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# WBro. A J C Hall

## *The Prince Of Wales Lodge No.1338*



Alfred Joseph Charles Hall was born in Auckland in 1871, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hall.

Alfred's career was in teaching. He started as a pupil teacher at Kaireranga Boys School and passed his teaching examination in 1895.

He was the first teacher at the Netherton school, between Thames and Paeroa, starting when it opened in 1890. He later returned to Auckland where he taught at the Nelson Street School before being appointed as Headmaster for Otahuhu School.

He was elected an officer of the Auckland District Institute of the NZ Educational Institute and, as such, represented his fellow teachers at a number of conferences.

In 1920, at a meeting of primary school teachers, he seconded a motion "That at present it would be inadvisable that teachers should be asked to give instruction in the schools on sex hygiene"

In 1896 he married Kathleen Matilda Kidd. The family lived in Thames before returning to Auckland where they spent many years in Grey Lynn before eventually moving to Mt Eden.

He joined the Prince of Wales' Lodge in December 1898 and served as Master in 1906.

In 1908, the lodge received an offer of a donation from Bro. Magee to start the lodge benevolent fund. Alfred proposed acceptance of the offer and the fund is still going strong over 100 years later.

In 1907 he was one of the foundation members of the United Masters Research Lodge, No. 167 NZC.

In District he was appointed DGStwd in 1906, DGDC in 1908 and DSGD in 1913.

### *Sources:*

*Contemporary newspaper reports*



He was appointed District Grand Steward in 1906, District Grand Director of Ceremonies in 1908, and District Senior Grand Deacon in 1913.

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The Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 1338, under the United Grand Lodge of England, was founded on the 18th day of December, 1869, and consecrated on Thursday, the 28th day of September, 1871, at the Masonic Hotel, Princes Street, Auckland, by Bro. J.J. Fitzgibbon, Past Master of the Waitemata Lodge, No. 689, E.C.



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