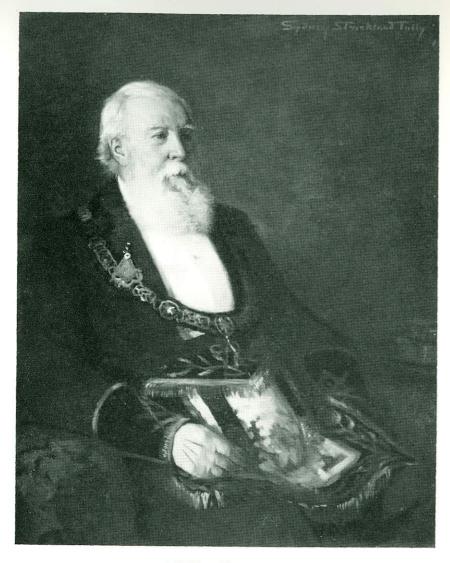
A HISTORY OF WILSON LODGE, A.F. & A.M., NO. 86 GRAND LODGE OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO THE FIRST ONE HUNDRED YEARS



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M.W.Bro. Kivas Tully W.M. 1857-9

The founder of Wilson Lodge. Reproduced from a portrait painted around 1900 when he was 80 years of age. Portrait painted by his second wife,
Sydney Strickland Tully

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Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario

1857-1957



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FOREWORD

To write the history of one's own Lodge is truly a labour of love. Uncounted hours must be spent in reading the minute books and pouring over records, while the greatest care and diligence must be exercised in selecting that which is significant and passing over items which may mean nothing to Lodge members now living. All this my friend and brother, V.W.Bro. G. Dean Maxwell has done, producing a volume which is worthy of the 1957 Centennial Celebration of rugged, sturdy, old Wilson Lodge No. 86. Like Ulysses, the author of this booklet may say that he is a part of all that he has written, in retrospect and in prospect.

As I read the manuscript, memories of earlier days came flooding to mind—recollections of good friends now gone who were officers and members of Wilson Lodge and who did much towards its building and the moulding of its membership, for it is my conviction that each individual Masonic Lodge has a personality and an atmosphere of its own. Often in earlier days, when life was less complicated than it is to-day, I visited Wilson Lodge because I had such affection and esteem for so many of its members—but I must not mention names for the list is long. Many of these stalwarts are still regular attendants and staunch supporters of their Lodge. Such is Freemasonry and such its mission.

I wish to congratulate V.W.Bro. Maxwell on his fine achievement in producing this history, and to express the hope that the second century for Wilson Lodge may be even better than its first.

W. J. DUNLOP Past Grand Master

PREFACE

IN THE following pages I have endeavoured to place on record the formation of Wilson Lodge, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons No. 86, Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario, and the progress of the Lodge during the one hundred years since its inception and dedication.

This record has been compiled from having read the Minutes of every meeting held—Regular and Emergent, picking out those pertinent items which I felt were of interest and should be incorporated into a permanent record.

I have endeavoured to give credit to the stalwarts of the early days and to their successors who have maintained the same standard of zeal and excellence that has kept Wilson Lodge in the forefront of Masonry in the Toronto area.

G. DEAN MAXWELL Past Grand Director of Ceremonies

THE HISTORY OF WILSON LODGE, A.F. & A.M. NO. 86., G.R.C.

To write more than a brief and inadequate sketch of the origin and history of Wilson Lodge No. 86, G.R.C., in a few pages is, of course, quite impossible. All that can be done is to bring to the attention of the brethren some of the more outstanding happenings during the one hundred years of continuous service of Masonry in general and this Lodge in particular.

The Grand Lodge of Canada had come into being in 1855 with M.W.Bro. William Mercer Wilson, as Grand Master. A contemporary, Kivas Tully, was also most active in the formation of this Grand Lodge and became a close friend and confidant of the Grand Master.

In 1857, Kivas Tully, then a member of King Solomon's Lodge No. 16 (now No. 22, G.R.C.), became District Deputy Grand Master of the Toronto District of Grand Lodge which comprised that portion of the Province which lay between the Credit River on the west and the Trent River on the east and as far north as Georgian Bay. He was also a member of the Joint Committee in 1857 to promote the union of the Antient Grand Lodge of Canada, formerly the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada West, and the newly formed Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the midst of all these Masonic activities, R.W.Bro. Kivas Tully, V.W.Bro. Stedman B. Campbell, and V.W.Bro. Henry B. Bostwick and eight other Master Masons decided to form a new lodge, to be called Wilson Lodge after William Mercer Wilson, the Grand Master.

Accordingly an Emergent Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Church and Colborne Streets, on November 27, 1857, with R.W.Bro. Kivas Tully presiding. A letter from the Grand Secretary was read, stating "that the Lodge Warrant was ready and would be forwarded on the payment of 2 Pounds 10 Shillings,

the balance of the fee." At this meeting six members of King Solomon's Lodge were proposed as joining members.

Being in possession of the Warrant from Grand Lodge, the first Regular Meeting of Wilson Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 48, G.R.C. was held on Tuesday, December 15, 1857, in the Masonic Hall, Church and Colborne Streets, Toronto. A communication was read from M.W.Bro. William Mercer Wilson, signifying his assent to the request of the Lodge that he install the Worshipful Master and invest the other officers of the Lodge on Monday, December 28, 1857, the Anniversary of St. John the Evangelist.

The second Regular Meeting was called for Monday, December 28, 1857, at 5.00 p.m. when M.W.Bro. Wilson consecrated the Lodge, installed the Worshipful Master in due and ancient form, and invested the other officers for the ensuing year:

R.W.Bro. Kivas Tully	W.M.
V.W.Bro. Stedman B. Campbell	S.W.
V.W.Bro. Henry B. Bostwick	J.W.
R.W.Bro. J. E. Smith	S.D.
Bro. J. Hodgson	J.D.
Bro. J. Lyons	Treas.
Bro. L. L. Levy	Secty.
Bro. W. Johnston	I.G.
Bro. J. Clarke	Tyler

The Lodge was closed in Harmony at 6.00 P.M., the proceedings having been carried out with despatch, an example that we might well emulate to-day.

Such was the inception of Wilson Lodge into the Life of Masonry in the City of Toronto one hundred years ago.

During the ensuing year there were thirteen Regular and three Emergent Meetings. Daniel Morrison had the honour of being the first Initiate, becoming member No. 13. Masonic Education was the keynote of the Meeting even at this early date. R.W.Bro. Tully gave a lecture on the Master Mason Degree; R.W.Bro. G. D. Simpson, D.D.G.M., spoke on the Origin of Masonry and V.W.Bro. S. B. Campbell on the Landmarks of the First Degree.

Tentative By-laws were framed and adopted.

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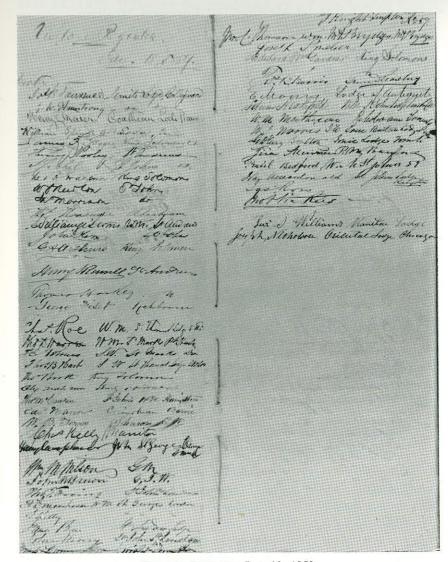
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FIRST DECADE, 1857–1867

131 Regular Meetings, 47 Emergent Meetings

January 19, 1859, was an outstanding Meeting, the first of many Grand Lodge Nights in Wilson Lodge among which our Hundredth Anniversary is no exception. Among those present:

M.W.Bro. William Mercer Wilson	G.M.
R.W.Bro. J. K. Brown	G.S.W.
R.W.Bro. M. B. Harris	G. Secty.

Bro. The Honourable John A. Macdonald, St. John's Lodge, No. 3, Kingston

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The W.M. St. Andrew's Lodge	No. 16, Toronto
The W.M. St. Thomas Lodge	No. 44, St. Thomas
The W.M. St. John's Lodge	No. 81, Mt. Brydges
The W.M. St. George's Lodge	No. 88, Owen Sound
The W.M. St. Mark's Lodge	No. 94, Port Stanley

and representatives from the following lodges

True Breton	No. 14, Perth
Ionic	No. 40, Toronto
St. George's	No. 42, London
Rehoboam	No. 65, Toronto
St. John's	No. 75, Toronto
Manito	No. 90, Collingwood
Corinthian	No. 96, Barrie
St. John's	No. 200 A, London
Antiquity Lodge	Montreal
Albion Lodge	Quebec
Oriental Lodge	Chicago

When you consider the mode of transportation in that day, the zeal for Masonic Visitation was indeed high.

At this Meeting, William Mercer Wilson presented the Lodge with a V.S.L., the Square, and the Compasses. The Officers worked a First, a Second, and two Third Degrees.

When the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge was held July 14, 1859, following the amalgamation of the Antient Grand Lodge of Canada, a renumbering of the Lodges took place, when the number of Wilson Lodge was changed from No. 48 to No. 86.

On May 19, 1863, Wilson Lodge was favoured with a fraternal visit from Molay Lodge No. 498, Buffalo, New York, which was the fore-runner of many fraternal visitations with other Lodges from across the border.

The Minutes of the September Meeting 1864 recorded the first mention of "The Committee of General Purposes." Prior to this date this Committee was called "The Management Committee."

SECOND DECADE, 1868-1877

138 Regular Meetings, 47 Emergent Meetings

In 1870 the Lodge became a Charter Member, Masonic Board of Relief. The By-laws called for regular meetings on the Anniversary of St. John the Baptist in June and of St. John the Evangelist in December in addition to the third Tuesday of each month.

During the years 1869–1870 four members of Wilson Lodge—Dr. J. N. Agnew, A. Gemmell, S. Stoodley and J. B. Nixon—sat on a Committee with members from other Toronto Lodges to consider the formation of a Board of Relief for the City of Toronto.

As a result of the deliberations of this Committee, The Toronto Masonic Board of Relief came into being with Bro. W. L. Smart, a member of Wilson Lodge, as its first Chairman, 1870–1871. Since that date Wilson Lodge has been actively connected with this body. In 1950, with the activities of this organization expanded to include an Employment Bureau, Hospital Visitation to brethren from Lodges outside Toronto, responsibility for King Solomon Plot in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, as well as relief of transient Masons, the name was changed to "The Masonic Service Guild of Toronto."

V.W.Bro. G. Dean Maxwell has been the representative from Wilson Lodge since 1936 and holds the office of first Vice-President at the present time.

December 27, 1872, R.W.Bro. Kivas Tully was made an Honorary Life Member with full privileges.

THIRD DECADE, 1878-1887

126 Regular Meetings, 15 Emergent Meetings

August 16, 1881. A report was requested on the advisability of introducing music, vocal and instrumental, into the ceremony of Initiation, Passing, and Raising

May 12, 1882. The Lodge celebrated its Twenty-fifth Anniversary with a dinner at the Rossin House, then situated at the corner of King and York Streets.

The Menu Cards were printed by Alexander, Clare, and Cable. July 15, 1884. Motion by V.W.Bro. Alex Patterson, seconded by Bro. Joseph Oliver, and carried, that on and after this meeting all intoxicating liquors be banished from the refreshment table.

FOURTH DECADE, 1888-1897

103 Regular Meetings, 21 Emergent Meetings

October 16, 1888, was another milestone in the Lodge—45 members and 57 visitors were registered. Visitors came from Cape Town, South Africa; Flushing, Michigan; Hespeler, Belleville, Brantford, St. Andrew's Lodge No. 7, Nova Scotia, as well as from the majority of the Toronto Lodges. R.W.Bro. John Ross Robertson, D.G.M., was present and addressed those assembled. The Lodge was called from Labour to Refreshment at 9.35 p.m., resumed Labour at 11.45 p.m. and worked a M.M. degree.

January 19, 1890. The brethren attended Divine Service at All Saint's Church, when M.W.Bro. Rev. Canon O'Meara, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba preached the sermon. The collection amounted to \$80.46 and was used for benevolence.

January 21, 1890. The Lodge was visited by the D.D.G.M., R.W.Bro. William Roaf, and M.W.Bro. Rev. Canon O'Meara who delivered an address on "Masonry in General."

March 18, 1890. Thirty-six officers and 158 visitors signed the register. The ballot was passed on eight applicants for initiation and two applicants for affiliation. R.W.Bro. E. T. Malone was received with Grand Lodge Honours and addressed those assembled on the "Worshipful Master."

October 21, 1890. R.W.Bro. Kivas Tully presented R.W.Bro. R. Oliver, who was W.M. in 1888 with his Grand Lodge Regalia as Grand Senior Warden.

In 1894 a Music Committee composed of Bro. Dr. A. S. Vogt, Bro. John Alexander and Bro. Thomas E. Aikenhead was named to look after the musical part of the ritual and of entertainment.

February 19, 1895, was a Past Masters' Night with R.W.Bro. Kivas Tully occupying the Chair of King Solomon, with 65 officers and members and 132 visitors present. On this memorable occasion every Lodge in Toronto, Toronto Junction, East Toronto, as well as eleven Lodges from outlying districts were in attendance—a remarkable demonstration of the esteem for R.W.Bro. Kivas Tully and for Wilson Lodge. The February Summons of this meeting made reference to Ionic, King Solomon's, and Ashlar Lodges, as the "Triple Alliance."

After forty years of Service in the Craft the membership was 166 and the net assets \$2069.68.

In June, 1897, Kivas Tully was honoured by Grand Lodge and elected a Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Canada—a signal honour for Wilson Lodge as well.

During the first forty years the meetings were held in the Masonic Temple, Church and Colborne Streets, and, because it included among its members Architects, Engineers, Builders, and men engaged in the building supply business of the City, Wilson Lodge earned the sobriquet of "The Builders' Lodge."

FIFTH DECADE, 1898-1907

104 Regular Meetings, 57 Emergent Meetings

January 18, 1898. The Lodge held its first Meeting in new quarters in the Temple Building, Bay Street.

March 15, 1904. Commenced a fund known as "Wilson Lodge Masonic Building Fund."

April 24, 1905. Death of M.W.Bro. Kivas Tully, aged 85 years, a distinct loss to Wilson Lodge and to the Craft in general.

July Communication of Grand Lodge, 1905, W.Bro. Edmund M. Carleton was elected District Deputy Grand Master of Toronto District 11.

September 17, 1907. The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Lodge was celebrated. W.Bro. John S. Simmons, Worshipful Master. The Grand Master, M.W.Bro. A. T. Freed, was present along with 75 other visitors and 84 officers and members. The Past Masters occupied the Chairs and initiated William Hillock. Seven charter members were in attendance.

During the evening a Loving Cup was presented to W.Bro. John S. Simmons as a token of gratitude and esteem for his efforts on behalf of the Lodge. During the year a son had been born to the Simmonses and named Edmund Wilson Simmons. Edmund after R.W.Bro. Edmund M. Carleton and Wilson after the Lodge.

At the end of 1907 the membership had grown to 287—a net gain of 26; net assets \$4929.35.

SIXTH DECADE, 1908–1917

100 Regular Meetings, 73 Emergent Meetings

On March 17, 1908, a Motion to amend the By-laws was carried, after regular notice had been given, that all officers below the rank of I.G. were to be appointed by the Worshipful Master.

December 10, 1910. W.Bro. D. A. Lynn, the newly installed W.M., presented a set of gavels to the Lodge which were made of wood similar to that used in the construction of King Solomon's Temple to mark his induction as Worshipful Master.

May 16, 1911. W.Bro. R. Segsworth presented the Lodge with a new Volume of the Sacred Law.

October 17, 1911. Designated as Rising Generation Night, when the younger members of the Lodge occupied the chairs and conferred the degree. V.W.Bro. R. Segsworth was presented with his Grand Lodge Regalia.

November 21, 1911. After Notice of Motion had been given,

the Board of General Purposes was increased from 10 to 20 members.

January 12, 1912. Bro. A. T. Darragh, who had been Secretary of the Lodge, presented four wands which he had made for the Officers of the Lodge. These wands are still in use to-day.

January 21, 1913. Three Trustees were appointed to represent the Lodge at the meetings of the new Masonic Temple Corporation —W.Bros. J. S. Simmons, S. N. Hughes, and W. A. MacLaren.

June 13, 1913. W.Bro. W. A. MacLaren and other members of the Lodge paid a fraternal visit to Marion Lodge No. 278 F. and A.M., New York. He was presented with three suitably inscribed bronze gavels on which were attached the Square, Level, and Plumb Rule. These were in turn presented to the Lodge at the regular meeting September 16, 1913, according to the September summons.

December 16, 1913. W.Bro. Harry Minchinton was installed Worshipful Master.

Following the Declaration of War in 1914, on November 17, the Lodge made a donation of \$375 to the Belgian Relief Fund. Three members had enlisted for Overseas Service with the First Contingent.

December 14, 1915. A special meeting was held to consider a report of the Masonic Temple Corporation on a proposed new building to be erected on Spadina Road. However, owing to existing conditions, it was decided that the Lodge, while approving the proposal in principle, could not pledge any further support at the present time.

April 18, 1916. Approval was given for the establishment of a Central Masonic Bureau for Toronto through which all applications to all the Toronto Lodges would be dealt with.

At the Regular Communication of Grand Lodge in July, 1916, approval was given for the formation of the Toronto Central Masonic Bureau.

December 19, 1916. A Report was received from the Masonic Temple Corporation that they had succeeded in raising \$125,000, and that work had commenced on a new building situated at 888 Yonge Street.

December 18, 1917. The Lodge agreed to the arrangement

drawn up between the Masonic Hall Trust and the Masonic Temple Corporation and appointed a Committee to review the form of lease being drafted for the Lodges which were to occupy the New Masonic Temple, 888 Yonge Street.

During these war years the Lodge conferred degrees on many members of other lodges who were in training for Overseas Service and stationed in Toronto. In some cases by Special Dispensation all three degrees were conferred at the same meeting.

Over this decade the membership had reached 409—28 having been initiated during 1917. Net assets had grown to \$12,202.35.

SEVENTH DECADE, 1918-1927

100 Regular Meetings, 107 Emergent Meetings

These were the post-war years of prosperity with a great increase in membership from 409 to 500 in 1924.

January 15, 1918. The first Regular Meeting was held in the new Masonic Temple.

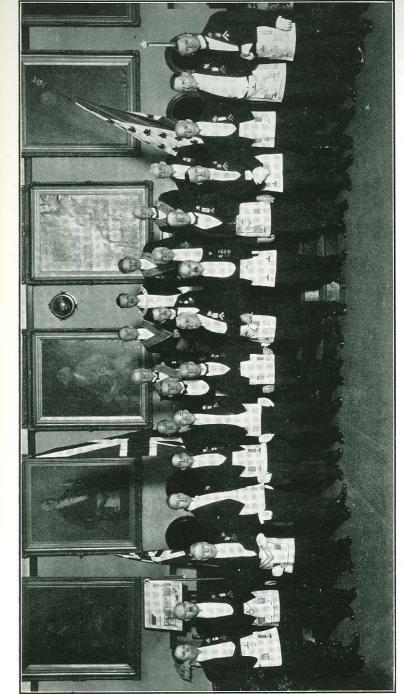
February 19, 1918. R.W.Bro. F. W. Harcourt, then Deputy Grand Master, was elected an Honorary Life Member with full privileges.

March 19, 1918. Bro. W. G. Rook presented a service flag on which were 52 Maple Leaves representing the members of Wilson Lodge who had enlisted for Active Service.

April 26, 1918. By Special Dispensation Claude V. Weir received all three degrees at this meeting.

January 30, 1919. The Masonic Temple at 888 Yonge Street was dedicated with due and ancient ceremony by M.W.Bro. W. H. Wardrope, Grand Master, and a large company of present and past Grand Lodge Officers.

The year 1919 was probably one of the most interesting and active years in the annals of the Lodge, when W.Bro. Col. George Ross, Toronto's Postmaster, occupied the Chair of King Solomon. Each meeting—whether regular or emergent, 17 in all—drew a record attendance. Two such meetings were memorable ones—May 20 was designated as Postal Night when postal employees occupied the chairs and conferred the degrees. The climax, how-



PAST MASTERS' NIGHT, MARCH 20, 1923

ever, came at the November regular meeting when V.W.Bro. Sam Brown initiated his son Allan, and W.Bro. John S. Simmons initiated his son, Ernest S. Then, with W.Bro. George Ross in the Chair, and five of his sons occupying the chairs of Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Junior Deacon, Chaplain, and Inner Guard, his seventh son, William H. Ross, was initiated.

Then, on December 16, 1919, the final regular meeting, the Lodge had a Reception for the 47 of our members who had returned from active service and a Memorial Service for the five members who had paid the supreme sacrifice in World War 1914–1918. The year 1919 was truly a memorable one.

Membership had now risen to 450, a net gain of 39 for the year with net assets over liabilities of \$15,042.79.

During the years 1920–23, the Lodge continued to interest new members, so that by the end of 1923 a peak membership of 500 was reached.

At the Sixty-seventh Communication of Grand Lodge in 1922 R.W.Bro. Ernest A. Lewis, who was Master in 1912, was elected D.D.G.M. for Toronto Centre District 11B, with the choice for District Secretary falling on W.Bro. Col. George Ross.

At the next Communication of Grand Lodge in July, 1923, another member of the Lodge, although not a Past Master of it, R.W.Bro. A. L. Tinker, was elected D.D.G.M. V.W.Bro. Col. George Ross was appointed Grand Pursuivant and V.W.Bro. Sam Brown, who had been Treasurer of the Lodge for 28 years, was appointed Grand Steward.

At the regular meeting on September 18, 1923, M.W.Bro. W. J. Drope, Grand Master, accompanied by R.W.Bro. A. L. Tinker, D.D.G.M., was present. The Grand Master invested the two newly-appointed members of Grand Lodge with their Grand Lodge Regalia, while the District Deputy presented his predecessor with his Regalia—the gift of the District he had served so well.

The years 1924 to 1927 continued to be active years but the brethren began to see the result of the call of the Great Architect of the Universe as the Lodge came into its seventieth year of Masonic Activity.

The Seventieth Anniversary was celebrated on October 18,

1927, with W.Bro. W. A. Drummond presiding. Among the distinguished guests were:

M.W.Bro. John S. Martin	Grand Master
M.W.Bro. Fred W. Harcourt	P.G.M.
M.W.Bro. D. J. Goggin	P.G.M.
R.W.Bro. R. B. Dargavel	D.G.M.
R.W.Bro. Chas. Hamilton	D.D.G.M.
R.W.Bro. W. J. Moore	D.D.G.M.
R.W.Bro. J. B. Nixon	P.D.D.G.M.

Also present were the D.D.G.M.'s from Muskoka, Simcoe, and South Huron Districts and some 50 members from Norfolk Lodge No. 10, Simcoe, the Mother Lodge of M.W.Bro. William Mercer Wilson. According to the register there were 93 Officers and Members and 102 visitors.

At the end of this decade the membership stood at 482, of which number 148 were Life Members. Net assets over liabilities were \$20,492.45.

EIGHTH DECADE, 1928-1937

95 Regular Meetings, 66 Emergent Meetings

The first of several annual Theatre Nights was held January 20, 1928, when \$477.40 was raised for benevolent work.

This was the period of economic depression, and while regular meetings were held, they were mainly to carry on the ritualistic work of the Craft and the Benevolent Work of the Lodge.

The year 1932 saw our Seventy-fifth Anniversary, during which W.Bro. Walter A. Carveth occupied the Chair of King Solomon. This anniversary was celebrated on October 18, when M.W.Bro. W. S. Herrington, Grand Master, ably supported by 148 visitors, graced our assembly. This meeting was the occasion also of Past Masters' Night when W.Bro. John S. Simmons initiated his son—

Edmund Wilson Simmons—born during the year of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Lodge when his father was the Worshipful Master.

The Grand Master presented Veteran Jubilee Medals—fifty years in the Craft—to

R.W.Bro. George McLeish V.W.Bro. Sam Brown W.Bro. J. D. Bland Bro. John Alexander Bro. W. H. Stone

The Worshipful Master then presented each with a silver-mounted cane.

A new set of Working Tools was presented by W.Bro. L. B. Campbell acting on behalf of V.W.Bro. R. F. Segsworth.

R.W.Bro. Edmund M. Carleton gave an outline of seventy-five years' existence of the Lodge.

April 17, 1934. W.Bro.Church, Norfolk Lodge No. 10, G.R.C. presented the Lodge with a gavel which he had carved from an old table, formerly belonging to our first Grand Master, M.W.Bro. William Mercer Wilson.

September 18, 1934. M.W.Bro. John A. Rowland, Grand Master, on behalf of the Lodge presented R.W.Bro. W. A. Drummond with the Grand Lodge Regalia of Grand Senior Warden.

October 15, 1935. V.W.Bro. Harry Minchinton was presented with Grand Lodge Regalia of Grand Standard Bearer, to which office he had been appointed at Grand Lodge Communication in July.

January 19, 1937. Bro. W. G. Brown on behalf of the A. & A. Scottish Rite, Toronto, presented a sword, suitably inscribed, to the Lodge for the use of the Inner Guard.

Death took a heavy toll in our membership: 85 members passed to the Grand Lodge above during this period.

The membership was now 345, of which number 139 were Life Members; net assets over liabilities, \$17,207.84.

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	salutations This distinguished brother rose enrinently to the occasion and in some very happy and trivily remarks tendered discoving subgics to the twenty four Post Mosters who every humb, who he said were the embodiment of wisdom, strength and beauty.
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111 Fire to The Beard of Trial having reported to the W.W that the candidate trad apprehend the necessary questions rates factorily, and the condidate framing herr property prepared, Edmund Witten Summers, the your gestion of the section Workship Master, was regularly initiated Ante the practices of the First or Entered appointed legher A Bro John & Commons was Master of the Dodge of years ago when it felebrated its 50 th mornions and on this 15 times was had the happy hurritage of receiving his young est son into the Lodge winder most distinctionshed auspices, and his Udust sure who is also a mornto of Wilson Evelyth was also present on this occasion. The work of the Past Masters was most efficient and the introduction of the condidate to the hodge by his father was very appealing and impressive. R. W. Org. Edmund M. harleton gave a brief outline of the 15 years' Thatery of excistence of the Ludge and referred to the first Grand Master after whom Lotal: the was named, William Movicer Wilson, lawyer, judge, editor and soldier, who was largely responsible for founding the grand sodge of francia as it is to day, who who provided over its destinise for 10 years grand. Waster. He lead the minutes of the first meeting of Wilson sodge, which afforded an intertiting insight into the witting of practice of the braft in those early days in the obstitute. By the barleton also recalled that the libbe that now rested on the allow with the Iguaroand bornfrasses were presented by M.M. Ore Moreer Wilson. Puring the 15 years the Sodge had by Masters, of whom 31 were still living among whom was 11. Are J. A. Barretto, father of the present Master, and who furesided over the Rodge 32 years ago. It Bro. H. Minchinton read the names of 33 that Masters of the Rodge who had paised to their reward, and he federally paid tribute to their personal worth and service to the Rodge and the braft. Sed by the bhoir, the brethren sang. Wide with Me can a tumpeter sounded the "Last Post" which concluded a most impressive A Memorial to the P. Mis at New: memorial to those who were "at Real," and evidenced that though lost to sight they were dear to memory. Investiture R. W. Bro Geo Mc Seish, U. W. Bro Jam Grown, W. Oro S. & Bland, Oro John alexander and Gro. W. H. Stone, all of whom were member for To years or over, evere called to the dais by the Work Master and the Grand Abaster invested each with a Viteran Sevel, referring to their long service and loyalty to the braft. The W.M. also practice them with vanco suitably inscribed. A.W. Bro. J. a. Nixon and W. are I Pierdon were numbered among those honoured but were wake to be present. The Grand Master took advantage of the occasion to

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NINTH DECADE, 1938-1947

90 Regular Meetings, 59 Emergent Meetings

This decade brings the record within the memory of 212 of our members living at the time of writing.

Members 50 years and over	23
Members 40-49 years	34
Members 30-39 years	66
Members 20-29 years	34
Members 10-20 years	55
	212

At the Communication of Grand Lodge in July 1938, M.W.Bro. W. J. Dunlop, Grand Master, appointed W. Llewellyn Lawer to the office of Grand Tyler, the only office in Grand Lodge that could be filled by a Master Mason. On September 20, M.W.Bro. W. J. Dunlop, accompanied by R.W.Bro. H. M. Underhill, D.G.M. Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, R.W.Bro. Harry L. Martyn, D.D.G.M., and other distinguished visitors, attended the Lodge, when the Grand Master, on behalf of Wilson Lodge, presented Bro. Lawer with his Grand Lodge Regalia.

September 19, 1939. V.W.Bro. Chas. Spanner was presented with Grand Lodge Regalia as Grand Steward, an appointment he had received at the Grand Lodge Communication in July.

October 24, 1939. A group of 20 Scottish Masonic Craftsmen, including a piper and a drummer from St. Catharines and Niagara Districts, occupied the Chairs and conferred the E. A. Degree.

March 18, 1941. M.W.Bro. W. J. Dunlop, P.G.M., and Bro. Rev. W. Harold Young accompanied the Past Masters and took a prominent part in a Memorial Service to our beloved R.W.Bro. Geo. McLeish. The Lodge presented the Masonic Temple Corporation with a Portrait and Regalia of our late R.W.Bro. Geo. McLeish, which hangs on the lodge floor of the Temple—a constant reminder of his service to the Craft.

May 20, 1941. Tyrian Lodge No. 925 Buffalo, renewed their visits with us, and presented a cheque for War Relief.

December 15, 1942. The Eighty-fifth Anniversary. M.W.Bro. R. B. Dargavel accompanied by a large delegation of Grand Lodge Officers, occupied the Chairs and conducted the Installation Ceremony. The Lodge presented the Grand Master with a silver tray as a memento of his visit. W.Bro. G. Dean Maxwell gave a synopsis of the proceedings of Wilson Lodge since its inception in 1857.

September 19, 1944. M.W.Bro. W. J. Dunlop, P.G.M., R.W.Bro. Fred M. Wilmot, D.D.G.M., Toronto District "C", and many visitors were in attendance when the Past Grand Master, on behalf of the Lodge, presented V.W.Bro. G. Dean Maxwell with the Grand Lodge Regalia as Grand Director of Ceremonies, Senior Appointment of Grand Lodge, carrying with it membership on the Grand Lodge Committee of General Purposes during his term of office.

May 15, 1945. R.W.Bro. Chas. S. Hamilton, Deputy Grand Master, was elected an Honorary Life Member of Wilson Lodge.

October 16, 1945. V.W.Bro. Harold Gilday was presented with the Grand Lodge Regalia as Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies—an appointment he had received at the Grand Lodge Communication in July.

April 15, 1947. Tyrian Lodge No. 925, Buffalo, again paid a fraternal visit, 65 officers and members being present. W.Bro. Warbus, W.M. of Tyrian Lodge, presented the Lodge with a beautiful United States flag. Fraternal visitations between our two lodges were taking place regularly, building a bond of friendship that grows stronger with the years.

October 21, 1947. Ninetieth Past Masters' Night. There were 70 visitors including R.W.Bro. James P. Maher, D.G.M., many Grand Lodge Officers, the Worshipful Masters, and members of Rising Sun Lodge, Aurora, Vaughan Lodge, Maple, and King Solomon's Lodge. W.Bro. W. A. Carveth occupied the Chair as Worshipful Master and initiated his son, W. Robertson Carveth.

At the end of this decade the membership had dropped to 293 of which number 92 were Life Members. Death had taken a toll of 84 members during this period. Net assets over liabilities were \$18,014.08.

TENTH DECADE, 1948-1957

This brings the work of the Lodge into the memory of all except those members received into the Lodge during the last few years. Death has taken a heavy toll of our members during these years—a fact that a lodge which is now celebrating its centenary must recognize. During this period we have lost 74 members to the Grand Lodge Above—

In the lodge membership as of December 1956 we have

- 1 member over 60 years in the lodge
- 18 members 50-59 years in the lodge
- 35 members 40-49 years in the lodge
- 72 members 30-39 years in the lodge
- 34 members 20-29 years in the lodge
- 51 members 10-19 years in the lodge
- 69 members under 10 years in the lodge

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of this number

15 are between 80-89 years of age

44 are between 70-79 years of age

70 are between 60-69 years of age

73 are between 50-59 years of age

78 are under 50.

Visits to and from Tyrian Lodge became more frequent and enjoyable.

On April 18, 1950, the first of several annual Civic Nights was held with an attendance of 215: Brethren from Tyrian Lodge, Buffalo, Rehoboam, and Coronati Lodges; Masters and Wardens of District C, numbering 60; Brethren from City Council, City Hall Staff, Hydro Electric Power Commission, Toronto Hydro Electric System, Toronto Transit Commission and Leaside Lions' Club, were received as visitors. The meeting was distinguished by the presence of R.W.Bro. John Dodd, Grand Senior Warden, V.W.Bro. Robert Saunders, Grand Director of Ceremonies, and His Worship the Mayor, City of Toronto—our own Bro. Hiram E. McCallum. V.W.Bro. Robert Saunders was the Speaker at the Fourth Degree.

On September 19, 1950, occurred an outstanding event in the annals of the Lodge when a father and three sons were initiated—James M. Cleland, David A. Cleland, Robert M. Cleland, and J. Bryce Cleland.

October 21, 1952. R.W.Bro. Harold A. Jackson, D.D.G.M., on behalf of the Lodge, on the occasion of Past Masters' Night, presented V.W.Bro. Crawford M. Cook with the Grand Lodge Regalia of Grand Steward, an office to which he had been appointed at the Communication of Grand Lodge in July.

December 16, 1952. M.W. Bro. James P. Maher, Grand Master, accompanied by a large delegation of Past and Present Grand Lodge Officers, headed the Installing Board and installed Hiram E. McCallum as Worshipful Master and invested the other officers. On this occasion 231 Masons were present.

January 20, 1953. A Special Committee was set up to consider plans, ways and means of celebrating the centennial of the Lodge in 1957.

October 19, 1954, was the Fortieth Anniversary of V.W.Bro. Harry Minchinton as a Past Master, he having presided over the affairs of the Lodge as Worshipful Master in 1914, and being our senior living Past Master. On behalf of the Lodge, W.Bro. F. J. McRae made a presentation of an electric razor to our highly esteemed brother.

October 18, 1955. V.W.Bro. G. Dean Maxwell had the honour of presenting to V.W.Bro. Hiram E. McCallum, on behalf of the Lodge, the Grand Lodge Regalia of the Grand Senior Deacon. V.W.Bro. McCallum had been appointed to the office by M.W.Bro. Joseph A. Hearn, Grand Master, at the One Hundredth Communication of Grand Lodge in recognition of his untiring work on the Grand Lodge Committee of Arrangement for the Centennial Celebration held at the Canadian National Exhibition buildings and grounds.

October 16, 1956. On the occasion of the annual Past Masters' Night, V.W.Bro. Crawford M. Cook, on behalf of the Lodge, presented V.W.Bro. Wilfred V. McClure with the Grand Lodge Regalia of Grand Pursuivant, to which office he had been appointed at the One Hundred and First Communication of Grand Lodge.

WHILE the Minutes of the meetings, held in 1858, mention that tentative By-laws were framed and adopted, it was not until February 20, 1864, that the By-laws were finally adopted, recorded, and signed by all the members of the Lodge. They consist of eleven pages in the fine handwriting of Bro. W. J. Harper, Secretary.

The fee for Initiation, Passing, and Raising was Thirty Dollars, (\$30). The fee for a Joining Member was Three Dollars (\$3). "In every instance the Member who proposes the Candidate is responsible for the whole fee, which must be paid at the time of Initiation or Admission."

Annual Dues for members resident within three miles of where the Lodge was held were \$3, for those resident beyond this three miles, \$2, all dues payable in two semi-annual instalments.

The Secretary was exempt from the payment of lodge dues.

The Tyler delivered, when required, all summonses and other notices to the Members, and was to be paid \$1.50 for each Lodge Meeting.

The Charitable Committee was composed of three members appointed by the Worshipful Master, but could not exceed \$5 in giving charitable aid.

These By-laws received a second printing in 1883 without any appreciable change being made. They remained in force until October, 1895, when a new set of By-laws was approved by M.W.Bro. W. R. White, Grand Master. The Initiation Fee was \$30, the Affiliation Fee was \$3, and Life Membership after one full year of membership was \$48. After 21 years' full membership a brother automatically became a Life Member with no further dues. Lodge Dues were \$4.80 per year.

The Third Set of By-laws was adopted in open Lodge, April 14, 1907, and approved by Grand Lodge, July 10, 1957. W.Bro. John S. Simmons was Worshipful Master and Bro. E. B. Fletcher, Secretary. The Initiation Fee was \$40; the Affiliation Fee \$10. Annual Dues were \$6; if paid before July 1, \$5. The dues for Non-

Resident Members (three miles beyond city limits), were \$3; if paid before April 1, \$2.50.

Revisions by amendment were made April 20, 1909. The Initiation Fee became \$50. Annual Dues \$6, if paid before April 1, \$5.

Further revisions by amendment were made November 17, 1914. Annual Dues were still \$6, but must be paid on or before March 1, to be reduced to \$5; Non-resident Members (three miles or more from city limits) \$3, if paid on or before March 1, \$2.50. The Benevolent Committee was given authority to spend up to \$10 without reference to the Lodge.

These By-laws, as amended, remained in force until 1935, when another general revision took place in order to provide for changing conditions of the times.

The Fourth Set of By-laws was adopted in open Lodge on April 16, 1935, and approved by Grand Lodge on June 3, 1935. W.Bro. Fred P. Lush was Worshipful Master and Bro. W. Llewellyn Lawer Secretary.

The Initiation Fee was \$100 with \$35 of this amount being transferred to the Investment Fund; the fee for Affiliation was \$15. The Annual Dues became \$10; if paid on or before March 1, \$8. Non-Resident Members (residing 15 miles or more beyond the city limits) \$5, if paid on or before March 1, \$4. The sum of \$1 of each member's annual dues was allocated to the Benevolent Fund.

The Life Membership fee was brought up to date; it now provided for the withdrawal each year from the Life Membership Fund, and payment into the General Fund, of a total sum equal to \$3 for each Life Member recorded upon the books of the Lodge.

Other By-laws were drawn up outlining the General Fund, the Investment Fund, The Life Membership Fund, and the Fund for Benevolence.

During the depression period in the late Thirties, by an amendment adopted on January 18, 1940, the Initiation Fee was reduced to \$70. A further amendment on January 1, 1944, restored the Initiation Fee to \$100.

The Fifth Set of By-laws (those now in force) was adopted in open Lodge on December 28, 1954, and approved by Grand Lodge February 28, 1955; W.Bro. Gordon S. Elvidge was Worshipful Master, and W.Bro. Cyril J. S. Lawer, Secretary. These By-laws were framed to meet conditions existing to-day.

Benevolent Work and Visitation of the Sick has been a prominent and important part of the activities of Wilson Lodge ever since its inception and dedication in 1857, and while there is no record available of the monetary extent of benevolence to members, widows, and orphans, to Grand Lodge appeals and to other charitable institutions, the amount must have been great in the aggregate.

The author has been Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee on Benevolence since 1936, and during the twenty years ending 1956, Benevolence Grants have totalled over \$6000 from Committee Funds and over \$5,000 from Trust Funds.

Prior to 1936, funds for the Committee on Benevolence came from members' offerings and special projects. Since that date our by-laws provide \$1 from each regular member's dues and a donation of \$1 yearly from our Life Members, plus any special donations from the Lodge or the surplus proceeds on special events. In this way each and every member of the Lodge makes an annual contribution to the Fund for Benevolence. In 1938 a bequest of our late brother Myron Derrick provided \$771.92 additional to the fund.

Each year at Christmas it has been the custom of the Committee on Benevolence to honour our brethren residing in the Metropolitan Area, who have attained the seer age of 75 years and over, with a plant and letter, both of which are greatly appreciated, judging from the letters of acknowledgement received. By this small token, our older members feel they are not forgotten and they are prompted to retain their interest in the Lodge even though they cannot attend regularly.

Net Assets of the Committee on Benevolence December 31, 1956, amounted to \$2904.45.

WILLIAM MERCER WILSON

A BIOGRAPHY OF THE FIRST GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF CANADA, AFTER WHOM WILSON LODGE WAS NAMED

WILLIAM MERCER WILSON, first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada and the illustrious Mason after whom Wilson Lodge No. 86, Toronto, was named, was born on August 12, 1813, at "Mavisbank," the family estate, in Perthshire, Scotland.

As a youth of 19, he came to Canada in 1832 with relatives to settle in the vicinity of Nanticoke village in the County of Haldimand. Two years later he moved to Simcoe, where he received the appointment of Commissioner to hold Courts of Justice in the Talbot District, which comprised about the same territory as the present County of Norfolk.

The extraordinary versatility of William Mercer Wilson, one of the most conspicuous aspects of his personality, was early revealed. Though a scholarly and studious young man, he nevertheless took a keen interest in military affairs. During the Rebellion of 1837–38, he commanded a cavalry troop at Simcoe, patrolling in the Niagara District. He was one of that band of intrepid youths who captured and set fire to the rebel steamer *Caroline* at Navy Island and sent her in flames over the Niagara Falls.

After the Rebellion, we find him practically penniless and without employment, with a wife and four children, and no prospects for the future. He set out to find a job. Finally, he secured the appointment as Clerk of the Peace and Clerk of the District Court, and shortly afterwards he was made a Notary Public and Registrar of the Surrogate Court in the Talbot District. Then he imported the first printing press in this district and founded the *Norfolk Observer*, first newspaper west of Niagara, which he conducted for about two years.

On June 11, 1840, he was initiated into Lodge No. 14, A.F. & A.M., at Simcoe. Before the year ended he was Junior Warden

of the Lodge and within two years Worshipful Master. This was the beginning of a Masonic career without parallel in the annals of Canadian Masonry.

The ten years from 1845 to 1855 William Mercer Wilson utilized to educate himself in law and Masonry. Without this education he could never have risen to high position in juridical and fraternal circles. Yet he never sacrificed those human contacts which were so dear to him. Genial and good-natured, he delighted in every kind of social intercourse and his presence graced nearly every community gathering. Of medium height, heavy-set, and broadshouldered, with a full, frank, bewhiskered countenance that radiated goodwill and joviality, he was a striking figure and a popular personality. Though discord was rife, both in politics and fraternalism, he had few enemies and maintained the friendship and respect of people of all classes.

He was called to the Bar at 40 years of age, thus achieving a long-cherished ambition. He built up a large law practice, which was seriously interfered with by his zeal for Masonry. Fortunately for the latter, he was not mercenary and he gave to the Craft the best years of his life without thought of pecuniary reward.

In 1845, William Mercer Wilson was a delegate to Grand Lodge and three years later he was named Grand Senior Warden of the Provincial Grand Lodge, which was then headed by Sir Allan MacNab. A movement to establish an Independent Grand Lodge in Canada was started in 1852 and three years later, on October 10, 1855, to be exact, a meeting of representatives of 41 lodges was held in Hamilton, which resulted in this step being taken. William Mercer Wilson, a leading spirit in the movement, was named First Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, being installed on November 2 of the same year.

Naturally, much friction ensued between the new and old Grand Lodges and it required all the tact and diplomacy of William Mercer Wilson to smooth the troubled waters. By July, 1856, a total of 36 lodges had joined the new Grand Lodge. The next year the Provincial Grand Lodge also broke away from the Mother Grand Lodge of England and formed the Antient Grand Lodge of Canada. Through the instrumentality of M.W.Bro. Wilson, the two

Grand Lodges were finally brought together in one happy union. It was the crowning moment in the life of the first Grand Master when the union was finally consummated in King Solomon's Lodge, Toronto, on July 14, 1858. He was elected Grand Master for the fourth time and again the next year to complete a five-year period.

William Mercer Wilson was only 42 years of age when first elected Grand Master. The next five years he spent largely in constituting new lodges, dedicating Masonic halls, laying cornerstones and making Masonic addresses. He was elected First Grand Principal Z of the Grand Chapter, R.A.M., of Canada on July 18, 1857. The following year he was appointed Crown Attorney for Norfolk County. He also was holding the positions of Lieutenant-Colonel of the Norfolk Militia, Chairman of the Board of Education, Reeve of Simcoe, President of the Norfolk Agricultural Society, Chairman of the Mechanics' Institute, and Manager of the Opera House. He served five years as Reeve of Simcoe and two years as Warden of Norfolk County.

He was again chosen as Grand Master for 1866 and 1867, the year of Confederation. There were now 205 lodges affiliated with Grand Lodge. He made many lodge visitations, including one to Wilson Lodge No. 86, where he was presented with a handsome illuminated address which is now among the Grand Master's treasured relics.

He was appointed Judge of Norfolk County on May 5, 1868, an office for which his fairness and firmness eminently qualified him. He was now 55 years old and naturally desired a respite from his arduous endeavours. His home, which still stands in Simcoe, was the social centre of community life at this time.

William Mercer Wilson was again called to the helm of Canadian Masonry in July, 1872, to settle difficulties which had arisen when several lodges in Montreal broke away and formed their own Grand Lodge of Quebec. He advised recognition two years earlier, but his advice was not accepted, though fully vindicated by later developments. He finally called a conference of the disputants in 1874, as a result of which the Grand Lodge of Quebec was given full jurisdiction in that province.

He was now 60 years old, but continued with unabated enthu-

siasm and energy to serve Grand Lodge. In the year 1873 alone he constituted 15 new lodges. His unremitting devotion to the task probably hastened his death. He passed away on January 16, 1875, at the age of 62 and in his tenth year as Grand Master. He was the first Grand Master to die in office. His funeral was a memorable occasion, attended by Masons from all parts of the province and from Quebec.

His name is commemorated in Wilson Lodge No. 86, Toronto, Wilson Lodge No. 113, Waterford, and Wilson District, A.F. & A.M.

Norfolk Lodge No. 10, Simcoe, his mother lodge, has preserved many of his most valuable Masonic papers, trowels, and gavels, housing some of them in a museum in the lodgeroom.

The first Grand Master was buried in St. John's Cemetery, Woodhouse, a few miles south of Simcoe, and in 1922 a handsome monument was erected above his last resting-place with the following inscription:

In grateful and loving memory of M.W. Bro. William Mercer Wilson, Ll.D., first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, who during his 10th year as Grand Master, died, 16th January, A.D. 1875, aged 62 years, a just and upright man.

OUR DISTINGUISHED BRETHREN

Would you have your name endowed with the myrrh of remembrance and chime melodiously in the ear of future generations? Then cultivate faith, not doubt, and give every man credit for the good he does, never seeking to attribute base motives to beautiful acts. Acts count.

In scanning the records of this old Lodge, there have been those Stalwarts of Masonry whose zeal and unselfish service have made a contribution to Wilson Lodge, who have set a very high standard; and I would be remiss, very remiss, did I not, in this record covering one hundred years, acknowledge the debt of gratitude we and future generations owe to them.

Even after considerable research has been carried out, no doubt there are many who have not been given particular mention, though they also made their contributions in their own way, about which the records are obscure and information is difficult to obtain.

KIVAS TULLY

A BIOGRAPHY OF THE FOUNDER OF WILSON LODGE, No. 86, G.R.C.

THE MAN OR ORGANIZATION with a proud heritage of name, background, and tradition, and having as well those attributes, tangible and intangible, that make him appreciate that heritage, has indeed a priceless possession.

Wilson Lodge possesses a proud heritage; yet I feel that sometimes we fail to appreciate and to make the most of it and to remember the men who have helped to establish it.

For that reason I am setting forth a biography of the founder of this old Lodge, M.W.Bro. Kivas Tully—a man who has left an indelible imprint on Wilson Lodge No. 86, on the historical pages of Grand Lodge, and on the civilian life of Toronto and the Province of Ontario.

Kivas Tully was born in Queen's County, Ireland in 1820, the son of Commander John Tully, Royal Navy. He was educated in Limerick, Ireland, as a civil engineer and architect.

For the purpose of clarity, I propose to divide the record of his life into two parts—Civic and Masonic—and I shall deal with the record in that order.

CIVIC CAREER

Imagine, if you can, what Toronto was like in 1834 when it was incorporated as a city. Its boundaries were the Don River on the east, Bathurst Street on the west, the Bay waterfront on the south, and a line 400 yards north of Queen Street—about where Dundas Street now is—on the north.

In 1844 there were, as yet, no buildings west of Peter Street, which is one block east of Spadina Avenue, and very few buildings north of Queen Street.

In this year (1844) Kivas Tully, a young man of 24, and his

bride arrived in Toronto, where he opened an office and commenced to practise his profession as an engineer and architect.

Shortly after his arrival he designed the first Custom House of Toronto. In 1845 he designed the Bank of Montreal. In 1850–51 he designed old Trinity College, Queen Street West, the St. Catharines' Town Hall, Welland County Court House, Victoria Hall, Cobourg, and many other buildings.

In addition to his professional work he took an active interest in the public life of his Canadian city, for in 1852 he was elected Councillor for St. Andrew's Ward. In 1854, when the railway was first projected, he made a detailed report on the harbour and the waterfront. In 1859 he was elected the first aldermanic representative of St. Andrew's Ward and served in that capacity for several years.

He also took an active interest in sport and was a cricketer of note and a rowing enthusiast. He was president of the Toronto Cricket Club in 1855.

In 1867, the Provincial Government recognized his professional ability by appointing him architect and engineer for the Department of Public Works, which position he held until his retirement from active practice. During this period he was responsible for the design of many public buildings, among them the old School of Practical Science Building at the University of Toronto—familiarly referred to by "School Men" as the "little red schoolhouse"—and Osgoode Hall, to mention only two.

In 1855 he was engaged by the City to report on a sewage system.

He was a Charter Member, the first Vice-President and Secretary of the Canadian Institute, now the Royal Canadian Institute, and contributed greatly to establishing this society to foster and disseminate scientific knowledge.

He was also an active member in the Engineers' Club.

MASONIC CAREER

He was initiated, passed and raised in Antient Lodge No. 13, Grand Lodge of Ireland, at Limerick in 1843.

Shortly after his arrival in Toronto, he affiliated on December 10, 1844, with St. Andrew's Lodge No. 1, Provincial Grand Lodge

of Upper Canada, now St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, G.R.C., and soon became quite active in the affairs and workings of this Lodge. On October 14, 1845, together with R. S. Deniord and R. S. Campbell, he presented St. Andrew's Lodge with the rough and perfect ashlars that now adorn the Emergent Room, Masonic Temple, 888 Yonge Street.

Interest in Masonry in Toronto was growing, so on July 13, 1847, a communication was read in St. Andrew's Lodge that Kivas Tully and others had formed themselves into a Lodge called Ionic Lodge and that they desired to withdraw from St. Andrew's Lodge on obtaining the usual certificate.

The following year, 1848, Kivas Tully was the Worshipful Master of Ionic Lodge No. 16, now Ionic Lodge No. 25, G.R.C.

Two years later, in 1850, he affiliated with King Solomon's Lodge No. 16, now No. 22, G.R.C., and was elected their fourth Worshipful Master, serving in that office during 1851.

In this year, 1851, he also occupied the chair of Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge.

Kivas Tully was a close friend of William Mercer Wilson, our first Grand Master, and at the meeting of Grand Lodge in 1853, it was Kivas Tully who moved for the independence of the Grand Lodge of Canada West, out of which emerged our present Grand Lodge of Canada in 1855.

In 1854 he instituted Vaughan Lodge No. 26, Maple, now No. 54, G.R.C., and installed its first Master.

Kivas Tully was most active in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Canada from 1853 on, and in 1857, D.D.G.M. for Toronto District. This district comprised all that portion of the Province which lay between the Credit River on the west and the Trent River on the east, stretching north from Lake Ontario. Quite a district!

This same year he was also a member of the Joint Committee to promote the Union of the Antient Grand Lodge—formerly the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada West—and the newly formed Grand Lodge of Canada.

With all these activities, both civil and fraternal, R.W.Bro. Tully and others decided to form a new lodge to be called Wilson Lodge after William Mercer Wilson, then Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada. On December 15, 1857, the first regular

meeting of this Lodge—Wilson Lodge No. 48—was held and the R.W.Bro. Kivas Tully was elected the first Master. He was installed December 28, 1857, by M.W.Bro. William Mercer Wilson in the Masonic Hall, Church and Colborne Streets. Wilson Lodge became known as the "Builders' Lodge" as numbered among its members were men prominent in the architectural, engineering, and construction industry of the city.

During the ensuing forty years, Kivas Tully was the guiding genius in the affairs of this old Lodge. His keen interest in the affairs of the new Grand Lodge of Canada were recognized in 1897 when he was elected Honorary Grand Master.

I have not touched at all on his personal and family life which is every bit as illustrious as that which I have already outlined.

Kivas Tully died on April 24, 1905, at the age of 85, leaving behind him a marvellous record of service and achievement, a heritage of which we in Wilson Lodge are justly proud.

"He builded better than he knew."



R.W.Bro. Alex Patterson W.M. 1876



V.W.Bro. S. Brown W.M. 1885, 1887



R.W.Bro. E. M. Carleton W.M. 1898



W.Bro. J. A. Carveth W.M. 1900





W.Bro. J. S. SIMMONS W.M. 1907



V.W.Bro. R. F. Segsworth W.M. 1905



W.Bro. D. A. Lynn W.M. 1911



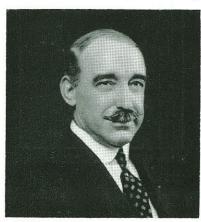
R.W.Bro. E. A. Lewis W.M. 1912



R.W.Bro. Geo. Ross W.M. 1919



V.W.Bro. G. H. GILDAY W.M. 1930



W.Bro. W. LLEWELLYN LAWER Sec. 1922–47



Bro. John Alexander Organist 1891–1951

OTHER PROMINENT BRETHREN

W.Bro. L. LEVY

First Secretary to the Lodge Worshipful Master, 1860

R.W.Bro. HON. ROBERT SPENCE

Initiated, Nov. 30, 1858. Member No. 34 Worshipful Master, 1862–63 District Deputy Grand Master, 1863–66 Died Feb. 28, 1868

W.BRO. R. J. KIMBALL

Initiated, Dec. 21, 1858, Member No. 35

Secretary, 1861–62 Worshipful Master, 1864–65

V.W.Bro. JOHN SEGSWORTH

Initiated July 16, 1861. Member No. 55

Secretary, 1863 Worshipful Master, 1866–68 Grand Pursuivant

BROTHER S. HARRIS

the Lodge

Initiated, March 18, 1862. Member No. 64 Treasurer, 1874–82

R.W.BRO, ALEX PATTERSON

Initiated July 18, 1865. Member No.

Secretary, 1869, 1870
Treasurer, 1871
Worshipful Master, 1876
Asst. Grand Director of Ceremonies, 1882

Hon. Grand Register, 1902 Died Dec. 12, 1919, having given 54 years of active and devoted service to W.Bro. ROBERT ROBINSON

Initiated, April 17, 1866. Member No. 102 Worshipful Master, 1869–70

W.Bro. Hugh McCaw

Initiated 1867. Member No. 116 Worshipful Master, 1879 Treasurer, 1883–95

W.Bro. J. ALVA CARVETH

Initiated Jan. 19, 1892 Worshipful Master, 1900

He served the Lodge as Trustee until his death in 1945. He was presented with the Veterans' Jubilee Medal on Past Masters Night, March 10, 1942. His fine example of quiet effective service is being carried on by his son, W.Bro. Walter A. Carveth, Worshipful Master in 1932, and a Lodge Trustee since the death of his father, and also by another generation, his Grandsons, W. Robertson Carveth and David Carveth, the former occupying the Chair of King Solomon during our Centennial Year.

R.W.Bro. George McLeish

He was born in Jamestown, Scotland, April 24, 1847. He saw the first light of Masonry in his native heath under the Grand Lodge of Scotland. He came to Canada in 1871 but did not affiliate with Wilson Lodge until Oct. 18, 1892. He was Worshipful Master in 1901 and elected Grand Registrar in July 1921. On Oct. 18, 1932, at the 75th Anniversary celebration, he was presented with the Veterans' Jubilee Medal by Most W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, Grand Master. "Geordie" McLeish as he was affectionately known among his brethren, was a liv-

ing example of a genuine Mason, in every sense, a man who was always learning as well as teaching. He was an outstanding ritualist, always willing to take part in the work in the Lodge Room. To the younger Mason he was a tower of strength in the fatherly advice he imparted. The author of this history was one of the many who knew and loved him for his abundance of fine qualities. He died Nov. 19, 1940, in his 94th year.

W.Bro. John S. Simmons

Initiated June 21, 1898 Worshipful Master, 1907 Treasurer, 1934–38

Chairman, Committee on Benevolence for a great many years. As a citizen he gave unselfish and distinguished service to the City of Toronto for 10 years, 1935–45, as an Alderman. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He died March 7, 1946.

V.W.Bro. R. F. SEGSWORTH

Initiated Dec. 20, 1898
Worshipful Master, 1905
Grand Pursuivant
Trustee and active member for 34
years
He died Dec. 18, 1932

R.W.Bro. J. B. NIXON

Initiated Nov. 17, 1868. Member No. 178

D.D.G.M. Toronto District, 1881
He was a member also of Rehoboam,
Doric, Zetland, and Harmony Lodges.
For many years he was Chairman of
the Toronto Masonic Board of Relief
and Supervisor of Benevolence for
Grand Lodge. He died Jan. 19, 1936,
in his 89th year having served the
Craft for over 67 years.

V.W.Bro. SAM Brown

Initiated March 18, 1878. Member No. 306 Worshipful Master, 1885 and 1887 Lodge Treasurer, 1896–1934 Appointed Grand Steward, July, 1923

He received the Veterans' Jubilee Medal, Oct. 18, 1932 at the hands of M.W.Bro. W. S. Herrington, G.M. He died Feb. 16, 1934, after serving the Lodge faithfully for 56 years—37 of them as Treasurer.

BRO. JOHN ALEXANDER

Initiated Sept. 19, 1882. Member No. 353

First elected Organist Dec. 15, 1891, which office he held until his death, March 16, 1951. He was faithful in attendance, and looked after the musical part of our ceremonies. An accomplished entertainer himself, he was greatly beloved by the brethren, not only of Wilson Lodge, but by other lodges in the District. At the regular meeting Oct. 18, 1932, M.W.Bro. W. S. Herrington invested him with the Veterans' Jubilee Medal-50 years a member of the Craft. He gave 69 years of devoted service to Wilson Lodge, a record unsurpassed in the annals of the Craft.

R.W.BRO. EDMUND M. CARLETON

Initiated Nov. 17, 1891 Worshipful Master, 1898 Appointed Grand Steward July 1899 Elected District Deputy Grand Master, Toronto District No. 11, July 1905

He was most active in the Lodge in all its phases, Ritualistic, Auditor, or Installing Master. He proposed or seconded the application of more candidates for Masonry than any other member in the history of the Lodge, and gave guidance until ill health forced his retirement from active participation in Lodge affairs. He died May 18, 1938 in his 73rd year. Wilson Lodge owes a great debt of gratitude to R.W.Bro. E. M. Carleton.

R.W.Bro. Ernest A. Lewis

Initiated May 16, 1899
Worshipful Master, 1912
District Deputy Grand Master, 1922-23
Died August 2nd, 1946

W.Bro. D. A. LYNN

Initiated Nov. 18, 1902 Worshipful Master, 1911 A great ritualist. Died March 14, 1948 in his 76th year

R.W.Bro. Col. George Ross

Life member of Barton Lodge No.
6, Hamilton
Affiliated Wilson Lodge, Feb. 19,
1912
W. Master, 1919. District Secretary,
1922–23
Grand Pursuivant, 1923
Honorary Grand Registrar, 1925
Died July 4th, 1926

R.W.BRO. W. A. DRUMMOND

Initiated Oct. 15, 1912 Worshipful Master, 1927—Our 70th Year Grand Senior Warden, 1934–35 Died Feb. 2nd, 1954

Bro. W. LLEWELLYN LAWER

He was born in London, England, Aug. 26, 1860. He came to Canada in 1910 and engaged in his profession as

a Chartered Accountant. He was initiated in Wilson Lodge, Oct. 16, 1917. In 1922 he was elected Secretary to the Lodge and retained that office until Dec. 16, 1947, when he was appointed Honorary Secretary. During these 25 years of service he earned a most enviable record for his meticulous way of keeping the lodge proceedings. His Minute Books are without a doubt the finest that can be found in this Grand Jurisdiction which none will surpass and very few will equal. This outstanding service was recognized in July, 1938, when M.W.Bro. W. J. Dunlop appointed him as Grand Tyler, and on Sept. 20, 1938, the Grand Master himself presented to Bro. Lawer his Grand Lodge Regalia on behalf of the Lodge. He died May 18th, 1949. His unselfish service endeared him to every member of the Lodge during these years. This service is being emulated by his son, W.Bro. Cyril J. E. Lawer, our Secretary since 1955.

V.W.BRO. G. HAROLD GILDAY

Initiated March 18, 1919 Worshipful Master, 1930 Asst. Grand Director of Ceremonies, 1945, Chairman, Committee on Benevolence, 1939–48. Died June 7, 1948.

These and many others have been a tower of strength in their own quiet way, giving to the Lodge their loyalty and unselfish service in the interest of the Craft in general and their own Mother Lodge in particular.



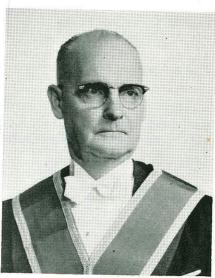
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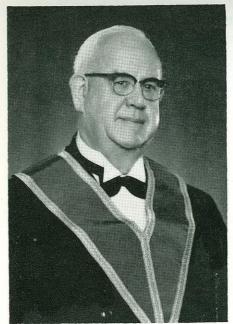
W.Bro. A. A. Campbell, M.D. W.M. 1928



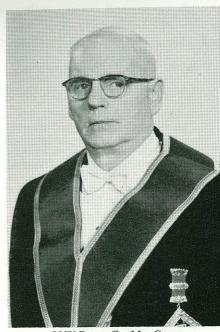
W.Bro. W. A. Carveth W.M. 1932



V.W.Bro. W. V. McClure W.M. 1934



V.W.Bro. G. Dean Maxwell W.M. 1936



V.W.Bro. C. M. Cook W.M. 1938



W.Bro. C. J. E. Lawer W.M. 1948



V.W.Bro. H. E. McCallum W.M. 1953

A subsequent history will recall the activities, zeal and service of those brethren, still living, who have brought honour to the Lodge and distinction to themselves, among whom are—

V.W.Bro. HARRY MINCHINTON

Initiated March 20, 1906 Worshipful Master, 1914 Grand Standard Bearer, 1935

Chairman Committee on Benevoence and Trustee of the Lodge. Past President Toronto Past Masters, Masters and Wardens Association. Presented with Grand Lodge Veterans' Jubilee Medal March 20, 1956, a 33rd degree Mason. Our Senior Past Master.

W.Bro. Dr. Angus A. Campbell

Joined the Lodge, Oct. 30, 1913 Worshipful Master, 1928 Trustee of the Lodge since 1933

W.Bro. J. LESLIE ROOK

Initiated April 16, 1918 Worshipful Master, 1931 Treasurer, 1939–48 Secretary, 1948–52

V.W.Bro. G. DEAN MAXWELL

Initiated, Jan. 20, 1920 Worshipful Master, 1936

He has been Secretary-Treasurer, Committee on Benevolence since 1936, Treasurer of the Lodge since 1953, Past President Toronto Past Masters, Masters and Wardens Association, Grand Director of Ceremonies 1944–45, First Vice-President, Toronto Masonic Service Guild.

W.Bro. Walter A. Carveth

Initiated, April 19, 1921 Worshipful Master, 1932

This year (1932) saw our 75th Anniversary. He has been trustee of the Lodge since 1945 and Vice-Chairman on the Committee on Benevolence.

V.W.Bro. HIRAM E. McCallum

Initiated Oct. 17, 1922 Worshipful Master, 1953

Grand Senior Deacon, 1955–56 V.W.Bro. McCallum served the (

V.W.Bro. McCallum served the City of Toronto as an Alderman, 1941–3, as a Controller, 1945–47, and as Mayor, 1948–51 with honour and dignity. He was Chairman of the Centennial Committee of the Lodge for the preliminary arrangements.

V.W.Bro. Crawford M. Cook

Initiated, Jan. 15, 1924 Worshipful Master, 1938

He is Past President Toronto Past Masters, Masters and Wardens Association and was Grand Steward, 1952–53

V.W.BRO. WILFRED V. McClure

Initiated, Jan. 15, 1924 Worshipful Master, 1934 Treasurer, 1949–52 Secretary, 1953–54

He is Past President Totonto Past Masters, Masters and Wardens Association and was Grand Pursuivant, 1956-57

W.Bro. FARQUHAR J. MACRAE

Initiated, March 19, 1929 Worshipful Master, 1944

He served the Municipality of the Township of York as Deputy Reeve 1936–37 and as Reeve for nine years 1938–46. He was appointed a Judge of the County Court in 1951.

W.Bro. Cyril J. E. Lawer

Initiated, Oct. 16, 1934 Worshipful Master, 1948

He is now following in the footsteps of his illustrious Father as Secretary since 1955. Many of the younger Past Masters, Officers, and members have served and are still serving the Lodge with enthusiasm and zeal. It is this type of service that has kept Wilson Lodge active over the century in holding high the reputation and prestige of this great Lodge and in turn has influenced their lives and moulded their characters to the greater glory of God and the good of mankind.



W.Bro. W. Robertson Carveth W.M. 1957

OUR CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Early in 1952 a committee consisting of W.Bro. Frank T. Gerow, W.Bro. I. R. Picard, and V.W.Bro. G. Dean Maxwell was appointed to investigate the probable cost for our Centennial Celebration during 1957. They submitted their report and recommended that we should have an accumulated fund of \$2,500 to provide for the Centennial expenses.

As a result of this report, a special Centennial Committee was set up in January, 1953 in order to make plans for the celebration of one hundred years of continuous operation of Wilson Lodge No. 86, G.R.C., since its inception in November 1857, and to consider ways and means of fittingly marking this occasion in all its ramifications.

This Committee consisted of:

The Worshipful Master of 1953

The Worshipful Masters of 1954–1957 (upon their installation)

The Three Trustees

The Treasurer

The Secretary

One of the Auditors and

W.Bros. F. T. Gerow, I. R. Picard, and Gordon D. Hay.

This Committee carried out its duties and functions with the utmost fidelity. The Special Centennial Fund had reached the sum of \$2,145, a considerable portion of this amount coming as a contribution from the McCallum Press which for four years printed our monthly summons without charge, this expense being diverted to the Centennial Fund.

We are greatly indebted to V.W.Bro. Hiram E. McCallum for this generosity.

This Special Committee having fulfilled its duties, as we entered upon our Centenary W.Bro. W. R. Carveth appointed a Committee for 1957 to assist him in carrying out the plans for this celebration.

Chairman

V.W.Bro. G. Dean Maxwell

Vice-Chairman

Bro. Stewart Burgess

Secretary

W.Bro. Cyril J. E. Lawer

Members

W.Bro. W. A. Carveth, W.Bro. Gordon D. Hay, and W.Bro. Keith Sabine

FIRST SPECIAL EVENT

December 18, 1956. The One Hundredth Installation of this old Lodge was celebrated on this evening when W.Bro. Walter A. Carveth, the Installing Master, assisted by M.W.Bro. Chas. S. Hamilton, P.G.M., 20 Past Masters of the Lodge, Present and Past Grand Lodge Officers, and visiting Masters and Past Masters to the number of 58, installed W. Robertson Carveth as the Worshipful Master for 1957, our Centennial Year, placing him in the Chair of King Solomon, according to ancient rite. On the completion of the work of the Installing Board, Officers, Members, and Visitors (an additional 80—making a total of 138) greeted the newly installed Master.

Bro. David Carveth, on behalf of the Carveth family, presented the Master's Apron to his brother Bob. This apron was worn for many years by W.Bro. J. A. Carveth, grandfather of the new Master, who occupied the East in 1900, being installed in December 1899, 57 years ago. This was one of the most pleasing features of the evening.

Among those present to honour the new Worshipful Master and Wilson Lodge, was a delegation of 20 from Tyrian Lodge, Buffalo—many Rotarians, Senior Wardens of District C, and a goodly delegation from the Noganash Hunt Club, membership of which recreational group is a tradition in the Carveth family, extending over many years.

An excellent Fourth Degree brought the evening to a conclusion at a reasonable hour.

SECOND SPECIAL EVENT

February 19, 1957. This was the occasion of the Official Visit of the District Deputy Grand Master, Toronto District C, R.W.Bro. Fred C. Cook. Invitations were sent to all of the Country Lodges in District C, and all the Senior Wardens of the District. This was an outstanding evening.

THIRD SPECIAL EVENT

April 16, 1957. It is proposed to entertain Tyrian Lodge, Buffalo, King Solomon's Lodge of Toronto, along with other guests as the plans are worked out in more detail.

FOURTH SPECIAL EVENT

October 15, 1957. This is the evening when honour will be paid to the Past Masters of the Lodge, the Veterans of Fifty Years and over, and those members who have given service for twenty-five years and over, to Wilson Lodge in particular, and to the Craft in general.

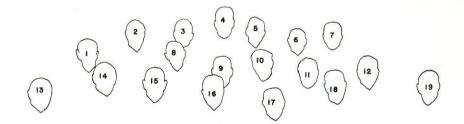
FINAL SPECIAL EVENT

November 26, 1957. It was the fourth Tuesday in November, 1857, when the first meeting of the Lodge took place and it is fitting that on this evening we should celebrate the completion of One Hundred Years.

The Grand Master will present on behalf of the Carveth family, as a memorial to W.Bro. J. Alva Carveth, Worshipful Master in 1900, the gold lace regalia, jewels, and working tools of the Lodge signifying the attainment of our Centenary.

This should be one of the most memorable occasions in the history of this old Lodge.





FEBRUARY 19, 1957

1. W.Bro. F. T. Gerow; 2. W.Bro. G. D. Hay; 3. W.Bro. C. H. Thompson; 4. W.Bro. Keith Sabine; 5 W.Bro. S. G. Elvidge; 6. W.Bro. C. J. E. Lawer; 7. W.Bro. H. J. Winfield; 8. W.Bro. C. A. Bent; 9. W.Bro. P. B. Pickett; 10. W.Bro. R. L. Clarke; 11 W.Bro. I. R. Picard; 12. W.Bro. L. B. Campbell; 13. W.Bro. W. A. Carveth; 14. W.Bro. A. A. Campbell, M.D.; 15. V.W.Bro. Dean Maxwell; 16. W.M. W. R. Carveth; 17. V.W.Bro. H. Minchinton; 18. R.W.Bro. A. L. Tinker; 19. W.Bro. J. L. Rook.

Yr.	Master	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Treasurer	
1857 1858	Kivas Tully	S. B. Campbell	H. B. Bostwick	Joseph Lyons	
1859	Kivas Tully	L. L. Levey	D. Morrison	Joseph Lyons	
1860	L. L. Levey	Isaac B. Taylor	Hon. R. Spence	Joseph Lyons	
1861	Isaac B. Taylor	Hon. R. Spence	John B. Riley	Kivas Tully	
1862	Hon. R. Spence	Geo. Davidson	Sam G. Levey	Kivas Tully Kivas Tully	
1863	Hon. R. Spence	Thomas Sargant	R. J. Kimball	Kivas Tully	
1864	R. J. Kimball	Mark H. Irish	Jno. Segsworth	Kivas Tully	
1865	R. J. Kimball	Ino. Segsworth	D. Campbell, M.D.	Kivas Tully	
1866	Jno. Segsworth	W. H. Archer	Mark Solomon	Kivas Tully	
1867	Jno. Segsworth	W. H. Archer	Ias. Summers	Kivas Tully	
1868	Jno. Segsworth	Robt. Robinson	J. Howson, M.D.	Kivas Tully	
1869	Robt. Robinson	Fred Clarke	William Lane	J. Segsworth	
1870	Robt. Robinson	Fred Clarke	F. Pearson	Geo. Brunt	
1871	W. H. Archer	Jos. Howson, M.D.	J. B. Nixon	A. Patterson	
1872	W. H. Archer	Jos. Howson, M.D.	J. Graham	J. P. Dunn	
1873	Jos. Howson, M.D.	J. Summers	G. C. Moore	R. T. Coady	
1874	G. C. Moore	A. Patterson	R. T. Coady	S. Harris	
1875	G. C. Moore	A. Patterson	R. T. Coady	S. Harris	
1876	Alex. Patterson	R. T. Coady	Jos. Wright	S. Harris	
1877	R. T. Coady	Jos. Wright	F. A. Skelton	S. Harris	
1878	Jos. Wright	H. McCaw	H. Sheard	S. Harris	
1879	Hugh McCaw	H. Sheard	A. R. Riches	S. Harris	
1880 1881	Henry Sheard	A. R. Riches	W. Grant	S. Harris	
1881	Henry Sheard	A. R. Riches	W. Grant	S. Harris	
1883	A. R. Riches	J. Raffan	J. Clare	S. Harris	
1884	J. Raffan	J. Clare	S. Brown	H. McCaw	
1885	J. Clare	S. Brown	J. S. King, M.D.	H. McCaw	
1886	S. Brown	J. S. King, M.D.	F. Hillock	H. McCaw	
1887	J. S. King, M.D. S. Brown	F. Hillock	C. W. Henderson	H. McCaw	
1888	R. Oliver	R. Oliver	G. K. M. Clarke	H. McCaw	
1889	J. Firstbrook	G. K. M. Clarke	J. Firstbrook	H. McCaw	
1890	G. K. M. Clarke	G. K. M. Clarke T. Pierdon	T. Pierdon G. Moir	H. McCaw	9
1891	T. Pierdon	G. Moir		H. McCaw	
1892	G. Moir	J. Akers	J. Akers	H. McCaw	
1893	I. Akers	J. W. McAdam	J. W. McAdam F. H. Herbert	H. McCaw	
1894	T. Pierdon	F. H. Herbert	G. Duthie, Jr.	H. McCaw H. McCaw	
1895	F. H. Herbert	G. Duthie, Jr.	J. W. Johnson	H. McCaw	
1896	Geo. Duthie, Jr.	J. W. Johnson	E. M. Carleton	S. Brown	
1897	J. W. Johnson	E. M. Carleton	J. J. Gee, M.D.	S. Brown	
1898	E. M. Carleton	J. J. Gee, M.D.	J. J. Gee, M.D. I. A. Carveth	S. Brown	
1899	J. J. Gee, M.D.	J. A. Carveth	Geo. McLeish	S. Brown	
1900	J. A. Carveth	Geo. McLeish	J. W. Siddall	S. Brown	
1901	Geo. McLeish	J. W. Siddall	Thomas A. Duff	S. Brown	
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Secretary	Senior Deacon	Junior Deacon	I.G.	Yr.
L. L. Levey	James E. Smith	Jos. Hodgson	Wm. Johnston	1857 1858
Isaac B. Taylor	David De Forest	John H. Sells	F. H. Smith	1859
P. C. Learned	John B. Riley	D. L. Callisher	R. J. Kimball	1860
R. J. Kimball	Geo. Davidson	Thos. Sargant	D. L. Callisher	1861
R. J. Kimball	A. Shack	Ino. Segsworth	F. M. Upton	1862
Jno. Segsworth	M. Willoughby	Mark H. Irish	Robert Carroll	1863
B. Gilbert	Robert Carroll	Henry Joselin	Chas. Levey	1864
Wm. H. Archer	Robert Carroll	Henry Joselin	Chas. Levey	1865
W. J. Harper	James Summers	John Haller	Frank Hillock	1866
Alex. Patterson	Frank Hillock	E. Medcalf	John Ford	1867
Alex. Patterson	Wm. Lane	Wm. Forbes	R. Segsworth	1863
Frank Hillock	Samuel Harris	G. C. Patterson	R. Segsworth	1869
I. B. Nixon	James Leslie	W. H. Treblicock	H. A. Collins	1870
R. T. Coady	G. C. Moore	John Hillcock	R. T. Coady	1871
C. Callighan	G. C. Moore	John Ford	W. Allingham	1872
C. Callighan	Ino. Ford	W. R. Gregory	W. Allingham	1873
C. Callighan	W. Allingham	A. M. Jarvis	Jos. Wright	1874
J. Wright	W. Allingham	A. M. Jarvis	A. Stuttaford	1875
N. Agnew, M.D.	F. A. Skelton	A. M. Jarvis	George Reid	1876
A. R. Riches	A. Stuttaford	E. Field	H. Sheard	1877
A. R. Riches	W. Grant	I. Poucher	W. F. Addison	1878
W. Grant	I. Phillips	W. Downie	George Barrett	1879
J. Raffan	G. Ellacott	R. A. Wilson	S. Brown	1880
J. Raffan	G. Ellacott	S. Brown	I. Clare	1881
G. K. M. Clarke	S. Brown	R. Oliver	I. A. Mills	1882
G. K. M. Clarke	F. Hillock	F. Adams	J. S. King, M.D.	1883
Ino. Donogh	I. Akers	W. Kennedy	J. Mackay	1884
C. W. Henderson	T. Pierdon	J. Mackay	R. Brereton	1885
J. Oliver	J. Mackay	J. J. Hall	S. J. Price	1886
J. Firstbrook	S. J. Price	J. Harris	G. Moir	1887
J. McKay	G. Moir	H. Linall	W. E. Southgate	1888
G. Moir	H. Linall	S. I. Price	W. E. Southgate	1889
I. W. McAdam	D. D. Smith	A. C. Neff	J. Hewlett	1890
I. W. McAdam	F. H. Herbert	J. D. Bland	G. Duthie, Jr.	1891
A. C. Neff	G. Duthie, Ir.	G. E. Edgell	W. Lowes	1892
G. Duthie, Jr.	R. S. Hudson	J. J. Gee, M.D.	J. W. Johnson	1893
J. W. Johnson	J. J. Gee, M.D.	A. I. Morrison	I. A. Carveth	1894
E. M. Carleton	G. E. Edgell	I. A. Carveth	T. Hook	1895
I. J. Gee, M.D.	Ino. Alexander	David Collie	R. Wilson	1896
J. A. Carveth	David Collie	W. J. Mills	Geo. M. Arnold	1897
Geo. McLeish	E. C. Davenport	C. H. R. Riches	T. A. Duff	1898
F. W. Spink	T. A. Duff	S. N. Hughes	J. H. Duthie	1899
Γ. A. Duff	T. D. Jackson	R. J. Reade, D.D.S.	L. A. Archambault	1900
S. N. Hughes	R. J. Reade, M.D.	R. F. Segsworth	W. P. Thompson, M.D.	1901

Yr.	Master	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Treasurer
1902	J. W. Siddall	Thomas A. Duff	S. N. Hughes	S. Brown
1903 1904	Thomas A. Duff S. N. Hughes	S. N. Hughes R. F. Segsworth	R. F. Segsworth W. P. Thomson,	S. Brown S. Brown
1905	R. F. Segsworth	W. P. Thomson, M.D.	M.D. J. S. Simmons	S. Brown
1906	W. P. Thomson, M.D.	J. S. Simmons	F. Edmand	S. Brown
1907	J. S. Simmons	Carl Lehmann	W. E. Tibbits	S. Brown
1908 1909	Carl Lehmann E. B. Fletcher	W. E. Tibbitts Jos. Oliver	E. B. Fletcher D. A. Lynn	S. Brown S. Brown
1910	Joseph Oliver	D. A. Lynn	E. A. Lewis	S. Brown
1911	D. A. Lynn	E. A. Lewis	H. Minchinton	S. Brown
1912	E. A. Lewis	H. Minchinton	W. A. Maclaren, D.D.S.	S. Brown
1913	W. A. Maclaren, D.D.S.	N. Duperow	C. Spanner	S. Brown
1914	H. Minchinton	C. Spanner	W. H. Black	S. Brown
1915	Chas. Spanner	W. H. Black	R. T. Lewis	S. Brown
1916	W. H. Black	R. T. Lewis	E. B. Price	S. Brown
1917	R. T. Lewis	E. B. Price	George Ross	S. Brown
1918	E. B. Price	George Ross	John B. Mill	
1919	George Ross	John B. Mill	D. S. Williams	S. Brown
1920	John B. Mill	D. S. Williams	The state of the s	S. Brown
1921	D. S. Williams	Jos. H. Hughes	Jos. H. Hughes W. A. Drummond	S. Brown
1922	Jos. H. Hughes	A. H. Toppin	W. M. Bowman	S. Brown
1923	A. H. Toppin	W. M. Bowman	W. P. Johnson	S. Brown
1924	W. M. Bowman	W. P. Johnson	R. G. Ward	S. Brown
1925	W. P. Johnson	R. G. Ward	A. A. Campbell	S. Brown S. Brown
1926	R. G. Ward	W. A. Drummond	A. A. Campbell	
1927	W. A. Drummond	A. A. Campbell	L. B. Campbell	S. Brown S. Brown
1928	A. A. Campbell	L. B. Campbell	G. H. Gilday	
1929	L. B. Campbell	G. H. Gilday	J. L. Rook	S. Brown S. Brown
1930	G. H. Gilday	I. L. Rook	W. A. Carveth	S. Brown
1931	J. L. Rook	W. A. Carveth	I. W. Beatty	S. Brown
1932	W. A. Carveth	J. W. Beatty	W. V. McClure	S. Brown
1933	J. W. Beatty	W. V. McClure	F. P. Lush	S. Brown
1934	W. V. McClure	F. P. Lush	G. D. Maxwell	S. Brown
1935	F. P. Lush	And so Asserted		J. S. Simmons
1936	G. Dean Maxwell	G. Dean Maxwell	E. Fraser Raney	J. S. Simmons
1937	E. Fraser Raney	E. Fraser Raney	C. M. Cook	J. S. Simmons
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Secretary	Senior Deacon	Junior Deacon	I.G.	Yr.
R. F. Segsworth	W. P. Thomson, M.D.	A. McK. McCaw	H. H. Shaver	1902
W. P. Thomson J. S. Simmons	H. H. Shaver Frank Edmand	J. S. Simmons Carl Lehmann	S. McK. Brown Henry Puddy	1903 1904
S. McK. Brown	Carl Lehmann	A. T. Darragh	W. E. Tibbitts	1905
Carl Lehmann	W. E. Tibbitts	E. B. Fletcher	D. A. Lynn	1906
E. B. Fletcher	D. A. Lynn	R. W. Parkinson	E. A. Lewis	1907
D. A. Lynn R. W. Parkinson	R. W. Parkinson E. A. Lewis	E. A. Lewis Jno. C. Ross	C. Ross W. A. Maclaren, D.D.S.	1908 1909
R. W. Parkinson	H. Minchinton	W. A. Maclaren, D.D.S.	C. Spanner	1910
R. W. Parkinson	W. A. Maclaren, D.D.S.	C. Spanner	C. W. Hillock	1911
Jno. B. Mill	C. Spanner	C. W. Hillock	W. H. Black	1912
Jno. B. Mill	C. W. Hillock	H. Parker	H. E. Terry	1913
Jno. B. Mill N. G. Atcheson N. G. Atcheson W. A. Little W. A. Little W. Llew. Lawer	R. T. Lewis E. B. Price Geo. Ross Jos. H. Hughes Jos. H. Hughes Jos. H. Hughes W. A. Drummond A. H. Toppin R. G. Ward R. G. Ward A. A. Campbell L. B. Campbell L. B. Campbell G. H. Gilday J. L. Rook W. A. Carveth J. W. Beatty W. V. McClure F. P. Lush G. D. Maxwell	E. B. Price Geo. Ross Jos. H. Hughes D. S. Williams D. S. Williams W. A. Drummond A. H. Toppin W. M. Bowman W. P. Johnson A. A. Campbell L. B. Campbell G. H. Gilday G. H. Gilday J. L. Rook W. A. Carveth J. W. Beatty W. V. McClure F. P. Lush G. D. Maxwell E. Fraser Raney	W. S. Gibson Jos. H. Hughes A. E. Fielding A. E. Wright W. A. Drummond A. H. Toppin W. M. Bowman R. G. Ward A. A. Campbell L. B. Campbell G. H. Gilday J. L. Rook J. L. Rook J. L. Rook J. L. Rook W. A. Carveth J. W. Beatty Geo. Marshall F. P. Lush G. D. Maxwell E. Fraser Raney C. M. Cook	1914 1915 1916 1917 1918 1919 1920 1921 1922 1923 1924 1925 1926 1927 1928 1929 1930 1931 1932 1933
W. Llew. Lawer	E. Fraser Raney	C. M. Cook	Geo. S. Ross	1934
W. Llew. Lawer W. Llew. Lawer W. Llew. Lawer	C. M. Cook Claude V. Weir W. D. Proctor	Geo. S. Ross W. Douglas Proctor Percy Pickett	Claude V. Weir Percy Pickett C. J. Hewitt	1935 1936 1937

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Yr.	Master	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Treasurer
1938	C. M. Cook	C. V. Weir	W. D. Proctor	J. S. Simmons
1939	C. V. Weir	W. D. Proctor	Percy Pickett	J. L. Rook
1940	W. D. Proctor	Percy Pickett	C. J. Hewitt	J. L. Rook
1941	Percy Pickett	C. J. Hewitt	R. L. Connell	J. L. Rook
1942	C. J. Hewitt	R. L. Connell	F. J. MacRae	J. L. Rook
1943	C. J. Hewitt	F. J. MacRae	M. C. Drysdale	J. L. Rook
1944	F. J. MacRae	M. C. Drysdale	I. R. Picard	J. L. Rook
1945	M. C. Drysdale	I. R. Picard	F. T. Gerow	J. L. Rook
1946	I. R. Picard	F. T. Gerow	C. J. E. Lawer	J. L. Rook
1947	F. T. Gerow	C. J. E. Lawer	R. L. Clarke	J. L. Rook
1948	C. J. E. Lawer	R. L. Clarke	D. G. Brown	J. L. Rook
1949	R. L. Clarke	D. G. Brown	G. D. Hay	W. V. McClure
1950	D. G. Brown	G. D. Hay	C. H. Thompson	W. V. McClure
1951	G. D. Hay	C. H. Thompson	H. E. McCallum	W. V. McClure
1952	C. H. Thompson	H. E. McCallum	K. Sabine	W. V. McClure
1953	H. E. McCallum	K. Sabine	S. G. Elvidge	G. D. Maxwell
1954	K. Sabine	S. G. Elvidge	C. Bent	G. D. Maxwell
1955	S. G. Elvidge	C. Bent	W. R. Carveth	G. D. Maxwell
1956	C. Bent	W. R. Carveth	R. L. Anderson	G. D. Maxwell
1957	W. R. Carveth	R. L. Anderson	S. L. Burgess	G. D. Maxwell
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Secretary	Senior Deacon	Junior Leacon	I.G.	Yr.
W. Llew. Lawer	Percy Pickett	C. J. Hewitt	R. L. Connell	1938
W. Llew. Lawer	C. J. Hewitt	R. L. Connell	A. Hawthorne	1939
W. Llew. Lawer	R. L. Connell	A. Hawthorne	A. L. Vokes	1940
W. Llew. Lawer	A. Hawthorne	F. J. MacRae	M. C. Drysdale	1941
W. Llew. Lawer	M. C. Drysdale	I. R. Picard	G. S. Marshall	1942
W. Llew. Lawer	I. R. Picard	F. T. Gerow	C. J. E. Lawer	1943
W. Llew. Lawer	F. T. Gerow	C. J. E. Lawer	R. W. Brent	1944
W. Llew. Lawer	C. J. E. Lawer	R. L. Connell	R. L. Clarke	1945
W. Llew. Lawer	R. L. Clarke	D. G. Brown	G. D. Hay	1946
W. Llew. Lawer	D. G. Brown	G. D. Hay	H. H. Wilson	1947
W. V. McClure	G. D. Hay	C. H. Thompson	A. G. Liss	1948
J. L. Rook	C. H. Thompson	A. G. Liss	K. Sabine	1949
J. L. Rook	A. G. Liss	K. Sabine	S. G. Elvidge	1950
J. L. Rook	K. Sabine	S. G. Elvidge	C. Bent	1951
J. L. Rook	S. G. Elvidge	C. Bent	G. C. Anthony	1952
W. V. McClure	C. Bent	G. C. Anthony	W. R. Carveth	1953
W. V. McClure	W. R. Carveth	G. C. Anthony	W. A. Seaford	1954
C. J. E. Lawer	G. C. Anthony	R. L. Anderson	S. L. Burgess	1955
C. J. E. Lawer	S. L. Burgess	A. H. Anderson	D. C. Thompson	1956
C. J. E. Lawer	A. H. Anderson	D. C. Thompson	W. A. Robinson	1957