LIGHTS OF STARVILLE

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Characters-

Installing Officer, Installing Marshal, Adah, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa.

Costumes-

As desired

Time-

Eight minutes

Properties-

1 Flower Basket
5 Small Bouquets—
(one each of Blue, Yellow, White, Green and Red-flowers)

Scene-

Chapter Room - full set
Basket of flowers "beside the Worthy Matron's pedestal"
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Basket of flowers beside the Worthy Matron's pedestal

Installing Officer-

Sister Marshal, you will conduct our Sisters to their stations.

(Installing Marshal conducts the Star Points to their respective stations, inarches to the east, picks up flower basket, marches to position on east of altar. Faces west)

Installing Officer-

My Sisters, along the Streets of Starville at the twilight hour children wonder at the darkening sky and the new stars. Vesper songs are sung. Friends remember absent friends and fellow them with wish and prayer. Each little house has its lighted window-pane. Lights which cheer the wayfarer onward; lights which are ever shining from windows fraternal in all the world; lights of Fidelity, of Constancy, of Loyalty, of Hope and of Love.

"O, little lights of Star-Town
That gem the city's crown.
What friendship lies within you
O, lights of Starville Town?"

Such, my Sisters, are the Lights of Starville. To each of you will I give one symbolizing each with a color and a flower. Sister Adah, Fidelity's light of blue; Sister Ruth, Constancy's light of yellow; Sister Esther, Loyalty's light of white; Sister Martha, Hope's light of green; Sister Electa, Love's light of red.

Plant these flowers of color and light in your gardens fraternal and as borders beside the pathway to your doors. Through them shall your days bring you no discontent and your nights no loneliness, for they grow only beside ways of pleasantness and paths of peace and in them liveth the spirit fraternal.

(Installing Marshal marches out to position beside Adah, passes "blue flowers to Adah, thence to Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa, passing to each their respective flowers)

(Installing Marshal marches to position in the east "between Adah's and Electa's chairs. Bows to the Star Points)

(Star Points are seated)
(Installing Marshal turns, marches in a circle around on outside of Star Point chairs to her station)