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To Honor Worthy Matron whose name is "Mary," or, by changing "Mary" to the W.M.'s name, it can be used for one whose first station was Martha; or one who is honoring that station. Other watchwords can be substituted for "Peace and Harmony." Short speaking parts for 16 officers. Properties needed; toy lamb with Star Point colors in bows for lamb's neck. Presentation of gifts from officers.

To be given under "Good of the Order." Invite the Sentinel in for the program and have a substitute assume that station. A.M. will request permission for the officers to make presentation.

ASSOCIATE MATRON: Sister Mary,

As you begin your year in the East
We know "Peace and Harmony" will prevail
For you have those certain qualities
That will not let you fail.

We want to express our faith in you
And the projects you plan to start,
And to tell you we'll be standing by
With ready hands to do our part.

Sister Conductress, please escort our Worthy Matron to visit her officers.

(Martha follows Cond. to East carrying the "lamb" which may be a toy or of styrofoam with a green bow on its neck.)

CONDUCTRESS: Sister Mary,

Your officers have many good wishes for you
And I am happy to escort you around
To listen to all their messages
That have such a loving sound.

(Cond. extends her hand and W.M. steps down
from dais)

MARTHA (stepping up to W.M.): Sister Mary,

"Mary had a little lamb,"
Is an old familiar rhyme,
So I now present to "Our Mary,"
A little lamb to have all the time.

For the lamb is symbolic of Martha,
The station at which you made a start
(Or: Whose teachings of faith and hope I
impart)
And we feel that having this lamb of faith
Will be a comfort to your heart. (Gives lamb)

(Martha returns to her station and Cond. escorts
W.M. to officers in turn)

TREASURER: Sister Mary,

I bring loving and sincere wishes
For "Peace and Harmony" all year,
And a pledge that as I balance the books,
A shortage you need not fear.

CHAPLAIN: Sister Mary,

The lamb of faith will guide you
And His book will open at your touch,
For His Word is needed every day
And will help you very much.

ELECTA: Sister Mary,

May the love of every member
Promote "Peace and Harmony" this year,
That is my loving wish for you
For we think you are truly a dear.
(puts red bow next to green on lamb's neck)

ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS: Sister Mary,

May the paths you walk be happy
And filled with pure delight,
Is my wish for you, dear Mary,
On this - your first meeting night.

ORGANIST: Sister Mary,

I'm proud of my beautiful emblem
And will work hard all this year
To keep the music of my lyre
Always in tune - sweet and clear.

ESTHER: Sister Mary,

May the loyalty of every member
Fill your heart with joy and pride,
That's my wish for you, dear Mary,
As we serve our Chapter, side by side.
(puts white bow next to green on lamb's neck)

RUTH: Sister Mary,

May the constancy of all members
Abide with you through the days,
That's my wish for you, dear Mary,
As you lead us in Eastern Star ways.
(puts yellow bow next to white)

ADAH: Sister Mary,

May fidelity light your way this year,
And may all your skies be blue,
That's my wish for you, dear Mary
As you lead us in Eastern Star ways.
(puts blue bow next to yellow)

SECRETARY: Sister Mary,

The good deeds of my companions this year
I will write in a record true,
That's my pledge to you tonight
As "Peace and Harmony" shine through.

MARSHAL: Sister Mary,

This will be a year of friendship
With "Peace and Harmony" as our guide
And our efforts to live up to those words
Will keep us working side by side.

SENTINEL: Sister Mary,

Though I have to stand outside the door,
Tonight I can come inside
To bring a wish that all this year
"Peace and Harmony" will abide.

WARDER: Sister Mary,

I'm the last to bring good wishes for you
And my promise to strive for quietness at
the door,
To work with you all through this year
Will be a joy to me forevermore.

(WORTHY MATRON is escorted to East)

SOLOIST: (Tune: "Whiffenpoof Song")

We are good little lambs who will follow you

Bahl Bahl Bahl

Whatever you wish we will carry through

Bahl Bahl Bahl

We come from the North, the East, the West,
We come from the South to do our best,
It's up to you to do the rest.

Bahl Bahl

(A.M and A.P. approach East with gifts from
the officers)

ASSOCIATE MATRON: Sister Mary,

There are many famous Marys
Known from here to Zanzibar,
There was Mary, the Mother of Jesus,
Who first saw His wondrous Star.

There was Mary, the sister of Martha,
Whose brother was raised from the dead,
There were seven Queen Marys of England
And each wore a crown on her head.

A "Mary," famous in nursery rhyme,
Had a lamb that was white as snow
And it followed her most faithfully
Wherever she might go.

You rank with those famous Marys
And, like lambs, we will follow along,
For we think you'll long be remembered
In _____ Chapter story and song.

Yes, the world has many Marys
Famous all over the land,
But for us there is only one Mary
The (use last name) that we think is grand.

This gift we bring is our promise
That "Faithful lambs" we will be,
And through the year that lies ahead
We will follow - follow thee.

ASSOCIATE PATRON; Brother _____,

We've many good wishes to bring to you
As this year of service you start,
Although we don't have a little lamb for you,
We have best wishes from the heart.

But a "lamb" is only a symbol
And we've a different symbol for you;
This gift I present from your officers
Symbolizes affection - honest and true.

SOLOIST: (Tune: "Whiffenpoof Song")

You're one little lamb who won't go astray

Bahl Bahl Bahl

You won't get home until break of day

Bahl Bahl Bahl

In the East is no place to stay-

You'll be good 'til the Judgment Day -

If you scold us, you'll hear us say:

Baaaahl Ba-a-a-hl Ba-a-a-a-hl

MUSIC placed as A.M. and A.P. return to stations.
