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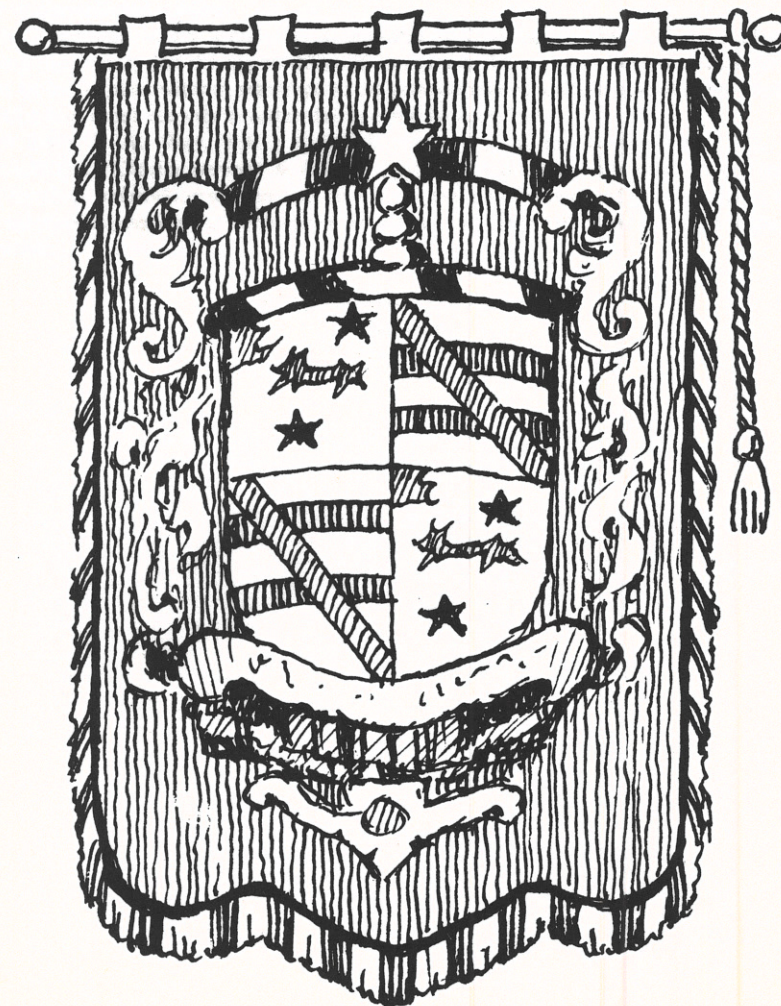
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on 28th April, 1979.



*A Reconstruction of the Fidelis Banner of 1915 by W.Bro. C. H. Coker.
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Foreword

When the Centenary Committee first met, it was resolved that the historical record to be published as part of the celebrations, should be produced as a record which was easy to read and, so far as possible, avoiding extensive statistical references.

It will be appreciated that over a period of 100 years much material becomes available to the historian and in this respect if one is to avoid a massive volume of facts and figures one must be selective as to those items to be included, and then, just how much weight ought to be given to the selected subject.

As Chairman of the Centenary Committee of The Lodge Fidelis, I have pleasure in offering this history for the approbation of all readers. In so doing I consider that the record would be incomplete without reference to the considerable amount of research into, and sifting of Lodge and other records in order that it could be compiled.

W.Bro's I. A. Way, P.Prov.G.Swd.B., Secretary of the Lodge, and J. E. Green, Prov.A.G.Sec., Charity Steward & Almoner, undertook this work and this is also a tribute to them for their painstaking and meticulous efforts, and an expression of grateful thanks to them from their colleagues on the Centenary Committee, and I trust, from the Brethren of the Lodge as a whole.

R. G. Harwood, P.A.G.D.C.,
Chairman.

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Provincial Grand Lodge

It seems appropriate that in any historical record at least some reference ought to be made to the Province of which the Lodge forms a part.

As we know it today, the Lodge forms part of the Province of Guernsey and Alderney but such has not always been the case. The Channel Islands comprise the principle islands of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney and Sark, the latter being the only island without a Freemasons' Lodge.

Until 1848 the Province centred on the Islands of Jersey and Guernsey and Provincial Grand Masters appointed were 'for the Channel Islands'. Past records show the Grand Masters of the Channel Islands to have been:

T. Dobree	1753
General Sir John Doyle, G.C.B.	1807
James John Hammond	1848

Sir John Doyle was probably the most colourful of all the Provincial Grand Masters and in an unpublished manuscript the Late W.Bro. M. H. Ouseley records how this 'forceful Irishman' came to Guernsey as the Lieutenant Governor in 1804 and whilst still holding that position also became a Member of Parliament for the Isle of Wight in 1806.

But above all W.Bro. Ouseley records how, prior to his appointment as Provincial Grand Master, Sir John figured in a public assembly of Masons and others at the Guille-Alles Library during which time, and in a room set aside from the rest of the assembly he was presented with an apron 'embroidered in a style of splendour and elegance surpassing anything ever witnessed'.

The assembly continued with a procession from the Library to Government House, as follows — 'after a detachment of light horse came the Tylers' with their drawn swords, a band of music, and then Masons according to their several ranks, after the past masters came the Royal Arch masons followed by Knights Templar. The rear of the procession was brought up by the Governor supported by Masters, his caparisoned charger attended by liveried bargemen and a detachment of dragoons.'

It must have been a truly colourful occasion and one the like of which we can anticipate will never be seen again, certainly not involving Freemasons.

Now, between 1848 and 1894 there was no Provincial Grand Lodge as such for the Channel Islands since in those days a Provincial Grand Lodge ceased to exist when the Provincial Grand Master died or retired. It is for this reason that the Prayer of Petition for the formation of the Lodge Fidelis was transmitted direct to Grand Lodge, there to receive the necessary assent. On a point of interest this was the only Lodge to be Consecrated in the Island during the period when there was no supporting Provincial Grand Lodge.

The first we find of a Provincial Grand Lodge for Guernsey and Alderney is on the 25 October, 1893 when a letter was read in open Lodge wherein it was stated that Grand Lodge sought to establish a Province of Guernsey and Alderney. The W.M. of the day, W.Bro. E. R. Corbin, addressed the brethren on the subject and it was resolved that the Lodge saw no necessity for a Provincial Grand Lodge on the grounds that additional expense would be involved at a time when the Lodge was already in debt.

Notwithstanding this resolution, on 25 April, 1894 a further letter was read confirming the establishment of a Provincial Grand Lodge for Guernsey and Alderney, further that W.Bro.

Brigade Surgeon James Balfour Cockburn, M.D. was appointed its first P.G.M., subsequent appointments to this high office were vested in —

Col. Arthur Clifton Hansard, C.M.G.	1910
Sir Victor Gosselin Carey, P.G.D.	1927
The Revd. Canon E. L. Frossard, C.B.E., M.A., P.G., Chap.	1956

and

Sir John Loveridge, Kt., C.B.E. in 1969, who is currently our Provincial Grand Master.

It is with this background to the Province established that we now look to the history of the Lodge.

II

An Important Epoch The Consecration — Comment

On days subsequent to 28 April, 1879 reports appeared in the local press, "The Freemason" and Freemason's Chronicle" describing "An important Epoch in the History of Freemasonry in Guernsey", such publications carrying an account of the Consecration of Lodge Fidelis, being No. 1809 in the Register of the Grand Lodge of England.

The Reports in general were of similar content but that which is affixed inside the front cover of our first Minute Book appears to be that containing the greatest detail and is reproduced in its entirety as being the most complete factual report of the Consecration. It is in fact a print off from an article in "The Star" of 1st May, 1879.

"An important Epoch in the history of Freemasonry in Guernsey was attained on Monday last, when a new Lodge was consecrated in due and solemn form. The ceremony was conducted at the Masonic Hall, Court Place, by Bro. James Gallienne (P.D.P.G.M., P.M. No. 84), W.M. No. 168, who had been duly vested with power from the Grand Lodge of England, for this special purpose. As W.M. of Mariners' Lodge, Bro. Gallienne summoned the members of that Lodge for this particular occasion, and it assembled at 6 o'clock in the evening. About 70 members were present, including visitors from the other Lodges in the island, as well as brethren from a distance among whom we noticed Bro. W. H. Gulliford, I.P.M., Montefiore 1017, I.G., 1614, Covent Garden, &c.

The Lodge as it had been previously arranged was designated "Fidelis" Lodge, No. 1809, and the brethren to whom the charter was granted, under the seal of his Royal Highness, Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, Grand Master of England, were Bros. T. M. Bichard, P.M., J. Toms, P.M., T. Le Ray, T. J. Snell, J. S. Hutchinson.

Bro. F. Clarke, P.M. No. 168, acted as Director of Ceremonies and Bro. Wilkins, P.M. No. 84, undertook the duties of Chaplain. The other officiating brethren were the Regular officers of Mariners' Lodge.

The musical arrangements were under the direction of Bro. J. W. Hinton, M.A., Mus. Doc., No. 84.

The Brethren assembled in the Banqueting room, and from thence entered the Lodge in procession, the Members of the Fidelis Lodge first. The visitors according to rank. Then the Deacons, Director of Ceremonies, Chaplain, Wardens and Presiding Officer. Certain of the Brethren bearing the Lodge-board and appropriate emblems.

The procession moved around the Lodge to solemn music. On the Presiding Officer and Wardens taking their chairs, the Brethren of the Fidelis Lodge were arranged in order, and the other Brethren filed off to their respective places. The music having ceased, the Lodge was opened in the three degrees, after which the Acting Chaplain delivered an appropriate prayer, followed by the Choral Response omnes, "So mote it be". The following Masonic Ode was then sung:

"Unto thee, Great God belong
Mystic rites and sacred song!
Lowly bending at thy shrine
We hail thy majesty divine!
Glorious Architect above,
Source of Light, and Source of Love!
Here thy Light and Love prevail;
Hail! — Almighty Master, hail!

"Whilst in yonder regions bright,
The Sun by day, the Moon by night;
And the Stars that gild the sky,
Blazon forth thy praise on high.
Join, O Earth, and as you roll
From East to West, from Pole to Pole,
Lift to Heaven your grateful lays;
Join the universal praise.

"Warmed by thy benignant grace,
Sweet Friendship linked the human race;
Pity lodged within the breast,
Charity became her guest.
There the naked, raiment found;
Sickness, Balsam for its wound;
Sorrow, comfort — Hunger, bread;
Strangers there a welcome shed.

"Still to us, O God dispense
Thy divine benevolence!
Teach the tender tear to flow,
Meeting at a Brother's woe;
Like Samaria's sons, that we,
Blest with boundless Charity,
To the admiring world may prove,
They dwell in God, who dwell in Love"

The Presiding Officer then addressed the Brethren on the nature of the meeting, and called upon the Secretary to state the wishes of the Brethren of the new Lodge. He did so, and afterwards read the Petition and Warrant, as requested by the Presiding Officer.

The Presiding Officer then inquired of the Brethren of Fidelis if they approved of the officers nominated in the Warrant, and afterwards of the nominated Officers if they promised to conform to the Laws of the Grand Lodge of England.

This Assent was given in Masonic form to each inquiry.

The Chaplain then delivered an Oration on the nature and design of the Institution of Freemasonry.

After which the following Ode was sung:

"Except the Lord conduct the plan
The best concerted schemes are vain
And never can succeed.
We spend our wretched strength for nought,
But if our works in Thee are wrought
We shall be blest indeed

Oh, let relief and truth abound,
Fraternal love to all around,
With purest lustre shine.
That all the Earth our works may see
And give the Glory, Lord to thee
The Heavenly Light Divine."

The Chaplain then offered up prayer, followed by the Chant, omnes, "So mote it be," and "Glory be to Thee O Lord."

All then turning to the east, the Presiding Officer gave

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To which was added the Choral Response, omnes, "So mote it be."

The Lodge-board was next unveiled by the Brethren who bore it into the room.

The name of the M.H. was placed upon the Pedestal by the Director of Ceremonies. Before and after which the Presiding Officer made the usual address and supplication.

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then took place in ancient and solemn form, the Consecrating Officer strewing corn upon the ground, the emblem of plenty; the Senior Warden pouring out wine, the emblem of joy and happiness; and the Junior Warden pouring out oil, the emblem of unity.

A prayer was offered by the Presiding Officer, and the W.M. and the Wardens of the new Lodge deposited the Emblems they bore upon the Lodge-board, and the Chant, omnes "Glory be to God on High, on earth Peace, Good-will to man" followed

The Chaplain (solemn music playing) bearing the appropriate Emblem, went round the Lodge and performed the usual ceremony.

The third portion of prayer was then given by the Presiding Officer, with the Choral Response, omnes, "So mote it be", and the G.H. was then given, led by the Director of Ceremonies.

A prayer by the Chaplain (Brethren turning to the east) followed, and the Choral Response, omnes, "So mote it be".

The following Anthem was then sung:

"Glory be to God on High!
Let Heaven and Earth reply
Praise ye His name,
Masons His love adore
Tiled in their mystic lore
and cry for evermore
Glory to God".

The Presiding Officer then declared in solemn form Fidelis Lodge duly consecrated, and pronounced

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The Choral Response, omnes, "So mote it be," followed, and the Presiding Officer delivered the finale-Recitative "He shall build me an house, and I will establish him therein for ever. I will be his father and he shall be my son, and I will not take my mercy away, but I will settle him in mine house and my kingdom for ever."

After which the following Psalm was sung:

"O praise the Lord with hymns of joy
And celebrate His fame;
For pleasant good and comely 'tis
To praise His holy name.

"His holy city God will build,
Though levelled with the ground,
Bring back His people though dispersed,
Through all the nations round."

Chorus — Hallelujah! Amen!

The Lodge was then resumed for the purpose of the Installation of the W.M. Designate.

The ceremony of installing Bro. T. M. Bichard, first W.M. of Fidelis Lodge, was then proceeded with in due form, and the W.M. then invested as his officers Bros. Thomas Le Ray, Senior Warden, J. T. Snell, Junior Warden, and J. S. Sneath, Treasurer and Secretary pro tem. This being completed, Mariners' Lodge was resumed, and, before closing the proceedings, the new W.M. in the name of the Charter Brethren, most cordially thanked the Consecrating Officer for the very able and most perfect manner in which the impressive ceremony of the day had been conducted, and on behalf of those brethren presented Bro. Gallienne with a very handsome Royal Arch apron and sash. This gift was most feelingly acknowledged by Bro. Gallienne and the Lodge was closed according to ancient usages.

A banquet was afterwards held under the presidency of Bro. Gallienne, to which about sixty brethren sat down and did good justice to the sumptuous fare provided. The usual loyal and masonic toasts were given and responded to with full honour, and a most harmonious evening was spent, the brethren separating ultimately with the most hearty wishes for the prosperity of Fidelis Lodge."

There is little to add as regards the Consecration but those more proficient Masons and especially those of the Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Jerusalem will no doubt have noted with some surprise that "The name of the M.H. was placed upon the pedestal".

(See "The Invocation").

This part of the Consecration Ceremony is dealt with at depth by Bro. T. D. Haunch, M.A., P.P.J.G.W. (Notts.), P.M. of Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, London in an Inaugural Address entitled "The Constitution and Consecration of Lodges under the Grand Lodge of England" which is published in full in Vol. 83 Quatuor Coronatorum (1970). In his address Bro. Haunch submits certain material used in association with Ceremonies of Consecration and passages from other authoritative papers on the subject which draws a distinction between a Ceremony carried out in a Provincial Grand Lodge and "The Ritual of the Grand Lodge", he concludes by observing that Fidelis Lodge, No. 1809 is one Lodge on record where the name of the M.H. has been deployed in a Consecration but that "evidence is wanting as to how prevalent this practice was and how long it continued to figure in the Ceremony".

The Consecration might well be attributed to what may be described as eight Masons in a hurry; the Petition for the formation of the new Lodge was sent to Grand Lodge on 23 January, 1879. On the 25th it appears to have been received at Grand Lodge and noted for attention, being finally approved on 4 February, 1879.

Thomas Mauger Bichard, a Past Master of Loyalty Lodge No. 243, and still a subscribing member of Mariners' Lodge No. 168 headed the applicants for the new Lodge, being described as a Printer, of No. 1 Clifton Terrace, Les Canichers, Guernsey. W.Bro. Mauger was supported by Bro. J. H. Parsons, a Seedsman and Florist of Kings Road; Bro. S. J. Hutchinson, Hotel Proprietor, of Market Place; W.Bro. J. Toms, a Past Master, of Loyalty Lodge, No. 243, a Ship Owner of Mill Street; Bro. J. S. Sneath, A Newspaper Editor of Cornet House; Bro. J. S. Snell, the States Gauger of 101, Victoria Road; I.G. of Loyalty Lodge, No. 243. Bro. T. Le Ray, a Sail Maker of Mill Street, and J.D. of Loyalty Lodge No. 243. Bro. B. Pleace, a Ship Builder of Fountain, Guernsey.

These Masons have already been described as eight men in a hurry, so keen were they to consecrate this new Lodge that W.Bro. Bichard, who also acted as Secretary again wrote to Grand Lodge on 15 February, 1879 intimating that no reply had been received "in answer to the Prayer of Petition sent about three weeks ago", further that the Petitioners would like the new Lodge to be opened on the fourth Wednesday of that month.

The next we find is that the Lodge was Consecrated on 28th April, 1879, no intermediate correspondence has been found but there was doubtless some delay in the reception of the Original Warrant of the Lodge.

It will have been noted that application was made direct to The Grand Lodge of England, this reflects the fact that at the time there was no Provincial Grand Lodge to act as an intermediary. So it was that Lodge Fidelis became the fourth Guernsey Lodge on the Register of the Province of Guernsey and Alderney when the new Province was established some five years later.

It is worthy of note that the Consecration was carried out by Bro. James Gallienne P.D.P.G.M., a Past Master of Lodge No. 84 and then Master of Mariners' Lodge, No. 168. His authority to so act was the subject of the original application in the absence of a Provincial Grand Lodge.

Research has been made to determine the origin of the naming of the Lodge as "Fidelis" but nothing was found which would throw any light on the name but notwithstanding this obscurity "Fidelis" was soon to become a Lodge of repute and one which has commanded a healthy respect not only from those Lodges which already existed but also to be Consecrated later in the Province.

III

PROGRESS OF THE LODGE

Membership — By-Laws — Enquiry Committee & Court of Honour — Summonses.

Following Consecration, the Lodge progressed at considerable speed to build up its Membership, and in consequence has always been one of the strongest numerically.

The first meeting of the Lodge proper was an Emergency Meeting. It was held on 8 May, 1879 and is of considerable interest; this first meeting commenced at 7.00 p.m. and was concluded at 8.45 p.m. In that time the By-Laws were approved; twenty-five Masons were balloted for and accepted as Joining Members and five Candidates were balloted for and Initiated. One is left wondering how so much work was packed into so short a period of time.

Having in mind that the Lodge at this time met once every month it says much for the zealous approach to Masonry by those early Brethren that in 1879 there were three Emergency Meetings; in 1880 four; in 1881 three; in 1882 seven and in 1883 eleven. Research into the reason for these additional meetings shows that in most cases they were convened to fulfil the specific needs of Members. At this time it should be recalled that the only mode of transport for persons travelling to or from the island was by sea, the same situation applying for world-wide travel much of it still being by way of sailing ships or sail assisted steam vessels.

In those days Fidelis drew much of its Membership from seafaring men some of whom only made occasional calls at Guernsey and on such occasion sought their initiation, passing or raising, hence the wealth of Emergency Meetings and by the end of 1883 Lodge Membership stood at 74.

Not all were necessarily seafaring men; a goodly proportion were visitors to the island for one purpose or another, but predominantly these appear to have been Commercial Travellers who were already Masons and sought to have the benefit of a local Lodge when in the Island. We therefore find candidates or joining members from London, Bristol, Weymouth, Dundee, Plymouth, Alderney and Jersey; one such Candidate was noted as being from Trinidad but nothing further was heard of him after initiation even though he would appear to have been a person with local connections.

In modern times with the speed of communications many of those Masons residing overseas figure as visitors rather than as candidates or joining members.

Over the years the Lodge has also built up a reputation as a family lodge; Father and Son or Sons, Brothers and Kindred Members of families continue to be initiated. One such initiation was destined to stimulate considerable interest in the Province.

On 23 March, 1921 Mr. Arthur F. Robillard was balloted for and accepted as a candidate for initiation. The formalities having been completed W.Bro. H. J. Symes, Master of the Year, addressed the Brethren present in regard to the candidate; he explained him to be the son of an eminent Masonic family and that in view of this he and certain of his Officers would be happy to afford the family the privilege of initiating the candidate.

The respective chairs were then handed over with due ceremony to -

W.Bro. J. H. Robilliard, P.Prov.G.Stwd.	(Lodge 1809)	as W.M.
W.Bro. G. S. Robilliard, P.Prov.G.Treas.	(Lodge 1809)	as S.W.
W.Bro. H. E. Robilliard, Prov.G.Supt.Wks.	(Lodge 1809)	as J.W.
W.Bro. T. L. Robilliard, Prov.G.Stwd.	(Lodge 2805)	as S.D.
W.Bro. J. D. Robilliard, P.Prov.S.G.W.	(Lodge 243)	as J.D.
Bro. J.Robilliard	(Lodge 1809)	as I.G.

Mr A. F. Robilliard who was to subsequently become a distinguished Brother was then duly obligated as an E.A. Freemason. The address was given by W.Bro. J. H. Robilliard; the working tools presented by W.Bro. H. E. Robilliard and the Charge was delivered by W.Bro. J. D. Robilliard.

This unusual situation was subsequently repeated when Bro. Robilliard was passed on 25 May, 1921 and raised on 28 September of the same year.

Bro. Robilliard, then W.Bro. Robilliard, P.Prov.J.G.W. who had been made an Honorary Member of the Lodge in recognition of his long and valued service to it was called to the Immortal Mansions in 1977.

The events in which the Robilliard family figured came to be known at the time as "The Robilliard Lodge" which is not surprising having regard to the family involvement.

Some other Father/Son ceremonies recorded are as follows:-

- 17.11.15—W.Bro. E. J. Dene initiated his son - Mr. J. G. P. Dene.
- 18.12.19—W.Bro. J. W. Pritchard initiated his son - Mr. W. J. C. Pritchard.
- 22.11.22—W. Bro. J. F. McNally initiated his son - Mr. F. A. H. McNally.
- 27.4.27— W.Bro. J. H. Robilliard initiated his son - Mr. J. J. Robilliard.
- 25.9.63—W.Bro. J. O'Toole was accorded the Masters Chair to initiate one of his sons - Mr. S. J. O'Toole.
- 22.3.67—W.Bro. J. E. Matthews was accorded the Masters Chair to initiate his son—Mr. D. C. Matthews.
- 27.5.70.—W.Bro. D. A. Hibbs initiated his son - Mr. T. J. Hibbs.
- 23.5.73—W.Bro. A. J. Parker, in a double ceremony initiated his son - Mr. C. J. Parker and his son-in-law, Mr. J. L. A. Le Page.
- 26.2.75—W.Bro. J. E. Green initiated his son - Mr. B. J. Green.

The reader will have noted earlier in this paragraph that at the outset and in addition to the Emergency Meetings, the Lodge held a Regular Meeting each month and this situation continued until 26 June, 1889 when a resolution was approved to delete the months of June, July and August from the Calendar. This situation continues to apply at the present time with Membership at the date of the Centenary Meeting standing at 118.

By-Laws and Changing Values

As previously noted, at the first full meeting of the Lodge on 8 May, 1879 the By-Laws were approved and it is unfortunate that no record of these still exist.

The first reference to them after that first meeting appears on 28 November, 1883 when it was proposed and accepted "That the monthly subscription be raised to one shilling and eight pence, (8 new pence) for Land Brethren and one shilling and four pence (7 new pence) for Sea Brethren, which sum to include the quarterage to Grand Lodge".

Further revision took place on 28 May, 1884 wherein the Initiation Fee was to be Six Guineas (£6.30 new pence); that the Joining Fee was to be One Guinea (£1.05 new pence); also the following somewhat unusual By-Law — "That any Brother desirous of receiving his Second or Third Degree, be charged Fifteen Shillings "British", (75 new pence) for each degree".

Then, in the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the 28 April, 1886 the following entry appears:-

"There being no degrees to be conferred the W.M. called on the Secretary to read the By-Laws of the Lodge which was accordingly done.

The Secretary having called the attention of the W.Master to the 17th Rule of the By-Laws, which stated that the By-Laws should be fairly written in a book for the purpose, to

which every present and future Member shall sign his name, in token of his assent and submission thereto, stated that there was no book in existence for that special purpose and that it was advisable to procure one, so that the 17th Rule of the By-Laws should be observed and carried into effect."

After a somewhat lengthy discussion which took place between some of the Members, the W. Master proposed and Bro. J. T. Blight I.P.M., seconded 'that a book should be provided for that purpose, to be strongly bound and the sheets to be parchment'!

The Proposition was carried. Whether the book ever came into existence or not is uncertain, no trace thereof having been found.

The reader will note that early entry followed by the term "British" which may appear unusual. Entries making reference to "British" appear with some frequency in the early years of the Lodge, such entries reflecting the fact that the British influence reflected the Pounds, Shillings and Pence currency of the day; whilst locally the French Franc was still very much in evidence.

In like manner where terms prefixed by the word "Pass" appear, it is often written in the Old English style as "Pafs".

From 1888 By-Laws appear to have been reasonably static until 1915 when on the 24 November subscriptions were raised to Twenty-Five Shillings (British) as a minimum and Thirty Shillings as the maximum. Presumably references being applied to Land and Sea Brethren.

In later amendments the reference to additional payments being made for passing and raising were dropped, and included in the normal fees.

However, in 1924 two other By-Laws were introduced and remained in being for a short while, in modern times they appear unusual:-

- (7) "Any member who is six months in arrears shall not be permitted to vote on any subject", and
- (10) "Any Brother wishing to invite a Guest at an Ordinary Meeting shall pay 2/6d. (12½p) and for an Installation Meeting 5/- (25p).

The By-Law (10) no doubt related to catering at the festive board.

Since that time the By-Laws have been amended periodically until at the present time the Initiation Fee is £40.00 and the Annual Subscription £13.00. In these circumstances it will be immediately evident to the reader that an inflationary situation has always been with us, though unfortunately at a much faster tempo in more recent years.

Candidates for Freemasonry — Enquiry Committee — Court of Honour

At this time much effective work is done by the Provincial Enquiry Committee to ensure that Candidates for Masonry are worthy of being Initiated but it appears that in the 1890's equal care was being exercised so far as possible.

In the Minutes of 22 April, 1891 the following proposition was proposed and approved:-

"That the Secretary be instructed to communicate with the Sister Lodges in order that united steps be taken to bring before the notice of the Grand Lodge Secretary, the action of the Lodges in Jersey in initiating into Masonry, candidates resident in Guernsey, whom the Lodges here have not thought worthy of Initiation, without reference being made to Lodges in this place".

Another proposition tabled at about that time and approved in open Lodge was as follows:-

"When a non-resident is proposed as a Candidate in this Lodge, enquiries shall be made as to the moral fitness for Masonry from the W.M. of the Lodge nearest his residence so as to prevent any unworthy person being introduced to Masonry".

One can only suspect that all was not well as regards Candidates from Guernsey being initiated in Jersey, or was it that inter-insular rivalry was once more making its presence felt!

However it would seem that whatever steps were taken in 1891 there were still problems associated with Candidates for Freemasonry and in 1919 there was established a "Court of Honour", this being a Committee whose function it was to closely screen all candidates.

The Court of Honour

Research produced a Minute Book of the Court of Honour and the first entry is dated 6 March, 1919. Those present were J.H. Robilliard, F. Nicholle, H.J. Symes, H.E. Robilliard, J.W. Pritchard and G.C. Adams.

The first entry provided basic rules associated with the "Court":—

- (1) It was resolved that the W.M. sit as President.
- (2) Proposed by the W.M. and seconded by J.W. Pritchard, that the minutes of the meetings be taken by Bro. H.J. Symes, and handed over to the Lodge Secretary, who will record same in a book specially obtained for the purpose.
- (3) The Committee to consist of the W.M., the Senior and Junior Wardens, and all Past Masters of the Lodge.
- (4) Five Members to be present to form a quorum.
- (5) The meeting to be unanimous to ensure the forwarding of a proposed Candidate to the Provincial Enquiry Committee.
- (6) Court meetings to be held on the Monday preceding the Regular Lodge Meetings.
- (7) The President to have the prerogative of a casting vote.
- (8) Time of Meeting 7.30 p.m.

The Rules having been formulated those present gave consideration to four applications, one being for a joining member.

The Minute Book which was located remained in use until 17 November, 1933 but it is understood that the "Court" remained a feature of Lodge applications after that date. W. Bro. R.G. Harwood, P.A.G.D.C., having knowledge of another book by virtue of his having acted in the capacity of Secretary.

From the entries made in the minutes it becomes apparent that entry into Masonry was very closely controlled and many instances occur of a nomination being deferred or refused.

In one notable case an application was postponed for twelve months on the grounds of the applicant having only been in business on his own account for a short period. In another an application was rejected "until such time as his circumstances are of such a nature to warrant his acceptance".

Whilst the "Court of Honour" was ostensibly for the screening and acceptance of Candidates it is noteworthy that it conveniently dealt with some other matters as they presented themselves, for instance, on 17 April, 1931 — "W.Bro. Middlevick produced the completed enlarged photograph of the Past Masters of the Lodge suitably framed, which was approved as satisfactory by the Members present, it being agreed to present the same to the Lodge" — and that same day — "A discussion took place on the means of raising funds for the enlargement of the Temple Scheme".

Lodge Summonses

So far as can be ascertained since the consecration four distinctive patterns of Lodge Summonses have been used.

The first of them was produced as a single printed sheet and is reproduced (see plate iv). The period of use cannot be determined but in 1900 the more familiar type of four page

summons appeared (see plate ix), to be followed in 1905 by another four page summons, in its day this summons was an ornate document which has proved somewhat difficult to reproduce, (see plate x), considerable interest is to be found in several Masonic Symbols on the reverse page of this summons at the head of and below details of the Officers for the year 1904-5.

Then for 1915 another type was located, a less ornate type with but a distinctive face page. (see plate xi).

Significant perhaps in the Summonses of 1905 and 1915 are the candidates —

Mr. Thorbald Sigmund Nordbye and Engineer of Strood;

Mr. John George Partridge Dene a Signwriter of Southampton;

Mr. William George McIntosh a Chief Engineer of Sunderland;

Mr. Daniel Thomas Finney a Master Mariner of Lewisham.

Mr. J.G.P. Dene was the Son of W. Bro. E.J. Dene, the Master of the Year and it is remarkable to note that he was not only passed and raised by his father but was also installed by him as Worshipful Master in 1929, our Jubilee Year.

The present design of Summons has existed in much the same form for many years and seems likely to remain unchanged.

IV

Stormy Days

Some Cases subject of Masonic Discipline

In the early days there appears to have been some irregular conduct by Members of the Lodge and on 26 November, 1900, the then Prov. G. Secretary wrote to the W.M. — "in consequence of the insubordination and dereliction of Masonic Duty disclosed in the correspondence laid before the Board of General Purposes (two named Brethren) have been — and are hereby — suspended from all Masonic Rights and Privileges for periods of six months and three months respectively.

You will be careful to note that, should either or both of them claim admission to your Lodge, they ought not to be permitted to enter during the before mentioned periods".

Later, on 25 February, 1903, yet another communication was received from the Prov. G. Secretary, it was as follows — "as the result of a careful investigation and unmasonic conduct made by (a named Brother) against the I.P.M. and Past Masters requested Brother . . . to make an amende honorable for his unsubstantiated allegations, and he having refused to do so has been and hereby is suspended from all Masonic rights and privileges for a period of six months dating from the 24th instant."

At this time no one could have foreseen the ultimate outcome of this Order and the subject was to again come under the most severe attention by the end of the year.

In the minutes of 28 October, 1903, the Lodge having been opened W. Bro. F.G. Hicks, W.M. requested the subject of the earlier action to leave the Lodge, he refused to do so. The Brother was again requested to leave and again refused. In consequence the W.M. ordered the Brother to leave but he still refused and in consequence the Lodge was called off.

The Brethren returned after an hour or so, and the offending Brother not being present, the Lodge was then resumed.

The next reference to the matter appears in the minutes of 25 November, 1903, when the

question of the same Brother's conduct was again brought forward. We have no record of what exactly this misconduct may have been but quite definitely it caused considerable resentment to the Brethren. It was decided to debate the issue in the presence of the offending Brother, anyone wishing to speak was allowed five minutes and in opening the debate the W.M. spoke of "the grave charge" brought against the Brother and said that due notice had been served on him under Rule 210 of the Book of Constitutions.

After questions had been placed and duly answered a ballot was taken, the offending Brother being invited to examine the papers, declined. The result was that twenty-five Brethren voted for the Brother to be permanently excluded from the Lodge. Two were against.

The W.M. having announced the result of the ballot the Brother said "I bow to the decision of the Members but appeal against the illegality of the whole affair". He then retired from the Lodge.

To all except the offending Brother the matter was closed; and it must have come as a shock when the W.M. and his Officers were ordered to appear before the Board of General Purposes taking with them the Warrant of the Lodge.

There is no minute of the events but on 23 December, 1903, the Lodge received a Deputation from the Board of General Purposes comprising of the Prov. J.G. Warden, the Prov. G. Registrar; the Prov. G. Secretary and the Prov. G. Pursuivant, they brought with them the Brother who had been previously excluded!

After the Lodge had been opened in due form the W.M. announced that in compliance with an order of the D.P.G.M. which he, in the name of and as representative of the Lodge, had promised to execute the Order which appears to have been a verbal one declared that the Brother who had been excluded, was adjudged to have been excluded illegally and without sufficient cause, it required him to be re-instated as a member of the Lodge.

The Prov. G. Secretary who acted as Prov. G. D. of C. to the Deputation from the Board then escorted the Brother to a seat in the Lodge and thereafter restored the Warrant of the Lodge to the W.M., it having been impounded on the occasion of the earlier meeting with the Board of General Purposes.

It is interesting to note that the minutes relating to the re-instatement were ordered to be written up by the Prov. G. Secretary in the Fidelis Minutes which was done.

There was however more to come, at an Emergency Meeting held on 31 December, 1904, the D.P.G.M., W.Bro. E. Ozanne attended to sign the Minutes of that momentous meeting of 23 December.

Whether something untoward happened on that later occasion has not been determined but at the Installation Meeting on 27 January, 1905, an Order was read at the commencement of the proceedings. That Order, in part, reads as follows; it is directed to the Junior Warden —

"As the Senior Warden of Fidelis Lodge is absent from the Island, I am commanded to inform you (as you are, in his absence to act as Master in summoning the Lodge, until the next Installation of Master) that — in consequence of a very serious dereliction of their Masonic Duties, as well as a defiant and contumacious disregard of the lawful commands of the Provincial Grand Master — Bro. Frederick George Hicks, Worshipful Master, and Bro. Henry Moullin Symes, Past Master and Secretary of Fidelis Lodge, have been and are hereby suspended from all their Masonic rights, functions and privileges for periods of six months and nine months respectively, dating from Monday the 11th instant.

You will therefore be careful that neither of them be permitted to enter your Lodge during either of the before-mentioned periods".

The Order continued with a directive that the communication was to be read in open

Lodge and further drew attention to the provisions of Rule 141 of the Book of Constitutions which applied at that time.

So ended a period of uncertainty within the Lodge, one can only suppose that the earlier events within the Lodge followed by the intervention of the D.P.G.M. led each in themselves, to serious rifts in the first instance between the Lodge and one of its Members and in the second, between the Master and Secretary of the Lodge and the D.P.G.M.

The foregoing relates to earlier events within the Lodge which called for disciplinary action; since that time only one other occurrence attracts attention — On 25 November, 1925 a certain Brother was excluded from Membership of the Lodge "for his recent unmasonic conduct towards a brother Mason's wife, having violated all his Masonic Obligations".

There appears to have been no unpleasant repercussions on this occasion and it is evident that the allegation was well founded and the outcome accepted by the offending Brother.

V

A FRIENDLY AND GENEROUS LODGE

Family Connections — Sir Edward Ozanne — Presentations — The Charities

Quite apart from some close family ties reflected in membership of the Lodge, it also enjoys a long standing reputation associated with its visitors, both as individuals or as Lodges.

At every meeting the Masters of other Lodges in this close knit Province have an open invitation to attend; at each regular meeting a special invitation is accorded to the Master and Wardens of one of the Sister Lodges to occupy places of honour and are received with the dignity and respect their offices demand.

In a similar manner this Lodge, as with others in the Province, enjoys a happy relationship with Officers of the Province and Installation Meetings are always attended by either the Provincial Grand Master or his Deputy in an atmosphere of warm cordiality. These high officers are supported by the Provincial Grand Sword Bearer and Standard Bearers with other Officers of the Province on such occasions.

At this point the Lodge pays tribute to R.W. Bro. Sir John Loveridge, Kt., C.B.E. and Wor Bro. B. G. Blampied, O.B.E., who are presently the P.G.M. and D.P.G.M. of the Province who maintain the traditions of their predecessors in their Masonic interests.

Our history would not be complete without reference being made at some length to the Late Sir Edward Chepmell Ozanne, K.B.E. an untiring Mason of Doyle's Lodge of Fellowship, No. 84, whose name frequently appears in our Minutes between 1880 and 1923.

When the Province of Guernsey and Alderney was formed W.Bro. Ozanne became the D.P.G.M., he was to hold that position until 1923 when he resigned that office, no doubt on account of advancing years.

In 1908 he attended the January meeting of the Lodge accompanied by W.Bro. H. Bannerman Campbell, the Lieutenant Governor of the day, and W.Bro. Victor Gosselin Carey, then W.M. of Doyle's Lodge of Fellowship. Later as Sir Victor Gosselin Carey, P.G.D., he was to become Provincial Grand Master between 1927 and 1956.

In acknowledgement of the very close friendship the Lodge had with W.Bro. Ozanne and to mark their respect the Lodge presented him with an illuminated address at their meeting on 25 June, 1917, the address is reproduced at plate v, it had been designed and executed by Bro.

PETITION FOR A NEW LODGE.

(See Book of Constitutions, page 126, Edition 1873.)

TO THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF
THE UNITED FRATERNITY OF ANCIENT FREE
AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF ENGLAND:

" WE, the undersigned, being regular registered Masons of the Lodges mentioned against our respective names, having the prosperity of the Craft at heart, are anxious to exert our best endeavours to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of the Art; and, for the conveniency of our respective dwellings and other good reasons, we are desirous of forming a new Lodge, to be named *Fidelis*

" In consequence of this desire, we pray for a Warrant of Constitution, empowering us to meet as a regular Lodge, at *the Masonic Hall, Court Place, Guernsey* on the *Fourth Wednesday* of every month, and there to discharge the duties of Masonry, in a constitutional manner, according to the forms of the Order and the laws of the Grand Lodge; and we have nominated and do recommend Brother *Thomas Mauger Richard, P. M.* to be the first MASTER, Brother *Thomas Le Ray* to be the first SENIOR WARDEN, and Brother *John H. Snell* to be the first JUNIOR WARDEN, of the said Lodge.

" The prayer of this Petition being granted, we promise strict obedience to the commands of the Grand Master and the laws and regulations of the Grand Lodge."

The Prayer of Petition forwarded to the Grand Lodge of England for the formation of Lodge Fidelis, No. 1809.

E. J. Dene, who was to become Master of the Lodge in 1915 and the work reflects his very considerable talents.

The illuminated address was recently found among stored items by W.Bro. J. G. Ozanne, also a P.M. of Doyle's Lodge, who decided to return it to the Lodge as a feature of interest. It was duly returned by W.Bro. Ozanne in 1976 at an informal ceremony. W.Bro. Ozanne is a nephew of Sir Edward who received his Knighthood in 1921. It is perhaps unfortunate that W.Bro. J. G. Ozanne represents the last in the family line of this revered Masonic family.

Sir Edward was finally called to the Immortal Mansions on the 18 March, 1929, on which occasion the Province went into mourning for a period of one month. At a later date a tablet to his Memory was erected in the Town Church, St. Peter Port, at the expense of the Lodges and Chapters of the Province.

Official visits from Lodges outside the Province also figure in our history, the earliest recorded visit being by the Jordon Lodge, No. 1402, from Torquay on 14 July, 1904.

More recently there has been a very close relationship with the Duke of Normandy Lodge, No. 245, in the Province of Jersey. The first visit occurred in 1949 when W.Bro. A. T. Green and twenty of his Officers and Brethren came to Guernsey on the occasion of our May meeting; these visits have been continued on a 'home and away' basis ever since.

There has also been a close association with The Sackville Lodge, No. 1619 in the Province of Sussex. In 1964 W.Bro. C.D. Le Bargy visited that Lodge and since that time there have been intermittent visits by individuals in both directions but in 1976 a strong contingent headed by W.Bro. A. E. Aslett attended a meeting of the Sackville Lodge at its East Grinstead Temple and a visit by that Lodge to Guernsey is now arranged to take place in October of this Centenary year.

Another meeting of interest was on 9 June, 1922, on that occasion a number of distinguished Masons were in Guernsey for the purpose of the Oddfellows Moveable Conference and an Emergency Meeting was held under the Banner of Mariners' Lodge, No. 168 at which Mr. Walter Pearce, who had already been balloted for as a Member of Fidelis, was initiated. Officers of both Lodges assisted in the Ceremony. Additionally we record how among other official visits was one which embraced all Masonic Members of the Guernsey Civil Service, this occurred on 23 April, 1930.

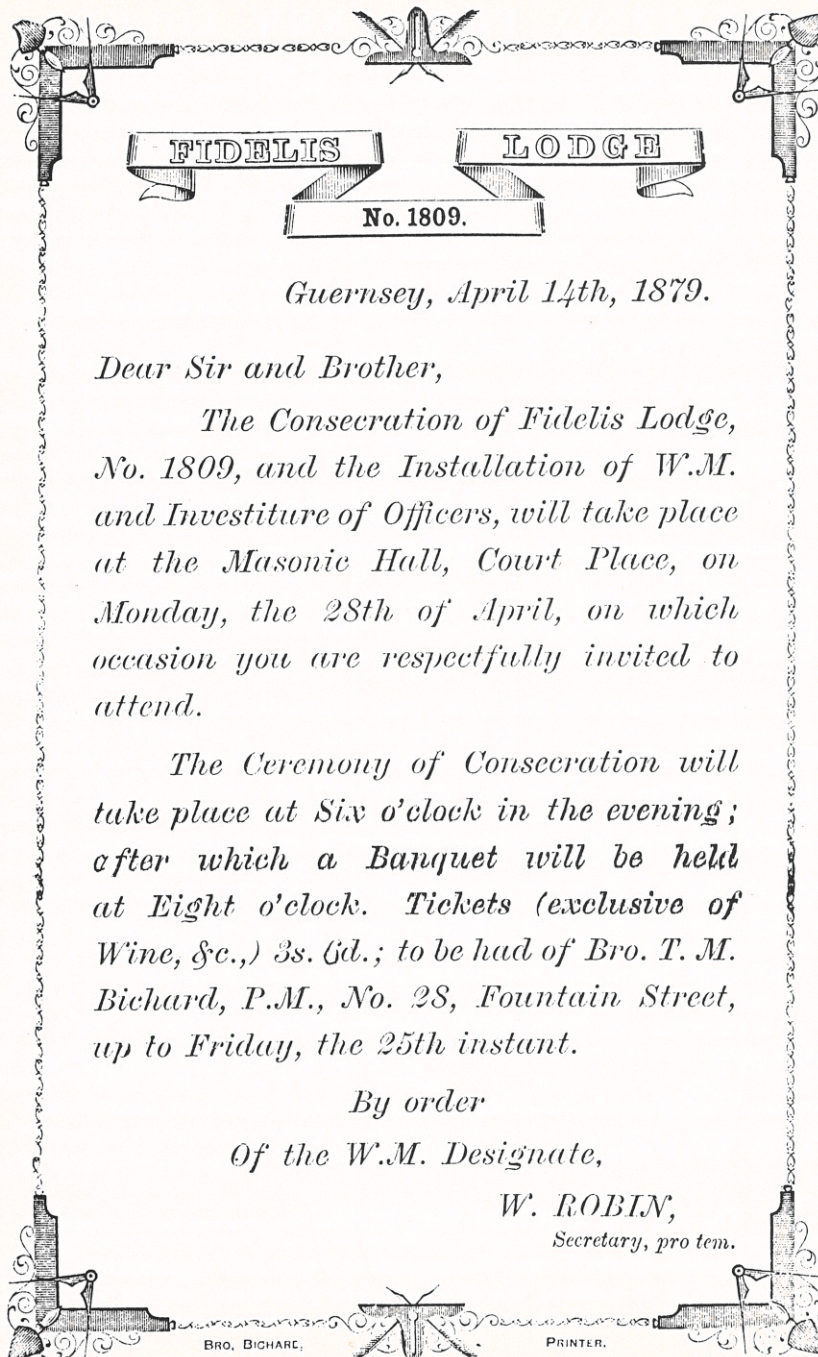
But above all perhaps one of the most interesting of visitors was Bro. Zachariah J. Williams of Easton Lodge, No. 152 under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, U.S.A. On 26 May, 1976 Bro. Williams attended the Lodge Meeting having come to the island to seek information about a former relative who was a member of the Lodge. W.Bro. I. A. Way, P.Prov.G.Swd.B. the Secretary, was able to confirm with Bro. Williams that his Grandfather — Bro. Zachariah T. Hornby, a former Sea Captain had been a Member of the Lodge and had served the Office of Tyler between 1900 and 1923. Bro. Hornby had been accepted as a Joining Member of the Lodge at its first meeting.

Bro. Williams, who was a Native of Wales, had previously served with the Royal Navy and the Glamorgan Constabulary before emigrating to the U.S.A., and gave a constructive address at the Lodge Festive Board.

Presentations to the Lodge

Presentations have been made over the years, invariably with a promise that such gifts may be used by other Lodges in the Province who use the Temple at St. Peter Port.

The first recorded presentation was made by W.Bro. Gulliford on 26 December, 1883. It took the form of a case containing a set of tracing boards. On this occasion, the gift which was



Guernsey, April 14th, 1879.

Dear Sir and Brother,

The Consecration of Fidelis Lodge, No. 1809, and the Installation of W.M. and Investiture of Officers, will take place at the Masonic Hall, Court Place, on Monday, the 28th of April, on which occasion you are respectfully invited to attend.

The Ceremony of Consecration will take place at Six o'clock in the evening; after which a Banquet will be held at Eight o'clock. Tickets (exclusive of Wine, &c.,) 3s. 6d.; to be had of Bro. T. M. Bichard, P.M., No. 28, Fountain Street, up to Friday, the 25th instant.

By order

Of the W.M. Designate,

W. ROBIN,

Secretary, pro tem.

BRO. BICHARD,

PRINTER.

The Lodge Notice of Consecration dated 14th April, 1879.

MARINERS' LODGE,

No. 168.

CONSECRATION

OF THE

FIDELIS LODGE, GUERNSEY, No. 1809,

AND

INSTALLATION OF ITS OFFICERS,

AT THE

MASONIC HALL, COURT PLACE,

ON

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 1879.

Consecrating Officer - - - Brother JAMES GALLIENNE
(P.D.P.G.M., P.M. No. 84) W.M. No. 168.

Director of Ceremonies - - - Brother F. CLARKE
P.M. No. 168.

Musical arrangements under the direction of Brother J. W. HINTON, 'M.A.,
Mus. Doc., No. 84.

Face Page of the Summons of Mariners' Lodge, No. 168 for the Consecration Ceremony on 28 April, 1879.

No. 1809. **FIDELIS LODGE** No. 1809.

EMERGENCY NIGHT.

Masonic Hall, Court Place, MAY 8th, 1879.

Guernsey, May 1st, 1879.

Sir and Brother,

You are requested to attend the duties of your Emergency Lodge, on Thursday, the 8th of May, at Seven o'clock in the evening punctually.

BUSINESS :

To settle the Bye-Laws.

To ballot for the following Brethren as joining Members:—

Bro. JAMES GALLIENNE, P.D.P.G.M., P.M. No. 84, and W.M. No. 168.	Bro. STEPHEN DAVISON, No. 243.
Bro. HENRY STICKLAND, P.M., No. 84.	" NICHOLAS MARTIN, No. 243.
" W. H. GULLIFORD, P.M., No. 1017.	" JOHN THOMAS LOBB, No. 243.
" WILLIAM WAKLEY, P.M., No. 243.	" GEORGE STONE, No. 243.
" WILLIAM DE JERSEY, P.M., No. 168.	" JOSEPH GOODMAN, No. 243.
" PETER BLONDEL, No. 243.	" S. BARTER, No. 84.
" P. LE GRAND, No. 243.	" THOMAS PENGELEY, 168.
" JOHN BLACKLER, No. 243.	" THOMAS MAUGER, No. 168.
" C. N. H. ROMERIL, No. 243.	" GEORGE HILLIER, No. 168.
" Z. T. HORNBY, No. 243.	" N. WHALES, No. 593.
" THOMAS HAMEL, No. 243.	" LAZARUS HARRIS, No. 243.
" WILLIAM ROBIN, No. 243.	" JOSEPH CARTWRIGHT, No. 119.
" EDWARD EDMONDS, No. 243.	

Proposed by Bro. T. M. Bichard, W.M.; seconded by Bro. Joseph Toms, P.M.

Charles To ballot for, and if accepted, to initiate

JOHN LE CORNU, age 39, Master Mariner. Proposed by Bro. Snell, J.W.; seconded by the W.M.

THOMAS WILLIAM PALMER, aged 27, Draper. Proposed by Bro. J. Toms, P.M.; seconded by the W.M.

LEVI SPILLER, age 27, Watchmaker. Proposed by Bro. T. M. Bichard, W.M.; seconded by Bro. Snell, J.W.

WILLIAM MILLER RUSSELL, age 34, Master Mariner. Proposed by Bro. T. M. Bichard, W.M.; seconded by Bro. J. Toms, P.M.

F. LE TISSIER, age 28, Carpenter. Proposed by Bro. Snell, J.W.; seconded by the W.M.

By order of the W.M.,
J. S. SNEATH, Treasurer,
Acting Secretary.

BRO. BICHARD, PRINTER. BORDAGE STREET, GUERNSEY

FIDELIS LODGE 1809.

Masonic Temple, Guernsey.

At an Emergency Meeting held on June 25th 1917, it was unanimously resolved the proposition of W. Bro. F. W. Bush, seconded by W. Bro. C. H. Newbury, that the Lodge place on record the deep sense of gratification they feel on the occasion of the presence of W. Bro. **E. Chepmell Ozanne**, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, to present JEWELS to worthy PAST MASTERS, and assist in the Ceremony of the 3rd Degree.

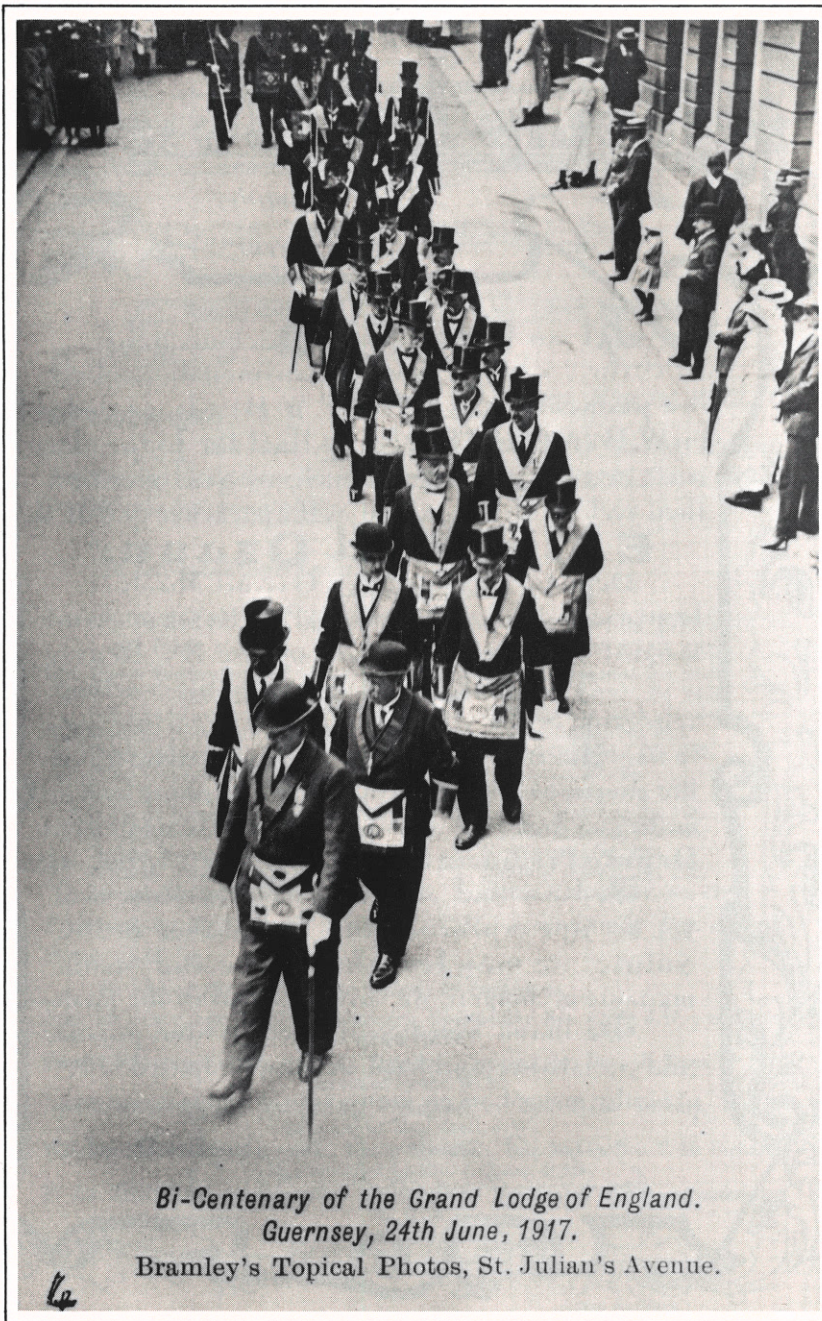
The instruction given by his excellent rendering of the ritual has been a great pleasure to us. His interest and assistance always at the disposal of the members of Fidelis Lodge makes us feel that we have in our Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master a helper indeed.

We trust that should we have the same need for his ripe experience and assistance in the future, we may look to receive the same measure of support we have received in the past.

We thank him heartily for his kind presence and assistance, and trust he may be spared to be present amongst us on many future happy occasions.

George C. Adams, Worshipful Master,
Geo. S. Robillard, P.M., P.P.G.M., Secretary

Plate vi.



A photograph of a Masonic Parade designed as part of Celebrations to mark the Bi-Centenary of the United Grand Lodge of England, 24 June, 1917. (See Page 22).

Plate vii.



Bi-Centenary of the Grand Lodge of England. Guernsey, 24th June, 1917. Bramley's Topical Photos, St. Julian's Avenue.

Consecration of the Masonic Temple,

GUERNSEY,

6TH SEPTEMBER, 1883.

THE FREEMASONS OF GUERNSEY, members of the three Lodges, "Mariners" 168, "Loyalty" 243, and "Fidelis" 1809, having decided about two years ago to obtain a suitable building for their meetings, appointed a Committee from each Lodge to carry out this object. The members nominated were Bros. T. PENGELLEY, A. C. QUICK, and R. M. SMYTHSON for "Mariners," F. J. WEYSON, J. H. PARSONS, and P. LE PAGE "Loyalty," and J. S. SNEATH, T. M. BICHARD and T. LE RAY "Fidelis." These Brethren formed a Board, with Bros. SNEATH, President, BICHARD, Vice-President, PENGELLEY, Treasurer, and LE PAGE, Secretary, who at once made diligent search, and at length fixed on a site in Le Marchant Street, a portion of a freehold estate of the Le Marchant family, which property was in all respects considered very eligible. A plan of the proposed structure was prepared by Bro. THOMAS LE PAGE, of the Bouët, and being approved by the Board and the members generally, tenders were invited for the construction of the necessary building, several were sent in, that of Bro. GERVAISE F. PEEK, being ultimately accepted. While clearing away the old premises an important discovery was made; in an upper room, formerly a blacksmith's shop, some old decorations on the walls were found which plainly pointed out that it had been used for Masonic purposes; and further inquiry revealed the fact that about a century ago a Masonic lodge was held there. The ground having been cleared, the corner-stone was laid with befitting ceremony by Bro. SNEATH, President of the Board, on the 3rd March, 1882. The work progressed rapidly, the contract having to be completed in nine months, but as according to the original design the front elevation was to be of stucco, many brethren were of opinion that as Guernsey was the Island of granite, such an important building as a Masonic temple should have at least a granite front. Negotiations were entered into with Bro. JOHN HAMLEY, of St. Sampson's, who generously undertook to give the granite, and carry out the Architect's design, the Board paying for the labour. This entailed an immense amount of extra work, the carving of the pilasters and other ornamental portions in such hard material as granite, being a long and tedious task. Ultimately, however, the whole was completed, under the supervision of Bro. THOMAS LE PAGE, to the satisfaction of the Board of Management. The front presents an imposing appearance, being composed of an admirable arrangement of red and blue granite. The pediment is remarkably massive and includes in the centre a block of blue granite on which is worked the M. M. emblem, and the sacred initial.

inscribed as to the donor, was handed over to the Temple Board for use by the other three Lodges if so desired.

On 26 March, 1890, W.Bro's. W. Stranger and W. Palmer presented a belt and dagger for use by the Inner Guard and on the 10 March, 1902, musical parts and books for use in connection with Lodge Ceremonies were presented by W.Bro. Le Marchant. It is uncertain to what extent the musical parts were used but in any case they would have been subsequently withdrawn following a directive from Grand Lodge on the use of such material in Masonic Ceremonies.

On 27 January, 1915, W.Bro. T. M. Bichard, the last serving Founder Member presented a framed photograph of himself to the Lodge. Of the foregoing presentations there is virtually no record of their present existence or otherwise. The passage of time and the German Occupation of the Island has contributed to the disappearance of all but a section of the musical ceremonies of W.Bro. Le Marchant.

In the past Lodge Banners have figured in our ceremonies, there is, at present, no Lodge Banner, but records show that two have been donated over the years. On 26 March, 1902, W.Bro. W. Newbury presented the first banner and the second was presented by W.Bro. E. J. Dene on 22 September, 1915.

It has not been possible to trace a Brother with a knowledge of either banner and one or both may well have fallen victims of the German Occupation. The illustration which appears as a frontispiece to this publication was prepared by W.Bro. C. H. Coker, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks., from a photograph of Past Masters of the Lodge taken in 1931 and is reproduced facing the title page. In this photograph (Plate vii) will also be seen the Lodge Roll of Honour of Past Masters in its original form.

More recently in 1976, W.Bro. C. C. Parsons, Prov. J.D.G. donated a set of three candle snuffers and these are currently in use at Lodge Meetings, they are a finely worked set made to the order of the donor by an aged Craftsman in precious metals, and in this Centenary year W.Bro. I. A. Way, P.Prov.G. Swd.B., has donated a new gavel for use by the Lodge. It has been fitted with an engraved silver plate to mark the occasion.

As one examines the various Minute Books and other Lodge Documents so many acts of generosity by the Lodge, or by individual Members, or by way of gifts to the Lodge come to light. Some are purely monetary and others by way of a tangible present to mark an occasion.

In the early years of the Lodge we read of gifts being made to mark such events as a Silver Wedding Anniversary or to mark the long service of a Brother in some particular Office of the Lodge, and at the time of writing it has come to light that an engraved Coffee Pot presented to a Mr. & Mrs. J. Ogier in 1915 has come into the possession of a Mason in Dorset. It appears that Mr. & Mrs. Ogier were Caretakers and Caterers at the Temple for some years prior to 1915.

In 1972 W.Bro. S. Le Cornu, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks., designed and constructed a cabinet suitable for housing the Regalia of a Provincial Grand Master; the cabinet was later presented to Sir John Loveridge, Kt., C.B.E., the Provincial Grand Master who expressed his grateful thanks for the gift.

Reference has already been made to the close bonds of friendship which exist between this Lodge and the Duke of Normandy Lodge, Jersey. This Lodge has received two much revered presentations from the Jersey Lodge and we record how on the 26 May, 1976, W.Bro. Jones, Master of the Duke of Normandy Lodge presented to this Lodge a gavel duly inscribed to commemorate the strong bond of friendship existing between the Lodges. More recently, on the occasion of the Centenary Meeting and at the Festive Board W.Bro. S. C. McAlister, W.M. of the Jersey Lodge presented to the Lodge, a set of three goblets for use by the Worshipful

Master and his two Wardens at the Lodge Festive Board. The goblets had been suitably inscribed to mark the occasion.

The Masonic Charities

One might also expect the Masonic Charities to rank high on the list of priorities in any history but when all is said and done what is there that can be said of deserving charities. From the day when any person is made a Freemason there is instilled into his mind the need to be charitable and in particular to support those Masonic Charities of which we are all so proud.

The Lodge and its Members have always supported to the utmost of their ability such demands as have been made in the cause of charity. The Lodge itself became one of the Founding Lodges of the Freemasons Hospital and Nursing Home, now the Royal Masonic Hospital, and it therefore follows that the Lodge has more than usual interest in the well being of this great Institution, but irrespective of this the Members annually honour their obligations to the Charity of the Year.

Generous contributions being paid to the Lodge Charity Steward and Almoner are augmented by donations from the Charity Column and invariably from other fund raising efforts.

In 1975 the Lodge promoted the first Masonic Charities Golf Competition; it was set up at the request of W.Bro. J. E. Green, the Master of that year, who promptly won the competition!

Since its inception the Competition has flourished and Masonic Golfers of the Province make a handsome contribution to the charity of the year.

Initially the competition was supported by prizes donated by the Members and whilst in some measure this still applies, there is also a handsome trophy to be competed for each year. This was obtained by W.Bro. C. Ray, (Lodge 2805) a jeweller by profession, who is in business with Bro. T. Scott, (Lodge 168) and it was by their generosity that certain of our Golfing Brethren were enabled to obtain and donate the trophy at modest cost to themselves.

The creation of the competition led to a Masonic Golfing Society being formed and since 1977 there has been an inter-insular golf competition with Brethren from the Province of Jersey. The competitions have received every encouragement and the support of our Provincial Grand Master, Sir John Loveridge, and distinguished Brethren in the Province of Jersey.

VI

MEETING PLACES

The number of places where the Lodge has met are limited to four but circumstances surrounding the use of the present Temple and of events both prior to and since its erection are sufficient in themselves to provide considerable material. We deal however with only those circumstances which gave rise to the building of the present Temple at this time.

When the Lodge was Consecrated the recognised meeting place for Freemasons was a hall at Court Place, St. Peter Port, a hall of which Doyle's Lodge of Fellowship, No. 84 was the tenant.

Mariners' (168) and Loyalty (243) Lodges were sub-tenants of Doyle's but it is apparent from W.Bro. Luff's "History of Loyalty Lodge 1810 - 1960" that all was not well in the arrangement and he notes — "during the last few years under somewhat unhappy conditions,"

this being the period post 1854 - 1880.

In all circumstances however this Lodge appeared ready and willing to accept terms offered by Doyle's and on 28 January, 1880, a lease was drawn up whereby the Lodge would pay £15.00 per annum for sixteen meetings, with an additional payment of £1.00 for every meeting in excess of the agreed number.

Following the Consecration it becomes apparent that Mariners' and Loyalty Lodges saw more power to their elbows in forcing Doyle's to reduce their charges and on 23 February, 1881, a Committee was formed to co-operate with these other Lodges in seeking some relief or alternative meeting place. W.Bro's. Sneath, Bichard and Le Ray were those appointed by this Lodge; W.Bro's. Pengelley, Quick and Smythson represented Mariners' Lodge and W.Bro's. Parsons, Weyson and Le Page. P., Loyalty Lodge; W.Bro. Le Page acting as Secretary to the Joint Committee.

This Committee met with determination and in consequence of their research and deliberations, on 7 March, 1881, sent a letter to Doyle's offering the sum of £10.00 per annum payable by each Lodge. A reply was received in May of that year offering to make the accommodation available to each Lodge at £12.00 per annum, such conditions to be accepted in one month and a new lease signed by 24 June, 1881.

It will have been noted that notice had already been given on behalf of the three Lodges of their intention to cease as Sub-tenant's of Doyle's. Meanwhile temporary accommodation had been obtained to enable meetings to be held in the Lower Room at St. Julian's Hall (now the Gaumont Cinema) and it was here on 3 November, 1881, that a report was presented to a full meeting of the three Lodges.

The report outlined all the circumstances surrounding the tenancies then in being, together with certain costings which had been made; then continued with the proposals to build a new Masonic Temple on the Le Marchant Street site.

The report was adopted and is to be found in detail in the "History of Loyalty Lodge" previously mentioned. Having regard to the fact that this report appears elsewhere in an historical record it is not proposed to reproduce it in this publication, preference being given to the final report of the Board of Management appointed for the Construction of the new Temple, which is as follows —

Report of the Board of Management appointed for the Construction of a new Masonic Temple.

The Members of Mariners', Loyalty and Fidelis Lodges considering the terms of tenancy under Doyle's Lodge unsatisfactory, appointed a Committee of three Members from each Lodge — Mariners': Bro's. T. Pengelley, A. Quick and R. Smythson, P.M.'s; Loyalty: Bro's J. Parsons, F. Weyson and P. Le Page, P.M.'s, Fidelis: Bro's. J. S. Sneath, T. M. Bichard and T. Le Ray, P.M.'s, to arrange terms or provide for some other place of meeting.

This Committee met first on the 7th March, 1881, and offered to Doyle's Lodge what they considered fair terms for their tenancy of the Lodge premises, to which no satisfactory reply being received, this united Committee decided on the 3rd of June to recommend the three Lodges to give Doyle's notice of their intention to quit. After making many enquiries and much diligent search, and inspecting numerous premises offered, it was resolved on the 13th of August, to adopt a freehold site in Le Marchant Street, which had been secured by two Members of the Committee for £180 and on it, subject to the approval of the Lodges to erect a suitable Masonic Temple. Several meetings were then held and Bro. T. Le Page was asked to prepare a plan and estimate of the work. Doyle's Lodge was solicited to co-operate with the other Lodges on equal terms, which they declined.

On the 3rd November an amalgamated meeting of the three Lodges was held at St. Julian's Hall (now the Gaumont Cinema), Bro. W. Helman presided when the report of the United Committee, setting out their proposals, and showing what had already been done, was received and unanimously adopted; and the said Committee was "authorised and empowered to proceed with the construction of the said Temple in accordance with the recommendations and suggestions in the report".

On the 8th November the Committee met and formed a Board of Management for carrying out the work, and elected Bro. J. S. Sneath as President, Bro. T. M. Bichard, Vice President, Bro. T. Pengelley as Treasurer and Bro. P. Le Page as Secretary.

The Board then proceeded to enter into a Contract for the purchase of the Le Marchant Street site and issued a prospectus for the purpose of raising funds for the building of the said Temple by Bonds of £1 each. They also arranged for the occupation of rooms at St. Julian's Hall for the use of the Lodges, notice to Doyle's Lodge having previously been given.

The site for the Temple was purchased in the joint names of the then Worshipful Masters of the three Lodges and their Successors.

A Sub-Committee having made all arrangements and provided the necessary furniture etc., the Lodges met in St. Julian's Hall in January, 1882.

On 3rd January (1882) specifications were issued and tenders invited for the new building in accordance with Bro. T. Le Page's plan. On the 1st February three tenders were sent in, and that of Bro. G. F. Peek for £850, being the lowest, was accepted. After some slight alterations a contract was signed on the 4th February and Bro. T. Le Page was appointed Superintendent of Works at a commission of 2½ per cent.

The site having been cleared on the 3rd March the foundation stone, a fine piece of granite presented by Bro. J. Hamley was laid by the President with befitting ceremony, and the work was proceeded with. In the meantime the Board had been actively engaged in disposing of the Bonds and were so successful as to warrant them in believing that the whole would be subscribed.

According to the original plan the front of the Temple was to be of stucco, but a general feeling being expressed that granite should be substituted, negotiations were opened with Bro. J. Hamley, who ultimately agreed to supply the granite charging only for labour estimated at £130, the Contractor agreeing to deduct £30 from the Contract for the substitution of granite for the stucco. This arrangement was confirmed by the Board and although causing considerable delay in the progress of the work, the original Contract was maintained.

During the following eight months, a large number of meetings were held, a constant supervision of the work was made by the Board; the execution of the granite front causing a very protracted delay, and entailed numberless journeys to St. Sampson's. Good progress was however made, by November the main building being roofed in and so far complete that on the 31st of that month the Board having discussed the question of the internal arrangement of the building, decided to issue tenders for fitting up and furnishing the same. Several alterations being considered advisable in the front of the building so as to turn it to a more profitable account, by providing offices etc., these after several meetings and consultations were carried out by the Contractor at a small additional cost.

On the 10th January, 1883 at a meeting of the Board, it was decided to temporarily insure the premises; and the tender of Messrs Lovell and Cox, for the fitting up of the building for about £206 was accepted. Between this time and the 10th April numerous meetings of the Committee were held to settle the claim between Bro. T. Hamley and the Contractor as to the granite front, which was at length amicably done.

On the 21st May the question of opening the Temple was first considered and preliminary

arrangements made and on the 13th June the Board met at the Temple and subject to certain trifling alterations, approved it.

On the 10th July the Contractors account for extras amounting to about £17 was considered and ordered to be paid, and the Temple was taken over by the Board. The building and its contents were then regularly insured in the Guernsey Mutual Insurance.

The repair of the cottage was considered and tenders invited for the work, which was however, adjourned for the present.

Communications having been made with the Secretary of Grand Lodge, who consented to perform the Ceremony but was afterwards prevented by illness, Bro. Terry was invited and a Dispensation was received by Mariners' Lodge for the performing of the necessary Ceremony, (That of Consecrating the new Temple).

Tenders were invited for providing the banquet, and on the 10th August Bro. Mabey's tender was accepted, being the lowest.

On the 6th September, 1883, the Temple was consecrated and dedicated in due form by Bro. Terry, the details of which appear in the report of the proceedings.

On the 11th September the Board met and made provisional arrangements for the occupation of the Temple by Mariners', Loyalty and Fidelis Lodges for their regular work and meetings. A summary of the receipts and expenditure of the Board up to the present time are appended. (These showed disbursements amounting to £1,466.14.9d. with further payments of £222 to be made and a balance in hand of £321.10.8d).

The Board having so far completed the work for which it was constituted, its Members now resign their trust into the hands of the Lodges respectively who elected them for this work; but before relinquishing their duty would point out what remains to be done, as shown by the foregoing statement there is a large balance to be provided for, and it will be necessary that the cottage shall be put in repair as soon as possible, while the issuing of bonds subscribed for must be proceeded with and some general plan adopted for the Management of the premises and the Property of the Bond holders and the Interest of the three Lodges therein. This, it is suggested, can only be done by a permanent Board, to be constituted in a manner somewhat similar to that of the present Board, viz. by the Election of three Members from each Lodge, with the W.M.'s for the time being as ex-officio members in the interest of their respective Lodges, one of such Members of each Lodge going out of office annually but eligible for re-election; the Board to be empowered to issue the bonds subscribed for, and adopt all legal measures in reference thereto; to have vested in them, and their successors in office, the property and effects of the said Temple for the benefit of Mariners', Loyalty and Fidelis Lodges equally; to arrange for the occupation of the Temple by the said Lodges and to manage the entire affairs of the said Temple, sending an annual account thereof to the said Lodges.

The Board to appoint its own Officers and in all respects to protect and forward the Interests of the Brethren generally, letting such part of the premises as may be eligible for the purpose, and working the Temple in the most profitable manner for all concerned.

Signed J. S. Sneath. President.

In the foregoing account reference will be found to W. Bro. Terry who undertook the Consecration of the New Temple. W. Bro. Terry when he first came to the notice of local Brethren was a Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden for Hertfordshire and it is interesting to note that he was undoubtedly a Mason of considerable experience since on an earlier occasion he had addressed the Members of the Lodge at one of the their Regular Meetings on the method of Consecrating a new Temple.

The Lodge Fidelis first used the new Temple for its Regular Meeting on the 26 September, 1883, and it was at the following Meeting on the 24 October, 1883, that W. Bro. Sneath

submitted the report which appears above.

Following submission of the report by W.Bro. Sneath, the recommendations of his Committee were accepted and thereafter the control of the Temple was vested in a Joint Committee from the three Lodges involved in its construction.

This situation existed until 1956 when the owners decided that it would be advantageous for all those Lodges then using the Temple to participate jointly in the maintenance and management of it, the proposal having been agreed a Conveyance to give effect to it was completed in 1958 and since that time the Temple Board of Management has comprised representatives from all the user Lodges.

(Note in relation to the cost of the new Temple as outlined in the foregoing report —

The new Temple was not as we know it today, the original did not embody the existing large Lodge Room and Dining Hall; these were added later).

Whilst researching this subject some interesting factors have emerged which it appears are worthy of reproduction —

On 1 April, 1890, as the new Temple was developed, a Committee was formed for the purchase of musical instruments. This Committee comprised Bro's W. Stranger and T. Palmer of this Lodge, Bro's. R.M. Smythson and Bovie of Mariners' Lodge, 168 and Bro's. F. Le Page and J. J. Stranger of Loyalty Lodge 243. Their mandate was to liaise with one Bro. E. B. Hedley —

1. "To purchase a pianoforte for use in the refreshment room at a sum not exceeding £20." and
2. "To purchase a harmonium for the use in the Lodge Room; any surplus money to be handed over to the Temple Board to form the nucleus for a superior instrument at a later date."

It is apparent that the original Temple Board was the owner of a pew in St. James' Church and on 11 June, 1891, the Lodge agreed that it could be sold to the trustees of the Church for £50.

Following the German Occupation of the Channel Islands in 1940 the Temple was requisitioned by the German Military Command and used as a Military Food Store on the upper floors whilst the basement was used for keeping pigs to supplement food supplies.

The Occupation resulted in much material and equipment being removed from the Temple. Some was undoubtedly removed by well meaning Masons since it was well known what the attitude of the Nazi Party would be towards Societies such as Freemasons and others whose general characteristics they put into the category of Secret Societies. As a result all the Lodge Warrants with the exception of St. Sampson's Lodge, No. 2598 and various furnishings, regalia and working tools were lost.

Most certainly some items found their way to the Continent of Europe since there are reports of exhibitions having been held in Paris and Berlin wherein certain Masonic Items were arraigned, no doubt to impress occupied Europe and the German People of at least some British Territory being under Nazi domination.

The situation is reflected in a letter authorised by the Provincial Grand Master and transmitted to Lodges on 27 June, 1945, this letter provided —

1. For Meetings to be resumed in suitable premises until such time as the Temple was again available.
2. For temporary arrangements as regards furniture and regalia.
3. No working tools had been recovered and an appeal was included for any Lodge who had a set to place them on loan to other Lodges wishing to meet.
4. The position of Lodges and Chapters had been reviewed and being regarded as

dormant from the outset of the Occupation members were not considered liable for Subscriptions. (Some however who had gone to England at the outset had paid their dues direct to Grand Lodge and having been duly receipted the amounts paid were to be credited to the various Lodges).

5. Brethren in Office at the time of the Occupation, if still available, were to be considered as still being in Office until the next period of Election within the Lodge.

In 1948, towards the restoration and rehabilitation of the Temple the W.M., Past Masters and Brethren of St. Alban's Lodge, No. 29, placed on loan to the Province, Chairs for the Worshipful Master and his Wardens together with a set of brass candlesticks.

However, in 1975 the generosity was further extended when St. Alban's Lodge decided to make the chairs and candlesticks a gift to the Province and at the Annual Communication of Provincial Grand Lodge in that year W.Bro's J. M. Napier and P. Huntsman attended the Meeting and formally handed over the chairs and candlesticks which were gratefully accepted.

On 25 October, 1961 the Lodge voted the sum of £25 towards the purchase of a new organ for the Temple, and later on 24 April, 1963, voted a further £30 towards the purchase.

Only one other instance exists of the Lodge meeting other than at the places already mentioned; on this occasion the Lodge met at the Market Halls, St. Peter Port, on which occasion Provincial Grand Lodge was convened under the banner of the Lodge, being the Regular Meeting of The Lodge Fidelis on the 29 May, 1901.

In respect of this Meeting it is interesting to note that Provincial Grand Lodge being held under the banner of a Craft Lodge it was customary for the Lodge to be convened and opened in the ordinary manner and such business as necessary carried out before Provincial Grand Lodge was admitted, opened as such and carried out the duties of a Provincial Lodge. Thereafter the P.G.M. would return the gavel of the Lodge to the Master after which Provincial Officers would retire and then the Lodge closed in due form.

VII

TWO WORLD WARS

The Lodge survived two World Wars both so very different in nature. The War of 1914 - 1918 appears to have made little impact on Masonry in the Island and meetings continued without interruption throughout; in fact the Minutes covering the period bear little relation to the dour struggle taking place in Europe, apart perhaps from reference to Lodge donations being made to the Prince of Wales' National Relief Fund, the Local War Relief Fund, Princess Mary's Appeal for the Soldiers and Sailors Christmas Fund, the Committee for Helping Wounded Soldiers in French Hospitals, and to the local V.A.D. for the benefit of their services to Servicemen returning to the Island in the early morning from overseas service.

Two meetings in those years also captured attention — on 15 November, 1914, the Lodge met at 12.15 p.m. to pass Bro. R. D. Wooler to the Second Degree. This was duly carried out and the Lodge closed at 1.10 p.m. Then, on the 27 January 1915, (Installation Night) the Lodge met at 3.00 p.m. whereupon Candidates to be raised, passed and initiated were attended upon. Thereafter the Lodge was called off, the Brethren being advised to remain within hail at 5.30 p.m. In fact the Lodge resumed at 7.00 p.m. when the Installation of Bro. E. J. Dene took place. The meeting was finally closed at 9.20 p.m.

On 24 June, 1917 the Bi-Centenary of the United Grand Lodge of England was celebrated in London and the Provinces. In London, The Royal Albert Hall was the venue for a gathering of Masons from many areas under the jurisdiction of the G.L.E.

Locally there was a parade of Masons from the Le Marchant Street Temple to the Town Church, St. Peter Port where a commemorative service, was held, the Sermon being given by The Rev. P. S. Mesny, Prov.G. Chaplain. Members of the General Public were admitted into the Church on this occasion.

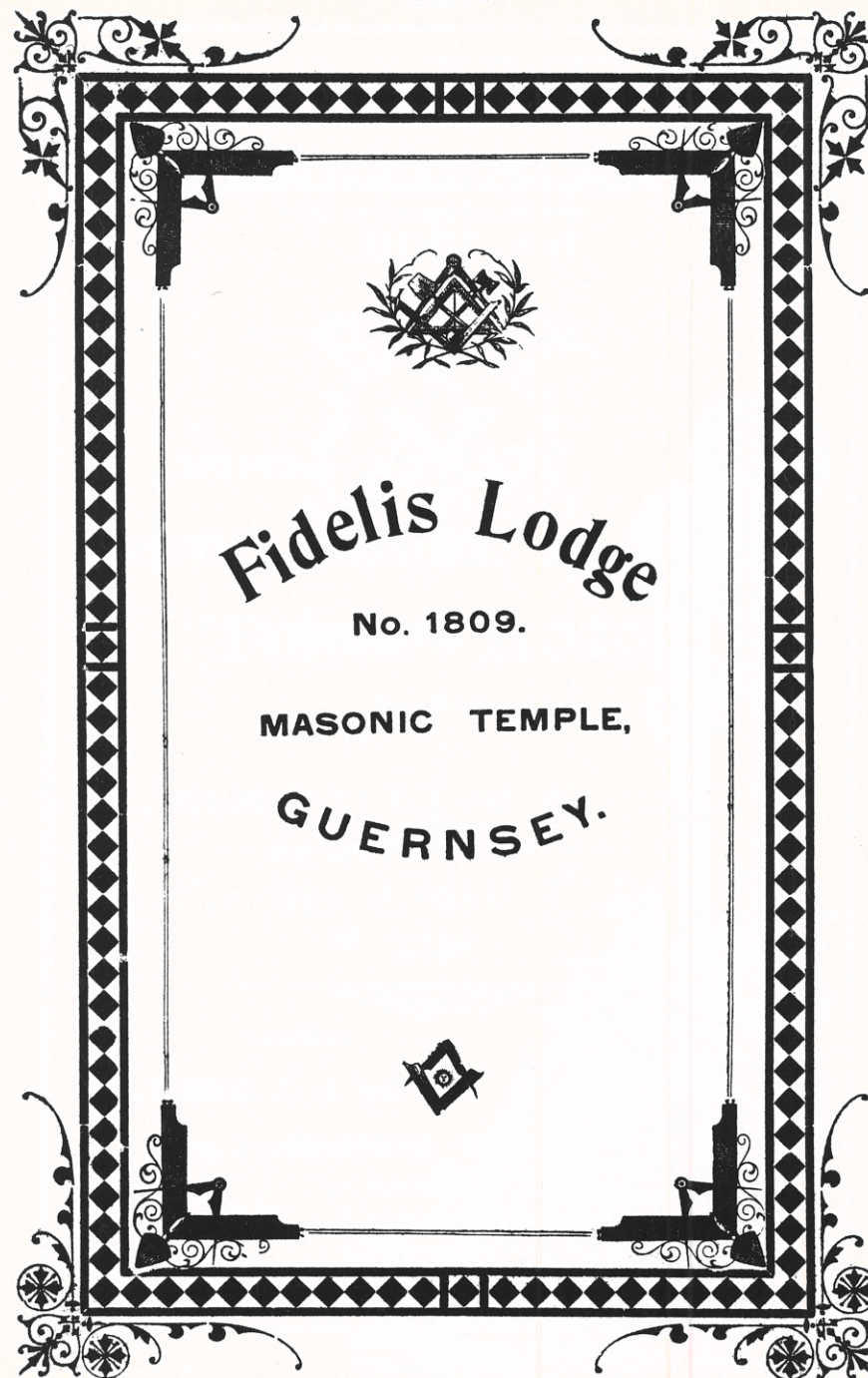
The photograph reproduced at Plate vi shows the parade, or part of it, as we shall see later, passing from Smith Street into the High Street. Lodge Fidelis met the following day at which W.Bro. E. Chepmell Ozanne attended and assisted in the Ceremony; he also presented Past Masters' Jewels to W.Bro's. G. S. Robilliard, H. E. Robilliard and J. F. McNally. There is some significance to these awards inasmuch that records show that a Past Master's Jewel was never, at that time, awarded to a Master upon his vacating the chair of K.S. in favour of his successor. It is clear that in those days the Lodge expected something more of a Past Master by way of further service to the Craft before such an award was made, and undoubtedly such jewels were a very highly prized item of the day.

Earlier reference was made to the photograph reproduced as Plate vi. Some research was carried out when this photograph with others were received from the Estate of the Late W.Bro. J.M.Y. Trotter of Doyle's Lodge, No. 84. W.Bro. Trotter was a Past Master of Lodges 3492 and 4945, P.D.G.D. of East Africa and P.Prov.S.G.W. of this Province; a Brother who made a close study of local Freemasonry. The research in this matter extended to "The Star" of 1917 which showed three items touching the Bi-Centenary Celebrations and in the newspaper of 29 June, 1917, there is a photograph of a Masonic Parade entering Town Church Square from the High Street, St. Peter Port. The route at this point is bordered by Freemasons in full regalia but remarkably the photograph is not the same as that which we reproduce. The caption at the head of the photograph reads "Local Celebrations of Grand Lodge Bi-Centenary" whilst that below reads "Provincial Officers passing down High Street". The only conclusion which one can draw is that the parade probably moved in two stages, the first being that of the Masters of Lodges and their Wardens etc., whilst they were followed by Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge.

One other entry merits note in relation to this War — at the November meeting in 1917 the Lodge unanimously passed a resolution approving a letter to be sent to its Servicemen part of which reads — "... hearty and sincere greetings on the approaching Christmas Season, wishing you a very happy Christmas, a speedy restoration of peace and your safe return during the coming year. We regret your absence from amongst us during the approaching Meetings but be assured we have you in our thoughts and you are not forgotten. Assuring you of our interest at all times." There was also approved an additional paragraph to the letter sent to Masons serving in France, Italy and Egypt, it read "The enclosed parcel of fragrant weed we ask you to accept so that you may have us in your remembrance in the enjoyment we trust it will bring you."

In contrast, the World War of 1939 - 1945 proved to be a disaster. At the Regular Meeting on 25 October, 1939 two Grand Lodge Communications were read, the first was dated 6 September and ordered that all Masonic Meetings were to be suspended until further notice; the second dated 29 September was accompanied by a Communication from Provincial Grand Lodge, these communications permitted the resumption of Meetings subject to the following conditions:-

1. All Lodges to meet not later than 6.30 p.m. and to be terminated not later than 10.00 p.m.
2. Dispensations would be granted free of charge. .



Face Page of the Lodge Summons in use in 1900.

FIDELIS LODGE,

No. 1809.

Masonic Temple, Le Marchant Street, Guernsey.

W. Bro. J. T. LE MARCHANT,
P.G.STWD., W.M.

Secretary—
W. Bro. E. T. CORBET,
P.G. ASST. D. OF C.
“Lydda” Vale,
Guernsey.

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Free and Accepted Masons.

“Fidelis” Lodge,

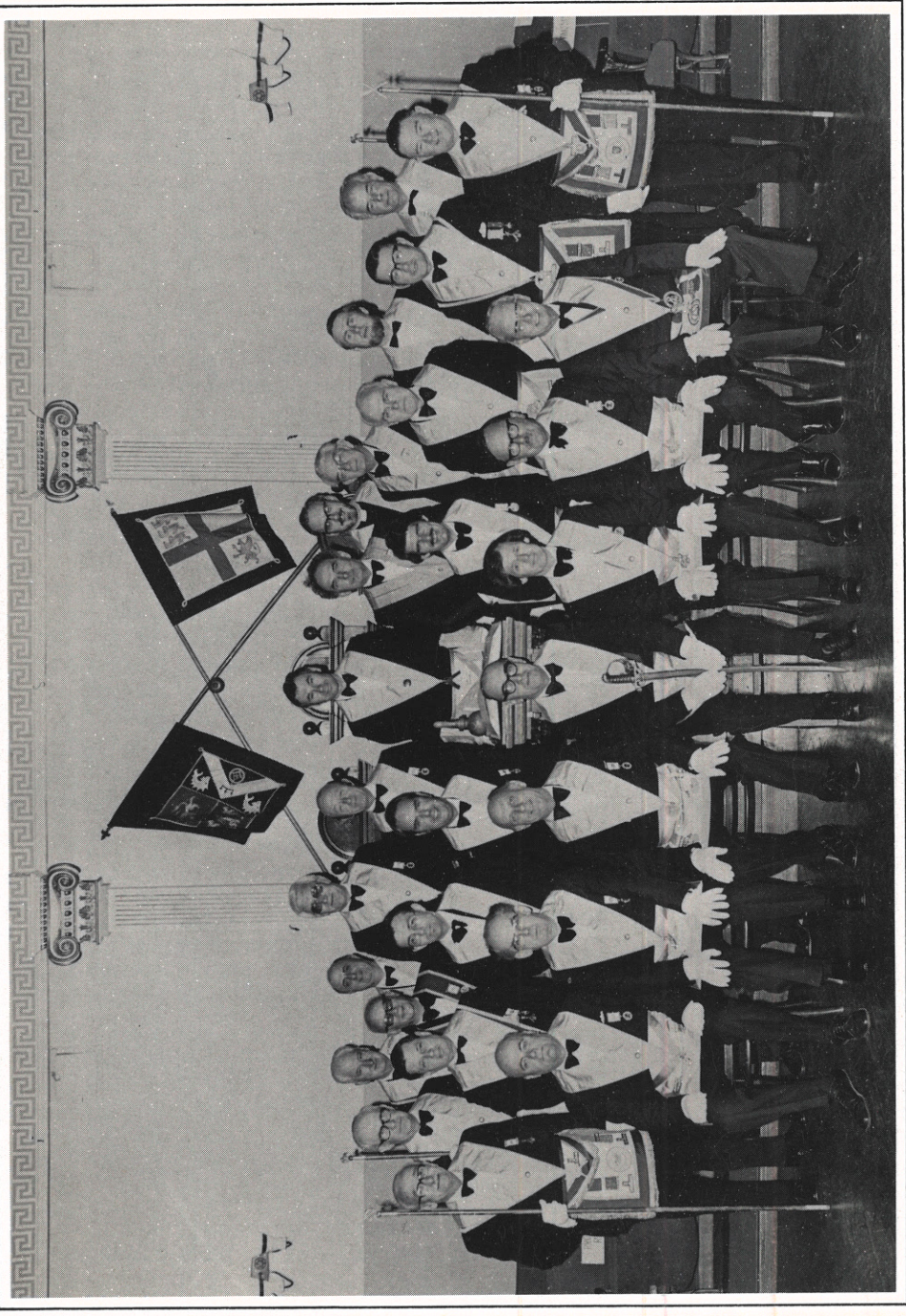
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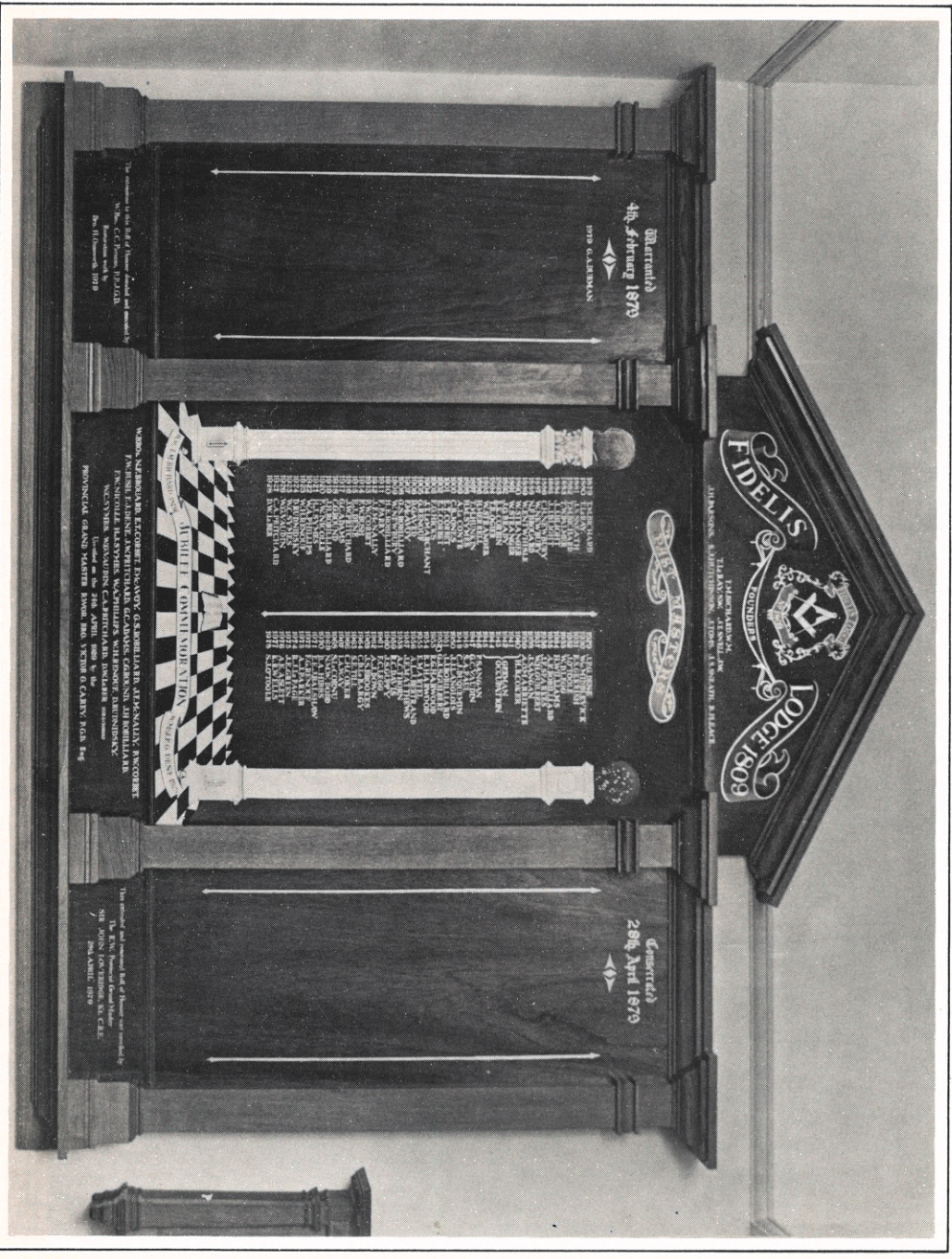
MASONIC TEMPLE, Le Marchant Street, GUERNSEY.

BANKS, BROWNSEY & CO., GUERNSEY

Face Page of the Lodge Summons in use in 1915.



The Worshipful Master and Officers of the Lodge, 1979.



The Enlarged and Restored Roll of Honour of Past Masters



Plate XVI.

3. Lodges were advised to abbreviate their proceedings when possible, especially Installation Meetings.

As a result meetings continued with little reference to the War until the German Occupation of the Channel Islands in June 1940. Our last Lodge meeting was held on 22 May, 1940, and the first to be held after the Occupation was the 23 January, 1946, when Elections took place for the Installation Meeting which was held the following month.

At that first Meeting on 23 January, 1946 the Lodge mourned the passing of twenty Brethren, the proportion of serving members of the Forces is not recorded but without doubt one was the Captain of a vessel in the Mercantile Marine. From a survey carried out later it also became apparent that a number of our Members served with distinction in various capacities in the Armed Forces of the Crown or in a voluntary capacity with quasi Service Units and Government Departments.

There were, of course, other Masons who did not leave the Island and volunteered their Services to the good of the population who had chosen not to be evacuated.

However, after the Island was occupied, a number of escapes were made and we note one of these by Capt. E. Noyon, a Brother of the Lodge, who with others sailed a small boat from the Island under the very noses of the German Occupation Forces in 1943. Bro. Noyon who was an experienced seaman and pilot sailed his boat to Plymouth with information for the British Government as to the critical situation in relation to food supplies in the Channel Islands.

One outcome of this War was the Consecration of Sarnia-Riduna Lodge, No. 5840 under a Warrant granted on 3 September, 1941, and the Caesarea Chapter, No. 5840 under a Warrant dated 3 February, 1943. The Lodge and its Chapter were created by representatives of exiled Channel Islanders and currently meets at Freemasons Hall, Great Queen Street, London with Officers largely drawn from the Islands, and to which the Members of Channel Island Lodges continue to lend their support.

The Lodge and the Chapter hold an Emergency Meeting in Guernsey and Jersey every two years to conduct business as it were, on home ground. Bro. J. J. Robilliard of this Lodge was the first post-war Master of Sarnia-Riduna Lodge.

It also contributed in some measure to the re-establishment of St. Ann's Lodge, No. 593 when, on the 27 February, 1946, at the Regular Meeting of Lodge Fidelis, W.Bro. J. J. Robilliard on behalf of Sarnia-Riduna Lodge, presented W.Bro. L. B. McLernon of St. Ann's Lodge, with a copy of the Volume of the Sacred Law to assist its rehabilitation.

In that part of this history which relates to meeting places it will have been noted that most of the Warrants of Constitution granted to Lodges were lost and in consequence it became necessary for application to be made for new Warrants to be issued, in this respect a Warrant of Confirmation was issued to this Lodge by The Grand Lodge of England on the 5 June, 1946. The full text of the Warrant is as follows —

(Harewood) G M

To all and every our Right Worshipful and Loving Brethren

We

Henry George Charles

Earl of Harewood

Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter

&c

&c

&c

&c

Grand Master

of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of England

SEND GREETING

Whereas it appears by the Records of the Grand Lodge that a Warrant of Constitution bearing date 4th February 1879 was granted to certain Brethren therein named authorising them to open and hold a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at the Masonic Hall, Court Place, Guernsey and which was then registered in the Books of the Grand Lodge as No. 1809, under the Title or Denomination of

The Lodge Fidelis

And whereas the Brethren composing the said Lodge have by their Memorial represented to us that their Warrant has been destroyed by enemy action and they have prayed us to grant them a Warrant of Confirmation in lieu thereof

Now Know Ye that We being satisfied of the reasonableness of the said request and from the confidence reposed in the Brethren do hereby grant this Our WARRANT OF CONFIRMATION unto our Right Trusty and Well Beloved Brethren, Peter Sangan, Thomas Neill Wyatt, George Charles Vaudin, George Shave Robilliard, George Christopher Adams, William Middlevick, John James Robilliard, and Others composing the said Lodge authorising and empowering them and their Successors to continue to assemble and hold a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at the Masonic Temple, Le Marchant Street, Guernsey, Channel Islands on the fourth Wednesday in January, February, March April, May, September, October, November and the third Monday in December and to make, pass and raise Free Masons according to the Ancient Custom of the Craft in all Ages and Nations throughout the known World. And further at their said Petition and of the great Trust and confidence reposed in every of the above named Brethren WE DO APPOINT the said Peter Sangan to be the Master, the said Thomas Neill Wyatt to be the Senior Warden and the said George Charles Vaudin to be Junior Warden for opening and holding the said Lodge and until such time as another Master shall be regularly elected and installed strictly charging that every member who shall be elected to preside over the said Lodge and who must previously have duly served as Warden in a Warranted Lodge shall be installed in Ancient Form and according to the Laws of the Grand Lodge that he may thereby be fully invested with the dignities and powers of his Office. And we do require you the said Peter Sangan to take special care that all and every the said Brethren are or have been regularly made Masons and that you and they and all other the Members of the said Lodge do observe perform and keep the Laws Rules and Orders of the Book of Constitutions and all others which may from time to time be made by our Grand Lodge or transmitted by us or our Successors Grand Masters or by our Deputy Grand Master for the time being. And we do enjoin you to make such By Laws for the government of your Lodge as shall to the majority of the Members appear proper and necessary the same not being contrary to or inconsistent with the General Laws and Resolutions of the Craft a copy whereof you are to transmit to us. And we do require you to cause all such By Laws and Resolutions and also an account of the proceedings in your Lodge to be entered in a Book to be kept for that purpose. And you are in nowise to omit to send to us or our Successors Grand Masters or to our Deputy Grand Master for the time being at least once in every year a list of the Members of your Lodge and the names and descriptions of all Masons initiated therein and Brethren who shall have joined the same with the fees and moneys payable thereon. It being our will and intention that this Our WARRANT OF CONFIRMATION shall continue in force so long only as you shall conform to the Laws and Regulations of our Grand Lodge

Given under Our Hand and the Seal of the Grand Lodge at London this 5th day of June AL 5946 AD1946

By Command of The Most Worshipful Grand Master
Sidney A. White G S William H Darell for DGM AGM

VIII

THE JUBILEE MEETING

The first fifty years appear to have been the most adventurous and progressive years of the Lodge and were duly celebrated on 24 April, 1929, with a special ceremony which was reported in "The Star" and "Guernsey Press" of the day at length.

"The Star" in its opening paragraph reports:-

"Fifty years of age, Fidelis Lodge of Freemasons, No. 1809, celebrated its Jubilee at the Masonic Temple, Le Marchant Street, with all the pomp and circumstance which the occasion deserved" . . . "there was an overwhelming attendance of members of the Craft". Certain of the dignitaries present were named, they occupied three rows of chairs which had been placed in the centre of the Lodge together with other Provincial Officers and the Masters of Sister Lodges."

After the business of opening the Lodge and the usual formalities being completed the Provincial Grand Master and his Deputy were admitted after which the regular Officers of the Lodge resigned their seats to be replaced by Past Masters of the Lodge.

The Charter of the Lodge was then presented to the Provincial Grand Master — Rt.Wor.Bro. V. G. Carey P.G.D., who directed that it should be read.

This was followed by the reading of a short history of the Lodge, it had been prepared and was presented by W.Bro. G. S. Robilliard. This "short history" which took an hour to read has proved most useful in the preparation of earlier facts related in this publication. The circumstances surrounding the building of the new Temple were dealt with at some length.

Much of the information is of course already disbursed in this later history and there appears no need for repetition.

The report also makes reference to the Roll of Honour of Past Masters which was subscribed by various Members of the Lodge and unveiled at the Jubilee Meeting, a piece of Lodge history which the Brethren have already given their assent to be enlarged and refurbished. The Roll of honour was initially erected in the Lodge Room and is the centre section of the illustration now produced (see plate xiv). The illustration being of the enlarged and refurbished board.

In unveiling the original Roll of Honour the Provincial Grand Master was expressive in his great satisfaction upon the institution of the Roll of Honour in the Lodge Room, and hoped that the example set by the Lodge would be followed by all the other Lodges of the Province.

At the close of the Meeting it is reported that the Provincial Grand Master and his Deputy each received "a handsomely bound copy of the Souvenir Agenda of the Jubilee of the Lodge. The latter is very prettily printed in blue ink. Every-one present also had a copy of the Souvenir contained in a cardboard cover".

Looking at the Agenda it appears that the only surviving member on the list of Officers of the Lodge is Bro. J. O'Toole, then Inner Guard and now 85 years of age. Bro. O'Toole subsequently became Master of the Lodge in 1932 and a Past Prov. J.G.W. in 1971.

In conclusion "The Star" report observes that the Fidelis Jubilee Celebration appears to be the first occasion on which a 50th Anniversary has been celebrated but reports the Centenary Celebrations of Mariners Lodge in 1884; Doyle's Lodge of Fellowship in 1906 and Loyalty Lodge in 1910.

IX

Snippets from One Hundred Years

At the Regular Meeting on 22 March, 1882, the W.M., Bro. J. S. Sneath, announced that the following telegram in which he had joined on behalf of Fidelis, had been adopted at a Meeting of Loyalty Lodge and despatched to the Grand Secretary for presentation to the Grand Master —

"The W.M., Past Masters and Members of Loyalty Lodge at their regular monthly meeting assembled, together with the W.M.'s of "Mariners" and "Fidelis" as representing their Lodges respectfully being to present, through your Royal Highness, the expression of horror and indignation felt by us at the recent atrocious outrage committed on Her Majesty, and of our deep sense of gratitude under Divine providence at Her Majesty's happy escape, and we ever pray "Long Live Our Queen"."

A reply from the Grand Secretary was received in a letter of 24 March, 1882 as follows:-

"I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, transmitting a Resolution passed by your Lodge, relative to the recent attempt on the life of Her Majesty and have duly laid the same before the Grand Master.

His Royal Highness has requested me in reply, to convey to you his thanks for the Resolution, and to assure you that he warmly appreciates the loyal and fraternal sentiments expressed by the Brethren of the Lodge therein".

On 22 December, 1886, the Lodge voted the sum of £5.00 to Bro. Cooper, Captain of the brig "Never Despair" which had foundered off Cherbourg.

No relationship between Bro. Cooper and this Lodge has been traced.

On 27 February, 1889, a Library for the use of the Brethren was opened, thereafter it was available to Brethren on each Monday evening for the exchange of books.

The library was not entirely one of Masonic Publications and many of the books were of a purely religious nature.

At the Regular Meeting on 24 February, 1897, the Tyler, whose duty it was to deliver the Lodge Summonses, complained "that the sum of one shilling (5 new pence) paid to him for delivering summonses was not sufficient."

The matter was left to W.Bro. T. Hunkin, the W.M. of the day to make arrangements to the benefit of the Tyler. The new arrangement is not disclosed in any subsequent minute but W.Bro. Hunkin appears to have involved the Lodge in no additional expense since the Rent and Tyler's Fees collectively for 1896 and 1897 remained unchanged.

The poor Tyler, whose name was not recorded in the list of Officers for the Year, was responsible for the delivery of no less than 79 summonses for each meeting.

At the Meeting on the 23 March, 1898, the Lodge approved the payment of £1.5s.0d. (£1.25) for Masonic Calendars, there were at this time 74 Brethren in the Lodge. We have no way of ascertaining what the first Calendars were like or what they contained; however the Library contains a copy of "The Freemasons' Calendar and Directory" of 1909 which is similar in many respects to that published annually, it was of 104 pages and we may therefore assume that the initial publication has been emulated to a greater or lesser extent since the first publication was made.

We can however, review the price paid in 1898 being £1.5s.0d. for eighty copies as against £2.50 per single copy in 1978.

On 10 March, 1902, a Dispensation was granted to Members of the Lodge to wear their Masonic Clothing and Jewels at a "Conversazione" to be held in the Masonic Temple. The wives of the Brethren being received after the meeting proper.

At the same meeting, Masonic Parts and books to be used in connection with our Ceremonies were presented to the Lodge by W.Bro. W. Newbury.

The Brethren will be aware that much of this practice is now eliminated from our Ceremonies by a directive of Grand Lodge.

Much of the early correspondence relating to the new Temple is no longer available to us but it is apparent that certain by-laws were introduced.

On 27 September, 1902, the following unusual proposition was put forward:-

"That the Members of Fidelis Lodge request the Temple Board of Management to rescind the by-law which prohibits dancing in the premises or otherwise amend the said by-laws to suit the requirements of the present Members, as the present by-law is very obnoxious and prevents them from the enjoyment of their own premises".

The outcome of the resolution is not recorded.

On 24 June, 1908, Provincial Grand Lodge was held under the Banner of Fidelis Lodge. On this occasion the Lodge was opened at 4.15 p.m. and the business on the Agenda carried on until 5.00 p.m.

At 5.00 p.m. the Annual Communication of Prov. Grand Lodge was carried out, after which the Gavel of the Lodge was restored to the W.M. who resumed his seat and closed the Lodge at 7.00 p.m.

In May, 1920, a Prayer of Petition was submitted for the formation of Fidelis Royal Arch Chapter. This having been approved the Chapter was consecrated on 1st October, 1920.

The Chapter, like the Lodge, has been well supported since Consecration being one of the more active in the Province, its Membership as at 30 September, 1978 was 88.

On 27 December, 1922, it was resolved that the Lodge should become a Founding Lodge of the Freemasons Hospital and Nursing Home, now known as the Royal Masonic Hospital. A Founding Lodge Certificate was received on 25 March, 1925, and remains in the care of our Bank.

During the Summer of 1924 a Sports Meeting for children of the Members of the Lodge was held. At the meeting on 23 April, 1924, the Lodge voted a sum not exceeding £20.00 for the purchase of prizes for the event.

On 28 February, 1925, the Lodge set up a Committee to enquire into the advisability of forming a Lodge of Instruction.

The proposal was not further referred to in the Minutes, and appears not to have received favour.

In 1927 The Late W.Bro. H. E. Robilliard attended the Annual Festival of the R.M.I. for Girls which was held at The Royal Albert Hall in London.

H.R.H. The Prince of Wales who was the Grand Master at the time was present and it is understood that Brethren desirous of attending far exceeded the capacity of the Royal Albert Hall. A spokesman at R.M.I. Girls indicated that the hall could have been filled five times over so W.Bro. Robilliard appears to have been very fortunate in obtaining a place at the Festival.

An interesting feature of this Festival is the Jewel which is illustrated at Plate xii, it will be seen to embody the personal emblem of the Prince of Wales, it is also struck in pure silver and enamel.

The Jewel is currently retained with great pride by Mrs. Ruth Martel, daughter of the late holder and wife of Bro. Martel. (Lodge 168).

On 24 October, 1934, the Provincial Grand Secretary in a letter to the Lodges stated that it was proposed to set up a Masonic Museum. The same to be under the control of a Committee comprising one Member from each Lodge under the Chairmanship of a Brother nominated by Provincial Grand Lodge.

The Lodge agreed to the proposal and W.Bro. H. Williams was nominated to represent the Lodge.

Needless to say the Museum failed to exist during the War but it was re-established in 1947 an appeal for objects of Masonic interest to be donated for use of the Committee.

At the May meeting in 1935 the Lodge authorised the sending of a cable to the Nandi Border Lodge No. 4756 at Eldoret, East Africa, where Bro. R. W. Parmentier who was initiated into this Lodge on 23 November, 1927, had been elected W.M.. W.Bro. Parmentier was later to become Senior Warden of the District Grand Lodge of East Africa.

Our last meeting before the German Occupation of the Channel Islands was held on 22 May, 1940; Lodge Meetings were not resumed until 23 January, 1946.

At the Regular Meeting of the Lodge on 28 May, 1960, one of our guests was Bro. J. Richardson of Lodge Fidelis, No. 5405.

On 25 March, 1964, Mr. G. A. Durman was initiated. Bro. Durman was destined to become W.M. of the Lodge in its Centenary Year and was installed as Master the 25 January, 1979.

On 23 March, 1966, there was read a Communication for the M.W., The Grand Master which related to the 250th Anniversary of the foundation of the Grand Lodge of England. The Communication also made known that an appeal was being made and that all donations would be made available to the Royal College of Surgeons in the furtherance of medical research.

The Lodge responded generously and obtained the permanent Commemorative Jewel which is worn on the Collar of the Worshipful Master.

On 27 June, 1967, an Especial Grand Lodge was holden at The Royal Albert Hall, London to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the United Grand Lodge of England and at which meeting H.R.H. The Duke of Kent was to be installed as M.W. Grand Master.

W.Bro. I. A. Way, Master of the Year attended this impressive Ceremony at which there were 6,621 Masons from all quarters of the Globe present, they represented many Grand Lodges and Provincial Grand Lodges throughout the World, and included many Distinguished Brethren.

During the early months of 1976, W.Bro. D. A. Hibbs, P.Prov.G.St.B., visited New South Wales. He visited many Lodges during the course of his stay and conveyed the greetings of this Lodge. One of his visits was to Lodge Richard Coley, No. 152 (U.G.L. of N.S.W.) where he was fortunate to be able to witness the Installation of the new Master, he also attended an Anzac Day Service for Members of the Lodge.

On his return W.Bro. Hibbs was afforded an opportunity to address the Brethren of the

Lodge on points of interest associated with his tour. He also brought greetings from Lodge Richard Coley.

X

The Centenary Meeting

In 1976 a Committee was appointed to undertake the responsibility of preparing a history of the Lodge and of arrangements for the Centenary Meeting, they were W.Bro. R. G. Harwood, P.A.G.D.C., W.Bro. F. C. Legg, P.Prov.J.G.W., Prov.G.Reg., W.Bro. S. Le Cornu, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks., W.Bro. I. A. Way, P.Prov.G.Swd.B., and W.Bro. J. E. Green, Prov.A.G.Sec.

At an early stage it became apparent that the overall cost of the celebrations coupled with the printing of the history would be high and as a result it was decided to request the assistance of the Brethren by asking them to contribute to a Centenary Fund designed to relieve the cost of envisaged expenditure. At the time W.Bro. F. C. Legg, was the Lodge Treasurer, which presented no problems, but later, on accepting the appointment of Prov.G.Reg., W.Bro. Legg found it necessary to resign as Treasurer and W.Bro. F. G. Renouf, subsequently Prov.G.Std.B., who succeeded W.Bro. Legg was co-opted.

Many donations were received but it became apparent that much more would be required, at the time the Stewards of the Lodge with the Asst. Secretary, Bro. T. J. Hibbs and W.Bro. J. S. Guppy, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks., were in liaison with the Lodge Committee being interested in setting up a Lodge of Instruction. In the knowledge of the financial problems they decided to extend their efforts to fund raising functions designed to assist, and ultimately raised a great deal of money towards the smooth running of the celebrations.

It may well be that their efforts were justly rewarded when, having furnished a set of By-Laws for the approval of the Provincial Grand Master, and having them approved, the Lodge in February, 1979 gave its assent for the Lodge of Instruction to be recognised. So it was that another milestone in the history of the Lodge was passed and one which may well be regarded as commemorative to this Centenary year.

Then, at the Regular Meeting of the Lodge in March, 1979 by unanimous ballot The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, Sir John Loveridge, Kt., C.B.E., was awarded Honorary Membership of the Lodge.

The Centenary Meeting was held on 28 April, 1979, the Brethren being convened by way of a Special Summons which was presented in Craft Blue and Gold type. It contained a brief resumé of the Consecration, details of the Order of Meeting and of the Festive Board, which on this occasion, was held at The Royal Hotel, St. Peter Port, at an inclusive Charge of £6.00.

The Meeting was convened for 6.00 p.m. but long before that time the Brethren and their invited Guests commenced to arrive and claim their seats. Under normal conditions the large Temple will accommodate 156 persons but to meet the needs of this important occasion additional chairs had been introduced and ultimately 182 brethren were present for the Meeting.

The Lodge was duly opened on time by W.Bro. Durman and after the Opening Ode had been sung the Dispensation for Meeting was read by W.Bro. I. A. Way, P.Prov.G.Swd.B., Secretary, this was followed by the reading of the Minutes of the previous Meeting by Bro. T. J. Hibbs, Asst. Secretary.

The Minutes having been adopted, all Brethren below the rank of Master Mason retired from the Lodge after which it was raised to the Third by the short method. At this stage the R.W. Provincial Grand Master through the Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies, W.Bro. D. G. Creasey, P.A.G.D.C., demanded entry into the Lodge and was then escorted into the Lodge with an escort of Past Masters of the Lodge and accompanied by the following Grand Lodge Officers and Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge — W.Bro. B. G. Blampied, D.P.G.M., W.Bro. F. W. W. Chandler, D.S.O., D.F.C., P.A.G.D.C., Prov.S.G.W.; W.Bro. F. H. Richards, Prov.J.G.W.; Bro. The Revd. R. G. Nelson, Prov.G. Chap.; W.Bro. A. R. M. Straw, Prov.G.Treas.; W.Bro. F. C. Legg, Prov.G.Reg., W.Bro. D. W. M. Randell, P.A.G.Reg., Prov.G.Sec.; W.Bro. E. J. de Garis, P.A.G.D.C.; W.Bro. C. K. Frossard, P.J.G.D., W.Bro. L. A. Tupper, P.A.G.D.C.; W.Bro. R. G. Harwood, P.A.G.D.C.; W.Bro. C. K. Brownhill, P.A.G.D.C.; W.Bro. F. H. Sullivan, P.A.G.D.C.; W.Bro. A. F. Batchelor, P.A.G.D.C.; W.Bro. A. E. Tubb, Prov.G.Swd.B.; W.Bro's F. G. Renouf and E. A. Le Lievre, Prov.G.Std.B. and Bro.G.V.B. Nicholson, Prov.G.Tyler.

The procession was accompanied to the tune "Sarnia Cherie" (by the Late Bro. Dominic Santangelo) played by Bro. E. H. J. Keyho, P.Prov.G.Org., the Lodge Organist for the past 29 years.

After the Distinguished Brethren had obtained their seats they were greeted by the W.M. and then saluted in Ancient Form according to their several ranks. The Lodge was then reduced to that of the Entered Apprentice Degree and all F.C. and E.A.'s were re-admitted.

At this stage The R.W. Provincial Grand Master occupied the Master's Chair and at his request the Prov.G.Director of Ceremonies installed the Provincial Senior and Junior Grand Wardens in their respective Chairs. The Prov.G.Chaplain was then called upon for Prayer.

The proceedings were continued with W.Bro. Harwood, P.A.G.D.C. being called upon to read the Warrant of Confirmation, this was granted to the Lodge following the cessation of hostilities in 1945 (See Para VII - "Two World Wars") and W.Bro. I. A. Way, P.Prov.G.Swd.B., reading the first Minutes of the Lodge, being those which related to an Emergency Meeting held on 8 May, 1879.

Moving on, the R.W. Provincial Grand Master called upon W.Bro. D.W.M. Randell., P.A.G.Reg.,Prov.G.Sec., to read the Centenary Warrant (see plate xiii) which was done, the Warrant was then handed over with due ceremony to the Provincial Grand Master who passed it into the keeping W.Bro. Durman and his Successors, and then delivered

THE ADDRESS TO THE BRETHREN

"We are all this evening privileged to take part in a most momentous occasion in the long history of Freemasonry in this Bailiwick, the celebration of its centenary by this Fidelis Lodge, No. 1809.

This Lodge has within the living memory of every Freemason in the Bailiwick always had the highest standing in the Province and a proud record of service to and in the advancement of the Craft. Its membership has covered a wide spectrum of the community and it has in large measure been a family Lodge. Under its banner have served many Freemasons who have brought the greatest distinction to the Lodge and the Province.

One hundred years ago this evening, that is to say, on the 28th April, 1879, the Lodge was consecrated in the former Masonic Hall in Court Place, St. Peter Port.

The application for the Warrant was submitted directly to the Grand Lodge of England by W.Bro. Thomas Mauger Bichard, then of Mariners' Lodge No. 168 and a Past Master of my Mother Lodge, Loyalty Lodge, No. 243. It was supported by seven other Brethren of Loyalty Lodge, No. 234 and recommended by Mariners' Lodge, No. 168. The Warrant of Constitution

of the Lodge was dated 4th February, 1879.

The Consecration was carried out under the banner of Mariners Lodge, No. 168 by W.Bro. James Gallienne, Past Deputy Provincial Grand Master and Past Master of Doyle's Lodge of Fellowship, No. 84, then Worshipful Master of Mariners' Lodge, No. 168.

Fidelis Lodge was the fourth Guernsey Lodge and the fifth in order of seniority when the Province of Guernsey and Alderney was established in 1894.

It has given me great pleasure as Provincial Grand Master to take part in this Centenary Meeting and to present you, Worshipful Master, the Centenary Warrant of the Lodge. We all wish the Lodge well as it enters into the second century of its existence.

May I end by saying this. At its last Regular meeting held on the 28th March, 1979, this Fidelis Lodge No. 1809 elected me an Honorary Member of the Lodge. I am grateful for the opportunity of being able, as I do now, at this Centenary meeting of the Lodge, to express my warm thanks personally to and in the Lodge for such an honour."

The address was received with warm applause by the Brethren present.

W.Bro. D. A. Hibbs, P.Prov.G.Swd.B., Director of Ceremonies, then conveyed to the Provincial Grand Master an engraved Centenary Jewel and enquired whether the P.G.M. would be pleased to present it to W.Bro. Durman as a mark of respect from the Past Masters, Officers and Brethren of the Lodge, which was done. The gavel of the Lodge was then restored to W.Bro. Durman after the Provincial Wardens had resumed their seats in favour of the Lodge Officers occupying them.

As soon as W.Bro. Durman resumed his seat, he was handed another engraved Centenary Jewel by the Director of Ceremonies and in a brief address requested the Provincial Grand Master to accept it on behalf of the Worshipful Master, Past Masters, Officers and Brethren of the Lodge. The Provincial Grand Master suitably responded.

THE ORATION

At the request of the Worshipful Master the Oration was given by Bro. The Revd. R. G. Nelson, Prov.G.Chaplain, Chaplain of the Lodge. In this Bro. Nelson, in a moving address delivered with great depth of feeling, reviewed the progress of Masonry and of the Lodge over the past century and looking to the future stressed our deep commitments to our Masonic duties.

Continuing, he observed that the gathering was symbolical of good work in the past and augers well for the future since we have good Stewards and other energetic Masons who would make their own contributions in due time. We must continue to look for growth and the building of character, we have faith in the V.S.L. and it reminds us of our duty to God, our neighbours, and ourselves, this principle has been faithfully passed down over the last 100 years and faithfully we must carry on finding from it inspiration and guidance.

He concluded by suggesting that we should all ask of ourselves "am I a good Mason" and then faithfully and in every way do honour to our Obligations. At the conclusion the Brethren warmly applauded the Oration.

The Lodge was next called off in due form and the Provincial Grand Master, The Worshipful Master and other Brethren retired from the Lodge during which time the Provincial Grand Master with some well chosen words unveiled the enlarged and restored Roll of Honour of Past Masters (See Plate xiv). At the conclusion W.Bro. C.C. Parsons, P.Prov. J.G.D. and Bro. H. Ounsworth, the Craftsmen responsible for the work, were presented.

The Brethren having returned to the Lodge it was called on by the Worshipful Master and the business of the evening resumed.

Grand Lodge, Provincial Grand Lodge and Ordinary Communications being called for,

greetings were received from Officers of the Province of Guernsey and Alderney and from the Masters or Representatives of Visiting Lodges.

Thereafter the Lodge was closed in due and solemn form, followed by the singing of the closing Ode whilst alms were collected for the Royal Masonic Hospital. This was followed by the singing of the first verse of the National Anthem after which the Provincial Grand Master and other Distinguished Brethren retired in procession followed by the Worshipful Master, his Wardens, Officers of the Lodge and Visiting Masters.

At the Festive Board held at The Royal Hotel, St. Peter Port, Brethren took advantage of a sumptuous meal to round off an excellent Masonic evening, which was enhanced by a number of excellent speeches.

Appendix "A"

A Lodge Photograph taken about 1931

Key to Brethren appearing in the Photograph:

Back Row, l to r —

W. Bro. J.H. Robilliard, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks.
W.Bro. W.C. Symes.
W.Bro. W.H. Renouf, P.Prov.Asst.G.Purs.

Centre Row, l to r —

W.Bro. F.W. Bush, P.Prov.G.Treas.
W.Bro. P.W. Le Ber, P.Prov.G.Stwd.
W.Bro. C.A. Pritchard, P.Prov. G.Org.
W.Bro. G.C. Adams, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks.
W.Bro. G.C. Round, P.Prov.J.G.D.
W.Bro. W.A. Phillips, P.Prov.G.Purs.
W.Bro. W.G. Vaudin, P.Prov.G.Stwd.
W.Bro. J.G.P. Dene, P.Prov.G.Std.B.
W.Bro. P.W. Corbet.

Front Row, l to r —

W.Bro. J.F. McNally, P.Prov.J.G.D.
W.Bro. H.E. Robilliard, P.Prov.S.G.D.
W.Bro. E.T. Corbet, P.G.Std.B., P.Prov.S.G.W.
W.Bro. W. Middlevick, P.Prov.G.Stwd.
W.Bro. G.S. Robilliard, P.Prov.G.Treas.
W.Bro. J.W. Pritchard, P.Prov.S.G.W.

The several Masonic Ranks accorded to the Brethren are those recorded in the Masonic Calendar of 1932, certain further promotions are to be noted in later issues of the Calendar.

Appendix "B"

Key to Brethren appearing in the photograph of the Worshipful Master and Officers of the Lodge, 1979.

Back Row, l to r —

Bro. A.B. Strappini,
W.Bro. J.E. Green, Prov.A.G.Sec.
Bro. B.W.H. Sheriff, P.Prov.A.G.Sec.
Bro. M.P. Brehaut.
Bro. D.A. Brooker,
Bro. M.N. Drakefield,
W.Bro. G.A. Durman,
W.Bro. S.J. O'Toole,
Bro. The Rev. R.G. Nelson, Prov.G.Chap.
Bro. W.J.S. Edwards,
Bro. R.J.T. Clark,
Bro. E.L. Corbin,

S.D.
Charity Stwd. & Almoner.
Asst. Sec.
Steward.
Steward.
J.W.
W.M.
I.P.M.
Chaplain.
S.W.
Steward.
J.D.

Centre Row, l to r —

W.Bro. D.A. Hibbs, P.Prov.G.Std.B.
W.Bro. I.A. Way, P.Prov.G.Swd.B.
Bro. T.J. Hibbs,
Bro. J.L.A. Le Page,
Bro. C.J. Parker,
Bro. D. Brook,
W.Bro. F.G. Renouf, Prov.G.Std.B.
W.Bro. A.J. Down. P.Prov.G.Purs.

D. of C.
Secretary.
Asst. Sec.
Steward.
Steward.
Steward.
Treasurer.
Asst. D. of C.

Front Row, l to r —

Bro. B.W. Marquand,
Bro. L.P.R. Mitchell,
Bro. K.L. Martel,
Bro. L.M. Hudson,
Bro. B.R. Lowe,
Bro. L.C. Le Page,
Bro. E.H.J. Keyho. P.Prov.G.Org.

Steward.
Steward.
Steward.
Tyler.
Steward.
Steward.
Organist.

Appendix "C"

Key to Brethren appearing in the photograph of the Worshipful Master and Past Masters of The Lodge with the Provincial Grand Master, 1979.

Back Row, l to r —

W.Bro. C.H. Coker, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks.
W.Bro. C.C. Parsons, P.Prov.J.G.D.
W.Bro. K.R. Wells.
W.Bro. C.D. Le Bargy, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks.
W.Bro. G.A. Durman.
W.Bro. S.J. O'Toole.
W.Bro. A.E. Aslett.
W.Bro. J.E. Green, Prov.A.G.Sec.
W.Bro. S. Le Cornu, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks.
W.Bro. N.W.M. Dodd.

Centre Row, l to r —

W.Bro. I.A. Way, P.Prov.G.Swd.B.
W.Bro. R.J. Le Page.
W.Bro. S.H. Till, P.Prov.G.Swd.B.
W.Bro. B.J. Harwood, P.Prov.J.G.W.
W.Bro. D.A. Hibbs, P.Prov. G.Std.B.
W.Bro. A.J. Down, P.Prov.G.Purs.

Front Row l to r —

W.Bro. J.S. Guppy, P.Prov.G.Supt.Wks.
W.Bro. F.C. Legg, P.Prov.J.G.W., Prov.G.Reg.
W.Bro. J.S. Brookes, P.Prov.G.Std.B.
The R.W. Provincial Grand Master —
Sir John H. Loveridge, Kt., C.B.E.
W.Bro. R.G. Harwood, P.A.G.D.C.
W.Bro. F.G. Renouf, Prov.G.Std.B.
W.Bro. R.T. Ware, P.Prov.G.Chap.

Appendix "D"

The Lodge Fidelis No. 1809 Members Joining or Initiated since Consecration

Abbreviations:-

"F" = Founder Member. "J" = Joining Member. (S) = Seafaring Member. "Ex.L.243" = Mother Lodge. "PM.243" = Past Master of another Lodge. WM.1925 — Year of Mastership of Lodge.

Thomas Mauger Bichard	29.4.1879	Stephen Davison (S)	8.5.79
F.Ex.L.243 PM.243 WM.1879 & 1882		J. Ex.L.243	
Thomas Le Ray	"	Nicholas Martin	"
F. Ex.L.243 WM.1880		J. Ex.L.243	
John T. Snell	"	John Thomas Lobb	"
F. Ex.L.243		J. Ex.L.243	
Benjamin Pleace	"	George Stone	"
F. Ex.L.243		J. Ex.L.243	
John Hamilton Parsons	"	Joseph Goodman	"
F.Ex.L.243		J.Ex.L.243	
Joseph Toms	"	Samuel Barter	"
F. Ex.L.243 PM.243		J. Ex.L.84	
John Sorfleet Sneath	"	Thomas Pengelley	"
F. Ex.L.1140 WM.1881		J. Ex.L.168	
Samuel T. Hutchinson	"	Thomas Mauger	"
F. Ex.L.243		J. Ex.L.168	
James Gallienne	8.5.79	George Hillier	"
J. Ex.L.243 PM.84. WM.168		J. Ex.L.168	
Henry Strickland	"	Nicholas Whales (S)	"
J. Ex.L.84 PM.84		J. Ex.L.593	
Willie Hodge Gulliford	"	Lazarus Harris	"
J. Ex.L.1017 PM.1017		J. Ex.L.243	
William Wakley	"	Joseph Cartwright (S)	"
J. Ex.L.243. PM.243		J. Ex.L.119	
William de Jersey	"	Charles John Le Cornu (S)	"
J. Ex.L.168 PM.168		Thomas William Palmer	"
Peter Blondel	"	WM.1883	
J. Ex.L.243		Levi Spiller	"
Phillip Le Grand	"	William Miller Russell (S)	"
J. Ex.L.243		Frederick Le Tissier	"
John Blackler	"	James Piprell (S)	25.6.79
J. Ex.L.243		J. Ex.L.243	
Charles N. H. Romeril	"	Francis John Jory	28.5.79
J. Ex.L.243		A. Le Marchant	"
Zaccharia Thomas Hornby (S)	"	J. Ex.L.86 (Scotland)	
J. Ex.L.243		W. H. B. Gulliford	24.10.79
Thomas Hamel	"	Thomas Grimwood (S)	29.10.79
J. Ex.L.243		Isaac Ford (S)	22.11.79
William Robin	"	Nicholas F. Brouard	"
J. Ex.L.243		WM.1888	
Edward Edmonds	"		
J. Ex.L.243			

Edward Nicholas de Moulpied	26.11.79	Joseph William Pritchard (S)	24.1.83
Charles Henry Newbury	"	J. Ex.L. WM.1916	"
WM.1886		Edward Kinnersley Corbin	"
Richard Percy Morgan	30.12.79	J. Ex.L. WM.1893	
Reuben Smith	"	Fred Kerslake (S)	13.2.83
Henry Saunders	"	George Game	14.3.83
Ernest M. Le Huray	26.1.80	Maurice Adams	28.3.83
J. Ex.L.243. PM.243		J. Ex.L.168	
John James Blight	28.2.80	Henry James Pennison (S)	25.4.83
WM.1884 & 1885		J. Ex.L.491	
John Salmon	24.3.80	Charles Alfred Woodsford	"
William Henry Smithard	"	J. Ex.L.958.244	
J. Ex.L.84		James Brook (S)	28.3.83
Henry Dunn	"	William Williams (S)	14.5.83
J. Ex.L.49		John Sanders (S)	30.5.83
Edward Cleaver	28.4.80	Henri Filippi de Faby	27.6.83
John Brown	"	Herbert Mauger Bichard	"
J. Ex.L.168. PM.168		George Francis Renouf	13.7.83
Charles William Poole	28.6.80	William J. Palmer	25.7.83
Edward Thomas Martin (S)		J. Ex.L.491	
William Charles Bridgland	26.11.80	Thomas William Hatch	22.8.83
John Bichard (S)	28.12.80	Wybert Rousby	"
Alfred Cavill	20.1.81	J. Ex.L.244	
Robert Michael Wilby (S)	23.2.81	Solomon Hyams	26.9.83
Frederick A. Luff	27.4.81	J. Ex.L.245	
Thomas Frederick Ferris (S)	25.5.81	Stafford Edwin Dawson	"
George Boucher (S)	22.6.81	Philip John de Carteret	30.11.83
Samuel Bedgood (S)	18.10.81	Thomas Carre (S)	23.4.84
Philip Lawrence (S)	26.10.81	Edward Charles Hamilton (S)	23.6.84
George M. Wise	31.10.81	William Entwistle	22.10.84
John Thomas Blondel (S)	23.11.81	WM.1889	"
Robert Crooks	"	Martin J. Birks	"
J. Ex.L.156		Edward Syrett (S)	26.11.84
John Durrell	"	J. Ex.L.333 (Scotland)	"
J. Ex.L.595		William Henry Cooper (S)	"
Thomas Grimwood (S)		Abraham Sandys Connellan	25.2.85
John Helman	25.1.82	John Tucker	"
James William Moore	"	William Stranger	25.3.85
Charles Thomas Hayward	"	WM.1891 & 1895	
Henry W. Game (S)	3.4.82	George Godden	24.6.85
William Winsor Smith	13.6.82	PM.1890	
John Quaint	"	William Charles Le Messurier (S)	7.7.85
Peter Sarchet (S)	26.7.82	Charles Henry Birks	10.8.85
Peter Bichard (S)	"	Edward Pitman Humphries	25.11.85
Abraham Le Lacheur (S)	8.8.82	Joseph Collenette	"
John G. Le Patourel	"	Richard Stranger	24.2.86
John Guilbert	"	Edwin James Brice (S)	24.3.86
John Philip Alexandre (S)	13.9.82	Joseph Henry Parsons (S)	4.5.86
Henry Mountain (S)	27.9.82	Richard Atkins Winterflood (S)	28.6.86
William Mountain (S)	16.10.82	James Owen Brady	"
Benjamin Pleace	22.11.82	WM.1892	
Sidney Eastland	"	Emile Noyon (S)	22.8.86
William Newbury (S)	27.12.82	George Adolphus Montague Anley	3.12.86
J. Ex.L. WM.1887 & 1909			

John Francis Jory	23.2.87	Robert Gill	24.10.94
Alfred James Lambert	"	Edward Kenyon Homfrey	23.1.95
George Phayle (S)	13.8.87	Ernest Thomas Corbet	"
John Henry Garland	23.11.87	WM.1901 and 1902	"
Philip W. J. Davey	25.1.88	Thomas William Dobson	"
Thomas Robin Ogier	"	Edward Henry Sansom	27.3.95
WM.1894		James Lawrence Pells	25.9.95
George Besant (S)	22.2.88	John Waterlow Barraclough	26.12.95
Lawrence Love (S)	"	Sidney William Jackson	"
William Bird	"	Edward Toms	"
PM.2598		Arthur James Applin	29.1.96
Daniel Flere Ogier	"	Samuel Hall (S)	26.2.96
Thomas Renouf	29.8.88	A. C. Richardson	"
Joseph Ernest Jory (S)	"	Thomas Priaux Renouf	"
Stephen Flere Brouard	24.10.88	Ernest Richard Hicks	27.5.96
Samuel Frank (S)	28.11.88	Thomas Raynor (S)	10.8.96
Joseph Rockett (S)	23.1.89	Samuel Thomas Audoire (S)	26.8.96
Richard Diamond (S)	11.3.89	William John Barker	28.10.96
Robert Patten (S)	27.3.89	Benjamin Lake Raddings (S)	25.11.96
William Henry Peacock (S)	24.12.89	George Rockett (S)	24.4.97
James Thomas Lihou (S)	24.4.90	Ernest Barraclough (S)	12.5.97
Julius Newberry (S)	13.5.90	Thomas Isaac Bourgaize	26.5.97
William John Marquis	12.6.90	F. George Hicks	23.2.98
P. G. U. Pickering	24.12.90	WM.1903	
William Sutton (S)	"	Samuel James Wood (S)	25.5.98
George F. Renouf (S)	22.2.91	James Percy Dexter (S)	24.8.98
WM.1905		Amandus Gustav Waldemar	
Thomas Le Page	"	Henry Behrens	26.10.98
Thomas Le Patourel	"	Henry Edward Edmonds (S)	28.12.98
Timothy Taylor	27.5.91	Adolphus Henry Martel	22.2.99
Thomas Henry Hunkin	23.9.91	Joseph Gunson Mossop	26.4.99
WM.1897		Henry James Porter (S)	26.7.99
Henry Moulin Symes	28.10.91	William Henry Trotman (S)	31.10.99
WM.1898		Ernest Albert Sebire	23.5.00
Charles Bernard Jones	"	Frederick Wakeham (S)	24.9.00
WM.1900		Thomas Henry Renouf	"
Percy Grives	24.3.92	William John Rheel	28.11.00
Alfred Le Conte	24.5.92	Edward Herbert Wright	27.3.01
WM.1899		Charles Frederick Legg (S)	24.4.01
Alexander Henry Hackett (S)	28.9.92	Alfred Rihoy	22.5.01
John Maynard Pickthall	28.10.92	John James Robilliard	25.9.01
Henry James Pusford (S)	23.12.92	James H. Smith	25.9.01
Harry Merrell	10.93	J. Ex.L. —	"
J. Ex.L.361. WM.1896		Frederick McAvoy	"
William Reasen Fowler (S)	25.1.94	J. Ex.L. WM.1907	
Thomas William Sebire	28.2.94	John Peter Gillingham	23.12.01
Harry Kay Ramsden	"	James Ryan	"
Theodore Ozanne Ogier (S)	28.3.94	Joseph Perriot	26.2.02
Robert Harden (S)	28.5.94	Daniel Gavet	23.1.02
Frederick James Symes	24.10.94	J. Ex.L.2598. W.M.1906	
John Bew	25.4.94	John T. Le Marchant	"
J. Ex.L. —		J. Ex.L.2598. W.M.1904	
Thomas Blakemore Brown	24.10.94	William J. Kettly (S)	8.4.02
J. Ex. L. —		James Balfour Cockburn	23.4.02
		(PGM) Hon. Member	

Sir Edward Chepmell Ozanne	23.4.02	Charles Martin Hayward	28.2.06
(Deputy) Hon. Member	"	Balmford Gledhill	28.3.06
J.B. Nichols	"	Edward Robin	"
(PG Sec.) Hon Member	"	John Torode Robert	"
George Shave Robilliard	27.5.02	Frederick Oliver Ash	"
WM.1908	"	William Hobbs (S)	6.4.06
Alfred Henry Brindman (S)	16.6.02	William Henry Allen	25.4.06
Arthur Chaplyn Pike (S)	"	William Cohu	23.5.06
John Thomas Jones (S)	25.9.02	Frank William Bush	"
Stephen Alexander Hill Willis (S)	22.10.02	WM.1914	"
Harry Edwin Robilliard	"	Henry Webster Keeld	7.8.06
WM.1910	"	Edward Charles Vaudin	28.12.06
Robert Irvine	"	Francis Edward Renouf	23.1.07
William Potter	22.12.02	George William Dodd	"
Walter Buckingham	"	James Diamond	12.3.07
Charles H. Shipton	28.1.03	Ernest John Dene	24.4.07
J. Ex.L.2598 PM.2598	"	WM.1915	"
Alfred John Le Poidevin	27.5.03	William Henry Bartlett	22.5.07
Arthur Mason (S)	7.8.03	Harry Cardew	26.6.07
John Harvey	28.10.03	Alfred William Knox (S)	"
Henry Leslie Doras	23.9.03	James John Ellis	22.5.07
John G. Pitman	25.11.03	Frederick George Amy	2.8.07
Gerald Ernest Haslam (S)	31.12.03	Wilfred Arthur Bichard	9.8.07
Joseph Smith	29.1.04	Thomas Haswell Simoson	3.9.07
Thomas Benjamin Bichard Gabriel	24.2.04	Henry Rousell	23.10.07
Peter Marie Cariou	"	James William Simpson	"
William John Conrey Bulley	23.3.04	Frederick Herbert Vaudin	27.11.07
Walter Savory Bougourd (S)	25.5.04	Reginald Archie Frank Gray	3.3.08
T. I. Robilliard	26.10.04	Sydney Owen Fielden	25.3.08
J. Ex.L.593 PM.593	"	George Christopher Adams	24.4.08
Edgar Parry	6.1.05	WM.1917	"
WM.1911	"	Ernest Macklin	24.2.09
Edwin Parry	"	Charles Willmott (S)	14.5.09
Thorvald Sigvan Nordbye	28.2.05	F. Chick	14.5.09
Arthur Benjamin Stonbridge	26.4.05	John Rabey	24.3.09
Joseph Francis McNally	"	Alfred Arthur Machon	28.4.09
WM.1912	"	James Joshua Pinwill	"
James Greenslade	24.5.05	Laurence Claud Gray	22.6.09
Frederick Henry Stephens	"	Frederick John De La Mare	"
James Joseph Day (S)	22.6.05	Serene Olsen (S)	5.11.09
Richard William Honey	27.9.05	C. I. F. Williams	22.6.09
J. Ex.L.2598	"	J. Ex.L.1847 PM.1847	"
William Murray (S)	"	James Robilliard	24.11.09
Ernest Albert Best	22.11.05	J. Ex.L. —	"
George Henry Ash	27.12.05	Alfred William Bichard	"
Charles Leale (S)	12.1.06	William Hotton	7.12.09
Charles T. Hayward	24.1.06	Richard T. Mahy	"
(Re-Joined)	"	Charles Glazier Round	26.1.10
Arthur Renouf	"	WM.1918	"
Peter William Corbet	28.2.06	William Thomas Dicer	23.11.10
WM.1913	"	Thomas Courtney	25.1.11
Edward T. Walden	"	Charles Herbert Dicer	22.2.11
George Henry Luxon	"	Percy William Le Ber	26.4.11
Walter James Hallett	"	WM.1928	"

Frederick William Nicolle	24.5.11	Thomas Nicholas Falla	28.2.17
WM.1920	"	Thomas Walter Collenette	"
David Jackson (S)	30.6.11	John Ernest Gledhill (S)	9.2.17
John Hamon Robilliard	25.10.11	James Diamond	28.2.17
WM.1919	"	(Re-Joined)	"
Frederick Joseph Radford	"	William George Vaudin	28.3.17
Walter Thomas Domaille Halls	22.11.11	WM.1926	"
Henry Edward Hughes	24.1.12	George Alerick Ferguson	"
William Alexander Phillips	28.2.12	Charles Henry Perkins	10.4.17
WM.1922	"	Guy Allen Thomas Veale	25.4.17
Frederick Hilary Nicolle	"	William Henry Allen	"
John Thomas Butler	"	(Re-Joined)	"
John Arthur Jory	27.3.12	Wilfred John Bird	29.8.17
John Frederick Duquemin	22.5.12	Cecil Arthur Pritchard	2.8.17
Francis Olliver	"	WM.1927	"
Henry James Symes	23.10.12	Arthur Lithgow Robertson	"
WM.1921	"	George Hubert South	3.9.17
Henry Arthur Pashley	"	Patrick Neilan	26.9.17
Louis Morin Symes	26.10.12	Charles Bernard Sparshott	"
William Henry Renouf	27.12.12	Edwin Daniel Le Page	24.10.17
WM.1923	"	Edward Thomas Duquemin	"
Walter Clarvis Knight	"	Charles Albert Hawkins	28.11.17
John Bichard	22.1.13	Eugene Alfred Le Tissier	"
Frederick William Noyon (S)	"	Joseph Thomas Le Tissier	27.12.17
Adolphus Charles Corbet (S)	"	Joseph Guilbert Le Page	"
William Thomas Willmott (S)	12.8.13	George William Smith	30.1.18
George Edward de Garis	22.10.13	Arthur John Denham	"
Philip Wilkinson	"	Ernest Samuel Gerrish	27.2.18
David Rudnidsky	29.12.13	WM.1931	"
WM.1924	"	Horace Henry Carrington	"
Samuel G. Peters	14.1.14	Charles Henry Newbury	27.3.18
Reginald D. Wooler (S)	23.9.14	Walter Francis Marie Tachon	"
Robert Henry McCarthy	28.10.14	Henry Charles Coleman (S)	10.4.18
William Clifford Symes	"	John Henry Moullin	24.4.18
WM.1925	"	Alfred Mansell Priaux	"
Albert J. Jehan	"	Bertram James Luckie	22.5.18
Eugene Falla	25.11.14	Arthur Gilbert Brooke	"
Edward Henry Aslett	27.1.15	Thomas Albert Brenton	12.6.18
Henry John Legg	24.3.15	William Henry Lowe (S)	26.6.18
Stanley Alfred Rihoy	"	Frederick Evans Ware	"
James Harold Legg (S)	19.8.15	John Mansfield Wiscombe	12.7.18
John George Partridge Dene	24.10.15	Albert George Durman	24.7.18
WM.1929	"	Herbert Oswald Webb	"
William George McIntosh (S)	3.12.15	George Henry Osborne	28.8.18
Daniel Thomas Finney (S)	"	Herbert William Vaudin	23.10.18
Peter Duquemin	26.1.16	John O'Toole	14.11.18
Nicholas John Heaume	22.3.16	WM.1932	"
James Edward Moullin Dumaresq	"	Edgar Guille	27.11.18
Robert Owen Morris (S)	2.6.16	John Nagel	6.12.18
Elie Robilliard (S)	25.9.16	Frederick Nagent Whiter	20.12.18
John Henry Legg (S)	8.10.16	Albert Arthur Robilliard	"
Joseph Perriot	25.10.16	John William Arnold	27.12.18
(Re-Joined)	"	William Woodhard	"
William Middlevick	27.12.16	James Creber Giles	27.1.19
WM.1930	"	Eugene Chauvel	"

Clifford Henry Poole	26.2.19	Joseph Edward Way	26.4.22	James William Hurford	26.9.28	William Mauger Coker	28.11.34
Charles Walter Woodhard	"	Albert Edward de Beaucamp	24.5.22	William Clifford Sheriff	"	Thomas Henry Holland	"
Frederick William McAvoy	26.3.19	Walter Pearse	"	Hedley Herbert Rabey	17.12.28	Robert George Sweet	10.4.35
Joseph Billing Burnard	"	Francis Alfred Henry McNally	22.11.22	John Henry Maindonald	"	Arthur Charles Thorn	24.4.35
Samuel Frederick John Small	23.4.19	Cyril Arthur Stainer	27.12.22	Edgar Charles Guppy	27.3.29	WM.1958	"
John Peter Sarre	"	Francis John Dowding	"	George Aubrey Renouf	"	Joseph Dowding	"
John Roberts Richens	28.5.19	Hubert Alfred Harris	24.1.23	Gerald James Short Guilbert	26.6.29	Wilfred Duquemin	26.2.36
Peter Moullin	"	John Sangan	28.3.23	WM.1952	"	Harry Fairbrother	"
William Bird	25.6.19	WM.1938	"	Harry Peter Ogier	"	Frederick Emile Noyon (S)	22.4.36
(Re-Joined)	"	James Massey	25.4.23	Charles Henry Duquemin	25.9.29	Henry Dupont	"
Clive Turner (S)	"	Albert Orchard Marriette	23.5.23	(Re-Joined)	"	Hubert Ernest Petit	23.9.36
Clifford Herbert Hatcher	30.7.19	WM.1939	"	Alfred William Holloway	27.11.29	James Dimond	28.10.36
Thomas Bisson Le Prevost	24.9.19	William Settle	"	Albert Le Cheminant	"	(Re-Joined)	"
James William Le Sueur	22.10.19	John Moullin	7.6.23	Francis William Dowding	26.3.30	Raymond Charles Machon	25.11.36
Joseph Alfred Anderson	"	Alfred Puttock	"	Stanley Charles Sparkes	23.4.30	William Rowbotham	"
Louis Morin Symes	"	William Thomas Parmentier	24.10.23	John Francis Sparkes	"	James Mallett Stacey	28.4.37
(Re-Joined)	"	William Kennedy Bott	"	Charles Alfred Lowe	24.9.30	Leonard Frank White	"
Nicholas Le Patourel	26.11.19	Eric Leonard Luxon	17.12.23	Arnold Pammett	"	Tom Robson	"
George Henry Besnard	"	Cecil Golder	"	Stephen Peter Lihou	17.12.30	J. Ex.L.1902	"
William Hunkin Renouf	18.12.19	Peter Sangan	26.3.24	Douglas Ogier Brache	"	Frederick John Benham	24.11.37
Wilfred Joseph Collyer Pritchard	"	WM.1946	"	Ronald George Harwood	25.3.31	Harry Clifford Male	"
George Harwood	29.12.19	Nicholas Loveridge	"	WM.1953	"	John Frederick Duquemin	23.2.38
Walter John Pontin	"	Thomas Neil Wyatt	24.9.24	Basil Joseph Harwood	"	Cecil de Garis Bisson	27.4.38
Percy Albert Le Huray Cole	25.2.20	Harry Kettle Taylor	"	WM.1954	"	Leon Maurice Bertrand	"
Walter Le Parmentier	"	Frank Noyon (S)	15.12.24	Walter Alexander Robilliard	23.9.31	Kenneth George Gould	26.10.38
Thomas Francis Le Masurier	24.3.20	John Henry Domaille	"	Cecil Le Masurier	"	William Douglas Oliver	"
Charles Henry Duquemin	"	George Charles Vaudin	22.4.25	George Walter Symons	"	Raymond Michael Roland Bertrand	19.12.38
Walter Douglas Legg	28.4.20	WM.1947	"	Edward Martel	21.12.31	William Oliver Crillion	22.2.39
WM.1933	"	Matthew James Loveridge	28.10.25	WM.1955	"	Ludovic Edmund Peter Bertrand	22.3.39
Hilary Williams	"	William James Angell	25.11.25	Stephen Touzeau Purdy	24.2.32	Barron Rudnidsky	25.10.39
WM.1934	"	Joseph Lewis Solomon	"	Robert Thomas Ware (S)	"	Cyril Edward Lihou	"
Frederick Charles Gilbert	29.4.20	J. Ex.L.593	"	PM.232	"	Reginald Charles Davis	24.4.40
Albert Edward Nicolle	26.5.20	Joseph James Langlois	24.2.26	David Livingstone	27.4.32	WM.1959	"
Nicholas Robert	"	Silas Arthur Paul	"	Henri Le Lievre	25.5.32	Alfred Herbert Roussel	"
Walter Balson Maindonal	27.10.20	WM.1948	"	William James Rugg	"	Amos Duquemin	24.4.46
Peter Louis Louvet	"	Wilfred Claude Ellis	24.3.26	Walter Richard Moitie	23.11.32	Albert James Loaring	"
Henry Blondel Coker	24.11.20	Cyril James Duquemin	"	Otto Bertram Enevoldsen	"	Cecil Clifford Parsons	"
WM.1940	"	WM.1949	"	Wilson Edward Bean	22.3.33	J. Ex.L.5840 PM.5840	"
Arundel Clarence Dene	22.12.20	Edward Charles Vaudin	26.5.26	Douglas Hoggett Marshall	"	John Stanley Guppy	23.10.46
Edmund Misson	"	S. F. Sheasby	29.9.26	Harry Elliott	"	WM.1960	"
Nathaniel William Loaring	23.2.21	Arthur David Wyatt	27.10.26	George Albert Hollings	26.4.33	Eric Arthur Le Page	"
Stephen Noyon (S)	"	Joseph James Langlois (Jnr.)	"	Cecil Arthur Mallett	"	Stephen John Le Maitre	16.12.46
Arthur Frank Robilliard	23.3.21	WM.1950	"	J. Ex.L.2148	"	Roy Self	"
WM.1935	"	John James Martel	24.11.26	Walter White	25.10.33	Stanley Charles Sparkes	26.3.47
Kenneth Edwin Bell	27.4.21	Walter S. Guppy	"	Anthony Louis Joseph Bertrand	"	(Re-Joined)	"
John Francis Sparkes	"	John James Robilliard	27.4.27	WM.1956	"	Francis Clifford Legg	28.5.47
WM.1936	"	WM.1951	"	John Charles Matthews	22.11.33	WM.1961	"
John James Gray (S)	26.10.21	William Edward Jones	"	Joseph Edward Matthews	"	George Arthur Blondel	"
William Journeaux	"	James T. Prince	14.6.27	WM.1957	"	Wilfred Peter Durman	22.10.47
Edwin John W. Mann	23.11.21	Reginald William Parmentier	23.11.27	Richard G. Fletcher	25.4.34	Nathaniel William Moffet Dodd	"
William Henry Guilbert	"	PM.4756	"	John Goman Underdown	"	WM.1969	"
WM.1937	"	Charles Clifford Purdy	19.12.27	Edwin W. Jehan	26.9.34	Edgar James Stacey	24.3.48
James George Alfred Le Maitre	22.2.22	Reginald Arthur Stainer	28.3.28	Carteret Collins Hamon	"	Reuben John Mahy	"
Joseph Oliver	"	Stanley Ernest Le Cornu	"				

Alfred James Down	22.9.48	Horace Naftel Mauger	17.12.56
WM.1962		Eric Edward James Balshaw	"
Edmund John Duquemin	20.12.48	WM.1971	
Basil William Henry Sheriff	"	Peter Charles Edward Self	24.4.57
John Henry Domaille	23.3.49	Francis George Renouf	"
(Re-Joined)		WM.1972	
John Henry Maindonald	25.4.49	Allen McLeod	23.10.57
(Re-Joined)		Ernest Francis Rouillard	27.11.57
Ernest Henry John Keyho	"	Rex Cyril Marquand	28.5.58
John Stewart Brookes	"	Albert John Parker	22.10.58
WM.1963		WM.1973	
Wilson James Goubert	28.9.49	Gerald Ogier Le Noury	25.3.59
Edwin John Mahy	"	Royston George Tracey	22.4.59
Charles Demas Le Bargy	22.2.50	Reginald John Le Page	24.2.60
WM.1964		WM.1974	
Alfred Duquemin	"	Douglas Edward Gentle	25.5.60
Sidney Edward Till	26.4.50	Cecil Alfred Duquemin	28.9.60
WM.1965		William George Homer	"
George Hammond Le Quesne	"	J. Ex.L.593	
Ronald Anthony Le Maitre	25.10.50	Reginald Edwin Simpson	"
Ivor Lewis Bateman	"	J. Ex.L.1679	
Hedley James Bisson	28.2.51	Clifford Morton	22.2.61
Leonard Arthur Frank Rouget	"	Mark John White (Junr)	27.9.61
Charles Henry Coker	26.9.51	Malcolm Cecil Duquemin	25.10.61
WM.1966		Harold Amy	28.3.62
Sydney Le Noury	"	John Edward Green	26.9.62
Hedley Cecil Le Tissier	17.12.51	WM.1975	
Thomas Walter Paul	"	Albert John Charles Carpenter	"
Bertram Beaumont Hamel Luckie	23.4.52	Albert Edward Aslett	24.10.62
Roy William Mansell Renouf	"	WM.1976	
Ernest Alexis Lucas	28.5.52	Archie Harold Hector Cole	28.11.62
Ivan Arthur Way	"	J. Ex.L.1619	
WM.1967		William Henry Whitwell	27.2.63
Stanley Le Cornu	15.12.52	Kenneth Rowlandson Wells	22.5.63
WM.1968		WM.1977	
Harold William Burton	"	Saville John O'Toole	25.9.63
Robert Walter Lowe	16.5.53	WM.1978	
Wilfred John Gillingham	"	Gerald Albert Durman	25.3.64
Kenneth Thomas Martel	28.10.53	WM.1979	
Donald Alfred Hibbs	"	William John Stanley Edwards	"
WM.1970		Malcolm Norman Drakefield	23.9.64
Roland Wilfred Le Tissier	24.3.54	Percy James Gavey Toms	"
Mark John White	"	Arthur Bert Strappini	24.2.65
Charles Pearce John Gardner	22.9.54	Owen Charles Lowe	"
Percy Gillingham	"	Percy George Rowland	26.5.65
William John Gaskin	20.12.54	Ronald Henry Butt	"
Roy Wilfred Gillingham	27.4.55	Lawrence Stewart Hamilton	24.11.65
Henry Charles Bisson (S)	"	Harold Edward Marquand	28.4.66
William Frederick Mahy	26.10.55	J. Ex.L.3063	
Wilfred Mauger	"	Eric Lenfesty Corbin	27.4.66
Graham Raymond Bertrand	28.3.56	Edgar Henry Bean	27.5.66
Morris Josslyn Marsh	"	Alfred Leonard Russell	23.11.66
John Hubert Petit (S)	26.9.56	J. Ex.L.3918	
Clifford Henry Le Ray	"		

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