters, or by any 12 Members of the Grand Committee—but for all meetings of the Grand Lodge, 12 days notice must be given.

24th. In order to establish a fund to defray the various and necessary expenses of the Order, the sum of ten shillings shall be annually paid by each Lodge to the District Master, to be by him transmitted (through the County Master) to the Grand Lodge; and the sum of five shillings annually, from every Grand Officer and Member of the Grand Committee, &c. which subscription must be paid on or before the 1st day of January, in every year.

#### ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS TO BE OBSERVED AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE GRAND LODGE.

1. The Grand Secretary or Deputy Grand Secretary shall take a return of all the Members present, with the offices held by them respectively; together with the names and offices of *visiting* Brothers; all of whom shall be individually examined, and duly vouched for.

2. The Chair shall be then taken by the Senior Grand Officer present.

3. The opening prayer shall be then read by the Senior Grand Chaplain.

4. A Lecture shall be correctly repeated, for the information of the Brethren.

5. The official proceedings of the last meeting of the Grand Lodge shall be read.

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7. All Reports made.
8. All applications for Warrants considered.
9. Dues received, and the Treasurer's accounts audited.
10. All appointments to office made.
11. All Resolutions connected with the principles, honor, or prosperity of the Institution considered.

12. A Lecture, in the same order as at the commencement, shall be repeated.

13. The President shall then vacate the Chair, which shall be taken by the next Senior Grand Officer present, when the thanks of the Grand Lodge shall be returned to the President for the day, if he shall be deemed worthy by the meeting; after which the Grand Lodge shall be closed with prayer by a Chaplain, (if present); if not, by the Chairman.

#### ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS TO BE OBSERVED IN A PRIVATE LODGE.

1. The Lodge opened by prayer.
2. A Lecture repeated.
3. Members initiated.
4. Members proposed.
5. Public business connected with the principles, honors, or prosperity of the Institution, discussed.
6. A Lecture repeated.
7. The Lodge closed with prayer.

#### FORM OF INTRODUCTION.

The Applicant to be introduced between his Sponsors, carrying the Holy Bible in both his hands, to the right of the Deputy Master, (all the Brethren *sitting* in their places, and strictly silent.) While standing a Chaplain (or in his absence, a Brother appointed by the Master) shall read the following portions of Scriptures:—

“For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.” (1 *Epistle of St. John*, 3 c. 11 v.)

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God." (1 *Epistle of St. John*, 4 c. 7 v.)

"He that loveth not, knoweth not God, for God is love." (1 *Epistle of St. John*, 4 c. 8 v.)

"And this commandment have we from him, that he who loveth God, love his brother also." (1 *Epistle of St. John*, 4 c. 21 v.)

"Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind, and in the same judgment." (1 *Corinthians*, 1 c. 10 v.)

"Charity suffereth long, and is kind, charity envieth not—rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth." (1 *Cor.* 3 c. 4 and 6 v.)

"And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three, but the greatest of these is charity." (*Cor.* 13 c. 13 v.)

[After the foregoing portions of Scripture shall have been read, the Master shall address the Candidate as follows:]

**Master**—Friend, what do you carry in your hands?

**Answer**—The Word of the Lord.

**Master**—Do you reverence that Word?

**Answer**—I do.

**Master**—Why do you carry it in your hands?

**Answer**—As a visible testimony, that I carry its precepts in my heart.

**Master**—Do you solicit admission into this Association?

**Answer**—I do, and respectfully request the same.

**Master**—Friend kneel down.

[The Candidate shall then kneel at the Table, with his left hand on the Bible, and his right on the "*Declaration*," which being read to him, by the Master, he shall then sign. After signing the "*Declaration*," the Candidate shall stand up, and the Master shall read the following portions of Scripture.]

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"For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not *his* brother, abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of *God*, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of *compassion* from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth. And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him. And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another as he gave us commandment."—First John, 3 chap. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 & 53d verses.

[The Master shall then say—Let us pray. The Candidate, and all present shall then kneel, and the following prayer shall be repeated, by the Master, or Brother appointed by him.]

Almighty God, Judge of all men, to whom all hearts be open and from whom no secrets are hid, look down, we beseech thee, upon us who are now assembled beneath thy all-seeing eye, Thou hatest the deceitful heart; to thee, the false tongue is an abomination. Strengthen us, then, we implore thee, that we may ever avoid falsehood, and cleave to that which is true: dispose us to brotherly love and Christian charity, to be true and faithful to our Brethren in all just actions; and as we do now receive this dear friend into our benevolent and loyal association, may we be admitted into thy Heavenly Kingdom; in thy name, and looking to thy Providence to direct us to what is right, we do now receive this thy servant to a membership in

our Society, trusting that thou wilt so guide and govern his heart and actions, that he may long continue an ornament to our association, and a firm and stedfast supporter of thy Church and People.—AMEN.

[Then the whole standing up, the Candidate shall be conducted by his Vouchers to the Master; who shall take him by the hand, and address him as follows:]

*Master*—We receive thee, dear Friend, into the Religious and Loyal Association of Orangemen, trusting that thou wilt abide a devoted servant of God, a true believer in his Son Jesus Christ, a faithful subject of our Queen, and supporter of our Constitution: keep thou firm in the Protestant faith; make thyself the friend of all pious and peaceable men, avoiding strife and seeking benevolence; slow to take offence, and offering none. In the name of the Brotherhood, I bid thee welcome, and pray that thou mayest long continue among them, a worthy Orangemen, fearing God and loving the Brotherhood, honouring the Queen and maintaining the Law.

[The signs and pass-words of the Association shall then be communicated to the new Brother, according to rule, after which the Chaplain or Brother appointed, shall say—]

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men.”—St. Luke, 2 c. 14. v.

The Brother shall then make obeisance to the Master, and all present take their seats.

#### PRAYER TO BE READ AT THE OPENING OF ALL LODGES.

Almighty God and Heavenly Father, who of thy gracious providence and tender mercy towards us, didst wonderfully conduct thy servant King William, and bring him safely through many difficulties, to preserve us, from the attempts of our enemies, to bereave us of our religion and laws, we humbly praise and magnify thy most glorious name, for thy unspeakable goodness towards us, expressed in this act of thy mercy. Be thou still our mighty Protector, and scatter our enemies that delight in blood; infatuate

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and defeat their counsels, abate their pride, assuage their malice, and confound their devices : strengthen the hands of Her present Majesty Queen Victoria, and all that are put in authority under her, with judgment and justice, to cut off all such workers of iniquity as turn religion into rebellion, and faith into faction, that they may never prevail against us, or triumph in the ruin of thy church among us ; but that our gracious Sovereign and her realms, being preserved in thy true religion, and by thy merciful goodness protected in the same, we may all duly serve thee, and give thee thanks in thy holy congregation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.—AMEN.

Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name ; thy kingdom come ; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven ; give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us ; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.—AMEN.

**PRAYER TO BE READ AT THE CLOSING OF ALL LODGES.**

O God, whose name is excellent in all the earth, and thy glory above the heavens, who hast so often miraculously preserved our Church and State from the secret contrivance and open violence of numerous conspirators, we bless and adore thy Gracious Majesty, for thy marvellous loving kindness to our Church and nation, in the preservation of our religion and liberties ; and we humbly crave, that the devout sense of thy repeated mercies, may renew and increase in us, a spirit of steady allegiance to our present gracious Sovereign Queen Victoria ; and a spirit of fervent zeal for our holy religion, which thou hast so wonderfully rescued and established, a blessing to us and to our posterity ; all which we humbly beg, for the sake of our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ—Amen. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.—AMEN..

