PROGRAMME OF CEREMONIES OF ANCIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

TO BE OBSERVED ON THE OCCASION OF LAYING THE CORNER-STONE OF THE MONUMENT AT THE ANTIETAM NATIONAL CEMETERY, AT SHARPSBURG, MD.

Tuesday, September 17th, A. L., 5867,

Which will be laid by Most Worshipful JOHN COATES, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Md.

The various Masonic Bodies will meet at KEEDYSVILLE, on Tuesday Morning, 17th September, at 10½ o'clock, where they will be formed into line by the Grand Marshal, assisted by his Deputy Grand Marshals, (Purple Sashes and White Rosettes,) in the order named below, and be prepared to take their places in the procession on the arrival of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Maryland. The Masonic Fraternity will form on the extreme left of the procession, and on its arrival at the Cemetery, will open lines and conduct the Grand Lodge to their position. By order of the

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

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VISITING GRAND LODGES.

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THE M. W. THE GRAND LODGE OF MARYLAND.

GRAND TYLER, with drawn Sword.

GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES AND GRAND PURSUIVANT.

THREE GREAT LIGHTS,

Carried by a Past Master.

SILVER PITCHERS, WITH OIL AND WINE,

Carried by Past Masters.

CORNUCOPIA,

Carried by a Past Master.

BOOK OF CONSTITUTIONS, Carried by a Past Master.

GRAND CHAPLAIN.

PAST GRAND TREASURERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES.

R. W. GRAND TREASURER AND GRAND SECRETARY.

PAST JUNIOR AND SENIOR GRAND WARDENS.

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PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

PAST M. W. GRAND MASTERS.

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W Sr G DEACON, Jewel and Rod

GRAND SWORD BEARER. TWO GRAND STEWARDS with White Rods

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CEREMONIES

MUSIC BY THE BAND.

OPENING.

M. W. Grand Master.—Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden: The Grand Lodge of Maryland having been assembled for the purpose of Laying the Corner-Stone of the Monument, here to be erected, it is my order that the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maryland be now opened for the performance of that ceremony. This my will and pleasure you will communicate to the Eight Worshipful Junior Grand Warden, and he to the Brethren present, that all having due notice may govern themselves accordingly.

Senior Grand Warden. Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden: It is the order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Maryland, that this Corner-Stone be now laid with Masonic honors. This his will and pleasure you will proclaim to all present, that the occasion may be observed with due order and solemnity.

Junior Grand Warden.—Brethren, and all who are present, take notice, that the Most Worshipful Grand Master will now proceed to lay this Corner-Stone of the Monument in due Masonic form. You will observe the order and decorum becoming the solemn and important ceremonies in which we are about to engage.

HYMN.—Tune "America."

Father of love and might, Send forth thy holy light On us to shine; Be thou our Sovereign Lord, And may thy Holy Word Be to us shield and sword, Master Divine.

Bound in one Brotherhood, Owning one common blood, Children of thine; Fill us with kindliness, Prompt to relieve distress, Wearing thy true impress, Master Divine.

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OPENING.

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With joyful hands, to-day, This Corner-Stone we lay With Corn and Wine: But do thou build up one, Wrought in the living stone Of our true hearts alone. Master Divine.

Saviour Omnipotent, Crown Thou our good intent, With grace of Thine: Honor this stone we rear; And when thou shalt appear, Save us who gather here, Master Divine

PRAYER BY THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

Grand Master. Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer: You will read the inscription on the Corner-Stone, and list of the contents of the box.

(The Grand Treasurer will here read the contents.)

Grand Master.—There being no objection, I now order you, Brother Grand Treasurer, to deposit the Box, with its contents, in the place prepared for its reception.

The principal Architect then presents the Working Tools to the Grand Master, who directs the Grand Marshal to present them to the Deputy Grand Master, and Senior and Junior Grand Wardens.

SOLEMN MUSIC BY THE BAND.

The Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master and Grand Wardens then descend from the platform, the Grand Master taking the Trowel, the Deputy Grand Master the Square, and the Senior Grand Warden the Level, and the Junior Grand Warden the Plumb; the Grand Master standing at the *East* of the Stone, his Deputy on his right, the Senior Grand Warden at the *West*, and the Junior Grand Warden at the *South* side of the Stone. The Grand Master then spreads the cement; after which he directs the Grand Marshal to order the Craftsmen to lower the Stone. [This is done by three motions, viz:—1st, by lowering a few inches and stopping, when *public* Grand Honors are given; 2d, again lowering a few inches, and giving Grand Honors; 3d, letting the Stone down to its place and giving Grand Honors as before. The Square, Level and Plumb are then applied to the Stone by the proper Officers]

Grand Master.—Right Worshipful-Deputy Grand Master: What is the proper Jewel of your office?

Deputy Grand Master.—The Square.



Grand Master.—Have you applied the Square to those parts of the Stone that should be square?

Deputy Grand Master.—I have, Most Worshipful Grand Master, and the Craftsmen have done their duty.

Grand Master.—Eight Worshipful Senior Grand Warden: What is the proper Jewel of your office?

Senior Grand Warden.—The Level.

Grand Master.—Have you applied the Level to the Stone?

Senior Grand Warden.—I have, Most Worshipful Grand Master, and the Craftsmen have done their duty.

Grand Master.—Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden: What is the proper Jewel of your office?

Junior Grand Warden.—The Plumb.

Grand Master.—Have you applied the Plumb to the several edges of the Stone?

Junior Grand Warden.—I have, Most Worshipful Grand Master, and the Craftsmen have done their duty.

Grand Master.—This Stone having been duly tested and found to be well-formed, true and trusty, it remains for me to finish the work.

The Grand Master then gives three knocks upon the Stone, saying—
"Men and Brethren here assembled, be it known unto you, that we are free and lawful Masons, true and faithful to the laws of our country, professing to fear God, and confer benefits on mankind. We have amongst us concealed from the eyes of man secrets which cannot be divulged, and which have never been discovered by the outside world; but those secrets are lawful and honorable, and not repugnant to the laws of God or man. Unless our Craft were good and our calling honorable, we should not have lasted for so many centuries, nor should we have been honored with the patronage of so many illustrious men in all ages, who have ever shown themselves ready to promote our interests and defend us from our adversaries. We have assembled here, to-day, in the face of this vast company, to lay the Corner-Stone of this Monument, which we trust may be safely completed and stand for ages both as an ornament to this place and a Monument to the ashes of the thousands who repose around it."

So mote it be.—Amen.

ANTHEM BY THE CHOIR.

The Grand Marshal then presents to the Deputy Grand Master the Cornucopia containing Corn, which he pours upon the Stone.

General Master — Here you applied the Square in those parts of the Sime third should be appear?

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The Grand Masson then gives there knocks upon the Stream to be wall formed, thus and strong, it remains for its be forth the worth.

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The Grand Marshal then presents the Cup of Wine to the Senior Grand Warden, who pours it on the Stone.

The Grand Marshal then presents the Cup of Oil to the Junior Grand Warden, who pours it on the Stone.

Grand Master. May the All-Bounteous Author of Nature bless the inhabitants of this country with all the necessary conveniences and comforts of life, assist in the erection and completion of this Monument, protect the workmen against every accident, and long preserve this structure from decay—so that it may stand in all its beauty long after the bodies of those deposited here shall have crumbled into sepulchral dust; and finally grant us all a supply of the Corn of Nourishment, the Wine of Refreshment, and the Oil of Joy.

So mote it be.—Amen.

The Grand Master then delivers over the various implements of architecture to the principal Architect, saying:

WORTHY SIR.—Having thus, as Grand Master of Masons of the State of Maryland, laid the Corner-Stone of this structure, I now deliver these implements of your profession into your hands, intrusting you with the superintendence and direction of the work, having full confidence in your skill and capacity to conduct the same.

CONCLUDING ODE.

MUSIC—"TURIN."

Placed in form the Corner-Stone,
True and Trusty, Brothers own,
Come and bring in thought sincere,
Hands to help, and hearts to cheer.
Chorus.—Come and bring, &c.

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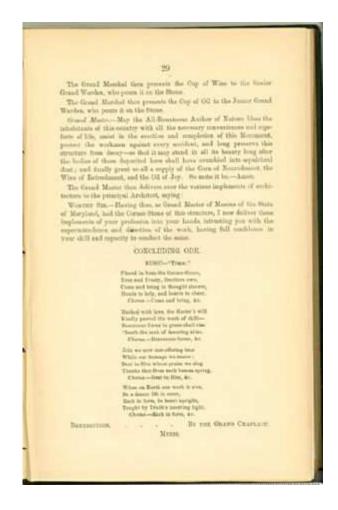
Join we now our offering true While our homage we renew; Bear to Him whose praise we sing Thanks that from each bosom spring. Chorus.—Bear to Him, &c.

When on Earth our work is o'er,

Be a dearer life in store, Each in form, in heart upright, Taught by Truth's unerring light. Chorus.—-Each in form, &c.

BENEDICTION, BY THE GRAND CHAPLAIN.

MUSIC.



Antietam National Cemetery; United States History, Civil War, 1861-1865, Registers of dead.