

at which 181 sat down and during the evening the New Master and Warden were sworn in before the Livery with the following ceremony:-

The Clerk having assumed his Gown proceeded to the Masters Chair with the Gath and Admission Book the Warden Elect at the same time proceeding to the Masters Chair unrobed the Beadle and 2 others bringing up the Masters and Wardens Gowns

The Master Elect then read his Declaration out loud and signed the Admission Book and the retiring Master took off his Chain and Badge and placed it round the new Masters neck and put on his Past Masters Badge

The Beadle then robed the new Master in his Masters gown and the new Master took the Masters chair the retiring Master sitting on his immediate left

The Clerk then read the new Wardens joint Declaration to them and the new Senior and Junior Wardens signed the roll and were invested with their Wardens Badges and Gowns

The Wardens and Clerk then proceeded to their seats

The retiring Master then proposed the new Masters health and introduced him to the Livery and the new Master returned thanks the new Master Warden and Clerk keeping on their gowns until this had been done