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OPENING CEREMONIES

At th tme dsgrtd f opng th L evry mmbrr
shld be drsd i wht aprn nd glvs, th W.M. mnts
th rstrm, gvs one rp f attnt nd th ofcs tk thr
sttns nd th W.M. annucs:

W.M.: Brn, I m ab t opn a L o M.M. f th
dsptch o bsns nd tnk u f yr attnt nd asstnc.

Is t T o th L prst, if s h wll aprc t E.

T. (*Th T. does so.*)

W.M.: Yr plc i th L, Br T?

T. Wtht th inr dr, W.M.

W.M.: Yr dt thr?

T.: T kp o al cs nd evs, nd se tht nn p o
rp xcpt sh a ae dl qlf an hv pms fm th
W.M.

W.M.: Rcv ths implt o yr ofc, rtr t yr plc
nd b thr actv i th dschrg o yr dt. Br. J.D.,
se tht th T is at hs plc nd cls th dr.

W.M.: Br. S.W.

S.W.:W.M.

W.M.: Ae u stsf d tht al prsn ae qlfd t sit i
a L o M.Ms.

S.W.:I wl astn thr m prp ofc nd rpt. Br. J.D.

J.D. (*Tks stff nd stps i fr o S.W.*) :Br. S.W.

S.W.: Ascrt if al prsn ae qlfd t sit i a L. o

M. Ms.

J.D. (*Ps ard o bth sds o L. If h ss ny strgrs, h wl paus nd rpt*) : Br. S. W.

S.W.: Br J.D.

J.D.: Hr i a gntlm fr whm I cnt vch as a M M.

S.W.: Cs th gntlm to rs.

J.D. (*to stngr*): Pls rs.

S.W.: Wl ny br prs vch fr ths gntlm as a M M.
(*If vchd fr*) : Th vch i acptd.

(*If nt, trns t stngr*) : Pls rtr fr a fw mts untl a cmmt cn b aptd t xmn u.

J.D. (*bfr S.W. stat*) : Br. S.W.

S.W.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Al prsn ae M. Ms. (*Takes hs plc.*)

S.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: I m stsf d tht al prsn ae qlfd t sit i a L.
o M.Ms.

W.M.: As fth evdc tht al prsn ae M Ms. rcv
th p w frm th S an J Dcs, wh wl obt it fm
th Bn o th r nd l, nd cmc it i th E.

S.W.: Dcs aprc th W. (*Th mt w o Al an aprc
tgh.*) Gv me th pw o a M M. (*Dn.*) Nw obt
i fm th brn o th R an L an cmmt i t th
W.M. i th E.

Ds. (*Prc, ea o hs sd o th L. If th r ny wtht*

th ps wrd thy wl stp a bfr an rpt) : W.M.
W.M.: Br S (o J) D.

D.: Thr i confs i th crft.

W.M.: Wh i th cs o th confs.

D.: A br wtht th pw.

W.M.: Cs the br t rse.

D. (*t th Br*) : Pls rse.

W.M.: Wl ny br prs vch fr th br a a M. M.
i gd stng? (*If vh fr*) : Th vh is acpt. (To
th D.) : Invst hm wth th pw nd rc i fm
hm. (*If nt vchd fr, the W.M. will ask hm t rtr
fr a fw mnts nd appt a cmmt t xmn hm.*)

Ds. (*Continues an thn cmc p.w t th W. M.
in th E. Ds go t thir plcs.*)

W.M.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Th pw is rt an dl rcvd i th E.

W. M. (o)

J. D. (rss)

W.M.: Br. J.D. th fs dt o cngrgtd Essnes?

J. D.: Se tht th L is dl tl, W.M.

W.M.: Atn t tht prt o yr dt nd infm th T tht
w r ab t opn a L o M.M's i ths plc f th
dsptch o bss, nd drc hm t tl acly.

J. D. (*Prcds t th dr, op it nd infms th T, thn
cls th dr nd gvs 3 rps.*)

T. (ooo)

J. D. (o)

T. (o)

J.D.: (*Rtns t hs plc nd rpts.*): Th T hs bn infmd, W.M., nd th L is dl tl.

W. M.: Hw tl, Br.J.D. nd by whm?

J.D.: Wth scrcy nd brthrly lv, als by a bro o ths dgr stnd wth th inr dr, ard wth th implt o hs ofc.

W. M.: Hs dt thr?

J. D.: T kp o cs nd evs, se tht nn p o rp xcpt sh a ae dl qlf an hv pms fm th W.M.

W. M. (o)

S. W.: (*rss*)

W.M.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Ae u a M.M.

S.W.: I m.

W.M.: Wt indcd u t bcm a M. M.

S.W.: Tht I mt obt th M's wd; trv i frn cntrs, wk an rc ms ws an b thb btr enbl'd t sppt msl nd fml an cntrb to th rlf o dstrd wth M.Ms, thr wds an orphs.

W.M.: Wt mks u a M. M.

S.W.: M obl.

W.M.: Whr wr u md a M. M.

S.W.: Wthn the bd o a js an rgl cnstd L o M.Ms, asmbd i a plc rprstg th unfnsh S. Snc o K. S. T. frns wth th HB, S an C, tght wth a chrt o dspnst fm sm G. Bd o cmpt jsdc emprng i t wk.

W.M.: Hw mny cnstitut a M. M. L.

S.W.: Thr.

W.M.: Hw mny mprv i?

S.W.: Fv, W.M.

W.M.: Hw mny mk i prft?

S.W.: Svn.

W.M.: Whn cmprs o svn, o whm ds i cns.

S.W.: Th W.M., S. an J. W., Trs, Sec., S. nd J.D.

W.M.: Th J.D. plc in th L.

S.W.: At t rgt nd in frnt o t S. W. in t W.

W.M.: (o) (*J.D. rss*) Wht is yr dt, Br. J.D.

J.D.: To cr ords fm t S. W. to t J. W. nd elsw arnd t L as h ma drc nd to tk chr o t dr.

W.M.: Br. J.D., t S. D. sttn in t L.

J.D.: To t rgt nd in frnt of t W. M.

W.M.: (oo) (*al ofcrs rs.*) Yr dt thr, Br. S.D.

S.D.: To cr ords fm t W. M. to t S. W. nd elsw arnd t L as h ma drc; to ntrod nd acomdt vstg brn nd to rc nd cnd cand.

W.M.: T Sect plc in t L.

S.D.: On th lf o th W.M.

W.M.: Br Sec

Sec :W.M.

W.M.: Ur dts.

Sec.: To dl obs th W.M's wll nd pls i rcdng th prcdg o ths L, trnsmt a cpy o th sm t th G.L. if rqrd; rc al mnys pd nto th L, py thm ovr t th Treas, tkng hs rcpt thrfo.

W.M.: Th Trs plc in t L. Br. Sec.

Sec.: On t rgt o t W. M. in t E, Wor.

W.M.: Br. Trs, yr dts thr.

Trs.: To rc al mnys pd nto th L frm th hns o th Sect; t kp a js nd rglr acct o th sm; nd py thm ou agn by odr o th W.M., wth cnsnt o th brn.

W.M.: Th J.Ws. sttn in t L.

Trs.: In t S, Wor.

W.M.: Br. J. W., wy in t S nd yr dts thr.

J.W.: As t su in t S a mrd i t glr nd bty o t dy, s stns t J. W. in t S btr to obsr t tm to cl t cf fm lb to rfsm, spntnd thm drn t hrs thrf, se tht nn cnvrt t mns o rfsm nto tht o intmpc or xcs; cl thm t lb agn by ord o t W. M. in t E, tht h ma hv hnr nd thy plsr nd prft thby.

W.M.: Th S. Ws sttn in t L.

J.W.: In t W, Wor.

W.M.: Br. S.W., wy in t W nd yr dt thr.

S.W.: As t su i i t W a t cls o dy, so stn t S.W. i t W t ast t W.M. i opn nd cls t L., pay t cf thei wgs if ny b du, se tht nn go awa dstsf, if i my pwr t prvt. Hrmn bng t sppt nd strngt o al instts, mr especly ths o ous.

W.M.: Th W.M. sttn in t L.

S.W.: In t E, Wor.

W.M.: Wy in t E nd hs dt thr.

S.W.: As t su rss i t E t opn nd gv t dy, so rss t W.M. i t E (*W.M. rss*) t opn nd gv hs L, st t cf to wk nd gve thm prp instn.

W.M.: (ooo — *al rs*) Br. S.W. it i my wll tht ths—Lodge No.—M.M. b nw opnd on th 3 dgr o Msry, f th rglr dsptch o bsns; drn whch tm al prvt cmmtts or oth irrglr nd unmsnc cndt tndg t dstb th pce nd hrmn o th sm whl pcfly engd i th lwfl prsut o Msry r strictly frbdn, und no ls a pnt thn a mjrt o th brn prst, actng und th by-lws o ths L ma se cse t infic. Ths u wll cmmuc t th J.W. nd h t th brn, tht thy havg du nd tmly ntc ma gv thslv acly.

S.W.: Br. J.W. it i th ord o th W.M. tht ths L b nw opnd on th 3 dgr o Msry f th rglr dsptch o bsns; drn whch tm al

prvt cmmmts or oth irrglr nd unmsnc cndt tndg t dstb th pce nd hrnm o th sm whl pcfly engd i th lwfl prsut o Msry r strictly frbdn, und no ls a pnt thn a mjrt o th brn prst, actng und th by-lws o ths L ma se cse t infc. Ths u wil cmmuc t th brn tht thy, havg du nd tmly ntc ma gvn thslv acly.

J.W.: Brn, it hs bn cmmc-d t m frm th E by wy o th W tht it i th wll o ou W.M. tht ths Lodge No—M.M. b nw opnd on th 3 dgr o Msry f th rglr dsptch o bsns, drn whch tm al prvt cmmmts or oth irrglr nd unmsnc cndt tndg t dstb th pce nd hrnm o th sm whl pcfly engd i th lwfl prsut o Msry r strictly frbdn, und no ls a pnt thn a mjrt o th brn prst, actng und th by-lws o ths L ma se cse t infc. Tk du ntc nd gvn ysls acly.

W.M.: Lk t th E, brn, al tgth on th sgns. (*Th brn al fce twds th W.M. whn, led by hm al jn i gvg th st, d-g nd & o E.A., F.C., M.M., nd th hlg & o dst.*)

W.M. (Rmvs ht): Brn. gv yr attn t th Chpln. (THIS OR A VOLUNTARY PRAYER MAY BE USED)

Chaplain: Most holy and glorious Lord God,

the Great Architect of the Universe, the Giver of all good gifts and graces, Thou hast promised that "where two or three are gathered together in Thy name, Thou wilt be in their midst, and bless them." In Thy name we have assembled, and in Thy name we desire to proceed in all our doings.

Grant that the sublime principles of Free Masonry may so subdue every discordant passion within us, so harmonize and enrich our hearts with Thine own love and goodness, that the Lodge at this time may humbly reflect that order and beauty which reign forever before Thy throne. Amen.

(Or)

May the favor of God, refreshing as the dew of Hermon and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion, abide with and govern us in all our proceedings. Amen.

All.: S mt i be.

(Ode sng.)

W.M.: Opening Charge

The ways of virtue are beautiful. Knowledge is attained by degrees. Wisdom dwells in contemplation: there we must seek her. Let us then, brethren, apply ourselves with becoming zeal to

the practice of the excellent principles inculcated by our order. Let us ever remember that the great objects of our association are the restraint of improper desires and passions, the cultivation of an active benevolence, and the promotion of a correct knowledge of the duties we owe to God, to our neighbor, and to ourselves. Let us be united, and practice with assiduity the sacred tenets of our order. Let all private animosities, if any unhappily exist, give place to affection and brotherly love. It is useless parade to talk of the subjection of irregular passions within the walls of the Lodge, if we permit them to triumph in our daily intercourse with each other. Uniting in the grand design, let us be happy ourselves, and endeavor to promote the happiness of others. Let us cultivate the great moral virtues which are laid down on our Masonic Trestle Board and improve in everything that is good, amiable and useful. Let the benign Genius of the Mystic Art preside over our councils, and under her sway, let us act with a dignity becoming the high moral character of our venerable institution.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Attn th Al.

S.D.: (*Gs to W o Al, dsply lgts, gvs &, rpts, nd rtn t hs plc.*)

W.M.: I nw dcl ths ——— Lodge No ———,
F.&A.M., erect t God nd hld frth t th mst
Holy Sts John, opnd i du nd mpl frm. Br.
J.D.

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Inf th T.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th L is op o th thd dgr.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th T is infmd, Wor, nd th L is dl tl.

W.M.: If thr ar prs ny prst or pst G Offc,
prs o pst Mstrs, thy ar cordy nd frty inv
to a st in th E. (o)

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call of Officers
 Reading of **Minutes**
 Report of Sick and Distressed
 Reading and referring petitions
 Report of committee on candidates
 Balloting on candidates
 Ballot Box t b pled upn th A, nd ech mbr
 prs **MUST** cst hs balt i scrt, bgn-ng wth
 th W.M., S.W., J.W., nd s on dwn th In.
 Report on standing committees
 Reading communications
 Unfinished **business**
 New business
 Work (Initiation)

CLOSING THD.

A Lecture must be given before proceeding.

W.M.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Hv u nythg t brg bfr th L bfr I
 pred t cls.

S.W. (rs) : Nthg in th W.

W.M.: Br. J.W.

J.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Nythg in th S.

J.D.: (rs) : Nthng in t S.

W.M.: Hs ny br prsn nythg t brg bfr th L
 bfr I pred to cls . (Paus.) Br. Sec.

Sec.: W.M.

W.M.: Ar u rdy wth th mnts.

Sec.: I am.

W.M.: Bn, gv yr atn t th rdng o th mnts
 o ou prst cmcn. (Sec. rds mnts.) Br. S.W.

S.W.: W.M.

W.M.: D u dscvr ny errs o oms i th mnts as
 rd.

S.W.: Nthg in th W.

W.M.: Nythg i th S, Br. J.W.

J.W.: Nthg in th S.

W.M.: Ds ny br prsn descr ny errs o oms
 i th mnts as rd. (pses) Thr bng nn, I dcl
 thm apvd as rd.

W.M. (o): Br. J.D., wht is th lst as wll as
 th fs gt cr o Essnes whn cnvnd?

J.D.: T se tht th L is dl tl, W.M.

W.M.: Attnd tht-dt nd infm th T tht I m ab
 t cls th L o M.Ms nd drc hm t tl acly.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br T.

T.: Br J.D.

J.D.: I m drc t infm u tht th W.M. i ab
t cls — L, No. —. Tk de ntc thrf nd
gv yrsl acly. (*Cls dr.*)

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: W ae d t.

W.M.: Hw tl, Br. J.D. nd by whm?

J.D.: Wth scrcy nd brthrly lv, als by a bro
o ths dgr stnd wtht th inr dr, ard wth th
implt o hs ofc.

W.M.: Hs dt thr?

J.D.: T kp o cs nd evs, se tht nn p o rp xcpt
sh a ae dl qlf an hv pms fm th W. M.

W.M.: (o) Bro. S. W.

S.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Ae u a M. M.

S.W.: I m.

W.M.: Wt indcd u t bcm a M.M.

S.W.: Tht I mt obt th M's wd, trv i frn
cntrs, wk nd rcv ms ws, an b thb btr enbld
to suppt msl nd fml an cntrb t th rlf o dstrd
wth M. Ms, thr wds an orphs.

W.M.: Wt mks u a M. M.

S.W.: M obl.

W.M. Whr wr u md a M. M.

S.W.: Wthn th bd o a js nd rgl cnstd L o
M.Ms, asmbld i a plc rpsig th unfnsh S.
Snc. o K, S. T., frns wth th H B, S nd
C, tgth wth a Chrt or dspnst fm sm G. Bd.
o cmpt jsdc emprng i t wk.

W.M.: Hw mn cmps a M Ms L.

S.W.: Thr.

W.M.: Hw mny mprv i.

S.W.: Fv, W.M.

W.M.: Hw mny mk i prft.

S.W.: Svn.

W.M.: Whn cmps o svn, o whm ds i cns.

S.W.: Th W.M. S. an J.W., Trs, Sec, S. an
J.Ds.

W.M.: Th J.D.s plc in th L.

S.W.: At t rgt nd in frnt o t S.W. in t W.

W.M.: (o) (*J.D. rss*) Wht is yr dt, Br. J.D.

J.D.: To cr ords fm t S. W. to t J. W. nd elsw

arnd t L as h ma drc nd to tk chr o t dr.
 W.M.: Br. J.D., t S. D. sttn in t L.
 J.D.: To t rgt nd in frnt of t W. M.
 W.M.: (oo) (*al ofcrs rs.*) Yr dt thr, Br. S.D.
 S.D.: To cr ords fm t W. M. to t S. W. nd
 elsw arnd t L as h ma drc; to ntrod nd
 acomdt vstg brn nd to rc nd cnd cand.
 W.M.: T Sect plc in t L.
 S.D.: On th lf o th W.M.
 W.M.: Br. Sect, yr dts thr?
 Sect.: To dl obs th W.M.'s will nd pls i rcng
 th prcdg o ths L, trnsmt a cpy o th sm
 t th G.L. if rqrd; rc all mnys pd nto th
 L, py thm ovr t th Treas. tking hs rpt
 thrfo.
 W.M.: Th Treas plc i th L, Br. Sect?
 Sect.: On th rt o th W.M. i th E, Wor.
 W.M.: Br. Treas, yr dts thr?
 Treas.: T rc al mnys pd nto t L frm th hns o th
 Sect; t kp a js nd rglr acct o th sm; nd py
 thm ou agn by ord o th W.M., with th cnsnt
 o th brn.
 W.M.: Th J.Ws. sttn in t L.
 Trs.: In t S, Wor.
 W.M.: Br. J. W., wy in t S nd yr dts thr.
 J.W.: As t su in t S a mrd i t glr nd bty o t dy,

s stns t J. W. in t S btr to obsr t tm to cl t
 cf fm lb to rfsm, spntnd thm drn t hrs thrf,
 se tht nn cvrt t mns o rfsm nto tht o intmpc
 or xcs; cl thm t lb agn by ord o t W. M. in
 t E, tht h ma hv hnr nd thy plsr nd prft thby.
 W.M.: Th S. Ws sttn in t L.
 J.W.: In t W, Wor.
 W.M.: Br. S.W., wy in t W nd yr dt thr.
 S.W.: As t su i i t W a t cls o dy, so stn t S.W.
 i t W t ast t W.M. i opn nd cls t L., pay t
 cf thei wgs if ny b du, se tht nn go awa
 dstsf, if i my pwr t prvt. Hrmn bng t sppt
 nd strngt o al instts, mr espclly ths o ous.
 W.M.: Th W.M. sttn in t L.
 S.W.: In t E, Wor.
 W.M.: Wy in t E nd hs dt thr.
 S.W.: As t su rss i t E t opn nd gv t dy, so
 rss t W.M. i t E (*W.M. rss*) t opn nd gv
 hs L, st t cf to wk nd gve thm prp instn.
 W.M.: (ooo) Br. S.W., it i m ord tht — L,
 —, b nw cls an stnd cls until its nx rgl
 cmcn, unls splc cnvd. In th mntm, it i hpd nd
 xpcd tht evr bro will dmen hm sl as a mn
 nd a Esn. Ths cmme t th J.W., an h t th
 brn tht hvg de ntc thrf thy my gv ths sls acl.
 S.W.: Br. J.W.

J.W.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: It i th ord o th W.M. tht — L,
—, b nw cls an stnd cls until its nx rgl
cmcm unls spl cnvd. In th mntm, it i hpd nd
xpctd tht evr bro will dmen hmssl as a mn
nd a Esn. Ths cmme t th brn tht hvg de
ntc thrf, thy my gv thsls acl.

J.W.: Brn, it i th ord o th W.M., cmnctd t m
thr th S.W. tht — L —, b nw cls
an stnd cls until its nx rgl cmcn, unls spl
cnvd. In th mntm, it i hpd nd xpctd tht evr
bro will dmen hmssl as a mn nd a Esn. I
cmct th sme t u tht hvg de ntc thrf u my gv
ysls acl.

W.M.: Look to the East, Br, al tgthr o th &s.
(*Th dg an sgn o ea dgr also th G.Hlg & o
dst, ae nw gvn b W.M. nd Brn.*)

W.M.: Br. S.W., hw shd Msns mt.

S.W.: On th lv.

W.M.: Nd hw ac, Br. J. W.

J.W.: B th pl.

W.M.: Nd prt upn th sq. So shd we, my
brn, ev mt, ac nd prt.

W.M.: (*Rmvs ht*) Brn, gv yr attn t th Chpln.
(THIS OR A VOLUNTARY PRAYER MAY
BE GIVEN)

Chap.: Almighty Father, we ask Thy blessing
upon the proceedings of this communication,
and as we are about to separate, we ask Thee
to keep us under Thy protecting care until
again we are called together.. Teach us, O
God, to realize the beauty of the principles of
our time-honored institution, not only while in
the Lodge, but when abroad in the world.

Subdue every discordant passion within us
and enable us to love one another in the bonds
of unity and friendship. —Amen

All.: So mote it be

W.M.: Closing Charge

Brethren: You are now to quit this sacred re-
treat of friendship and virtue, to mix again
with the outer world. Amid its concerns and
employments forget not the duties you have
heard so frequently inculcated and forcibly
recommended in this Lodge. Be diligent, pru-
dent, temperate, discreet. Remember that at this
altar you have promised to befriend and relieve
every brother who shall need your assistance.
Remember that you have promised to remind
him, in the most tender manner, of his failings,
and aid his reformation. Vindicate his character

when wrongfully traduced. Suggest, in his behalf, the most candid and favorable circumstances. Is he justly reprehended? Let the world see how Masons love one another.

These generous principles are to extend further. Every human being has a claim upon your kind offices. Do good unto all. Recommend it more especially to the household of the faithful.

By diligence in the duties of your respective callings; by liberal benevolence and diffusive charity; by constancy and fidelity in your friendships, discover the beneficial and happy effects of this ancient and honorable institution. Let it not be supposed that you have here labored in vain and spent your strength for naught; for your work is with the Lord and your recompense with your God.

Finally, Brethren, be ye all of one mind; live in peace, and may the God of love and peace delight to dwell with and bless you!

BENEDICTION

W.M.: May the blessing of Heaven rest upon us and all regular Masons. May brotherly love prevail, and every moral and social virtue cement us. —Amen.

All.: So mote it be.

W.M.: Bro S.D.

S.D.: W. M.

W.M.: Attnd at th A.

S.D.: (*Goes W of th A, gvs sgn, clses lgt, reports, nd rtrns t his plce.*)

W.M. (o), S.W. (o), J.W. (o)

W.M. (o), S.W. (o), J.W. (o)

W.M. (o), S.W. (o), J.W. (o)

W.M.: I, ———, W.M. do now declare this ———
Lodge No. ——— erected to God and dedicated t th mmry o t Holy Sts. John closed in due form.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Inform the Tiler.

J.D.: (ooo).

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Bro. Tiler

T.: Bro. J.D.

J.D.: The lodge is now closed. (*closes dr*)

W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: The Tiler is informed.

W.M.: (o)

FIRST DEGREE

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D. (*rs nd s*): W.M.

W.M.: Ascrt if ny cand's ae i wtg. If s, thr nms nd fr what dgre.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D. (*scrs nms o cndt fm T nd cls dr.*):

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br J.D.

J.D.: Mr——is i wtg fr th 1st dgr (*or*) Wth yr prsn, I wl app th E.

W.M.: Brn, Mr——i wtg fr th 1st dgr. o Esmn. He hvg bn dly acpted, if thr b no objn, I shl cnfr th dgr upn hm— (*pauses*). Thr bng n objn, I wl pred (*o*).

Brs. S and J Std. (*Bth rs an S.*)

W.M.: Hw shd a cand b prpd fo th fst dgr o Esmn.

S. Std.: By bng dvs o al mtl sbts, nth nd nr clth, bf nr sh, 1 kn an b br, hw, nd wth cbt onc ab hs nck.

W.M.: Rtr t th prprtn rom, wh Mr.—— i in wtg; whn ths prpd, caus hm t mk th usl alm a th inr dr. Bro. Sec. acmpny thm. (*Sect and Stds. rpr t th Al; Sect bet Stds. Sal, fc rt, mch to prprm.*)

W.M. (*o*): Br. J.W.

J.W. (*rs nd s*): W.M.

W.M.: Cl th crf fm lb t rfsmt, t rsm lb a th snd o th gvl in th E.

J.W. (*ooo*): Brn. (*Brn rs nd gv &.*) It i th ord o th W.M. tht u b nw cld frm lb t rfsmt t rsm lb a th snd o th gvl i th E. (*o*) (*In Prep Room*)

Sec. (*to cand*): Mr.——Is ths yr sgntr nd pet. (*Bng satfd, h conts*):

Somewhat of your motives, in applying for admission into our ancient and honorable Fraternity, we have learned from the declaration, over your signature, contained in your petition; but, in order that you may not be misled as to the character or the purpose of the ceremonies in which you are about to engage, the Lodge addresses to you these preliminary

words of advice; Freemasonry is far removed from all that is trival, selfish, and ungodly. Its structure is built upon the everlasting foundation of that God given law, the brotherhood of man in the family whose Father is God. Our ancient and honorable Fraternity welcomes to its door and admits to its privileges worthy men of all creeds and of every race, yet it insists that all men shall stand upon an exact equality and receive its instructions in a spirit of due humility, emphasizing, in demeanor, in conduct, in ceremony, and in language the helpless, groping nature of man at his birth, and his need of reliance upon Divine guidance throughout life.

You will here be taught to divest your mind and conscience of all the vices and superfluities of life, and the Lodge into which you are now to be admitted expects you to divest yourself of all those distinctions and equipments which are not in keeping with the humble, reverent, and childlike attitude it is now your duty to assume as all have done who have gone this way before you.

Sec. to candidate:- Do you declare, upon your honor, that, unbiased by the improper

solicitation of friends and uninfluenced by mercenary motives, you freely and voluntarily offer yourself a candidate for the mysteries of Freemasonry?

CANDIDATE: I do.

Sec.: Do you declare, upon your honor, that you are prompted to solicit the privileges of Freemasonry by a favorable opinion conceived of the Institution, a desire for knowledge and a sincere wish of being serviceable to your fellow creatures?

CANDIDATE: I do.

Sec.: Do you declare upon your honor that you will cheerfully conform to all the ancient usages and established customs of the fraternity?

CANDIDATE: I do.

(*Sec. colls blc o intin f an rets. to Al.*)

W.M. (o) : (*Cls th L t o*)

Sec. (*sals*) : W.M.

W.M. : Bro Sect.

Sec.: Th cand hs ansd th usl qusts i th afrmtv
nd hs pd th bal o hs intn f.

Stds. (*prp cand, an when prpl prpd, caus h
t mk th alm.*)

Dspsg 3 Dgr. Opg 1 Dgr.

W.M. (o):Br. J.D.

J.D.:W.M.

W.M.:Th 1st, a wl a th frst grt cr o Esns,
whn cnvd.

J.D.:T se tht thy ae dl t.

W.M.:Atn to tht dt nd infm th T tht I m.ab
t dspns wth lb i th thd dgr fr th prps o opn
th L o th fst, fr wk nd instcn; drc hm t
tk du ntc thrf nd gv hmsf accdy.

J.D. (ooo). T. (ooo).

J.D.: (o) T. (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.: Br J.D.

J.D.:Th W.M. i abt t dspns wth lb i th thd
dgr fo th prps o opn th L o th fst dgr fo
wk an instcn. Tk du not thrf, nd gv yrsf
acdy.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.:Br. J.D.

J.D.:Th T i infmd.

W.M. (ooo) (Cls up th L): I nw dclr lb
dspnsd wth i th thd dgr. Br. J.D.:Inf th T.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.:Br. J.D.

J.D.:Lb i nw dspnsd wth i th thd dgr. (Cls dr.)
(ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.:Br. J.D.

J.D.:Th T i infmd.

W.M. (o) (sts th L) :Br. S.W.

S.W. (rs nd s) :W.M.

W.M.:Whe cam u.

S.W.:Frm a L o th H St J o Jlm.

W.M.:Wt cam u hr t d.

S.W.:T ln t sbd m ps nd imprv msl i Esnm.

W.M.:Thn u ae a Esn, I prsm.

S.W.:I m so tk an ac am Brs nd flws.

W.M.:Wt mks u a Esn.

S.W.:M obl.

W.M.: Whr wr u m a Esn.

S.W.: Wtn th bd o a js nd rgl const L o F nd
A Esns, asmb i a pl rprstg th gn flr o
K. S. T., fnsh wth th H B, S, nd Cs, tgth
wth a chrt or dspnst fm sm G B o compt
jrscd emprg it t wk.

W.M.: Hw mny const an E.A.L.

S.W.: Sv.

W.M.: Whn cmpr o sv o wm ds it ens.

S.W.: Th W.M., S. an J. Ws, Tr., Sec., S. an
J.Ds.

W.M.: Th J.Ds. plc in th L.

S.W.: At t rgt nd in frnt o t S.W. in t W.

W.M. (o) : Br. J.D.

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Th S. Ds pl.

J.D.: A th rt nd in frnt o th W.M. i th E.

W.M.: (oo) (*Al ofcrs rs.*)

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Th Sect pl.

S.D.: A th If o th W.M. i th E.

W.M.: Br. Sect.

Sec.: WM.

W.M.: Th Trs pl.

Sec.: At th rt o th W.M. in th E.

W.M.: Br. Trs.

Trs.: W.M.

W.M.: Th J.W. stat.

Trs.: I th S.

W.M.: Br. J.W.

J.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Th S.W. stat.

J.W.: I th W.

W.M.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: W.M.

WM.: Th Mstr's stat.

S.W.: I th E.

W.M.: Wh i th E.

S.W.: As th su rss i th E t opn an gv th dy
s rs th W.M. (W.M. rses) i th E t opn an
gv th L nd st th cft at wk, gvg thm ppr
instns fo th lb.

W.M.: (ooo) Br. S.W. It is m or tht th L be
nw opn on th fs dgr fr wk an instcn. Ths
cmnc t th J.W. i th S, an h t th bn, tht,
hvg de ntc thrf thy my gv thmsls acody.

S.W.: Br. J.W.

J.W.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: It is th ord o th W.M. tht th L b nw
opn on th fs dgr f wk an instctn. Ths cmct
t th Bn tht, hvg de ntc thrf, thy my gv

thmsls accdy.

J.W.:Brn, i is th ord o th W.M., cmntd t me thru th S.W. i th W, tht th L be nw opn on th fs dgr fo wk an insten. I cmnc th sm t u, tht hvg de ntc thrf, u my gv ysls accdy.

W.M.:Brn, obs th E, atn t gvg th &s, (&s o E.A., tkg tm fm E.)

W.M. (o) S.W. (o) J.W. (o).

W.M.:Br. S.D. Atn at th al.

S.D.: (*gos t A, dspls lts (opns Bb Pslm cxxxiii) gvs &, reports nd rtns t hs plc.*)

W.M.:I nw dcl th L dl op o th fs dgr. Br. J.D., infm th T.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.: Br. J.D.

J.D.:Th L is nw opn o th fs dgr (*cls dr*).

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.:Br. J.D.

J.D.:Th T i infmd.

W.M. (o). (*Sts th L.*)

Reception

Cand (ooo).

S.D.:W.M.

W.M.:Br. S.D.

S.D.:Thr i an alm at th inr dr.

W.M.: Atn th alm nd ascrt th caus.

S.D. (*Gs t dr, gvs ooo on th dr. S. STD. gvs o.*) (*Ops dr*): Wh cms hr.

S.Std.: Mr.—, a pr bld cand, wh i dsrs o hvg nd rcg a prt i th rs, lg an bnfs o ths wfl L, erc t G an ddct t th mry o th H S J a al brn nd flws hv dn wh hv gn ths wy bfr hm.

S.D.: Mr—, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl nd acd.

Cand: I is.

S.D.:Br S. Std. I he wth nd wl qlf.

S.Std.:H i.

S.D.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.Std.: H i.

S.D.:I h prp vch fr.

S.Std.: H i.

S.D.: B wht fthr rt ds h xpc t obt ths imptn prv.

S.Std.: Bng a mn, f bn, o lwfl ag, an wl rcmd.

S.D.: Snc th cand i i psn o al ths ncr qlfctns,
It hm wai untl th W.M. cn b infmd o hs
rqs nd hs ans rtnd. (*Cls dr nd rts t Al.*)
W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: Thr i wtht, Mr——, a pr bl cand, wh
is dsrs o hvng nd reg a prt in th rs, lg nd
bnfs o ths wfl L, erctd t G an ddct t th mmr
o th Hl S J, as al brn nd flws hv dn wh hv
gn ths wy bfr hm.

W.M.: I it an ac o hs ow f wl nd acd.

S.D.: It is.

W.M.: I h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Dl an trl prp.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: I h prp vch fr.

S.D.: H i.

W.M.: B wt fthr r ds h xpct t obtn ths impn
pvr.

S.D.: Bng a mn, fr bn, o lwfl ag, nd wl rcmd.

W.M.: Snc th cand is i psn of al ths nscr
qlfctns, It hm ent ths wfl L in th nm of G
nd b rc i de an anc frm.

S.D. (*o ops dr*): Lt hm en ths wfl L i th nm

o G nd b rcv i de an anct fm.

W.M. (*ooo*).

(*Cand i cnd nto L, nd rcd upn ins, at dr, by
S.D., a br ldg ea cand, Stds in rr.*)

S.D.: Mr.——, I m cmd t rc u on th pt o a
sh ins prc yr n l b (*he plcs th ins*) wh i to
tch u th a ths i an ins o trt t yr fls s shd
th rcltn thrf b t yr mn nd cncs shd u evr
rvl th scs o F M unfl.

(*Cand is cndtd in sm frmtn toward East.*)

W.M. (*o*): Le n mn ent upn ny grt o mprtn
undtkg wtho fst nvkg th ai o De. Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Cndc th cand t th cntr o th L an cs
hm t kn fr the bnf o pr.

W.M. (*knls wth Cand*): Vouchsafe Thine aid,
Almighty Father of the Universe, to this
our present convention, and grant that this
candidate for Masonry may dedicate and
devote his life to Thy service, and become a
true and faithful brother among us. Endue
him with a competency of Thy Divine Wis-
dom, that, by the influence of the pure prin-
ciples of our Fraternity, he may be better
enabled to display the beauties of holiness,
to the honor of Thy Holy Name. Amen.

All.: So mote it b.

W.M.: (*rses, plcs hnd o hd of ea Cand*)

W.M. (*to cand*): Mr. —, i whm d u pt yr trs.

Cand: I G.

W.M.: Yr trs bng i G, yr fth i wl fnd. (*Tks ech cand b r hn.*) Rs, flw yr cndt, fr no dng. (*Rts t E.*) (o)

(*Cntus mch on N sd nd arnd L. A th pas*)—

J.W.: (o).

W.M.: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity"

S.W.: (o).

W.M.: "It is like the precious ointment upon the head that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard, that went down to the skirts of his garments."

W.M.: (o).

W.M.: "As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that decended upon the mountain of Zion; for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore."

S.D. (*In th S.*) (ooo).

J.W. (o) (rs): Wh cms hr?

S.D.: Mr.—, a pr bl cand, wh i dsrs o hvng nd rcg a prt i th rs, lg an bnfs o ths wfl L,

erctd t G an ddot t th mmr o th H. S. J., a al brn an flws hv dn wh hv gn ths wy bfr hm.

J.W.: Mr.—, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl nd acd.

Cand.: It is.

J.W.: Br S.D., i h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He is.

J.W.: Dl nd tr prp.

S.D.: He is.

J.W.: I h prp vch fr.

S.D.: H i.

J.W.: B wht fthr r ds h xpc t ob ths impt prv.

S.D.: Bng' a mn, f bn, o lwfl ag, nd wl rcmd.

J.W.: Snc th cand is i psn o al ths ncr qlfctns, cndct hm t th S.W. i th W fo hs xmnt.

S.D. (*in th W*) (ooo).

S.W. (o) (rs): Wh cms hr.

S.D.: Mr.—, a pr bl cand, wh is dsrs o hvng nd rcg a prt i th rs, lg nd bnfs o ths wfl L, erected t G an ddot t th mmr o th H Ss J, a al brn nd flws hv dn wh hv gn ths wy bfr hm.

S.W.: Mr.—, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl nd acd.

Cand.: It is. *is the wordy and well*

S.W.: Br. S.D., i h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He is.

S.W.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.D.: He is.

S.W.: I h prp vch fr.

S.D.: H i.

S.W.: B wht fthr r ds h xpc t ob ths impt prv.

S.D.: Bng a mn, f bn, o lwfl ag, nd wl rcmd.

S.W.: Snc th cand is i psn o al ths ncr qlfctns,
cndct hm t th W.M. i th E fo hs xmnt.

S.D. (*in th E*) (ooo).

W.M. (o): Wh cms hr.

S.D.: Mr.—, a pr bl cand wh is dsrs o
hving an rcg a prt i th rs, lg, nd bnfs o ths
wfl L, erct t G an ddct t th mmr o th Hl
Ss J, a al brn nd flws hv dn wh hv gn ths
wy bfr hm.

W.M.: Mr.—, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl nd
acd.

Cand.: It is.

W.M.: Br. S.D., i h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He is.

W.M.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.D.: H is.

W.M.: I h prp vch fr.

S.D.: H i.

W.M.: B wt fthr r ds h xpc t obt ths impt prv.

S.D.: Bng a mn, f bn, o lwfl ag, nd wl rcmd.

W.M.: Whc cm u, an wthr ae u trvlg.

S.D.: Fm th W, trvlg E.

W.M.: Wy dd u lv th W nd trvl E.

S.D.: I srh o lt i Msry.

W.M.: Snc th cand is i psn o al ths ncr qlfctns,
an i srh o lt i Msry, recndt hm t th S.W.
i th W, wh wl tch hm hw t appr h t E i de
an anc frm.

(*Rcd cand to W. Hlts, fcg S.W.*)

S.D.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: It i th ord o th W.M. tht u tch ths cand
hw t aprh th E i de an anc fm.

S.W.: Cs th cand t fc th E. (*Dn.*) (*To cand*):
Adv on yr l f, brng th hl o yr r nt th hllw
o yr l, thby fmg th ngl o an ob, bd erc,
fcg th E. (*Dn.*) W.M. Th cand is i ord.

W.M.: Mr.—, bfr u cn prc fthr i F.M., it
wl b ncsr f u t tk a slm obl aptng t th dgr
o E A., nd I., M. o th L, assr u tht thr i
nthg thrn wh wl cnflc wth yr dty t G, yr
nghbr or ysl. Wth ths ansc ae u wlg t tk th
obl?

Cand.: I m.

W.M.: Thn adv t th scd Alt o F.M., nd knl
on yr n l k, yr r fm th ng o a s, yr l h sptg
nd yr r rst upn th Hb, S nd Cs.

(*Th S.D. plc cand i pstrn.*)

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: The cand i i d fm.

W.M. (ooo)

(*Brn fm eql lns ea sd o Al. Stds ps thr an fm
Arc a th E. Wrds ps insd o lns nd tk pstrn
und Arc.*)

W.M. (*Goes to A*) : Mr.—, if y r stl wl
t tk th obl, sa I. (*Dn*) prn yr n in fl, (*Dn*)
nd rpt af m:—Of m ow fr wl nd ac, i prsc o
Alm G. nd ths wf L o F nd A. Ms, erc t
G an ddot t th mmr o th H. Ss. J., d hb
nd hrn slm an snc pr nd sw, tht I wl k nd
cl nd nv rvl ny o th sc at or ats, p or ps,
pn o pns, o th hd ms o anc F. Mry wh I
hv rcv, am ab t rev, or my hrf b nstd i,
t ny psn nls it shl b t a wth br E. A., or
wtn th bd o a j nd rgl cnst L o sh, nd nt
unt hm or thm whm I shl hr so t b, bt
unt hm nd thm onl whm I shl fn so to b,
af d trl, strc xmnt, or lfl Msc infr.

F, I d pr nd s, tht I wl nt wr, in, pr, pn, stm,
sta, hw, ct, cv, mk or ng th sm up anthg
m vb or im vb whb o whn th ls wd, sb, It,
or crc my bec lg or intl t ms or anth, whb
th scs o F Msry my b unlwfly obt thr m
unwthn.

T al o wh I d slm nd snc pr an sw, wtht ny
hstn, mnt rsv or sc ev o md i m wtr, bdg
msl un no ls a pn thn tt o hvg m thr ct
ac, m tg tn ot nd brd i th sn o th s at I
w mk, wh th tb bs nd fls twc i twn-fo hrs,
shd I ev knly or wl vl ths m sm obl o E.A.
S hp me G nd mk m stf t kp an pf th sm.

W.M.: In tstm o yr snc dtch yr hnds nd ks th
H. B. onc. (*Dn.*)

W.M.: Br. S.D. Rmv th ct. (*Dn.*) (*Al lts out,
exc less lts.*)

W.M.: M br, i yr prsn stuatn, wt d u ms
dsr.

Cand. (*prmtd b S.D.*): L i Msry.

W.M.: Bn, str fth yr hs nd ast me in brng
ths nly md br t tr Msc lt.

“In the beginning God created the Heaven
and the earth. And the earth was without
form, and void; and darkness was upon the
face of the deep. And the spirit of God

moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light; and there was light." I hmbl cmortn o tht augs evnt, I nw sy Esncly, lt thr b l.

(*Hws rmvd.*)

(*W.M. wl st t cf immed aft t cand is brgt t lgt. Ofcrs to rmn stndg.*)

W.M.: Br.—, on bng bt t l i Msry u bhld th thr grt ls b ai o th rprstvs o th thr lsr. Th thr grt ls i Msry ae th H. B., S, nd Cs nd ar ths xplnd. Th H.B. i gvn us a th rle an gui fr ou fth an prctc, th S t sq ou actns, nd th cps t crcumsc ou dsrs an kp ou pss i du bns wth al mnkn, espcl th Bn.

Th thr lsr lts ae th Su, Mn, nd M o th L, an ae ths xplnd: a th su rls th dy, nd th mn gvs th nt, so shd th W.M., wth eql rglt, rl an gv th L.

Th rpsnvs o th thr ls lgts ae thr brng cnds or tprs, plcd in cnd stks or pdstls, stuat E. W, nd S. (*Ls r trnd on.*)

I ptclrly drct ur attntn t th Gr Lg i Msry— th H. B.

Howsoever men differ in creed or theology, all good men are agreed that within the covers of the H. B. are found those prin-

ciples of morality which lay the foundation upon which to build a righteous life. Freemasonry, therefore, open this Book upon its Altars, with the command to each of its votaries that he diligently study therein to learn the way to everlasting life. Adopting no particular creed, forbidding sectarian discussion within its Lodge rooms, encouraging each to be steadfast in the faith of his acceptance, Freemasonry takes all good men by the hand and leading them to its Altars, points to the open Bible thereon, and urges upon each that he faithfully direct his steps through life by the Light he there shall find as he there shall find it. If, from our Sacred Altars, the atheist, the infidel, the irreligious man, or the libertine, should be able to wrest this book of Sacred Law, and thus remove, or even obscure, the greatest Light in Masonry, that Light which for centuries has been the rule and guide of Freemasons, then could we no longer claim for ourselves the great rank and title of F. & A. Masons; but, as long as that Sacred Light shines upon our Altars, so long as it illuminates the pathway of the Craftsman

by its golden rays of truth, so long, and no longer, can Freemasonry live and shed its beneficial influence upon mankind. Guard then, that Book of Sacred and Immutable Law as you would guard your very life. Defend it as you would the flag of your country. Live according to its Divine teachings, with its everlasting assurance of a blessed immortality.

(*The W.M. rtrs, an agn advncs, the S.D. adrsgr th cand.*)

S.D.: Bhl th W.M. aprhg fm th E on th st, und th dg an & o E. A.

W.M.: M Br, an E.A. advs on hs lf f, brng th hl o hs r nt th hlw o hs l, thb fmg th ng o an ob. Ths i th dg (*gvs it*), nd allds t th pst o yr hs whl tkg th obl, ths i th & (*gvs it*), nd allds t th pn o tht ob. Ths dg nd & ae alw t b gvn as a salut on entr or retrng fm an E. A. L. (*Adv t Al, acmpd by S. nd J.W.*)

I nw prs m r hn i tk o frnshp nd brth lv, an wl inv u wth th g an wd, bt a u r uninstot h wh hs htht ans fr u wl do so a ths tm. Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: I ha.

S.D.: I cl.

W.M.: Wt d u cl.

S.D.: Al o th scs o a Esns i Esmm, t wh ths tk alds. (*Gvs th g.*)

W.M.: Wt i tt.

S.D.: A g.

W.M.: O wt.

S.D.: O an E. A.

W.M.: Hs it a nm.

S.D.: It hs.

W.M.: Wl u gv it t m.

S.D.: I dd nt so rcv it, nth wl l s imp it.

W.M.: Hw wl u dsp o it.

S.D.: L o h it.

W.M.: L it nd bgn.

S.D.: U bg.

W.M.: Bgn u. (*Th wd nd mnrr o gvng it mst b lrnd in th L.*) — i th nm o ths grp an shd alwys b gvn in ths cstns mnrr, by ltrr or hlg. Whn ltrr, alwys cmnc with ltr. — (*Hlps cand t rs fm th A.*) Rs, m Br., nd salu th J. and S.W.'s, nd satf thm tht u ae i psn o th st, dg, &, gp nd wd o an E.A. Ofs, rsm yr stns. (*Rtns t E.*)

S.D. (*cds cand t J.W. i S, an hlts on stp o*)

E.A.) (ooo).

J.W. (*o*) (*Rs*) : Wh cms hr.

S.D.: A dl obl *E.A.*

J.W.: Hw my I kn hm t b sh.

S.D.: B crt & an a tkn.

J.W.: Wt ae &s.

S.D.: Rt ngs, hzs, nd pdcs.

J.W.: Adv a &. (*S.D. an cndt gvs dg o E.P.*)

Hs tht an als.

S.D.: It hs; t th pst o m hs wl tkg th obl.

J.W.: Hv u a fthr &.

S.D.: I hv. (*Gvs & o E. A.*)

J.W.: Hs tht -an als.

S.D.: It hs; t th pn o tht obl.

J.W.: Wt i a tn.

S.D.: A crtn frnl or brthl g whb one Esn my
knw anth i th drk a i th l.

J.W.: Advc nd gv m a tn. (*S.D. and cand
advcs, on stp o E.A., nd Cand. gvs g o
E.A.*) Wt i tht.

S.D.: A g.

J.W.: O wt.

S.D.: O *E.A.*

J.W.: Hs it a nm.

S.D.: It hs.

J.W.: Wl u gv it t m.

S.D.: I dd nt so rev it, nth wl I so imp't it.

J.W.: Hw wl u dsps o it.

S.D.: L or h it.

J.W.: L it nd bgn.

S.D.: U bgn.

J.W.: Bg u (*Gvn.*) Th wd i rt. I m satsfd

S.D.: (*cds cand t S.W. i W, an hlts o stp o
E.P.*). (ooo).

S.W. (*o*) (*Rs*) : Wh cms hr.

S.D.: A dl obl *E.A.*

S.W.: Hw my I knw hm t b sh.

S.D.: B crt & an a tkn.

S.W.: Wt ae &s.

S.D.: Rt ngs, hzs, nd pdcs.

S.W.: Adv a &. (*S.D. an cndt gvs dg o E.P.*)

Hs tht an als.

S.D.: It hs; t th pst o m hs wl tkg th obl.

S.W.: Hv u a fth &.

S.D.: I hv. (*Gvs & o E.A.*).

S.W.: Hs tht an als.

S.D.: It hs; t th pn o tht obl.

S.W.: Wt i a tkn.

S.D.: A crtn frnl or brthl g whb oe Esn my
knw anth i th drk a i th l.

S.W.: Advc nd gv m a tn. (*S.D. an cand advcs
on stp o E.A., nd Cand. gv g o E.A.*) Wt

i tht.

S.D.:A g.

S.W.:O wt.

S.D.: O. E. A.

S.W.:Hs it a nm.

S.D.:It hs.

S.W.:Wl u gv it t m.

S.D.:I dd nt so rcv it, nth wl I so impt i.

S.W.:Hw wl u dsp o it.

S.D.:L or h it.

S.W.:L it nd bgn.

S.D.:U bgn.

S.W.:Bgn u (*Gvn.*) I m satsfd.

(*S.D. nd cand go w o A, fcg E.*)

(*W.M. (o) (or deputy) goes to cand.*)

W.M.:Brother, I now present you with a Lambskin or white leather apron. It is an emblem of innocence, and the badge of a Mason; more ancient than the Golden Fleece or Roman Eagle; more honorable than the Star and Garter, when worthily worn.

It may be that, in the coming years, upon your head may rest the laurel wreaths of victory; pendant from your breast may hang jewels fit to grace the diadem of an Eastern

potentate; nay, more than these, with light added to the coming light, your ambitious feet may tread round after round of the ladder that leads to fame in our mystic circle, and even the purple of the fraternity may rest upon your honored shoulders; but never again from mortal hands, never again until your enfranchised spirit shall have passed upward and inward through the pearly gates, shall any honor so distinguished, so emblematical of purity, and all perfections, be conferred upon you as this which I now bestow. It is yours; yours to wear throughout an honorable life, and at your death to be deposited upon the coffin which shall contain your lifeless remains, and with them laid beneath the clods of the valley.

Let its pure and spotless surface be to you an ever present reminder of a "purity of life and rectitude of conduct," a never ending argument for nobler deeds, for higher thoughts, for greater achievements, and when at last your weary feet shall have come to the end of their toilsome journey, and from your nerveless grasp shall drop forever the working tools of life, may the

record of your life and actions be as white and spotless as this emblem which I place in your hand tonight.

And when your trembling soul shall stand naked and alone before the great White Throne, there to receive judgment for the deeds done while here in the body, may it be your portion to hear from Him who sitteth as the Judge Supreme, these welcome words: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant! Thou hast been faithful over a few things; I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Ca it t th S.W. in the W, wh wl tch u hw t wea it as E.A.

S.D.: (*cnlds cand to th W.*) :Br. S.W.

S.W.:Br. SD

S.D.:It i th or o th W.M. th u tch ths br hw to wea hs ap a Ep.

S.W.: (*tk s th ap an ts i on th cand, wth th flp ind up, remkg t th can aftr h hs dn so*) : A th bldg o K. S. T. th crftsm wr dstgshd by th mnr i whc thy wor thr aps. E. A. wr thrs wth th flp ind up to prvt sling th clths; Esenicly, t prvnt dbng wth untmpd mrt; ths

wea yrs untl frthr advcd.

S.D.: (*cnlds cand to th E.*)

W.M.:M Br, agrbl t an anct cstn, adpd i evry rglr nd wl gvd L. i bcms m dty a ths tm, t dmnd o u sm mtlc sbs; nt so mh on act o its instrnc vlu, as tht it my b dpstd i th achvs of th L, a a mmral tht u wr a ths tm nd plc md a Essn. Ay mtlc sbs u my hv, th Sec wl rev.

Cand.: I hv nthg.

W.M.: Nth, nt evn a pny, t comrt on o th mst mpnt evns o yr lf. My br ths i t tch u tht shd u evr mt a mbr of th hmn faml, espclly a Br. Esn, i a lk dst stutn, it wd b yr dt t cntrb t hs rlf a lbly a hs ncests mgt reqr nd yr ablt pmt.

W.M.: As u r nw clthd a E. A., I prsn u, mblmclly, th wk tls wh r th twntfr nch gge an cmn gv, nd r ths xpld: the twenty-four inch gauge is an instrument used by operative masons to measure and lay out their work: but we, as F. & A. M's, are taught to use it for the more noble and glorious purpose of dividing our time. It, being divided into twenty-four equal parts, is emblematical of the twenty-four hours of the day, which

we are taught to divide into three equal parts, whereby are found eight hours for the service of God and a distressed worthy brother, eight for our usual vocations, and eight for refreshment and sleep.

The common gavel is an instrument used by operative masons to break off the corners of rough stones, the better to fit them for the builder's use; but we, as F. & A. M's., are taught to use it for the more noble and glorious purpose of divesting our hearts and consciences of all the vices and superfluities of life, thereby fitting our minds, as living stones, for that spiritual building, that house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens.

W.M.: Br. S.D., cndt th Br t th N.E. cr o th L. S.D.: (*cndts th br t N.E. cr nd plc h on th stp an dg o E.P., fcg W.M.*)

W.M.: M br, u thr stn an uprt mn nd Esn, nd l gv it u strcl i chrg ev t wlk an act a sh bfr G nd mn. I als prsn u wth a nw nm wh i Cauts; it is t teh u t b cauts ov all yr wds nd acns, espcl on th sbjc o Esnsn whn i th prs o its enms. I nxt prsnt u wth thr pre jwls, wch r a Lstng Er, a Slnt Tng nd a Fth Hrt. A Lstng Er tchs

u t lstn t th instrctns o th W.M., bt mr spcly tht u shd lstn t th crs o a wthy dstd bro. A Slnt Tng tchs u t b slnt whl i th L, tht th pce nd hrnm thrf ma nt b dstrb: bt mr spcly tht u shld b slnt bfr th enms o Msry, tht the crft ma nt b brgt nto dsrpte. A Fth Hrt tchs u t b fthfl nd k nd cl th scs o Msry nd thse o a bro whn dlvd t u i chrg as sch, tht thy ma rmn as secur nd invol i yr brst as i hs own, bfr bng cmct-d t u.

I fthr prsnt u wth th G.M. chk wd, Trth. Trth i a dvn atrbt, nd th fndatn o evr vrt. T b gd nd tru r th fst lsns we r tght i Msry. On ths theme we cntmplt, nd by its dctes ndvr t rglat ou cndct, hnc whl inflncd by ths princpl, hypersy nd deceit r unknw amng us, snerty nd pln dlng dstngsh us, nd th hrt nd tng jn i prmotng eac othrs wlfre, nd rejcg i ech othrs prsprty.

W.M.: Bro S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Cndt th br t th A. (*S.D. cdt br t th A; Stds pred to A, nd al gv &.*)

W.M.: Br. S.D., rendt th Br t th plc whc h cm, invs hm wth tht o wh h hs bn dvst, nd rtn hm t th L fo fth inst.

(*S.D., Stds and cand salute by gvg th dg an & o E.A., nd th Stds., with cand. rtr to prp rm.*)

W.M. (*o*) : Br J.W.

J.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Cl th Cf fr lb to rfrsmnt, to rsm lb a th sd o th gvl in th E.

J.W. (*ooo*) : Brn. it i th Ord o th W.M. th u b cld fr lb to rfrmnt, to rsm lb a th sd o th gvl in th E. (*o*)

SECOND SECTION — 1 DEGREE

S. Std (*when cand is rdy gvs ooo*).

W.M. (*o*). (*Cls L to Ord.*)

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br S.D.

S.D.: Th i an alm a th inr dr.

W.M.: Atd t th alm.

S.D.: (*ops dr an cndts candt t altr. STDS flw, an ad sal — STDS. go t th plcs. S.D. condts cand t th E, sta hm in frt o W.M. an tks hs own plc.*)

LECTURE (1)

W.M.: My Brother, the forms and ceremonies of your initiation may have seemed to you light and frivolous, if not absolutely without meaning; yet it may with truth be said of Masonry that all its forms and ceremonies have emblematical meaning, and those through which you have just passed will now be explained to you.

My bro, the second section of this degree rationally accounts for the forms and ceremonies through which you have passed. This section is composed of a lecture of two parts,

the first tracing these forms and ceremonies, the second explaining the reasons therefor.

Ts lct cnssts o a srs o qs an ans, wh wth th astnc o th S.D. I wl nw prcd t xmplfy. U wl py strc atn t hs ans fo wr u undrg an xmn a any tme hs ans wd b yr.

W.M.: Br S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Whe cam u.

S.D.: Fm a L o th H S J o Jlm.

Q. Wt cam u hr t d.

A. To ln t sbd m ps an imprv msl i Esnm.

Q. Thn u re a Esn, I prsni.

A. I m s tkn nd ac am bn nd flws.

Q. Wt mks u a Esn.

A. M. obl.

Q. Whr wr u md a Esn.

A. Wtn th bd o a js an rgl cnst L o F an Ac Ens, asmb i a pl rprstg th gn Flr o K S T, frnsh wth th H B, S, and Cs, tgth wth a chart o'r dspnst fm sm G B o cmpt jrsdc emprg it t wk.

Q. Hw d u knw ysl t b a Esn.

A. Hvg bn tr, nvr dn an rd to b tr ag.

Q. Hw my I knw u t b a Ens.

A. B crt &s, a tk, a wd an th pfc pts o m ntc.

Q. Wt ae Ss.

A. R ngs, hzs an ppnds.

Q. Advc a S (*S.D. gvs dg o E. A.*). Hs tht an als.

A. It hs; t th pst o m hs wl tkg th obl.

Q. Hv u a fthr &.

A. I hv (*gvs & o E. A.*)

Q. Hs tht an als.

A. I hs: t th pn o tht obl.

Q. Wt i a tkn.

A. A crt frnl or brth g whb oe Esn my knw anth i th drk a i th l.

Q. Advc nd gv me a tkn (*S.D. gvs g o E. A.*). Wt i tht.

A. A g.

Q. O wt.

A. O E.A.

Q. Hs i nm.

A. I hs.

Q. Wl u gv i t m.

A. I dd nt so rcv it, nth wl I so impt it.

Q. Hw wl u dsps o i.

A. L or h it.

- Q. L i an bgn.
 A. U bgn.
 Q. Bgn u.
 A. (*Gvs wd n prpr wy.*)
 Q. Whr wr u fs prp t b md a Esn.
 A. I m ha.
 Q. Whr nxt.
 A. I a rm adjg th bd o a js an rgl cnst L o F an Ac Esns.
 Q. Hw wr u prpd.
 A. Dvs o all mtl sbs, nthr n nor clth, b f nr sh, I kn nd bst br, hw nd wth a ct onc abt m n, i wh cndtn I ws cndtd t a dr o th L an csd t gv thr dstc kns, wh wr ans b thr wthn.
 Q. Wt ws sd t u fm wthn.
 A. Wh cms hr.
 Q. Yr ans.
 A. A pr bln cand, wh is dsrs o hv an reg a prt i th rts, lg nd bnfs o ths wfl L, ere t G an ddct t th mmr o th H S J, a al brn an flws hv dn wh hv gn ths wy bf me.
 Q. Wt wr u thn skd.
 A. If i ws an ac o m ow f wl an acd; if I ws wth an wl qulf—dl an trl pprp—

- prply vch fr—al o wh bng ans i th afrmt, I ws sk b wt fth r I xpc t obt ths impt prv.
 Q. Yr ans.
 A. Bng a m, f brn, o lfl ag an wl rcmm.
 Q. Wht wr u thn tid.
 A. Snc I ws i psn o al ths ncr qlfctns I shd wai untl th W.M. cd b infmd o m rqs, nd hs ans retnd.
 Q. Wht ws hs ans whn retnd.
 A. Le hm en ths wfl L i th nm o G, an b rc i de nd anc fm.
 Q. Hw wr u rc.
 A. On th pt o a sh ins, prc m n l b.
 Q. Hw wr u thn dsps o.
 A. Cndtd t th cnt o th L, an csd t kn fo th bnf o pr.
 Q. Aft pr, wt wr u skd.
 A. I whm dd I pt m trs.
 Q. Yr. ans.
 A. I G.
 Q. Wht wr u thn tid.
 A. M trs bng i G, m fth ws wl fndd; I ws tkn b th r hn, ord t rs, flw m cndt, an fr n dn.
 Q. Hw wr u thn dsps o.

- A. Cndtd onc rglrl arou th L, an t th Jw i th S. whr th sm qs wr skd an ans rtnd a at th dr.
- Q. Hw dd th Jw dsps o u.
- A. Drctd m t b cndtd t th Sw i th W whr th sm qs wr skd an ans rtnd a bfr.
- Q. Hw dd th Sw dsps o u.
- A. Drctd m t b cndtd t th W.M. i th E, whr th sm qs wr skd an ans rtnd as bfr; wh als dmnd o m whnc l cm an wthr trvlg.
- Q. Yr. ans.
- A. Fm th W, trvlg E.
- Q. Wy dd u lv th W an trvl E.
- A. I srh o lt i Msry.
- Q. Hw dd th W.M. dsps o u.
- A. Ord me rcndtd t th Sw i th W, wh tght me hw t aprh th E i de an anc fm
- Q. Wt ws tht de an anc fm.
- A. Advcg on m l f, brng th hl o my rt nt th hlw o my l, thby fmg th ngl o an ob; bderc, fcg th E.
- Q. Wt dd th W M thn d wth u.
- A. Md me a Esn.
- Q. Hw.
- A. I de fm.
- Q. Wt ws tht de fm.

- A. Kn on m n l kn, m rt fm th ng of a s, m l h sptg m r rs on th H B, S an Cs, i wh de fm l tk th sm obl o E. A.
- Q. Hv u tt obl.
- A. I hv.
- Q. Rpt it.
- A.: I, — — —, o m ow fr wl nd ac, i prsc o Alm. G. nd ths wf L o F nd A Ms,erc t G an ddc t t th mmr o th H. Ss. J., d hb nd hn sm an snc pr nd sw, tht I wl k nd cl nd nv rvl ny o th sc at or ats, p or ps, pn o pns, o th hd ms o A.F. Msry wh i hv rcv, m ab t rcv, or my hrf b nstd i, t ny psn nls it shl b t a wth br E.A. or wtn th bd o a j nd rgl cnstd L o sh, nd nt unt hm or thm whm I shl hr so t b, bt unt hm nd thm onl whm I shl fn so to b, af d trl, strc xmnt, or lfl Msc infr.
- F, I d pr nd s, tht I wl nt wr, in, pr, pn stm, sta, hw, ct, cv, mk or ng th sm upn anthg mvb or imvb whb o whn th ls wd, sb, lt, or crc my bc lg or intl t ms or anth, whb th scs o F Msry my b unlwfly obt thr m unwthn.
- T al o wh I d sm nd snc pr an sw, wtht

ny hstn, mnt rsv or sc ev o md i m wtr,
 bnd msl un no ls a pn thn tt o hvg m thr
 ct ac, m tg tn ot nd brd i th sn o th s
 at l w mk, wh th td bs nd fls twc i twn
 fou hs, shd I ev knly or wl vl ths m sm
 obl o E.A. S hp me G nd mk me stf t
 kp an pf th sm.

Q. Aft th obl wt wr u skd.

A. Wt I ms dsd.

Q. Yr ans.

A. Lg i Msry.

Q. Dd u rev it.

A. I d, b ord o th W.M., with th asst o th
 Bn.

Q. On bng brt t lg, wt dd u bhld.

A. Th thr gr lgs in Msry, b ad o th rpsntvs
 o th thr lsr.

Q. Wt ae th thr gr lgs in Msry.

A. Th H B, S, nd Cs.

Q. Hw ae thy xpln.

A. Th H B i gvn u a th rl nd gui f ou fth
 an prctc, th sq t sq ou acns, an th cs t
 cremscb ou dsrs an kp ou pssns in de bns
 with al mnkn, espcl th bn.

Q. Wt ae th thr lsr lgs.

A. Th Su, Mn, an Mst. o th L.

Q. Hw ae thy xpln.

A. A th su rls th dy, nd th mn gvns th ngt,
 s shd th W.M., with eql reglt, rl an gv
 th L.

Q. Wt ae th rprsntvs o th thr lsr lgs.

A. Thr bng cnds or tps, plcd on cndl sts
 or pdsts, situtd E, W, and S.

Q. Wt dd u nx bhld.

A. Th W.M. aprchg fm th E upn th st und
 th dg an s o E A, wh prntd hs r hd i
 tk o frnshp nd brth lv, an invt m with th
 g an wd, ord m t rs, salut t J nd S.Ws
 nd satisf thm tht I ws i pssn o th st, dg,
 s, g nd wd o E.A.

Q. Wt dd u nx bhld.

A. Th W.M. aprhng frm th E a scnd tm,
 wh prsntd m with a L sk, or wt lea ap;
 nfm d me tht it ws an mblm o inc nd th
 bdg o a Msn; ord m t cr it t th Sw in t
 W, wh tght m hw t wea it a E. A.

Q. Hw shd an Ep wr hs ap.

A. With th fl tn up t prvnt soilg th clths.
 Masonically, t prvnt dbg with untmpd mt.

Q. Wt ws thn dmnd o u.

A. Sm mtlc sbs, nt so mh on acct o its intrnc
 vlu a tht it mght b dpstd i th archvs o

th L as a mmrl tht I ws a tht tm nd plc
md a Esn, bt upn strc srh, I fnd msl entl
dst.

Q. Wth wt wr u thn prsntd.

A. Th wkg tls o E. A

Q. Wt ae thy.

A. Th twntfr nch gge an cm gv.

Q. Hw ae thy xpln.

A. Th twntfr nch gge i an inst us b opt Ens
t msr nd ly ot thr wk, bt we, a F an Acd
Ms, ae tgt t us it fo th mr nbl an glrs
prps o dvdg ou tm; it bng dvd nt twntfr eql
prts i mblmcl o th twnt fr hrs o th dy, wh
we ae tgt t dvd int thr eql pts, whb r fnd
eight hrs fo th srvc o G nd a dstrd wrth br,
eight hrs fo ou usl vctns, an eight fo rfshtm
nd slp. Th cm gv i an instm us b optv Esns
t brk off th crs o rgh stns th btr t ft thm fo
th bldrs us; bt we a F an Acd Esns, ae tght
t us it f th mr nb an glrs prps o dvstng ou
hrts an cncs o al th vcs an sprfite o lf, thb
fitg ou mnds a lvg stns fo tht sprtl bldg,
tht hs nt md wth hns, etnl i th Hvs.

Q. Hw wr u thn dsp o.

A. Pled n th N E cor o th L bf th W.M.,
wh infmd m tht I thre std an uprt mn

nd Esen, an gv it -m strel i chrg ev t wlk
nd ac a sh bfr G an mn.

Q. Wth wt wr u thn prsnt.

A. A nw nm wh is Cauts. It is to tch m to b
cauts ov al my wds nd acnts, espcl on th
sbjct o F Esnsm, whn in prsne o its enms.

Q. Wht wr u nx prsnt wth?

A. Thr prc jwls, wch r a Lstng Er, a Slnt
Tng nd a Fth Hrt. A Lstng Er tchs me
t lstn t th instrctns o th W.M.; bt mr
spcly tht I shd lstn t th crs o a wty dstd
bro. A Slnt Tng tchs me t b slnt whl i
th L, tht th pce nd hrmm thrf ma nt
b dstrb; bt mr spcly, tht I shld b slnt
bfr th enms o Msry, tht th crft ma nt b
brgt nto dsrpte. A Fth Hrt tchs me t b
fthfl nd k nd cl th scs of Msry nd ths o
a bro whn dlvd t me i chrg as sch, tht
thy ma rmn as secur nd invol i my brst
as i hs own, bfr bng cmnct-d t me

Q. Wht wr u fthr prsnt wth?

A. Th G.M. Chk-wd, Trth. Trth, a dvn atrbt,
nd th fndatn o evr vrt. T b gd nd tru r
th fst lns we r tght in Msry. On ths
theme we cntmplt, nd by its dctes ndvr
t rglat ou cndct; hnc whl inflncd by ths

prncpl, hypcrsy nd dct r unknw amng us, snrcy nd pln dlng dstngsh us, nd th hrt nd tng jn i prmotng eac othrs wlfre, nd rejcg in eac othrs prsprty.

Q. Hw wr u thn dspd o.

A. Rndt t th pl whc I cm, invs wth tht o wh I hd bn dvst, an rtn t th L fo fth instr.

W.M.: Br. I wl apt a comm t instct u i th lect tht hs jst pssd bet mslf nd th S.D., as it wl b ncsy fo u t comt hs ans t mmry bfr u c be psd t th dgr of F C.

LECTURE (II)

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Wh wr u dvs o al mtl sbs whn md a Esn.

S.D.:Fo tw rsns, fs tht I mght cr nthg ofns or dfne int th L; scn, a th bldg o K S T thr ws nt hrd th snd o x hm or any mtl tl.

Q. Hw cd so stpnds an edfc hv b erctd wth th snd o mtl tls.

A. The stones were hewn, squared nd numbered in the quarries where raised, the

timber felled and prepared in th forests of Lebanon; they were conveyed by sea, in floats, to Joppa, thence by land to Jerusalem, where they were set up, by the aid of wooden instruments prepared for that purpose; and when the building was completed, every part thereof fitted with such exact nicety, that it resembled more the handiwork of the Supreme Architect of the Universe than that of human hands.

Q. Why wr u nthr nkd nor clthd?

A. Masonry rgds no mn on acct of hs wrldly wth or hrs; it is th intrnal nd nt th xtrnl qulfcctns tht rcmnd a mn t Esns.

Q. Why wr u nthr br ft nr shd?

A. Agrbly t an anct Isrl-tsh cstm adptd amg Esns. We read in the book of Ruth concerning their manner of changing and redeeming that "To confirm all things, a man plucked off his shoe and gave it to his neighbor." That was testimony in Israel. This, therefore, we do, testifying thereby in the strongest manner possible the sincerity of our intentions in the work in which we are engaged.

- Q. Why wr u hdwnkd nd a obltow onc abt yr nck?
- A. For thr rsns:-fst that my hrt mt cnev bfr m es bhld, th bts o Msry; scn, tht as I ws i dks it ws t teh me tp kp th whl wrl s rspctg th scs o F Ensm, excp sh as wr as jstly entld t rev th sm a I ws abt bcmg; thrd, hd I nt cnfmd t th crmns o m initn, thb rndrng msl nwthy t b tkn b th hn as a Esn, I mt, by aid o th cbltow hv bn ld ou o th L wtht hvg bhld evn th frm thrf.
- Q. Wh wr u csd t gv thr dstn kns.
- A. T al th L, nd infm th W.M. tht a pr blnd cand crvd adms.
- Q. T wt d th thr ks ald.
- A. T a crtn psg o Scrp wh rds "Ask an it shl b gvn u, sek an y shl fn, kn an it shl b op unt u."
- Q. Hw dd u fnd tht pssge vrifd b yr situt i Esnsm at tht. tm.
- A. I skd o a frn th rcmdtn t b md a Essene; thro hs rcmdtn I sght initn; I nkd, an th dr o Esnsm ws opd unt me.
- Q. Wh wr u rc on th pn o a sh ins prec yr n l b.

- A. T teh m tht as tht ws an ins o trt t m flh, s shd th rcltn thrf b t m mnd an cnsen shd I ev rvl th scs o F Esnm ulwfly.
- Q. Wh wr u cndt t th cnt o th L nd csd t kl fo th bnf o pr.
- A. Bfr entng upn an grt or imptn undtkg we ough alws t invk th ai o Dei.
- Q. Wh wr u skd i whm u pt yr trs.
- A. Agrbly to ou anc lws, n Aths cn b md an Esn; it ws thrfrc ncsr tht I shd xprs a blf i Dei, othrws no obl wd hv bn rgrd as bndg.
- Q. Wh wr u tkn b th r hn, ord t ari, flw yr cnd an fr n dng.
- A. A I ws i dks an cld nth frse nr avd dng, it ws t teh m tht I ws i th hns o a fthl frn i whs fdlh I mt wth sft cnfd.
- Q. Wh wr u cndtd onc rgl arou th L.
- A. Tht th W.M., Wns nd brn mt se tht I ws dl an trl prpd.
- Q. Wh wr u csd t mt wth th svrl obstns on yr psg arou th L.
- A. Ths an evr reg nd wl gvd L i or ot t b a crct rpsntatn o th grd flr o K. Ss T, wh hd grds statd a th S, W. an E gts t prv an fm psg or rpsg xcp sh a wr dl

qufd an hd prms fm K S; it ws thfr ncsr tht I shd mt wth th svl obstns an at ea o thse sttns be dl xmnd.

- Q. Wh wr u csd t kn on yr nk l k nd nt yr rt or bth.
- A. Th lf sde hs evr bn dmd th wks prt o th hmn bd; it ws thfr t tch m tht I ws ab tkg upn msl th wks prt o Esnm, bng tht o E. A onl.
- Q. Wh dd yr rgt hn rst upn th H B, S, nd Cs, nd nt yr lf or bth.
- A. The right hand, by our ancient brethren, was deemed the seat of fidelity; the ancients worshipped a diety named Fides, sometimes represented by two rgt hands joined, at others, by two human figures holding each other by the right hand. The right, therefore, we use in this great and important undertaking, testifying thereby in the strongest manner possible the fidelity of our purposes in the work in which we are engaged.
- Q. Why wr u prsnted wth a L Sk or wt lea aprn?
- A. The lamb, in all ages, has been deemed an emblem of innocence. The lambskin

was, therefore, to remind me of that purity of life and conduct so essentially necessary to my gaining admission to the Celestial Lodge above, where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides.

- Q. Wh ws a dmnd md o u fo sm mtlc scb.
- A. T toh m tht shld I ev mt a mbr o th hmn fml espc a Br Esn, in a lk dst situatn it wd b my dty to cntrb t hs rlf a lbrly a hs ncsts mt rqr nd m ably prmt.
- Q. Wh wr u plc i th N E cr o th L.
- A. In the erectn o pblc bldgs, espily thos o a Msc fm, th frst stn i or ough t b ld i th N E cr; I ws thfr plcd i th N E crn o th L t rev my fs instns whr on t bld my ftr mrl an Msc edfc.

THIRD SECTION

THE CHARTER

W.M.: This brings us to the third and last section of the degree, which explains the nature and principles of our Constitutions. Here, too, we receive instruction relative to the form, supports, covering, furniture, ornaments, lights and jewels of a lodge, how it should be situated and to whom dedicated.

LODGE

A Lodge may be defined as a certain number of Free & Accepted Masons, duly assembled, furnished with the Holy Bible, Square and Compasses, together with a Charter or Dispensation from some Grand Body of competent jurisdiction empowering it to work.

THE CHARTER

The Holy Bible, Square and Compasses have been partially explained to you; the charter has not. It pleased the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Virginia, Free and Accepted Masons, Incorporated, over with body Most Worshipful Grand Master — at present presides, to grant to this Lodge the Charter now in its possession, empowering it to

confer the three degrees of Masonry, which power we are now partly exercising. It is signed by the Grand Lodge officers, with the seal of the Grand Lodge attached and contains all the necessary instructions for retaining the same.

LODGES HELD

Our ancient brethren held their Lodges on high hills or in low vales, the better to observe the approach of cowans and eavesdroppers, ascending or descending. Lodge meetings, at the present day, are usually held in upper chambers, probably for the better security which such places afford.

The custom may have had its origin in a practice observed by the ancient Jews when building their temples, schools and synagogues, on high hills, a practice which seems to have met the approbation of the Almighty, who said unto the Prophet Ezekiel, "Upon the top of the mountain, the whole limit thereof, round about shall be most holy."

FORM

The form of a Lodge is oblong, in length from east to west, in breadth between north and south, as high as Heaven and as deep

as from the surface to the center.

It is said to be thus extensive to denote the universality of Freemasonry, and teaches that a Mason's charity should be equally extensive.

SUPPORTS

A Lodge is supported by three great pillars, denominated Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty, for there should be wisdom to contrive, strength to support, and beauty to adorn, all great and important undertakings. They are represented by the three principal officers of the Lodge; the pillar Wisdom, by the W. M. in the East, who is presumed to have wisdom to open and govern the Lodge; the pillar Strength, by the Senior Warden in the West, whose duty it is to assist the W. M. in the discharge of his arduous duties; and the pillar Beauty, by the J. W. in the South, whose duty it is to call the Craft from labor to refreshment, superintend them during the hours thereof, carefully to observe that the means of refreshment are not perverted to intemperance or excess, see that they return to their labor in due season, that the W. M. may receive honor, and they pleasure and profit thereby.

COVERING

The covering of a Lodge is no less than the clouded canopy, or starry-decked Heaven, where all good Masons hope at last to arrive, by aid of that ladder which Jacob in his vision saw extended from earth to Heaven, the principal rounds of which are denominated Faith, Hope, and Charity, which admonish us to have faith in God, hope of immortality, and Charity to all mankind. The greatest of these is Charity, for Faith may be lost in sight, Hope end in fruition, but Charity extends beyond the grave, through the boundless realms of eternity.

FURNITURE

Every regular and well-governed Lodge is furnished with the Holy Bible, Square and Compasses, together with a Charter, or Dispensation.

The Holy Bible is dedicated to the service of God, because it is the inestimable gift of God to man, and on it we obligate our newly made brethren; the Square to the W. M., because it is the proper Masonic emblem of his office; and the Compasses to the craft for, by a due attention to their use, we are taught

to circumscribe our desires and keep our passions in due bounds.

ORNAMENTS

The Ornaments of a Lodge are the Mosaic Pavement, the Indented Tessel, and the Blazing Star.

The Mosaic Pavement is a representation of the ground floor of King Solomon's Temple; the Indented Tessel, of that beautiful tessellated border or skirting which surrounded it. The Mosaic Pavement is emblematical of human life, checkered with good and evil; the Indented Tessel, or tessellated border, of the manifold blessings and comforts which constantly surround us, and which we hope to enjoy by a firm reliance on Divine Providence which is represented by the Blazing Star in the center.

LIGHTS

A Lodge has three symbolic lights, situated East, West, and South. There is none in the North, because King Solomon's Temple was situated so far north of the ecliptic that the sun, even at meridian, did not dart its rays into the northernmost part thereof. The North we Masonically term a place of darkness.

JEWELS

A Lodge has six jewels, three movable and three immovable.

The Immovable Jewels are the Square, the Level and the Plumb. They are so termed because they are appropriated to particular parts of the Lodge where they should be found, the Square to the East, the Level to the West, and the Plumb to the South. Although the brethren occupying these stations, may from time to time be changed, still the Jewels will always be found in their respective stations in the Lodge. The Square teaches morality; the Level, equality; and the Plumb rectitude of conduct.

The Movable Jewels are the Rough Ashlar, the Perfect Ashlar, and the Trestle-Board.

The Rough Ashlar is a stone in its rude and natural state, as taken from the quarry; the Perfect Ashlar, one prepared by the workmen, to be adjusted by the working tools of Fellowcraft, and the Trestle-Board is for the Master Workman to draw his designs upon.

By the Rough Ashlar we are reminded of that rude and imperfect state which is ours by nature; by the Perfect Ashlar, of that state

of perfection at which we hope to arrive by education, our own endeavors, and the blessing of Deity. And as the operative workman erects his temporal building in accordance with the designs laid down upon the Trestle-Board by the Master Workman, so should we, both operative and speculative workman endeavor to erect our spiritual building in accordance with the designs laid down by the Supreme Architect of the Universe in the great Book of Revelation, which is our Masonic Trestle Board.

HOW SITUATED

A Lodge is situated due East and West, because King Solomon's Temple was so situated.

Moses, by Divine Command, having conducted the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, through the Red Sea, into the wilderness, erected a Tabernacle to God, which he situated due east and west, to commemorate to the latest posterity that miraculous east wind which wrought their mighty deliverance. King Solomon's Temple is said to have been a representation of that Tabernacle.

TO WHOM DEDICATED

Anciently, Lodges were dedicated to King Solomon, as he is said to have been our first Most, Worshipful Grand Master; but speculative Masons dedicate theirs to the memory of St. John the Baptist, and St. John the Evangelist.

Since their time, there is represented, in every regular and well-governed lodge, a certain point within a circle, the point representing the individual brother, the circle, the boundary line of his conduct to God and man, beyond which he is never to suffer his passions, prejudices, or interests to betray him.

This circle is bordered by two perpendicular parallel lines representing these Saints, and upon the vertex rest the Holy Scriptures, which point out the whole duty of man. In going around this circle, we necessarily touch upon these two lines, as well as upon the Holy Scriptures, and while a Mason keeps himself thus circumscribed, it is impossible that he should materially err.

PRINCIPLE TENETS

The principal Tenets of our profession are three-fold, including the inculcation and prac-

tice of those truly commendable virtues Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

BROTHERLY LOVE

By the exercise of Brotherly Love, we are taught to regard the human race as one family, the high, the low, the rich, the poor, who, created by one Almighty Parent, and inhabiting the same planet, should aid, support and protect one another. On this principle, Masonry unites men of every country, sect, and opinion, and promotes true friendship among those who might otherwise have remained perpetually at a distance.

RELIEF

To relieve the distressed is a duty incumbent on all men, particularly upon Masons, who are linked together by a chain of sincere affection. To soothe the unhappy, to sympathize with them in their misfortunes, to compassionate their miseries, and to restore peace to their troubled minds, are aims we have in view. On this basis, we establish our connections, and form our friendships.

TRUTH

Truth is a divine attribute, and the foundation of every virtue. To be good and true is

the first lesson we are taught in Masonry. Hence, while influenced by this principle, hypocrisy and deceit are unknown among us; sincerity and plain dealing distinguish us; and the heart and tongue join in promoting each other's welfare, and rejoicing in each other's prosperity.

My br, in ord tht u ma btr understd wht is t flw, I wl sk th S.D. a qstn.

W.M.: Br. S.D

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Hw ma I kn u t b a Msn.

S.D.: By crtn &s, a tkn, a wd nd th prfc pts o my ent.

W.M.: My Br, &s, gs nd wds hv bn xpld t u bt th prfc pns o yr ent hv nt.

Thy ae fou: th Pct, th Mnl, th Gtrl, nd th Pdl, an r rpsntd by th fou Crdn vrts, Ftd, Prdn, Tmp, nd Jst.

Fortitude is that noble and steadfast purpose of the mind, whereby we are enabled to undergo any pain, peril, or danger. This virtue is equally distant from rashness and cowardice, and should be deeply impressed upon your mind as a safeguard or security against any attempt that might be made, by force

or otherwise, to extort from you any of the secrets with which you have been so solemnly intrusted. This virtue was emblematically represented upon your first admission into the Lodge, wh u wr rcd on th pt o a shp inst ppg yr n l b. Ths, my Br. i th frs prfc pt o yr ntrc, th Pct.

Prudence teaches us to regulate our lives and actions agreeably to the dictates of reason, and is that habit by which we wisely judge and determine on all things relative to our present, as well as our future happiness. This virtue should be your characteristic, not only in the government of your conduct while in the Lodge, but also when abroad in the world. You should be particularly cautious, in all strange and mixed companies, never to let fall the least sign, token, or word, whereby the secrets of Freemasonry might be obtained, evr brng i rmmbrc tht sm mmt, whl kng a th scd al o F. Msry, wth yr l hn sptg nd rt rst on th H.B. s nd c, u slm prmsd t ccl nd nv rv ny o th scs o F Msry. Ths i th scnd prfc pt o yr ntrc, th Mnl.

Temperance is that due restraint upon the passions which renders the body tame and

governable, and frees the mind from the allurements of vice. This virtue should be your constant practice, as you are thereby taught to avoid excess, and the contracting of any licentious or vicious habit, the indulgence of which might lead you away from the path of righteousness and cause you also to disclose those secrets which you have promised to conceal and never reveal, the betrayal of which would subject you to the contempt of all good Masons, if nt t th pn fr th vil o yr ob, tht o hvg yr th cu acs, yr tng tr ou nd br i th sn o th sea a lw w mk whr th t bs nd fls twc i twn fr hrs. Ths i th thd pfc pn o yr ntrc, th Gtrl.

Justice is that standard which enables us to render to every man his due, without distinction. This virtue is not only consistent with Divine and human law, but is the very cement and support of society; and, as justice, in a great measure, distinguishes the good man, so should it be your practice to be just, ev rmrbrng tht whl stdg i th N. E. cr o th L, ur ft fmg th ngl o an oblg, ur bdy erct bfr th W. M., u wr tld tht u thr std an upr mn nd Esn, nd i ws gvn u strcl i chrg ev t wlk an ac as sh bfr G nd mn. Ths is t frth prfc

pn o yr ntrc, th Pdl, nd aids t th psn o yr ft
w stdg in th N.E. cr o th L.

CHALK, CHARCOAL AND CLAY

Entered Apprentices should serve their Masters with freedom, fervency, and zeal, which are emblematically represented by chalk, charcoal and clay.

There is nothing freer than chalk, the slightest touch of which leaves a trace; there is nothing more fervent than charcoal, for to it, when properly ignited, the most obdurate metals will yield; there is nothing more zealous than clay, our mother earth, for it, alone of all the elements, has never proved unfriendly to man. Through constantly harassed, more to furnish the luxuries than the necessities of life, she never refuses her yield, strewing our pathway with flowers and spreading our table with plenty; though she produces poison, still she furnishes the antidote, and returns with interest every good committed to her care. And when at last we are called upon to pass through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, she once more receives us, and tenderly enfolds our remains within

her bosom, thus admonishing us that, as from earth we came, so to earth we must surely return.

SYMBOLISM.

Th frst, o E.A. dgr o Esny i intnd, symbly, t rpsnt th ntrc o mn int th wld i which h i afw t bcm a lvg nd thkg actr. Cmg fm th ignce nd dks o th out wld, hs frst crg i fo lght; nt tht phys lg whc spgs fr th grt ob o dy a is ftn, bt tht mrl an intll lg whc emas frm th prml Sce o al thgs; frm th G. A. o th Un; th crt o th sn nd o al th it ills. Hnc th gr, th prmy obj o th 1st dgr i to symb th bth o intll lg in th md; nd th E.A. i th typ o unrgnte mn, grpg in mrl nd mntl dks nd skg fr th lg whc i t gde hs stps nd pt hm t th pth whc lds t dty an t Hm wh gvs to dty it rwd.

Thse ard u ae yr bn, rdy to dschg al th ofcs o tht int rel. Thy nw bd u wlc t thr nbr an fillshp, t thr affns nd asstce, t thr pvlgns nd t thr jys; nd thr m thy prm to prot u by thr inf an aut, to adv u by thr abilt nd skl, to asst yr exgce by thr libty nd bty. nd t chr u a al tms wth thr kds nd lv.

Nd u wl hv th hapns o expcg th trth o th anc rmk, tht 'Essns bg bn, thr cxt n invid distns mg thm"; an tht thy "lv ea othr mghly, a hth bn sd, whc indd my nt othws b. Gd m nd tr, kng ea othr t b sch, d alys lv th mr a thy b th m gd."

Ths, br, i th beg o ou at. Hw succ i its prog nd hw hp i its nd u my fly kn i u r bt attve, fthfl nd wse. Yr dil nd act in wks, yr skl in ac th insts o yr dgr, nd yr zl in th cse o F Esns m wl ld u fwd t grtr hgts, to clr vws nd t nblr prvlgs.

Ths, m Br, cnclds th fst dgr o Mstry, with th xptn o th chg.

CHARGE

As you are now introduced into the first principles of Freemasonry, I congratulate you upon being accepted into this ancient and honorable Fraternity—ancient as having subsisted from time immemorial, honorable as tending in every particular so to render all men who will conform to its precepts, No institution was ever raised upon a better principle, or more solid foundation; nor were ever more excellent rules and useful maxims laid

down than are inculcated in the several Masonic lectures. The greatest and best of men, in all ages, have been encouragers and promoters of the art, and have never deemed it derogatory to their dignity to level themselves with the Fraternity, extend its privileges, and patronize its assembles. There are three great duties, which, as a Mason, you are charged to inculcate—to God, your neighbor, and yourself. To God, in never mentioning His name save with that reverential awe which is due from a creature to His Creator; imploring His aid in all your laudable undertakings, and esteeming Him as the Chief Good; to your neighbor, in acting upon the square, and doing unto him as you wish he should do unto you; and to yourself, in avoiding all irregularity and intemperance, which may impair your faculties, or debase the dignity of your profession. A zealous attachment to these duties will insure public and private esteem.

In the State you are to be a quiet and peaceable citizen, true to your government and just to your country. You are not to countenance disloyalty or rebellion, but are

patiently to submit to legal authority, and conform with cheerfulness to the government of the country in which you live, yielding obedience to the laws which afford you protection.

In your outward demeanor, be particularly careful to avoid censure or reproach. Let not interest, favor, or prejudice, bias your integrity, or influence you to be guilty of a dishonorable action.

Although your frequent appearance at our regular meetings is earnestly solicited, yet it is not meant that Masonry should interfere with your necessary vocations, for these are on no account to be neglected; neither are you to suffer your zeal for the Institution to lead you into argument with those who, through ignorance, may ridicule or defame it.

During your leisure hours, that you may improve in Masonic knowledge, you are to converse with well-informed brethren, who will be always as ready to give, as you will be to receive, instruction.

Finally, keep sacred and inviolate the principles of the Fraternity, as these are to distinguish you from the rest of the commun-

ity, and mark your consequence among Masons. If, in the circle of your acquaintance, you find a person desirous of being initiated into Masonry, be particularly careful not to recommend him, unless you are convinced that he will conform to our rules so that the honor, glory, and reputation of the Institution may continue firmly established, and the world at large convinced of its good effects.

ADDRESS.

Br.: I sal u chrflly nd affctnly b ths endrg appln. Th comms md o ou pt nd th nggmts ntrd int o yrs, ae mtl pldgs o confdl trst an agmt nd tkns o atchmt, scrd nd inviolde. Fm ths mmt, w shl fl a sp clm upn yr frshp nd a spl intr in yr wlfre; nd w hp tht u wl culv a wm atchmt t tht fm o lv int wh u ae nw adptd, th pls nd advgs o wh u ae beg t relze; nd we ae ctn tht th btr u unstd, th mr u wl admr ou prncs nd prcts.

Ou gd opn o u indcd us t rcv wth pls yr applctn, nd to adm t u int ou soc.

W hv alw wshd t brg int ou allnce th ws nd th gd, tht, whl w atch thm t us b th lght w convy, w my borw lusre fr ou instn frm thr tals nd thr vts.

Lt ou xpottns o u b al accomplshd. Retn,
w ntrt u, tht gdns o ht, tht fr fm, tht ptry o
ntntn nd lv o vt, o wh w blve u ar possd,
nd o which th sptls vstnt whrwth u ar nw
grdd, i a onc th mbml, th bdge an th rwd.

B jst t yrslf, nd t us; t yr profn nd nggmts,
nd i wl b appt t al tht i bcmg a Ensm, u
bcm a btr mn.

Ths, m br, cnclds th frst dgr o Msry. U
wl stp t th W o th Alt, slt nd rtr. Th Sec.
wl notfy u whn t prsnt yrslf fr th scnd dgr.

CLOSING

Closing First—Resuming Thrd.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Th lst a wl a frst grt cr o Msn whn
cnvd.

J.D.: T se tht thy ar dl t.

W.M.: Atn t tht dt nd infm th T tht I am
ab t cls th L on th fs dgr o Esnm fo th prps
o rsmng lb in th thd; drc hm t tk de ntc
thrf nd gv hm sl acly.

J.D. (ooo).

T. (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th W.M. i ab t cls th L on th fs dgr
fo th prps o rsmng lb in th thd; tk de ntc
thrf an gv yrsl acly.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th T is infd.

W.M.: (ooo) : Brn, wvng al & an crmns, I
nw dcl th L dl cls on th fs dgr, an lb rsmd
in th thd. Br. S.D., atd at th Alt.

S.D.: (*gs W o Alt; dspls lgts (Eccles xii) gvs
& o M.M. reports nd rts t hs sta*)

W.M.: Br. J. D.

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Infm th T.

J.D. (ooo).

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D. Br. T

T.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Lb is nw rsmd in th 3rd dgr (*cls dr*).

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th T is infmd.

W.M.: (o).

SECOND DEGREE

(*For opng on th thrd, see pg. 7.*)

W.M. (o): Br. J.D.

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Ascrt if ny cndts ae i wtg. If s, thr
nms nd fr wht dgr.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: (*obtns nms o candts fr T nd cls dr.*)

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Br.— is wtg f th scn dgr o F. Esnm.

W.M.: Brn, Br.— is i wtg f th scn dgr o
F Esnm. He hvng md sutbl prfcnc i th prc
dgr, if thr i no objn, I shl cnfr th dgr upn
hm (*pauses*) Thr bng no objn, I wl prcd.
(o). Br. S. nd J. Std.

Stds. (*rs*) : W.M.

W.M.: Hw shd a Br b prpd f th scn dgr o
Esnm.

S. Std.: B bng dvs o al mtl sbts, nth nd nr
clth, bf nr sh, r kn an b br, hw, nd wth
a ct twc arnd hs r arm, clth a E.A.

W.M.: Rtr t th prprtn rm, wh Br.— is
i wtg, nd whn ths prpd, caus hm t mk th
usl alm a th inr dr.

STDS. (*rtrs an prprs th cand.*)

W.M. (o) : Br. J.D.

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Th ls a wl a frst grt cr o Esns whn
cnvd.

J.D : T se tht thy ae dl t.

W.M.: Atn t tht dt an infm th T tht I m
ab t dspns wth lb in th thd dgr fr th prps
o opn th L on th scnd dgr fr wk nd instcn;
drc hm t tk de ntc thrf nd gv hmsf acl.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th W.M. i ab t dspns wth lb in th thd
dgr fr th prps o opn th L on th scn fr wk

nd instcn. Tk de ntc thrf nd gv ysl acl.
(*Cls dr.*)

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th T i infmd.

W.M. (ooo) : Brn, I nw dcl lb dspnsd wth
in th thd dgr. Br. J.D., inf th T.

J.D. (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D. Br. T.

T.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Lb is nw dspnsd wth in th thd dgr.
(*cls dr.*)

J.D. (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th T i infmd.

W.M. (o) (*Sts th L.*) : Br. S.W.
 S.W.: (*rs*) W.M.
 W.M. : Ae u a Fc.
 S.W.: I m, tr m.
 W.M.: By wt wl u b trd.
 S.W.: B th Sq.
 W.M.: Wh b th Sq.
 S.W.: Bcs it i an mblm o mrlt nd one o th
 wkg ils o a Fc.
 W.M.: Wt i a Sq.
 S.W.: An ng o nty dgrs, o th frth prt o a
 crc.
 W.M.: Wt mks u a Fc.
 S.W.: M obl.
 W.M.: Whr wr u md a Fc.
 S.W.: Wthn th bd o a js an rgl cnst L o
 Fcs, asmb i a pl rprstg th m chmb of K.
 S's T, frnsh wth th H. B., Sq, nd Cs, tght
 wth a chrt or dspnst fm sm G. Bd. o cmpt
 jrsdc emprg it t wk.
 W.M: Hw my cnstitut a Fc L.
 S.W.: Fv or mr.
 W.M.: Whn cmprsd o svn o whn ds it cns.
 S.W.: Th W.M.; S nd J.Ws; Tr, Sc., S. nd
 J. Ds.
 W.M.: Th J.D.'s plc i th L.

S.W.: At t rgt nd in frnt o t S.W. in t W.
 W.M.: (o) : Br. J.D.
 J.D.: W.M.
 W.M.: Th S.D.'s plc.
 J.D.: At th rt nd in frnt o th W.M. i th E.
 W.M.: (oo) Br. S.D.
 S.D.: W.M.
 W.M.: Th Sect plc.
 S.D.: O th lf o th W.M.
 W.M.: Br. Sect.
 Sect. : W.M.
 W.M.: Th Tr's plc.
 Sect. : O th rt o th W.M.
 W.M.: Br. Trs.
 Trs.: W.M.
 W.M.: Th J.W.'s st.
 Trs: I th S.
 W.M.: Br. J.W.
 J.W.: W.M.
 W.M.: Th S.W.'s st.
 J.W.: I th W.
 W.M.: Br. S.W.
 S.W.: W.M.
 W.M.: Th Mstrs st.
 S.W.: I th E.
 W.M.: (Wh i th E.

S.W.: A th su rs i th E t opn nd gv th dy so rss (*W.M. rses.*) th W.M. i th E t opn nd gv th L nd st th cf at wk, gvg thm prp instns f thr lb.

W.M.: (ooo) Br. S.W., it i m ord tht th L b nw opn on th scn dgr f wk nd instn; ths cmnc t th J.W. i th S, nd h t th brn tht hvg de ntc thrf, th my gv thsls acl.

S.W.:Br. J.W.

J.W.: Br. S.W.

S.W.:It i th ord o th W.M. tht th L b nw opn on th scn dgr f wk an instn; ths cmnc t th brn, tht hvg de ntc thrf, thy my gvn thsls acl.

J.W.: Brn. It i th ord o th W.M., cmnc t m thrg th S.W. i th W, tht th L b nw opn on th scn dgr f wk nd instn. I cmnc th sm t u, tht hvg de ntc thrf, u my gv yrsls acl.

W.M.:Brn, obs th E, attn t gvg th &s. (*W.M. nd brn gv dg an sgns o M.M. nd F.C.*)

W.M. (oo).

S.W.: (oo)

J.W.: (oo)

W.M.: Br. S.D., attn a th Alt.

S.D.: (*Ops B to Amos vii, gv & o F.C.*)

W.M.:I nw dcl th L dl opnd on th scd dgr.

Br. J.D., infm th T.

J.D. (ooo).

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.:Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th L i op on th scn dgr. (*Cls dr.*)

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th T i infm.

W.M. (o). (*Sts th L.*) or
(*L my b cld fm lb t rfrsmt*) :

W.M.: Br. J.W.

J.W. (*rs*) : W.M.

W.M.: Cl th crf fm lb t rfsmt t rsm lb a th snd o th gvl i th E.

J.W. (ooo) : Brn. (*All rs nd gv &.*) It i th ord o th W.M. th u b cld fm lb to rfsmt, t rsm lb a th snd o th gvl i th E. (o)

(*Refreshment*)

Cand. (*fm prpn rm*). (ooo).

W.M. (o).

S.D. (*rs*) : W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: Thr i an alm a th inr dr.

W.M.: Atn th alm nd ascert th cs.

S.D. (*goes t dr nd gvs thr rps.*)

S.D. (*ops dr*) : Wh cm hr.

S. Std.: Br.—, wh hs bn rgl init E.A., nd
nw wshs mr lg i Msry b bng ps t th dgr o
Fc.

S.D. (*to Br.*): Br.—, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl
nd acd.

Cand.: It i.

S.D.: Br. S. Std., i h wth nd wl qlf.

S. Std.: He i.

S.D.: Dl nd trl prp.

S. Std.: He i.

S.D.: Hs h md sutbl prfenc i th predg dgr.

S. Std.: H hs.

S.D.: B wt fthr r or bnf ds h xpc t obt ths
imptn prv.

S. Std.: Bnf o th ps wd.

S.D.: Hs h th ps wd.

S. Std.: H hs it nt. I hv it f hm.

S.D.: Advnc nd gv it.

(*S. Std. advcs nd gvs th ps wd.*)

S.D.: Th ps wd i rt. Snc th br is i psn o al
ths ncsr qlfctns, lt hm wai untl th W.M.
cn b infm o hs rqs nd hs ans rtnd.

(*S.D. cls dr nd rtns t Al;*) W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: Thr i wth Br.—, wh hs bn rgl init
E.A., nd nw wshs mr lg i Esnsn b bng ps
t th dgr o Fc.

W.M.: I it an ac o hs ow f wl nd acd.

S.D.: It is.

W.M.: I h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Hs h md sutbl prfenc i th predg dgr.

S.D.: H hs.

W.M.: B wt fthr r or bnf ds h xpc t obt
ths imptn prv.

S.D.: Bnf o th ps wd.

W.M.: Hs h th ps wd.

S.D.: H hs it nt. I hv it f hm.

W.M.: Advnc nd gv it t me.

(*S.D. Advncs gvs ps wd.*)

W.M.: Th ps wd i rt. Snc Br — i i psn o
al ths ncsr qlfctns, lt hm ent ths wfl L

o Fc nd b rcd i de nd anc fm.

(S.D. goes t dr, ops it): Lt hm ent ths wfl L o Fc. nd b rc i de nd anc fm.

(Cand advcs thr th dr, nd rc o insmt wth th flg epln b S.D.)

S.D.: Br. —, Whn fs u entd a L o F nd Acd Esns, u wr rcvd on th pt o a sh ins pre yr n l br, th mral o wh ws a tht tm xplnd t u. I m nw cmd t rev u on th ngl o a sq appld t yr n r b, wh i t tch u tht th sq o vrt shld b a rl nd gd fo yr pretc thru lfe.

(Mrch twc arnd th L, Mshl nd S.D. frst, thn cand cndtd b Brs., Stwds last.)

J.W.: (o)

S.W.: (o)

W.M.: (o)

J.W.: (oo)

W.M.: "Ths h shwd m, nd bhl th Lr std upn a wl md by a pl ln, wth a pl ln i hs hn (S.W. oo) an the Lr sd unt m 'Amos, wht sst thou,' nd h sd a pl ln (W.M.oo). Thn sd th Lr, Bhl I wl st a pl ln i th mdst o m ppl Isl. I wl nt agn pss by thm an mr."

S.D.: (ooo).

J.W.: (o) (rs); Wh cms hr.

S.D.: Br —, wh hs bn rgl init E.A. nd nw wshs mr lg i Msry b bng ps t th dgr o Fc.

J.W. (t cand.): Br. —, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl nd acd.

Cand.: It i.

J.W.: Br. S.D. I h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He i.

J.W.: Dl an trl prp.

S.D.: He i.

J.W.: Hs h md sutbl prfenc i th precdg dgr.

S.D.: H hs.

J.W.: B wht fthr r o bnf ds h xpc t obt ths mptn prv.

S.D.: Bnf o th ps w.

J.W.: Hs h th ps wd.

S.D.: H hs it nt. I hv i f hm.

J.W.: Advnc nd gv it t me.

(S.D. advcs nd gvs th ps w o ths dgr in lw brth.)

J.W.: Th ps w i rt. Snc th Br. is i pssn o al ths ncsr qlfctns, cndt hm t th S.W. i th W f hs xmnt.

(S.D. cndts cand to S.W., gvs thr rps.)

S.W. (o) (rs): Wh cms hr.

S.D.: Br —, wh hs bn rgl init E.A. nd nw wshs mr lg i Msry b bng ps t th dgr

o Fc.

S.W. (*t Br.*): Br. —, i ths an ac o yr ow fr wl nd acd.

Cand.: It i.

S.W.: Br. S.D. I h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He i.

S.W.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.D.: He i.

S.W.: Hs h md sutbl prfenc i th predg dgr.

S.D.: H hs.

S.W.: B wht fthr r o bnf ds h xpc t obt ths mptn prv.

S.D.: Bnf o the ps w.

S.W.: Hs h th ps w.

S.D.: H hs it nt. I hv it f hm.

S.W.: Advnc nd gv i-t to me.

S.D.: (*advcs nd gvs th ps w o ths dgr in lw brth.*)

S.W.: Th ps w i rt, Snc the Br is i pssn o al ths nscr qlfctns, cndt hmi t th W.M. i the E. f hs xmnt.

S.D.: (*cndts Cand to th W.M. i th E. nd gvs thr rps.*)

W.M.: (*rs*): Wh cms hr.

S.D.: Br. —, wh hs bn rgl init E.A., nd nw wshs mr lg i Msry b bng ps t th dgr o Fc.

W.M.: Br. —, i ths an ac o yr ow fr wl nd acd.

Cand.: It i.

W.M.: Br. S.D. I h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Hs h md sutbl prfnc i th predg dgr.

S.D.: H h-s.

W.M.: B wt fthr r o bnf ds h xpc t obt ths mptn prv.

S.D.: Bnf o the ps w.

W.M.: Hs h th ps w.

S.D.: H hs it nt. I hv it f hm.

W.M.: Advnc nd gv it to me.

S.D.: (*advcs an gvs th p w o ths dgr in lw brth.*)

W.M.: Th ps w i rt. Whc cm u nd whthr ae u trv.

S.D.: Fm th W, trv E.

W.M.: Wh d u lv th W nd trv E.

S.D.: I srh o mr lg i Msry.

W.M.: Snc th Br. is i pssn o al ths nscr qlfctns nd i srh o mr lg i Msry, rncdt hm t th S. W. i th W, who wl tch hm hw t aprh th E i de nd anc fm.

S.D.: (*cnlds Br. t th S.W. t th W.*) Br. S.W.

S.W.: (*rs*): Br. S.D.

S.D.: It i th ord o th W.M. tht u tch ths Br.
hw t aprh th E i de nd anc fm.

S.W.: Cs th Br. t fc th E. (*T-o Br.*): Advnc
on yr l ft as E.A., tk an addtl st o-n yr
r ft, brn th hl o yr lf int th hlw o yr r,
thrbly fmg th ngl o a-n ob, bdy erect, fcg the
E.

S.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Bro. S.W.

S.W.: Th Bro is i ord.

W.M.: Br.—, Bfr u cn pre fthr i F Msry,
i-t wl b ncsr f u t tk a slm obl aptng t th
dgr o Fc, nd I, M o ths L, assr u tht thr
i nthg thrn cntn wh wl cnflc wth yr dty t G,
yr nbor, o yslf. Wth ths assur r u wlg t tk
th obl.

Cand.: I m.

W.M.: Thn adv t th sc Alt o F.M., thr kn
o-n yr n r kn, yr l fm th ng o a sq, yr r h
rst upn th H. B., S. nd Cs, yr lf i a vrt psn,
yr rm fmg a sq (*Cand is plcd a-t Alt.*)

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: Th br i i d fm.

W.M.: (ooo)

(*Brn frm eql lns on ea sd o Alt. Stwds ps thr
a frm rch in E. Wdns ps nsd th lns a tk stn
und rch*)

W.M.: (*goes t-o Alt*): Br. —, i-f y r stl
wl t tk th obl, sa I. Prn yr n i-n fl. (*dn*)
Nd rpt af m: O m ow fr wl nd ac, in prsc
of Alm G. nd ths wf L o Fcs, erc t Hm
nd ddet to th H. Ss J., d hb nd hrn slm
nd snc pr an sw tht I wl k nd cl an nv rv
ny o th sc bln t th dgr o Fc wh I hv rc m
ab t rc or my hrf b nstd i t ny psn nls it
sh b t a wth br Fc or wthn th bd o a j nd
rgl cnst L o sh, nd nt unt hm or thm until
b d trl str xmnt or lfl Msc. infr. I shl
hv fn hm o-r thm jsl ent t rc th sm.

F, I d pr nd sw tt I wl ans nd ob al
d ss nd rg sms snt t m-e fm th bd o a j nd
rgl cstd L o Fcs o-r hnd m b a wth br o ths
dgr i-f wthn th lgth o m c t nd th s nd ngl
o m wk.

F, I d pr nd sw tt I wl hp, ai nd asst al
pr nd dst Fcs thy aplg t m a-s sh, I fndg
thm wthy nd cn d s-o wtht mtrl inj t msl.

F, I d pr nd sw tt I wl nt wrn, ch, nr
dfd a Fc L or wth br o ths dgr to th vlu

o nthg kngly no-r sfr i-t t b dn b anthr
i-f i m pwr t prvt.

To al o wh I d slm nd snc pr an sw,
wtht ny hst, mnt rsv, or sc evs o mnd i me
whtv bnd msl und n-o ls a pn thn tht o
hvg m l b tn op m hr nd vtls tkn thc t th vl o
Jhs nd lft a pry t th vts o th ai shd I ev
knl o-r wfl vl ths m slm obl o Fc. S-o hl
m G, an mk m-e stfs t kp nd pfm th sm.

W.M.: I tstm o yr snc dtch yr hnds nd ks th
H. B. twc.

(*Cand kss th B.*)

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Rmv th c-t.

W.M.: M-y br, i yr prsn stuatn, wt d u ms
dsr.

Cand. (*prmpd by cond*): Mr. lgt i Msry

W.M.: Brn, strt frth yr hnds nd asst me in
brng ths bro to mr lgt in msry (*Dn.*)

(*W.M. wl st t cf immed aft t cand is brgt t lgt.*
Ofers to rmn stndg.)

M br, o-n bg brt t lgt i ths dgr, u bhld
th thr gt lgts i Msry, a i th precdg dgr, wth
ths dfnc, on pt o th cs i abv th sq, wh i
t tch u tht u hv rc nd r enttd t rc mr lgt

i Msry, bt a on pt i stl hdn fm yr vw
i-t i als t tch u tht u r yt on mtrl pt i
drkns rspctg F. Msry.

S.D. (*to Br.*): Bhl th W.M. aprhng fm th E,
on th st (*tk*) un th dg (*gv*) nd & (*gv*) o
E.A., upn th st (*tk*) un th dg (*gv*) nd &
(*gv*) o a Fc.

W.M.: M Br, a Fc advncs upn hs r ft, brn
th hl o hs lf int th hlw o hs r, thrby fmg
th ngl o an obl. Ths i th dg (*gvs it*) nd
allds t th pstn o yr hns whl tkg th obl;
ths is (*gvs it*) th & an allds t th pn o tht
obl. Ths dg nd & ae alws t b gv as a slutatn
o-n ntrg o-r rtrg fm a Fc L.

M Br, bfr rsng fm th scrd Alt whr u
hv tkn th sm obl o Fc, I wl cll yr attn t
one o its tnts. U hv sw tht u wd ans nd
ob al de s nd rg sms snt t u fm th bd o
a j nd rgl cstd L o Fc, o-r hnd u b a wth
bro o th dgr, if wthn th lgth o yr cb-t nd th
sq an ng o yr wk. Th lgth o yr ct alds t
yr abl t ob a sms nd th sq an ngl o yr wk
t th prprit o ans sns. Shd u rc a sms frm
th o-r ny oth L, hlth nd bsn prmtg, it wd
b yr dty t oby it; hlth or bsn nt prmtg,
it wd nt b wthn th lgth o yr ct. Shd u se

a msc & gvn at wht u dm an impr tm, or an impr plc, u ar nt bnd to ans it. I wd nt b wthn th sq nd ngl o yr wk. M br, yr ow gd jdgmt mst tch u wh nd whr t-o ans Msc &s.

I nw prsnt m r hn i tkn o a cntnc o frnsh nd b1th lv, nd wl invs u wth th ps g ps wd, rl g nd wd o Fc, b as u ae uninstd, h wh hs hthrt ans f u wl at ths tm. Gv m th g o E.A. (Gv) Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Wl u b o o-r fm.

S.D.: Fm.

W.M.: Fm wt nd t wt.

S.D.: Fm th g o E.A. t th ps g o Fc.

W.M.: P. (Dn.) Wt i tht.

S.D.: Th ps g o Fc

W.M.: Hs i a n.

S.D.: I-t hs.

W.M.: Wl u gv it t m

S.D.: I dd n s rc i, nth wl l s imp i.

W.M.: Hw wl u dsps o i

S.D.: L o-r sb i.

W.M.: S i-t nd bg.

S.D.: U bg

W.M.: Bg u.

(wd gvn in prp mnr.)

W.M.: Wl u b o o-r fm.

S.D.: Fm.

W.M.: Fm wt nd t wt.

S.D.: Fm th ps g o Fc t th rl g o th sm

W.M.: P. (Dn.) Wt i tht.

S.D.: Th rl g o Fc.

W.M.: Hs i a nm.

S.D.: I-t hs.

W.M.: Wl u gv i-t t m

S.D.: I d n s rc i, nth wl i s impt t.

W.M.: Hw wl u dsps o i.

S.D.: Lt o hv i.

W.M.: Lt i-t nd bg.

S.D.: U bg.

W.M.: Bg u (Gvn.) — is th nm o ths g nd shd alws b gvn i ths cts mnr b ltg o hvg it. Whn ltg alwys cmmc wth th ltr —. Rs, sal th J. nd S.W.s an stsf thm tht u ae i pssn o th stp, dg, s ps g, ps w, rl g, nd wd o Fc.

(W.M. rtns t E. Ofs rtn t thr stns.)

S.D.: (cndts Cand t th J W.'s stn, plc Cand o-n stp o Fc) (ooo.)

J W. (o) (rs): Wh cm hr.

S.D.: A wth br Fc

J.W.: Hw my I k hm t b sh.

S.D.: B crt &s nd tks.

J.W.: Wt ae &s.

S.D.: R ngs, hzs, nd ppnds.

J.W.: Advc a & (S.D. nd cand. advcs an gvs
dg o Fc.) Hs tht a-n als.

S.D.: I-t hs; t th pst o m hs wl tkg th
obl.

J.W.: Hv u a fthr &.

S.D.: I hv. (Gvs s o Fc.)

J.W.: Hs tht a-n als.

S.D.: I-t hs; t th pn o tht obl.

J.W.: Wt ae tks.

S.D.: Crtn frnl o-r brth gs whb oe Esn my
knw anth i th drk a i th l.

J.W.: Advc nd gv me a tkn (Cand adv on th
stp o Fc, nd gv g.) Wt i tht.

S.D.: Th ps g o Fc

J.W.: Hs i-t a nm.

S.D.: I-t hs.

J.W.: Wl u gv i-t m.

S.D.: I d n s rev i, nth wl I s impt i.

J.W.: Hw wl u dsps o i.

S.D.: L o-r sb i.

J.W.: Sb i-t nd bg.

S.D.: U bg.

J.W.: Bg u.

(Wd gvn in prp mnr.)

J.W.: Wl u b o or fm..

S.D.: Fm.

J.W.: Fm wt nd t wt.

S.D.: Fm th ps g o Fc t th rl g o th sm.

J.W.: P. (Dn) Wt i tht?

S.D.: Th rl g o Fc.

J.W.: Hs i a nm.

S.D.: I-t hs.

J.W.: Wl u gv it t m.

S.D.: I d n s rc i, nth wl i s impt i.

J.W.: Hw wl u dsps o i.

S.D.: Lt o hv i.

J.W.: Lt i-t nd bg.

S.D.: U bg.

J.W.: Bg u (Wd gvn in prp mnr.) I m stsfd.
(S.D. cndts Cand t th S.W.s sta i th W.) (ooo)

S.W. (o) (rs): Wh cms hr.

S.D.: A wth br Fc.

S.W.: Hw my I k hm t b sh.

S.D.: B crt &s an tks.

S.W.: Wt ae &s.

S.D.: R ngs, hzs, an ppnds.

S.W.: Advc a & (S.D. nd cand advcs an gvs

dg o Fc.) Hs tht an als.

S.D.: I-t hs; t th pstn o m hns whl tkg th obl.

S.W.: Hv u a fthr &.

S.D.: I hv. (*Gvs s o Fc.*)

S.W.: Hs tht a-n al-s.

S.D.: I-t hs; t th plnt o tht obl.

S.W.: Wt ae tks.

S.D.: Crtn frnl o-r brth gs whb on Esn my knw anth i th drk a i th l.

S.W.: Advc nd gv me a tk. (*Cand gv ps g o Fc.*) Wt i tht.

S.D.: The p g o Fc.

S.W.: Hs i-t a nm.

S.D.: I-t hs.

S.W.: Wl u gv i-t t m.

S.D.: I d n s rc i, nth wl I s imprt i.

S.W.: Hw wl u dsps o i.

S.D.: L o-r sb i.

S.W.: Sb i nd bg.

S.D.: U bg.

S.W.: Bg u.

(*Wd gvn in prp mnr.*)

S.W.: Wl u b o o-r fm.

S.D.: Fm.

S.W.: Fm wt nd t wt.

S.D.: Fm th pss g o Fc t th rl g o th sm.

S.W.: P. (*Dn*) Wt i tht.

S.D.: Th rl g o Fc.

S.W.: Hs i a nm.

S.D.: I h-s.

S.W.: Wl u gv i t m.

S.D.: I d n s rc i, nth wl I s imprt i.

S.W.: Hw wl u dsps o i.

S.W.: Lt o hv i.

S.W.: Lt nd bg.

S.D.: U bg.

S.W.: Bg u. (*wd gvn in prp mnr*) I m satsfd. (*S.D. cndts Cand twds t E.*)

W.M.: (o): Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Rndt th Br t th S.W. i th W, wh wl tch hm hw t wea hs ap a a Fc.

S.D. (*cndts th Br t th S.W. i th W.*): Br. S.W.

S.W.: Br. S.D

S.D.: I-t i th ord o th W.M. tht u tch ths bro hw t wea hs ap a a Fc.

S.W. (*adjusts aprn*): M br, u hv alrd bn infmd tht a th bldg o K. S. T. th cftsm wr dstngshd b th mnr i wh th wr thei aps. Fcs wr thei wth th lf crnr tk up. Thu wea yrs untl fthr advcd.

S.D.: (*cdts Cand to E.*)

W.M.: M br, as u r nw clth a Fc I prsn u,
mblmtcly, th wk tls wch r th Pl, Sq, nd
Lv, nd ae ths xpld:

The Plumb is an instrument used by Operative Masons to try perpendiculars, the Square to square their work, and the Level to prove horizontals; but we as F. and A. M's, are taught to use them for more noble and glorious purposes. The Plumb admonishes us to walk uprightly in our several stations before God and man, squaring our actions by the Square of virtue, ever remembering that we are traveling upon the Level of time, to "that undiscovered country, from whose bourne no traveler returns." I als prsn u wth thr pres jls, wh ae th atnt ea, th instct tn, nd th fthfl bs, wh tchs us ths impnt lsn: Th atnt ea rcs th snd fm th instc tn an th msts o Fr Esnsm ae sfly ldgd i th rpsitrs o th fthfl bst. Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Rndct th Br t th plc whc h cm,
invs hm wth tht o wh h hs bn dvs, nd rtn
hm t a plc rprsntg th md chm o K.S.'s T

(*S.D. cndts Br t th Alt. Stwds. also goes t-o
Alt. S.D. ples Cand btw Stwds nd rtns t hs
sta. Thy salute, rtre—an whn rdy, gv alms.*)

W.M.: Br. J.W.

J.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Cl th cr fr lb t rfsmt, t rsm lb a
th sd o th gv i th E.

J.W. (*ooo*) (*clls up L*): Brn. (*Gv &*) I i th
ord o th W.M. th u b clld fr lb t rfsmt, t
rsm lb a th sd o th gv i th E. (o)

(*End of frst sect.*)

SECTION II.
MIDDLE CHAMBER LCTR

S. Stwd.: (*wh Cands r rdy*) (*ooo*).

W.M.: (*o*)

S.D.: (*cnds Cand msd dr*):

Th scn scfn o ths dgr hs rfrnc t th orign o th
Instn, nd vws Msrv ndr tw dnmtns, Opt
an Spct.

By Operative Masonry we allude to a proper application of the useful rules of architecture, whence a structure will derive figure, strength and beauty, and whence will result a due proportion and a just correspondence in all its parts. It furnishes us with dwellings and convenient shelter from the vicissitudes and inclemencies of the seasons, and while it displays the effects of human wisdom, as well in the choice as in the arrangement of the sundry materials of which an edifice is composed, it demonstrates that a fund of science and industry is implanted in man, for the best, most salutary, and beneficent purposes.

By Speculative or Free Masonry we learn to subdue the passions, act upon the square,

keep a tongue of good report, maintain secrecy and practice charity. It is so far interwoven with religion, as to lay us under obligation to pay that rational homage to Diety, which at once constitutes our duty and our happiness. It leads the contemplative to view, with reverence and admiration, the glorious works of creation, and inspires them with the most exalted ideas of the perfection of their Divine Creator.

A th bld o K. S.'s T thr wr egty ths
Fcs empld. Thse wr al und the immedt
drcn of ou anc opt G. M. H. Ab. O-n
th evng o th sxt dy thei wk ws inspc, nd
al wh hd prvd thmsls wrth, b strct fdlyt t
thei dts, wr invstd wth ctn mstc &s gs nd
wds, t enab thm t gn adms int th M. Ch o
K. S. T. On th sm da nd hr, K.S., acmpd
b hs cnfdntl ofcs, cnstng o hs Sc., S. nd
J.W s, reprd t th M. Ch t mt thm. Hs Sc. h
plcd nr hs psn; th S.W. a th inr nd the J.W.
a th ou-t dr gvg thm strc instens t sfr nn t ent
xcp sh a wr i pssn o crt mstc &s, gps nd wds
prvsly estblsd; so tht whn ny dd ent, h kng
tht thy mst hv bn fthfl wkm, or th cld nt
hv gnd adms, hd nthg t d bt ord thei nms rcrd

a-s sh nd py thm thei wgs, wh thy rcd i cn, wn nd oi, mblmtcl o nrsh, rfshn nd jy; nd aft smly admnshg thm o th rvrnc de th gr nd sc nm o G, sfrd thm t dprt i pc untl th tme shd arv f cmnc th flwng wks wk. Ths, u wl prcv, ws al acmplsh o-n th evn o th sx dy tht no unncr lb mt b prfmd o-n th Svth.

W-e, m Br, ae i pssn o th sm mstc &s, gs nd wds a-s wr ou anc bn, nd r nw abt t endv t wk ou wy int a plc rpstg th M. Ch. o K. S. T., nd shd w-e scdd, I hv n-o dt w-e shl b alke rcd nd rwd.

PILLARS

In dong ths it wl b ncsy f us t mk an advc, mblmclly, thrgh a prh, u-p a flt o wndg strs, cnstg o thr, fv nd sv stps, thrgh an outr nd an inr dr. In mkg ths advc we ncsrly ps btw tw plrs, rprsntg ths fms plrs erectd a th entc t th prch o K. S. T., one o-n th rt hn, th oth o-n th lf Th nm o th one on th lf hn ws B, dntg strn; th nm o th one on th rt, J, dntg estblshn, clctv algd t svrl prsms o G t Dvd, one o wh rds, "Nd thn hse, nd thy kngdm shl b estlisd frvr bfre th-ee."

This tw plrs wr thrt nd fv cbts hgh, nd

th chpt tt ws on th tp o ech o thm ws fv cbts, i al frt cbts.

Th cmpstn ws o mltn o-r cs brs, th btr t whstn inuntdn o-r cnflgrtn, tht thy mt nt b rmvd b fld nr cnsmd b fir. Th wr cst i th cly grns o-n th bnk o. th rv Jdn, btw Scth an Zerdtha, whr K.S. ord thse nd al o th Scd vs o th T t b cst; th wr cst hlw f th prp o cntg th rls nd rcrds wh emprisd th achvs o ou anc Brn.

The chpts wr ornmt wth lvs o ll wk, net-wk, an chns o pmgrts. Th ll fm it-s xtrm whtns, a wl a th rtird stutn i whh i grws, dnts pc; th net-wk fm th intimt cnotn o al it prts unty; an th pgrnt fm th exbrnc o its sd, plty.

PC, UNITY, AN PLTY

Peace, that here on the broad platform of brotherly love, the high, the low, the rich, the poor, may meet together with one common purpose, the perpetuation of each other's friendship and each other's love.

Unity, being linked together by a chain of sincere friendship.

Plenty, that though it may be given to some to have more of the world's goods than others,

still the man that has his health, strength and ambition has indeed his plenty.

GLOBES

These pillars are surmounted by two artificial spherical bodies, on the surface of which are represented the countries, seas and various parts of the earth, the face of the Heavens, and the planetary revolutions.

Contemplating these bodies, we are inspired with reverence for God and His works, and are encouraged to study astronomy, geography, navigation, and the arts dependent upon them, by which mankind has been so much benefited.

The principle use, besides serving as maps to distinguish the outward parts of the earth, and the situation of the fixed stars, is to illustrate and explain the phenomena arising from the annual revolution of the earth around the sun, and the diurnal rotation of the earth upon its own axis. They are invaluable instruments for improving the mind, giving it the most distinct idea of any problem or proposition as well as enabling it to solve the same.

We will nw mk an advnc, nd ascend th thr stps.

(Pss btw th plrs nd tk thr shrt stps.)

The three steps allude to the three principal supports in Masonry, namely, Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty; for it is necessary that there should be wisdom to contrive, strength to support, and beauty to adorn all great and important undertakings. Th als ald t th prn ofs o th L, th W. M. i-n th E, the S.W. in the W, nd th J. W. i-n th S.

We will nw mk a frthr advnc nd ascend th fv stps.

(Tke fv shrt stps twrds th cntr of th L.)

The fv stps all t th fv orders of architecture, and the five human senses.

By order in Architecture is meant a system of all the members, proportions and ornaments of columns and pilasters; or, it is a regular arrangement of the projecting parts of a building, which, united with those of a column, form a beautiful, perfect and complete whole.

From the first formation of society, order in architecture may be traced. When the rigor of seasons obliged men to contrive shelter from the inclemency of the weather, we learn that they first planted trees on end, and then laid others across, to support a covering. The bands

which connected those trees at top and bottom are said to have given rise to the idea of the base and capital of pillars; and, from this simple hint, originally proceeded the more improved art of architecture.

(The full description of the Orders of Architecture may be omitted and the following Short Form used.)

SHORT FORM

The more ancient and original order of Architecture, revered by Masons, are three, the Doric, the Ionic, and the Corinthian, which were invented by the Greeks.

To these the Romans have added two, the Tuscan, which they made plainer than the Doric, and the Composite, which is more ornamental than the Corinthian.

(If the above Short Form is used, omit the following full description of the orders of Architecture and continue with the Human Senses.)

LONG FORM

The five orders of ancient classic Architecture are the Doric, the Ionic, the Corinthian, the Tuscan, and the Composite.

DORIC

The Doric, which is plain and natural, is the most ancient, and was invented by the Greeks. Its column is eight diameters high, and has seldom any ornaments on base or capital, except mouldings; though the frieze is distinguished by triglyphs and metopes, and triglyphs compose the ornaments of the frieze. The solid composition of this order gives it a preference in structures where strength and a noble simplicity are desired. The Doric is the best proportioned of all the orders. The several parts of which it is composed are founded on the natural position of solid bodies.

THE IONIC

The Ionic bears a kind of mean proportion between the more solid and the more delicate orders. Its column is nine diameters high; its capital is adorned with volutes, and its cornice has dentils. There are both delicacy and ingenuity displayed in this pillar, the invention of which is attributed to the Ionians. The famous temple of Diana, at Ephesus, was of this order.

THE CORINTHIAN

The Corinthian, the richest of the five orders, is deemed a master-piece of art. Its

column is ten diameters high, and its capital is adorned with two rows of leaves, and eight volutes, which sustain the abacus. The frieze is ornamented with curious devices, the cornice with dentils and modillions. This order is used in ornate structures.

THE TUSCAN

The Tuscan, is the most simple and solid of the five orders. It was invented in Tuscany, whence it derives its name. Its column is seven diameters high; and its capital, base and entablature have but few mouldings. The simplicity of the construction of this column renders it eligible where ornament would be superfluous.

THE COMPOSITE

The Composite is compounded of the other orders and was contrived by the Romans. Its capital has the two rows of leaves of the Corinthian and the volutes of the Ionic. Its column has quarter-rounds, as have the Tuscan and Doric orders, it is ten diameters high, and its cornice has dentils, or simple modillions. This pillar is generally found in buildings where strength, elegance, and beauty are displayed.

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To these the Romans have added two, the Tuscan, which they have made plainer than the Doric, and the Composite, which is more ornamental, if not more beautiful than the Corinthian.

Th fs thr ords al, hww, shw invtn nd pctr chr, nd ssntly dfr fr ea ot; th tw ots hv ntg bt wht i brrd, nd dif oly acctly; th Tus i th Drc i its erlst st, an the Comps i th Crnth nrchd wth th Inc. T th Grs thrf, nd nt t th Rmns, w ae ndtd fr wht i grt, jud nd dst i arc.

HMN SNSS

Th fv hmn Sns ae, Hrg, Se-ng, Fel-g Sm-Ing, nd Tstg. Th fs thr o wh hv ev bn dmed prrquists t bng md a Esn; f b hrg w-e dstngh th wd; b see w-e prcv th & (*gv d o Fc*), an b fel w-e rc th frnl o-r brthl g (*gv grp*) whb on Esn my knw anth i th dk a i th lg.

HEARING

Hearing is that sense by which we distinguish sounds, and are capable of enjoying all the agreeable charms of music. By it we are

enabled to enjoy the pleasures of society, and reciprocally to communicate to each other our thoughts and intentions, our purposes and desires; and thus our reason is rendered capable of exerting its utmost power and energy. The wise and beneficent Author of Nature intended, by the formation of this sense, that we should be social creatures, and receive the greatest and most important part of our knowledge from social intercourse with each other. For these purposes we are endowed with hearing, that by a proper exertion of our rational powers, our happiness may be complete.

SEEING

Seeing is that sense by which we distinguish objects, and in an instant of time, without change of place or situation, view armies in battle array, the most stately structures, and all the agreeable variety displayed in the landscape of nature. By this sense we find our way on the pathless ocean, traverse the globe of earth, determine its figure and dimensions, and delineate any region or quarter of it. By it we measure the planetary orbs, and make new discoveries in the sphere of the fixed stars. Nay, more, by it we perceive the tempers and dispo-

sitions, the passions and affections of our fellow-creatures when they wish most to conceal them; so that, though the tongue may be taught to lie and dissemble, the countenance will display the hypocrisy to the discerning eye. In fine, the rays of light which administer to this sense are the most astonishing parts of the animated creation, and render the eye a peculiar object of admiration.

Of all the faculties, Sight is the noblest. The structure of the eye, and its appurtenances, evince the admirable contrivances of nature for performing all its various external and internal motions; while the variety displayed in the eyes of different animals, suited to their several ways of life, clearly demonstrates this organ to be the master-piece of nature's works.

FEELING

Feeling is that sense by which we distinguish the different qualities of bodies, such as heat and cold, hardness and softness, roughness and smoothness, figure, solidity, motion and extension.

SMELLING

Smelling is that sense by which we disting-

uish odors; the various kinds of which convey different impressions to the mind. Animal and vegetable bodies, and indeed most other bodies, while exposed to the air, continually send forth effluvia' of vast subtilty, as well in a state of life and growth as in the state of fermentation and putrefaction. These effluvia, being drawn into the nostrils along with the air, are the means by which all bodies are distinguished. Hence it is evident that there is a manifest appearance of design in the great Creator having planted the organ of smell in the inside of that canal through which the air continually passes in respiration.

TASTING

Tasting enables us to make a proper distinction in the choice of our food. The organ of this sense guards the entrance of the alimentary canal, as that of smelling, guards the entrance of the canal for respiration. From the situation of both these organs, it is plain that they were intended by nature to distinguish wholesome food from that which is nauseous. Everything that enters in the stomach must undergo the scrutiny of tasting, and by it we are capable of discerning the changes which the

same body undergoes in the different compositions of art, cookery, chemistry, pharmacy, etc.

Smelling and tasting are inseparably connected, and it is by the unnatural kind of life men commonly lead in society, that these senses are rendered less fit to perform their natural offices.

The proper use of these five senses enables us to form just and accurate notions of the operations of nature; and when we reflect on the objects with which our senses are gratified, we become conscious of them, and are enabled to attend to them, till they become familiar objects of thought.

On the mind all our knowledge must depend; what therefore, can be a more proper subject for the investigation of Masons?

To sum up the whole of this transcendent measure of God's bounty to man, we shall add that memory, imagination, taste, reasoning, moral perception, and all the active powers of the soul, present a vast and boundless field for philosophical disquisition, which far exceeds human inquiry, and are peculiar mysteries, known only to nature and to nature's God, to whom all are indebted for creation,

preservation, and every blessing we enjoy.

W wl nw mk a stl fth advnc nd ascn th sv stps. (*Adv.*)

ARTS AND SCIENCES

The stps ald t th sv lbr ats nd scncs, wh ae Gram, Rhet Log, Arith Gmtr. Msc, nd Astrom.

GRAMMER

Grammer is the science which teaches us how to express our ideas in correct language, which we afterwards beautify and adorn by means of Rhetoric; while Logic instructs us how to think and reason with propriety.

RHETORIC

It is by Rhetoric that elegance of diction is taught. (To be an eloquent speaker, is far from being either a common or an easy attainment; it is the art, of being persuasive and commanding; the art, not only of pleasing the fancy, but of appealing both to the understanding and to the heart.)

LOGIC

Logic is that science which teaches us how to form clear and distinct ideas, and prevents us being misled by similitude or resemblances, (This science should be cultivated as the foun-

dation or ground work of our inquiries: particularly in the study of those sublime principles which claim our attention as Masons.)

ARITHMETIC

Arithmetic is the science of numbers, or that branch of mathematics which considers the properties of numbers in general. (We have but a very imperfect idea of things without quantity, and as imperfect an idea of quantity itself without the aid of Arithmetic. All the works of the Almighty are expressed in number, weight, and measure; therefore, to understand them rightly, we ought to understand arithmetical calculations; and the greater the advancement we make in the mathematical sciences, the more capable we shall be of considering such things as are the ordinary subjects of our conception, and be thereby lead to a better knowledge of our Great Creator, and the works of his Creation.)

GEOMETRY

Geometry treats of the powers and properties of magnitudes in general, where length, breadth, and thickness are considered — from a point to a line, from a line to a superficies, from a superficies to a solid. A point is that

which has position, but no magnitude, and is the beginning of all geometrical matter. A line has length without breadth. A surface is that which has length and breadth without thickness. A solid is a magnitude which has length, breadth, and thickness.

By this science the architect is enabled to construct his plans and execute his designs: the general, to arrange his soldiers; the engineer to mark out grounds for encampments; the geographer, to give us the dimensions of the world, and all things therein contained, to delineate the extent of seas, and specify the divisions of empires, kingdoms, and provinces. By it, also, the Astronomer is enabled to make his observations, and to fix the duration of times and seasons, years and cycles.

MUSIC

(Organ starts playing very softly)

Music is that art which affects the passions by sound. There are few who have not felt its charms, and acknowledged its expressions to be intelligible to the heart. It is a language of delightful sensations far more eloquent than words; it breathes to the ear the clearest intimations; it touches and gently agitates the

sublime passions; it wraps us in melancholy, and elevates us in joy; it dissolves and inflames, it melts us in tenderness, and excites us to war. (Lodge called up.)

(Organ plays Star Spangled Banner)

The martial strains of national airs heard on the field of battle have thrilled the soldier's heart, causing him to burn with an emulous desire to lead the perilous advance, and animating him to deeds of heroic valor and sublime devotion; amidst the roar of cannon, the din of musketry, and the carnage of battle, he sinks to the dust; raising himself to take one long last look of life, he hears in the distance that plaintive strain: Home, Sweet Home.

(Organ plays Home Sweet Home, first softly and then louder.)

And the mellowing tides of old cathedral airs vibrating through aisles and arches have stilled the ruffled spirit, and sweeping away the discordant passions of men, have borne them along its resistless current, until their united voices have joined in sounding aloud the chorus of the Heaven-born anthem: "Peace on earth, good will towards men."

But it never sounds with such seraphic har-

mony, as when employed in singing hymns of gratitude to the Creator of the Universe.

Breth. (Sing Hymn)

“Be Thou, O God! exalted high,
And as Thy glory fills the sky,
So let it be on earth displayed,
Till Thou art here, as there, obeyed.”

W.M. (o) (*One rap-seating Lodge.*)

ASTRONOMY

Astronomy is that science which treats of the heavenly bodies, their motion, magnitude, distances, and physical constitutions. How eloquent of Diety is the Celestial Hemisphere, spangled with the most magnificent heralds of His infinite glory.

S.D.: M Br, we ae nw aprchg a plc rprstg th outr dr t th M. Chm o K. S.'s T., wh we shl fnd prtl opd, bt clsly td b th J.W., wh wl dmnd o us th pw o Fc; le us advc nd mke a regl alm. (*With hs stff, ooo.*)

J.W. (o) (rs): Wh cms hr.

S.D.: Tw Fcs ndvrng t wk thei wy int a pl rprstg th M. Ch. o K. S.s T.

J.W.: Hw d u xpct t gn adms.

S.D.: B th p. w o Fc.

J.W.: Gv it.

(S.D. *advcs, gvs pw o Fc.*)

J.W.: Wht ds it dnt.

S.D.: Pln.

J.W.: Hw rpsnt.

S.D.: B a shf o cn sspn nr a wtr fd, wh tchs us tht whl we hv brd t ea nd pur rng wtr t drnk we hv al tht ntr rqrs.

J.W.: B whm ws ths p w insttd.

S.D.: B Jpt, a Jg o Isl, i a wr wth th Ephs.

Th Ephs hd lng bn a stbrn nd rblus pple, whm Jpt hd strvn t sbd b mld nd Int msrs, bt wtht efc. Thy bng hghly incns at Jpt f nt bng cld t ft nd shr in th rch spls o th Amhtsh wr, gthd tgth a mghty amy, crsd th rv Jn, nd prpd t gv Jpt btl; bt h, bng apprsd o thei aprh, cld tgth th mn o Isl, wnt fth, gve thm bt, nd pt thm t flt.

To mk hs vctr mr cmplt, h sttnd grds a th dfn pss alng th bnk o th rv Jn nd sd unt thm, if y se ny strngs ps ths wy sy unt thm, “Nw sy ye S.” Th Ephs bng o a dfn trb, cd nt frm t prnc th wd, nd sd “S.” Ths trflg dfc prvd thm enms nd cost thm thei lvs, nd thr fl tht dy on th fld o btl, nd a th dfn pss alng th bnk o th Rv, frt an 2 ths, aft wh

Jph rld quitly i Isl unt th tm o hs dh, in
al sx yrs. Ths wd ws aftwds usd t dstngs
a frm fm a foe, nd hs snc bn adpd a th
prpr p w t b gvn bfr entg any rgl nd wl gv
L o Fc.

J.W.: I m stsfid; ps on.

S.D.: M Br, we ae nw aprchg a plc rprstg th
inr dr t th M Ch. o K. S.s T, wh we
shl als fnd prtl opd bt clsly td by th S.W.,
wh wl dmnd o us th rl g an wd o Fc.
Le us advnc nd mk a rgl alm. (ooo)

S.W. (o) (rs): Wh cms hr.

S.D.: Tw Fcs ndvrng t wk thei wy int a plc
rprstg th M. Ch. o K. S.'s T.

S.W.: Hw d u xpct t gn adms.

S.D.: B th rl g nd wd.

S.W.: Advnc nd gv it. (*Cand. gvs rl g o F.*)

S.W.: Wht i tht.

S.D.: Th rl g o Fc.

S.W.: Hs it a n.

S.D.: I hs.

S.W.: Wl u gv it t m.

S.D.: I dd n s rc it, nth wl I s impt it.

S.W.: Hw wl u dsps o it.

S.D.: Lt o hv i.

S.W.: Lt it nd bg.

S.D.: U bg.

S.W.: Bg u. (*wd gvn in prp mnr.*) I m satsfd;
ps in.

S.D. (*cndts Cand t Al*): M Br, w ae nw i
a plc rprstg th M. Ch. o K. S. T. Bhld th
lt G, suspd i th E. It i th initl o Gmt, th
bss o F Esnsm. By Geometry, we may curi-
ously trace Nature through her various wind-
ings to her most concealed recesses.

By Geometry, we discover the power, wis-
dom, and goodness of the Great Architect
of the Universe, and view with awe the pro-
portions of this vast system.

By Geometry, we discover how the planets
move in their respective orbits, demonstrate
their various revolutions, and account for
the return of the seasons and the variety of
scenes which each season displays to the
discerning eye.

About us are numberless worlds, which
move through the vast expanse all framed
by the Divine Creator, and all conducted
by the unerring laws of Nature.

A survey of nature, and the observation of
her beautiful proportions, first determined
man to imitate the Divine plan, and study

symmetry and order. This gave rise to societies, and birth to every useful art. The architect began to design; and the plans which he laid down, improved by time and experience, have resulted in works which have been the admiration of every age.

The lapse of time, the ruthless hand of ignorance and the devastations of war, have laid waste and destroyed many valuable monuments of antiquity, upon which the utmost exertions of human genius had been employed. Even the Temple of Solomon, so spacious and magnificent, and constructed by so many celebrated artists, escaped not the unsparing ravages of barbarous force. Freemasonry, notwithstanding, still survives.

Th atnt ea rcs th sn fm th instct tn, nd th ms o F.M. ae sfl ldg i th rpstry o th fthfl bs.

Tls nd implmts o arotr, nd symblic mblms, mst xprsv, ar slctd by th Frtty t imprss on th mnd wis nd serus truths; nd ths thru a scsn o ags ae trnsmtd nd imprd, th mst xclt tnts o our Insttn.

(Evy br admtd wthn th sac wlls o ths mdle chm shld hd th lssns hr inclctd, nd

rembr tht a a F. M. h i als a bldr, nt o a matl edifc, bt o a tmpl mr glr thn tht o S, a tmpl o hn, o jst, o pr, o knlge, nd o trth nd tht thse mblms o th op Msn a indcte th lbrs he i to pfm, th dngs h i to nctr, nd th pprats h i t mk, i th uprng o tht sprtl fabr whn hs sl shl rst fvr nd fvr mr.)

Many long years ago upon the eastern plains was thus our Institution set up, based upon principles more durable than the metal wrought into the statues of ancient Kings. Age after age rolled by, storm and tempest hurled their thunders at its head, wave after wave of bright insidious sands curled about its feet and heaped their sliding grains against its sides; men came and went in fleeting generations; seasons fled like hours through the whirling wheel of time; but through the tempest and storm, through the attrition of the waves and sands of life; through good report and bad, it has continued to shed its beneficent influence wider over the earth.

S.D.: (in E): W.M.

W.M. (rs): Br S.D.

S.D.: I hv th plsr o prsntg Br——, wh hs md an advnc, smbely, thrgh a prh, up a flt

o wnd strs, cnstg o 3, 5 nd 7 stps, thrgh
an ou nd an inr dr, int a plc rprstg th
M. Ch. o K. S.'s T, nd nw awts yr fth pls.

W.M.: M Br, I cngrlt u upn yr arvl int a plc
rprstg th M. Ch. o K. S. T. It ws thr ou anc
bn hd thei nms rcrdd as fthfl wkm; i i hr u
ae enttld t hv yrs rcrdd as sh. Br. Sec.

Sec.: W.M.

W.M.: Mk th ney rcrd.

Sec.: T rcrd i md.

W.M. (*to Br*): It ws thr als tht ou anc bn red
thr ws, cnstg o cn, wn nd oi, mblmtcl o nrsh,
rfshn nd jy.

(Th wgs o a Fc bng cn, wn nd oi, ws
t sgnfy tht ou anct bn, whn pssd t ths dgr,
wr enttld t thr wgs, nt only f th necssrs
nd cmfts o lf, bt f mny o its suprflts; nd
ma yr indstrs hbts nd stret aplcn t bsns
procr f u a plnty o th cn o nrsh, wn o
rfshn, nd oi o jy.)

W.M.: My br, th lt G, t wh yr attn hs bn
dret on yr psg hthr, hs a stl hghr nd fr
mr-sgnfcnt mng. (*Cls up th L. All on th lvl.*)
It i th initl o th grt nd scd nm o G, bfr
whm al, fm th Ea. i th N. E. cr, t th W.M.

i th E, shd mst hmbl rvrntl, nd dvtl bw
(*Al bw.*)

W.M.: (*o*) M br, thr i als a lect cnctd wth ths
dgr, cnstg o a seris o qsts nd ans, wh wl
nw b psd btw msf nd the S.D. Pa strict
attn, f wr u at ny tm undrgng a xmntn
hs ans wld b yrs, nd it wl b ncsry f u t
bcm prfct in thm bfr u cn b rsd t th sblm rnk
of M.M.

LECTURE 2

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.D, ae u a Fc.

S.D.: I m; tr m.

Q. B wht wl u b trd.

A. B th sq.

Q. Wh b th sq.

A. Bcs it i an mblm o mrlt nd one o th wkg tls o Fc.

Q. Wt i a sq.

A. An ng o nty dgrs, or th frth prt o a crc.

Q. Wht mks u a Fc.

A. M obl.

Q. Whr wr u md a Fc.

A. Wthn th bd of a js nd rgl cnst L o Fc, asmb in a pl rprstg th M C o K S T, frnsh wth th H B, S nd Cs tgth wth a chrt or dspsn fm sm G. B. o cmpt jrsdc emprg it t wk.

Q. Hw ma I kn u t b a Fc.

A. B crtn &s nd tkns.

Q. Wht ar &s.

A. R ngls, hrzls nd pndlrs

Q. Adnc a &. (S.D. gvs dg o F.C.) Hs that an als.

A. It hs, i th pstn o m hns whl tkg th obl.

Q. Hv u a fthr &.

A. I hv (Gvs i.)

Q. Hs tht an als.

A. It hs, t th pnlt o tht obl.

Q. Wt ae tkns.

A. Crtn frnl or brth gs whb one Esn ma knw anth i th dk a i th lt.

Q. Advn nd gv m a tkn. (S.D. advn o th stp nd gvs pg o Fc.) Wt i tht.

A. Th pg o Fc.

Q. Hs i a nm.

A. It hs.

Q. Wl u gv i t m.

A. I d nt s rev i, nth wl I s impt i.

Q. Hw wil u dsps o i.

A. L or sb it.

Q. Sb i nd bg.

A. U bg.

Q. Bg u.

(S.D. gvs p w.)

Q. Wl u b o or fm.

A. Fm.

Q. Fm wt nd t wt.

A. Fm th ps g o Fc t th rl g o th sm.

Q. P (rl g gvn) wt i tht.

- A. Th rl g o Fc.
 Q. Hs i a nm.
 A. It hs.
 Q. Wl u gv i t m.
 A. I d n s rec i, nth wl i s impt it.
 Q. Hw wl u dsps o it.
 A. Lt or hv i.
 Q. Lt i nd bg.
 A. U bg.
 Q. Bg u. (*S.D. gvs rl wd.*) Whr wr u prpd t b md a Fc.
 A. I a rm adjng th bd o a js nd rgl cnst L o Fcs
 Q. Hw wr u prpd.
 A. Dvs o al mt sbs, nth n nr clth, bf nr sd, r kn nd b br, hw, nd wth a ct twc arnd m r rm, clth as E A, in wh cndtn I ws cndtd t a dr o th L nd cs t gv thr dsic ks wh wr ans b thr wthn.
 Q. Wh ws th ct twc abt yr r rm.
 A. T tch m tht as a Fc I ws und a dbl te t th frty.
 Q. T wt d th thr kns kns ald.
 A. T thr pre Jls.
 Q. Wt ws sd t u fm wthn.
 A. Wh cms hr.

- Q. Yr ans.
 A. A wthy br (*or Mr —*) wh hs bn rgl initt
 E. A. nd nw wshs mr lt i Msry b bng ps t th dgr o Fc.
 Q. Wt wr u thn skd.
 A. I it ws an ac o my ow f wl nd acd; i I ws wth nd wl qulf, dl nd trl prp, if I hd md sutbl prfenc i th predg dgr; al o wh bng ans i th afrmt. I ws skd b wt fthr r or bnf I xpctd t obt ths impt prv.
 Q. Yr ans.
 A. Bnf o th ps w.
 Q. Hd u th ps w.
 A. I hd it nt; m cnd hd nd gv it f m.
 Q. Wt wr u thn td.
 A. Snc I ws i psn o al ths ncr qlfctns, I shd wai untl th W.M. cd b infmd o m rqs nd hs ans retnd.
 Q. Wt ws hs ans whn retnd
 A. Le hm ent ths wfl L o Fc, nd b rc i de nd anc fm.
 Q. Hw wr u rc.
 A. On th ngl o a sq, apl t m n r bs, wh ws t tch m tht th sq o vrt shd b a rie an gui f m pretc thr lfe
 Q. Hw wr u thn dsps o.

- A. Cndtd twc rgl arou th L an t th J.W. i th S,
whr th sm qsts wr skd nd ans retnd a at th
dr.
- Q. Hw dd th J.W. dsps o u.
- A. Drctd m t b cndtd t the S.W. i th W,
whr th sm qsts wr skd nd ans retnd a
bfr.
- Q. Hw dd th S.W. dsps o u.
- A. Drct me t be cndtd t th W.M. i th E,
whr th sm qsts wr skd nd ans retnd a bfr —
wh als dmdd whnc I cm nd wth trvl.
- Q. Yr ans.
- A. Fm th W, trvl E.
- Q. Wh dd u lv th W nd trvl E.
- A. I srh o mr l i Msry.
- Q. Hw dd the W.M. dsps o u.
- A. Or me t b rcntd t th S.W. i th W wh tght me
hw t aprh th E i de nd anc fm.
- Q. Wht ws tht de nd anc fm.
- A. Advcg on my r f, brng th hl o my lf int th
hlw o my r, thb fmg th ngl o an ob; bd erc,
fc th E.
- Q. Wt dd th W. M. thn d wth u.
- A. Md me a Fc.
- Q. Hw.
- A. I de fm.

- Q. Wt ws tht de fm.
- A. Kn on m n rt k, m lf fmg th ngl o a sq,
m r hn rstg on the H B, Sq an Cs m lf
i a vrtc pstn, m rm fmg a sq, i wh de fm
I tk th sm obl o Fc.
- Q. Hv u tht obl.
- A. I hv.
- Q. Rpt it.
- Cand: I, — — —, o m ow fr wl nd ac,
in th prsc o Alm G nd ths wf L o Fcs, erc
t Hm nd ddct t th mmr o th H. Ss. J., d hb
an hrn slm nd snc pr nd sw tht I wl k nd cl
nd nv rv ny o th scs bln t th dgr o Fc wh I
hv rc, m ab t rc, or my hrf b nstd in, t ny psn
nls it shl b t a wth br Fc, or wthn th bd o a
j nd rgl cnst L o sh, nd nt unt hm or thm untl b
d trl, str xmnt or lfl Msc infr, I shl hv fn hm
or thm jsl ent t rc th sm.
- F, I d pr nd sw tt I wl ans nd ob al d ss
nd rg sms snt t me fm th bd o a j nd rgl
cstd L o Fcs, or hnd m b a wth br o th dgr,
if wthn th lgth o m c-t nd th s nd ngl o
m wk.
- F, I d pr nd sw tt I wl hp, ai, nd asst al
pr nd dst Fcs, thy aplg t m as sh, I fndg
thm wth nd cn d so wht mtrl inj t msl.

F, I d pr nd sw tt I wl nt wrn, ch, nr dfd a Fc L or a br o ths dgr to th vlu o nthg kngly, nor sfr it t b dn b anthr if i m pwr t prvt.

To al o wh I d slm nd snc pr an sw, wtht ny hst, mnt rsv, or sc evs o mnd i me whtv, bnd msl und no ls a pn thn tht o hvg m l b tn op, m hr nd vtls tkn thc t th vl o Jhs nd lft a pry t th vts o th ai, shd I ev knl or wfl vl ths m slm obl o Fc. So hl m G, an mk me stfs t kp nd pfm th sm.

Q. Af th obl, wt wr u skd.

A. Wt I ms dsrd.

Q. Yr ans.

A. Mr l i Esnm.

Q. Dd u rc it.

A. I dd, b ord o th W.M.

Q. On bng brt t l wt dd u bhl.

A. Th thr gt ls i Esnm, a i th predg dgr wth ths dfrc: one pt o th Cs ws abv th sq, wh ws t tch me tht I hd rc nd ws ntld t rc mr l i Esnm; bt a one pt ws stl hdn fm m vw, it ws als t tch me tht I ws yt one mtrl pt i th drk rspctg F Msry.

Q. Wt dd u nx bhl.

A. Th W.M. aprh fm th E, upn th st, ndr th

dg nd & o Fc, wh prsnt hs r hn i tkn o cntnnc o frns nd brthl lv, nd invst me wth th p g., p wd, rl g nd wd; ord me t ri, sal th J. and S. Ws, nd stsf thm tht I ws i pssn o th st, dg, sn p g p wd, rl g, nd wd o Fc.

Q. Hw wr u thn dsps o.

A. Rcmd t th S.W. i th W, wh tgt me hw t wr m ap as a Fc.

Q. Hw shd a Fc wr hs ap.

A. Wth th lf cr tkd up.

Q. Wth wt wr u thn prsnt.

A. Th wkg tls o Fc, wh ae th Pl, Sq nd Lv, nd ae th xpld: th Pl is an inst usd by opt Esns. t tr pndls, th Sq t sq thr wk, nd th Lv t prv hzils; bt we as Fr nd A. Ms, al tgt t use thm f mr nbl nd gls prpss. Th pl admnsh us t wlk uprtl i ou svrl statns bfr G nd mn sqrg ou actn b th sq o vrt nd ev rmbrg tht we r trvl on th lv o tm t tht undsevd cnt fm whs bour no trvl rtns.

Q. Wth wt wr u thn prsnt.

A. Th pcs jls, wh ae th attv ea, th instr tn, nd th fulfil bs. Thy tch u ths imp t lsn; th attv ea res th sn fm th instct tn, nd

th msts o F Msry ae sfly ldgd i th rpsitrs
o th fthfill brst.

Q Hw wr u thn dtps o.

A Rend t th plc whnc I cm, invs wth th o wh
I hd bn dvs, nd retn t a plc rpsntg th M
Ch o K S T.

SYMBOLISM O THE DGR.

If th obj o th fst dgr i t symblz th strgls
o a Cand grpg i dkns fr intllcl lgt, tht o th
sec dgr rprs th sm Cand lbg amd al th dffclts
tht nchr th yng bgr in th attnmt o lng nd
scnc. Th E. A. i t emrg fr dkns t lght; th Fc
i t cm o o ignce ito kndge. Ths dgr, thfe, b
fttg mblms, i ntdd t tyf thse strgls o th rdnt
md fo th attnmt o trth — mrl nd intllcl trth —
an abv al, tht Dv trth, th cmphsn o whc surps
hm undstg, an t whc stdg i th M.C. aft hs
lbrs ast o th wdg strs, h cn onl apprx by th
rcptn o an impft, yt glr rwd i th revel o
tht "hïerlphc lght whc nn bt crfm ev sw."
W.M.: Ths, m br, cnclds th snd dgr o Essnism,
wth th xcpn o th chg.

CHARGE

Being advanced to the second degree of
Freemasonry, I congratulate you on your pre-

ferment. The internal, and not the external,
qualifications of a man are what Masonry re-
gards. As you increase in knowledge, you will
improve in social intercourse.

It is unnecessary to recapitulate the duties
which, as a F. C., you are bound to discharge,
or to enlarge on the necessity of a strict ad-
herence to them, as your own experience must
have established their value. Our laws and
regulations you are strenuously to support; and
be always ready to assist in seeing them duly
executed. You are not to palliate, or aggravate,
the offenses of your brethren; but in the de-
cision of every trespass against our rules, you
are to judge with candor, admonish with friend-
ship, and reprehend with justice.

Your past behavior and regular depart-
ment have merited the honor which we have
now conferred; and in your new character, it
is expected that you will conform to the
principles of the Order, by steadily preserving
in the practice of every commendable virtue.
Such is the nature of your engagement as a F.
C., and to these duties you are bound by the
most sacred ties.

This, my brother, concludes the second de-

gree of Masonry. You will step to the Altar, salute and retire.

The Secretary will notify you when to present yourself for the third degree.

Clsg 2 dgr nd rsng 3dgr.

W.M.: Br. J.D., th ls a wl a fs gt cr o Msns whn cnvd.

J.D.: T se tht thy ae dl t.

W.M.: Atn t tht dt nd infm th T tht I m ab t clse th L on th scn dgr o Esnm f th prps o rsmg lb in th thrd; drc hm t tk de ntc thrf nd gv hmsl acly.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: I m drc t infm u tht th W. M. is ab t cls th L on th scn dgr o Msry f th prps o rsmg lb in th thrd. Tk d ntc thrf nd gv ysl acl. (cls dr.)

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th T i infmd.

W.M. (*cls up L*): Brn, wvg al & s nd crmy

I nw dclr th L dl cls on th scn dgr nd lb rsmd i th thd. Br. S.D., atn a th Alt.

S.D. (*W o Alt, dspls lts (Ecles xii) gvs & o MM, reports, nd rsms hs stn.*)

W.M.: Br. J.D., infm th T.

J.D. (ooo).

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: Br. T.

T.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Lb is nw rsmd o th thd dgr (*Cls dr.*)

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Th T i infm.

W.M.: (o).

(*Fr clsg on thrd, see pg 18*)

THIRD DGR.

(Fr opng on th thrd, see page 7 to page 17)

W.M. (o) : Br. J.D.

J.D. (rs) : W.M.

W.M.: Ascert i thr ae ny cand's i wtg. I s,
thr nms nd f wht dgr.

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: (Obtns nms o cand's fm T nd rpts.)

J.D.: (ooo)

T.: (ooo)

J.D.: (o)

T.: (o)

J.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. J.D.

J.D.: Br—, is i wtg f th thd dgr.

W.M.: Brn, Br—, is i wtg f th thd dgr
o Esnm, he hvg md sutbl prfnc i th predg
dgr if thr is no objn, I shl cnfr th dgr
upn hm. (Pss) Thr bg no objn, I wl pred.
(o).Br S. an J. Std.

S. Std. (bth rs) : W. M.

W.M.: Hw shd a Bro b prpd f th thd dgr
o Esnm.

S. Std.: B bng dvs o al mtl sbts, nth nd
nr clth, bf, bth kns nd b br, hw, nd wth a
ct thr tms arnd hs bd, clth as a Fc.

W.M.: Rtr t th prprtn rm, wh Br. — is i
wtg, nd whn ths prpd, caus hm t mk th
usl alm a th inr dr.

Stds.: (Slts nd rtr t prpr cand) (Mnwht, L
my prcd wth reg bs or b clld to rfsmnt).

Stds.: (When cand i rdy, th Stds cses hm to
gv th alm.)

Cand.: (ooo)

S.D.: W. M.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: Thr i an alm a th inr dr.

W.M.: Atn th alm, nd ascert th cs.

S.D. (ooo)

S. Std. (o).

S.D: (o) (ops dr.): Wh cm hr.

S. Std.: Br—, wh hs bn rgl init E.A., ps
t th dgr o Fc nd nw wshs fth lg i Msry
b bng rs t th subl dgr o M.M.

S.D.: Bro.—, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl
nd acd.

Br.—: It i.

S.D.: Br. S. Std. i h wth nd wl qlf

S. Std.: He i

S.D.: Dl nd trl prp.

S. Std.: He i

S.D.: Hs h md sutbl prfnc i th predg dgr.

S. Std.: H hs.

S.D.: B wt fthr r or bnf ds h xpc t obt ths imptn prv.

S. Std.: Bnf o th ps wd.

S.D.: Hs h th ps wd.

S. Std.: H hs it nt; I hv i f hm.

S.D.: Advnc nd gv it to me.

S. Std. (*Advns nd gvs th ps wd.*)

S.D.: Th ps wd i rt. Snc Br.— is i psn o al ths ncsr qlfctns, lt hm wai untl th W.M. cn b infm o hs rqs nd hs ans rtnd.

S.D. (*cls dr nd retns W. of Alt.*): W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: Thr i wtht Br—, wh hs bn rgl init E.A., ps t th dgr o Fc, nd nw wshs frth lg in Esns b bng rs t th sbl dgr o M.M.

W.M.: I it an ac o hs ow f w nd acd.

S.D.: I is.

W.M.: I h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Hs h md sutbl prfnc in th predg

dgr.

S.D.: H hs.

W.M.: B wt fthr r or bnf ds h xpc t obt ths imptn prv.

S.D.: Bnf o th ps wd.

W.M.: Hs h th ps wd.

S.D.: H hs it nt; I hv it f hm.

W.M.: Advnc nd gv it t me.

S.D. (*Advncs nd gvs ps wd o M.M.*)

W.M.: Th ps wd i rt. Snc Br.—, is i psn o al ths ncsr qlfctns, lt hm ent ths wfl L o M Ms, nd b rc i de nd anc fm.

S.D.: (*gos t th dr nd ops it.*)

S.D.: Lt hm ent ths wfl L o M Ms nd b rc i de nd anc fm.

(*Th Br. i rcd a dr on pts o cmps wth th flwg xpl*)

S.D.: Br.—, whn fs u entd a L o F. & A Esns u wr rc on th pt o a sh inst, prc yr n l br. On yr scn entc u wr rcd on th ngl o a sq appld t yr n r b, th mrls o wh wr a tht tme xpld t u. I m nw cmnd t rc u on th xtrm ps o th cs xtng fm yr n r t yr n l b (*plcs th cs*), wh i t tch u tht as wthn th b ae cntn th ms vtl prts o mn, so bt th xtrm pts o th cs ae

cntd th ms vlubl tnts o F Esnm, wh ae
frnsh, mrlt, nd brthl lv.

(S.D. *tkc cand b r rm nd cndts hm thr tms
arnd th L, drng whc tm th W.M. rcts
th flwg psg o Script.*)

J. W. (o).

(W.M. *tms th rctng o th psg o Script so as
t fnsh jst a thy rech th J.W. st i th S on
th frth tme ard, whn thy hlt.*)

W.M.: Rmmb nw thy Crtr i th dys o th
yth, whl evl dys cm nt.

S.W. (o).

W.M.: Nr th yrs dr ngh, whn thu shlt sy,
I hv n plsr i thm; whl th sn, o th lght, o
th mn, o th strs b nt dknd, nr th clds
rtn aft th rain.

W.M. (o).

W.M.: I th dy whn th kprs o th hse shl
trmbl, nd th strg mn shl bw thmsls,

J.W. (oo).

W.M.: nd th grds shl ces, bcs thy ae fw;
nd thse tht lk ou o th wndws b dknd nd
th drs shl b sht i th strts,

S.W. (oo).

W.M.: whn th snd o th grndg i lw, nd h
shl rs up a th vce o th brd,nd al th dghtrs

o msc shl b brot lw;

W.M. (oo).

W.M.: als whn thy shl b afrd o tht whc
i hi, nd frs shl b i th wy,

J.W. (ooo).

W.M.:nd th Almd tre shl flrsh, nd th
grshpprs shl b a brdn, nd dsir shl fai;

S.W. (ooo).

W.M.: bcs mn goth t hs lng hme, nd t
mnrs go abt th strts; or ev th silv crd
b lsd, or th gldn bwl b brkn, or th pchr b
brkn a th fntn, or th whl brkn a th cstn;

W.M. (ooo).

W.M.:Thn shl th ds rtn t th ert a i ws; nd
th sprt shl rtn unt G wh gv it.

S.D. (*in th S*) (ooo).

J.W. (o)(rs): Wh cm hr.

S.D.:Bro——, wh hs bn rgl init E.A., ps
t th dgr o Fc, nd nw wshs fthr l i Msry
b bng rs t th sblm dgr o M M.

J.W.:Br.——, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl
nd acc.

Br.——:It i.

J.W.:Br. S.D., i h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.:He i.

J.W.:Dl nd frl prp.

S.D.: He i.

J.W.: Hs h md sutbl prfenc i th precdg dgr.

S.D.: H hs.

J.W.: B w fthr r or bnf ds h xpt t obt ths imptn prv.

S.D.: Bnf o th ps wd.

J.W.: Hs h th ps wd.

S.D.: H hs it nt; I hv it f hm.

J.W.: Advnc nd gv it. (*S.D. advs nd gvs ps wd o M Esn in lw brth.*)

J.W.: Th ps wd i rt. Snc th Br is i psn o al ths nscr qlfctns, cndt hm t th S.W. i th W f hs xmnt.

S.D. (*In th W.*) (*ooo*).

S.W. (*o*) (*rs*): Wh cm hr.

S.D.: Bro——, wh hs bn rgl init E.A., ps t th dgr o Fc, nd nw wshs fthr l i Msry b bng rss t th sbl dgr o M. M.

S.W.: Br.——, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl nd acd.

Br.——: It i.

S.W.: Br. S.D., i h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He i.

S.W.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.D.: He i.

S.W.: Hs h md sutbl prfenc i th precdg dgr.

S.D.: H hs.

S.W.: B w fthr r or bnf ds h xpc t obt ths imptn prv.

S.D.: Bnf o th ps wd.

S.W.: Hs h th ps wd.

S.D.: H hs it nt; I hv it f hm.

S.W.: Advnc nd gv it. (*S.D. advncs nd gvs ps wd o M. Esn in lw brth.*)

S.W.: Th ps wd i rt. Snc th Br is i psn o al ths nscr qlfctns cndt hm t th W. M. i th E fo hs xmnt.

S.D. (*in the E*). (*ooo*).

W.M. (*o*): Wh cm hr.

S.D.: Br.——, wh hs bn rgl init E. A., ps t th dgr o Fc, nd nw wshs fthr lg i Msry b bn rss t th sbl dgr o M. M.

W.M.: Br.——, i ths an ac o yr ow f wl nd acd.

Br.——: I i.

W.M.: Br. S.D., i h wth nd wl qlf.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Dl nd trl prp.

S.D.: He i.

W.M.: Hs h md sutbl prfenc i th precdg dgr.

S.D.: H hs.

W.M.: B wt fthr r or bnf ds h xpc t obt
ths imptn prv.

S.D.:Bnf o th ps wd.

W.M.:Hs h th ps wd.

S.D.: H hs it nt; I hv i f hm.

W.M.:Advnc nd gv it. (*Dn.*) Th ps wd i
rt. Whc cm u nd whthr ae u trv.

S.D.:Fr th W, trv E.

W.M.:Wh dd u lv th W nd trv E.

S.D.:I srh o fthr lg in Msry.

W.M.:Snc th br i in psn o al ths ncsr
qlfctns, nd i srh o fthr lg in Msry, rcndt
hm t th S. W. i th W, wh wl tch hm hw
t aprh th E i de nd anc fm.

S.D.: (*Rcds Cand t W.*) Br. S.W.

S.W.:Br. S.D.

S.D.:I i th ord o th W M. tht u tch ths
Bro hw t aprh th E i de nd anc frm.

S.W. (*Cses th Br t fc th E.*) (*To Br.*):
Advnc on yr l f a E. A. Adv on yr r f
as Fc. Tk an addtn st on yr l f, brn th
h o yr r t th h o yr l, thrby fmg th ngl
o a sq; bdy erct, fcg th E. W.M.

W.M.:Bro. S.W.

S.W.:Th Bro i in ord.

W.M.: Br.—, bfr u cn prc fthr i F Msry,

it wl b ncsr f u t tk a slm obl aptng t
th dgr o M.M.; nd l, M o th L, assr u
tht thr i nthg thrn cnt tht wl cnflc wth
yr dy t Gd, yr nbr o yslf; with ths asnc,
ae u wlg t tk th obl.

Br.—: I m.

W.M.:Thn advnc t th sc Alt o F Msry, thr
knl on bth yr n kns bth hns rst on th
H. B., S, nd Cs.

(*Cand is cndt t Alt nd proply plcd.*)

S.D.:W.M.

W.M.:S.D.

S.D.:Th Bro i i de fm.

W.M. (ooo).

(*Brn fm fcg inwrld. Stds strgthn th lns as
thy pss insd nd fm arch at E. Wds, wtht
colms o esct, pss insid th lns nd tk stns
und t Arch.*)

W.M. (*goes t Alt*) : Br.—, if u ae stl
wl t tk t obl, sy I (Br.—:I.)

Prnc yr n in fl (*dn*) nd rpt af m: o m
ow f wl nd ac, i prsc o Alm G. nd ths
W L o M Esns, erc t Hm nd ddct t th
mmr o th H. S. J., d hb nd hrn, slm nd
snc pr nd sw tht I wl k nd cl, nd nv rv,
ny o th scs bln t th dgr o M.M. weh I

hv rc, m ab t rc, or my hrf b nstd i,
t ny psn nls it shl b t a wthy bro M. M.,
or wthn th bd o a js nd rgl cst L o sh, nd nt
unt hm or thm ntl b d trl, str xmnt, or
lfl Msc infr, I shl hv fn hm or thm jsl
ent t rc th sm.

F, I d pr nd sw, tt I wl supt th cnst
o th G L o th S o Va., als al th ls, rls
nd edcs o th sm, or o ny oth G. L fm
whs js I my hft ha, tgth wth th b ls, rs
nd rglns o ths or ny oth L o wh I my
bcm a mb, so fr as th sm shl cm t my
knlg.

F, I d pr nd sw, tt I wl ans nd ob al d
& s nd rglr sms snt t me fm th bd o a js
nd rgl cnstd L o M.M., or hnd m b a wthy
br o ths dgr, if wthn th lngth o m c t.

F, I d pr nd sw, tt I wl hl, ai nd asst
al pr nd dst M. M., thr wds an orphs.
thy apply t me as sh, I fnd thm wthy nd
cn d so wtht mtl inj t msl or fml.

F, I d pr nd sw, tt I wl kp th ses o a
wthy M. M., whn cmnc t m as sh, as sc
nd invlt in m brs as thy wr i hs bfr cmctd.

F, I d pr an sw, tt I wl nt gv th gr hai
& o dsts o M.M., xcpt f th bnf o th cf whl

a wk. or f th instn o a bro, unl I m i
real dst nd shl I see tt S gvn or hr th
wds acpng th sm, I wl hstn t th rlf o th
psn so gvg it shd thr b a grtr prblty o svg hs
lf thn lsg my own.

F, I d pr nd sw, tht I wl nt gv th sub
f th ms wd i ny oth wy o mn thn tt i
wh I rc it, wh wl b on th fv pnts o fls
nd at low br.

F, I d pr nd sw, tt I wl nt wr cht nor
dfd a M. M. L, or a br o ths dgr t th vlu
o nythg knowngl, nor sfr it t b dn b
anth, if i m pw t prvt.

F, I d pr nd sw tht I wl nt viol th chs
o a M. M.s wf, wd, mth, sst, or dt. nor
sfr it to b dn b anth if i m pr t pvt.

F, I d pr nd sw, tht i wl nt b prsn a th
initg, ps or rsg o an ol mn i dt, a yng
m un ag, an irlgs lbt, an aths, a psn o
unsn mn, a eunc, or a wm kng thm t b
sh.

F, I d pr nd sw, tht i wl nt b prsn a th
initg, ps, or rsg o a cand clndly, nr hld
Msc intres wth a clndstn Esn, or wth one
wh hs bn sspd or xpld, kng hm t b sh,
ntl dl rstd.

T al o wh I d slm nd sncl pr nd sw,
 with ny hst, mtl rsv, or sc evs o mn i m
 wtv, bnd msl un n ls a pnt thn tt o hv m
 bdy svrd i twm, m bls tn thnc nd bn t
 ashs, nd th ashs thrf sctr t th fou wns o
 hv, th thr mt rmn nth trk, trec nr rmmbc
 amg mn or Ms o so vl nd prj a wrh as
 I shd b, shd I ev, knly or wifly, voil ths,
 m sm obl o M. M. So hlp m G nd mk
 me stft t kp nd pfm th sm.

W.M.:M Bro, i tstm o yr sncl, dtch yr hnds nd
 ks th H. B. thr tmes. (Dn.) Br. S.D.

S.D.:W.M.

W.M.:Rmv th c t, we nw hld th br b a
 strngr tie (Dn.) M bro, i yr prs situtn,
 wt d u ms dsr.

Bro.—:Fth lg i Msry.

W.M.: Brn, strt frth yr hnds nd asst me in
 brng ths bro t fthr lgt in msry. (Dn.)

(W.M. wl st t cf immed aft t cand is brgt t
 lgt. Ofcrs to rmn strdg.)

W.M.: M bro, on bng bt t lg i ths dgr u bhld
 th thr gr lts i Msy, as i th prcdg dgr with
 ths dffnc, bth pts o th cs ae abv th s, wh
 i t tch u tht u hv rcd nd ae entld t rev al
 th lg tht cn b cnfrd upn or cmnct t u i a

MM L.

S.D. (to cand): Bhld th W.M. aprhng fm th
 E upn th st (Dn), un th dg (Dn), nd &
 (Dn) o Ep, upn th st (Dn), un th dg (Dn)
 nd sn (Dn) o Fc, upn th st (Dn), und th
 dg (Dn) nd sn (Dn) o M. M.

W.M.:M Br, a M. M. advcs upn hs l f brng
 th h o hs r to th h o hs I, thrby fmg th ngl
 o sq. Ths i th dg (gvs it), nd allds t th
 pstn o yr hns whl tkg th obl; ths i th & (gvs
 it) nd allds t th pn o tht obl. Ths dg nd &
 ae alws t b gv as a slutatn on ntrg or rtrg fm
 a M. Ms. L.

On entr ths or ny othr L in ths jrsdct, u
 wl advnc t th A nd obsv th pstn o th css; shd
 bth pnts b bnth th sq, i wl b a sur indicn
 tht t L i op on the frs dgr whn u wl salut
 with th dg (gvg it) nd & o E.A. (gvg ii). Shd
 on pt b abv th sq, i wl b an equly sur idctn
 that th L i op on th scn dgr, whn u wl salut
 with th dg nd & (gvg thm) o Fc. Shd bth
 pnts b abv th sq, it wl als b an equly sur
 indctn tht th L is op on th thd dgr, whn u
 wl salut with th dg an & (gvg thm) o M.M.

I nw prsnt m r hn i tkn o cntnc o frnsh
 nd bth lv, nd wl invst u with th p g nd ps

wd, bt a u ae uninst, h wh hs hthrt ans
f u wl a ths tm (*To Cand.*) Gv m th rl g o
Fc. (*Cand. gvs rl gp o Fc.*) Br. S.D.

S.D.:W.M.

W.M.:Wl u b o or fm.

S.D.:Fm.

W.M.:Fm wt nd t wt.

S.D.: Fm th rl g o Fc t th ps g o M. M.

W.M.:Ps (*Dn.*)

W.M.:Wt i tht.

S.D.: Ps g o M. M.

W.M.:Hs it a nm.

S.D.: It h.

W.M.:Wl u g it t m.

S.D.:I dd n s rc i, nth wl l so imp i

W.M.:Hw wl u dsps o i.

S.D.:L o sb i.

W.M.:Sb it nd bg.

S.D.:U bg.

W.M.:Bg u (*Dn.*) — is th nm o ths g.

U shd alw rmbri fr if u shd b prsnt at th
opn o a L, ths ps wd wl b dmnd o u by on
o th Ds, nd shd u b unbl to gv it, it wd
cs confsn in th cft. Rs, salut th J. nd S.W.
nd stsf thm tht u ae a rgl ob M.M. nd i
psn o th st, dg & ps g nd ps wd. Ofcrs rsm

yr stns. (*Rtns to E.*) (o)

(*Wdns, aft W.M. pass rsm thr stns.*)

S.D.: (*Conducts cand to the south*) (ooo).

J.W. (o) (rs):Wh cm hr.

S.D.:A rgl ob M M.

J.W.:Hw ma I kn hm t b sh.

S.D.: B crt &s nd a tk.

J.W.:Wt ae &s.

S.D.:Rt ngs, hzs, nd ppnds

J.W.:Advc a &. (*Dg o M M. is gvn by S D.
nd Cand.*)

J.W.:Hs tht an als.

S.D.:It hs; t th pst o m hs wl tkg th obl.

J.W.:Hv u a fthr &.

S.D.:I hv (*S.D. nd Cand gv S o M.M.*)

J.W.:Hs tht an als

S.D.:It hs; t th pn o tht obl.

J.W.:Wt i a tkn.

S.D.:A crtn frnl or brth g whb one Esn my
knw anth i th drk a i th l.

J.W.:Advc nd gv me a tkn. (*Cand nd S.D.
adv on s of M M. nd cand. gv p g o M.M.*)

J.W.:Wt i tht.

S.D.:Th p g o M. M.

J.W.:Hs it a nm.

S.D.:It hs.

J.W.:Wl u gv it t m.

S.D.:I dd nt s rc it, nth wl l so impt it.

J.W.:Hw wl u dsps o it.

S.D.:L o sb it.

J.W.:Sb i nd bg.

S.D.:U bg.

J.W.:Bg u. (*Dn.*) I m stsf.

(*S.D. nd Cand ps on t th S.W. i th W whr thy hlt o th stp.*)

S.D. (ooo).

S.W. (o) (*rs*):Wh cm hr.

S.D.: A rgl ob M. M.

S.W.:Hw ma I k hm t b sh.

S.D.:B crt & s an a tk.

S.W.:Wt ae & s.

S.D.:Rt ngs, hzs nd ppnds.

S.W.:Advc a & (*Dg o M. M. i gvn by Cand nd S.D.*)

S.W.: Hs tht an als.

S.D.:It hs; t th pst o m hnd whl tkg th obl.

S.W.:Hv u a fth &?

S.D.:I hv (*S.D. nd Cand gv & o M.M.*)

S.W.:Hs tht an als

S.D.:It hs; t th pn o tht obl.

S.W.:Wht i a tkn.

S.D.:A crtn frnl or brth g whb one Esn my

knw anth i th drk a i th l.

S.W.:Adv nd gv me a tkn (*Advz on stp, ps g o M.M. gvn by cand.*)

S.W.:Wt i tht.

S.D.:Th p g o M.M.

S.W.:Hs it a nm.

S.D.: It hs.

S.W.:Wl u gv it t m.

S.D.:I dd nt s rc it, nth wl l so impt it.

S.W.:Hw wl u dsps o i.

S.D.:L o sb it.

S.W.:Sb i nd bg.

S.D.:U bg.

S.W.:Bg u. (*Dn.*) I m stsf.

S.D.: (*Cndts Cand twds W.M. i th E, who stps thm nr Alt.*)

W.M. (o):Br. S.D.

S.D.:W.M.

W.M.:Rcndt th Br t th S.W. i th W wh wl tch hm hw t wea hs ap a a M.M.

S.D. (*Rcnts cand to th S.W. i th W., whr thy hlt o th stp.*)

S.D.: Br. S.W.

S.W.: Br. S.D.

S.D.:It i th ord o th W.M. tht u tch ths Br hw to wea hs ap a a M. M.

S.W. (*arranges cand ap*): M br, u hv alrd bn infmd tht a th bldg o K. S. T. th cftsm wr dstngshd b th mn'r i wh th wo thei aps. M. Esns wo thrs thus,—thus wr yrs.

S.D. (*Cndts th cand t th W.M. i th E.*)

W.M.: My bro, a u r nw clth a M.M., I prsn u, mblmtcly, th wk tls whch ar al th tls o Msry, espcl th tr, an instrument used by operative Masons to spread the cement which unites the several parts of the building into one common mass; but we, as Free and Accepted Masons, are taught to use it for the more noble and glorious purpose of spreading the cement of brotherly love and affection, that cement which unites us into one sacred band or society of friends and brothers, among whom no contention should ever exist, save that noble contention, or rather emulation of who best can work and best agree.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Rndt th Bro t th plc whc h cm, invs hm wth tht o wh h hs bn dvs, nd i de tm rtn hm t th L for frth insttn.

S.D. (*Cndts cand t th alt nd plcs hm brw th*

Stds., wh hv prcdd hm; S.D. thn rns t hs sta.)

W.M.: (*Instrcs cand t salut. Thn cand nd Stds rtr t th prprt rm. Bro i clo. Mnwhle, th L is clld fr lb t rfrsmt.*)

W.M.: (o) Br. J. W.

J.W.: W. M.

W.M.: Wt i thr.

J.W.: Hgh twl, W.M.

W.M.: If u r stsf'd tht t hr is hgh twl, u wl erect yr clm, cl t cf frm lb t rfsh t b cld on agn a t snd o t gvl i t E.

J.W.: (ooo) It is t ord o t W.M. tht ths L b cld frm lb t rfsh, t b cld on agn a t snd o t gvl i t E, tk de ntc nd gvn yrsl acdly.

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W.M.: (o) Br. J.W.

J.W.: W.M.

W.M.: Cl t of frm rfsm t lb.

J.W.: (ooo) Brn, i is t ord o t W.M. tht ths

L b cld frm rfsm t lb, tk de ntc nd gvn yrsl
acdly. (*lwrs clm, S.W. rs clm.*)

Stds.: (*Whn cand is rdy.*) (ooo)

S.D.: W.M.

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: Thr i an alm a t inr dr.

W.M.: Atn t alm nd ascert t caus.

S.D.: (*Answs t alm nd cndct cand nsd t dr.*)

W.M.: Br. S.D., cndt t nwly md br bfr t A on
t st nd dg o a M.M. (*Dn.*)

W.M.: M br, i yr fthr prgrs i ths dgr it wl b
nscr f u t rprs ou anc op G. M. H. A. th
wds son, wh f hs intgrt an fdlty bcm emntly
dstgshd, nd whs nm i hld i hgh vnerat b th
cft. It is f tht rsn u ae invst wth ths jl a
th apprprt mblm or bdg o hs offc.

U wl thrf prev tht u ae nt fly invst wth
al th scrts o a M. Esn, nr d I knw tht u
ev wl b; f lk hm, it wl b nscr f u t gv us
stsfcty prf o yr fdlt t th trst alrd rpsd i u.

I dng ths yr pth my b bst wth dnsg nd dfclts,
nd evn yr lf itsl may b thtnd.

U wl, thrf sumn t yr ai al yr fortnd, tht
trly dstngshd Msc crdnl vrtu, t nabl u t
endr th trls wh ae bfr u. Hmn lf, m Br.
i a cnstnt scn o trls, nd we weak, frai mrtls
ae tgt t plc ou dndnc upn th Sup Arct o
th univ aln f supt, prtcn, nd dlvrn.

U wr tgt a yr Initt i Esnm tht bfr ntrg
upn ny grt or imprt undtkg u ought alwys
t nvk th ai o Deity. Thn u hd a fthf frn t
pry f u. Nw u mst pry f yslf.

U wl thrf sfr ysl t b agn h w, nd repar
t th sacd Alt o F. Esnsm, thr kn nd pry,
ethr orl or mntly, a u chs, nd whn u shl
hv cnclnd yr dvtns, sy amn, audbly; ari nd
prc i th fthr crmns o th dgr.

(*Th Bro i h w, thn kns a th alt nd prys,
Whn h says amn, S.D. tks Cand b th r rm
nd asst hm t ari. Thy pred t th J.W.'s st i
th S, whn Ja frst Rf, cnfrns th B, clchg hm
b th cllr i a rgh mnr, a th sm tm xclmg*):

Ja.: G. M. H. A., I m gld t mt u aln; ths
i an oprtnt I hv sgt; u prmssd tht whn th

T shd b cmlptd t gv us th sc wd o M. M. to nable us t obt Ms' wgs whl trvl in frn lnds. Bhl th T i ab cmlptd, nd I dmd th sc wd o M. M.

S.D.: Ths is nth t tm nr plc t gv th sc wd o M. M.; wai untl th T i cmlptd nd ddctd; thn, if fnd wthy u wl rc it othws u cnnt.

Ja.: Cnnt. Tlk nt t me o tme nr plc, bt gv m th sc wd o M.M.

S.D.: I wl nt.

Ja.: Wl nt—gv me th sc wd o M.M. ths inst or I wl tk y lf.

S.D.: I shl nt.

Ja.: Thn d. (*Ja strks t cand acs t thr wth t tw n fou nch gge.*)

S.D. (*Cndt th Br t th W, whr Jlo, scnd Rf, cnfrns hm.*)

Jlo.: G. M. H. A., I dmd th sc wd o M.M.

S.D.: I cnnt gv it.

Jlo.: Cnt gv it! Gv me th sc wd o M.M.

S.D.: I wl nt.

Jlo.: Wl nt!—gv me th sc wd o M. M. ths inst, or I wl tk y lf.

S.D.: I shl nt.

Jlo.: Thn d. (*Jlo strks t cand on t rg br wth t ngl o t sq.*)

(*Thy thn ps t th E, whr thy ae mt b th thd Rf, Jm.*)

Jm.: G. M. H. A., I dmd th sc wd o M. M. S.D.: I cnnt gv it.

Jm.: Cnt gv it! I hrd u cvlg wth Ja nd Jlo; fm thm u hv escp, fm me u cnnt Gv me th sc wd o M. M.

S.D.: I wl nt.

Jm.: Wl nt. I hld i m hn an instr o d. Gv me th sc wd o M. M. ths inst or I wl t y lf.

S.D.: M lf u my t, m intgr nv.

Jm.: Thn d. (*Jm strks t cand on t fh wth st—ml.*)

Ja.: Als, wht hv w dn.

Jlo.: Sln ou G. M. H. A., nd nt obtnd th sc wd o M. M.

Jm: D nt cvl abt th sc wd o M. M. bt lt us br th bd i th rbsh nd mt a lw twl f cnsltn.

Ja. nd Jlo.: Agrd.

(*Thy tk up th bd nd ca it E o t Alt, nd thr dpst it.*)

Jm: B pncnl at lw twl.

(*Lgts trnd lw. Aft a mmt silnc, th hr o twl i strk on a gng, whn thy mt a th bd.,*)

Jm: I tht u, Ja.

Ja.: It i.

Jm.: I tht u, Jlo.

Jlo.: It i.

Jm.: Asst me to ca th bdy a wstrly crs t th
brw o a hl, whr I hv a gr prpd, nd br it.

Ja. nd Jlo: Agrd.

*(Thy tk up th bdy nd ca it i a wstrly drctn nd
ly it dwn i frn o th S.W. i th W, hd t th
W.)*

Jm.: I nw prps tht we plnt ths spg o ac a th
hd o th gr t mrk th spt, shd futr ocsn rqr us
t fnd it.

Ja. nd Jlo,: Agrd.

Jm.: Nw lt us mk ou escp fm th rlm.

*(Thy rtr fm th bdy i dfn drctns. Lgts trnd up.
A mnt's silnc nw ensus, whn th Brn al cmnc
cratg cnfsn nd ae cld t ord b th W.M., wh
i nw called M. E. K. S., wh adrss th S.W.,
wh i nw called Br. H.K. o Ty, Th S.D. is
1st Cfm nd t J. D. is t grd.)*

K.S. (o): Br H. K. o T.

H.K. o T.: Mst exclt K. S.

K.S.: Wht i th cse o ths cnfsm, nd wh ae nt
th cf prsung th lb a usl.

H. K. o T.: M. E. K. S. thre ae no dsgns upn
th trs b, whb th cf cn prsu thr lb; nd G.

M. H. A. is msg.

K.S.: G. M. H. A. msg; h hs evr bn pncfl i
th prfmc o hs dut. I fr sm acdt hs befln hm.
Cse strc srh t b mde i nd abt th svrl aprtmts
o th T, nd se if h cn b fnd.

H. K. o T.: Cfmn asmb. *(Tw Cfmn entr, fc
th W, gv & o Fc.)* Mk strc srh i nd abt th
svrl aprtmts o th T nd se if G. M. H. A
cn b fnd.

(Cfmn thn trv arou th L nd sk th flg qs.)

Fs. Cfm.: Hv u sn ou G. M. H. A.

A Br.: Nt snc hgh twl ysd.

2d Cfm.: Hv u sn ou G. M. H. A.

A Br.: Nt snc hgh twl ysd.

3d Cfm.: Hv u sn ou G. M. H. A.

A Br.: Nt snc hgh twl ysd.

4th Cfm.: Hv u sn ou G. M. H. A.

A Br.: Nt snc hgh twl ysd.

1st Cfm.: Br. H. K. o T.

H. K. o T.: Cfm.

1st Cfm.: Br. H. o I., strc srh hs bn md i
nd abt th svrl aprtmt o th T, nd ou G. M.
H. A. cnnt b fnd; h hs nt bn sn snc hgh twl
ysd. *(Cfm. rtr.)*

H. K. o T.: Mst E. K. S.

K.S.: Br. H. K. o Ty.

H.K. o Ty.: Mst E. K. S., stre srh hs bn md
i nd abt th svrl aprtmts o th T, nd G. M.
H. A. cnt b fnd; h hs nt bn sn snc hgh twl
ysd.

(*An alm i nw hrd a th inr dr.*) (ooo)

Grd.: B. H. K. o Ty., thr is an alm.

H. K. o T.: M E. K. S., thr is an alm.

K. S.: Attn t th alm, nd ascn th cs.

Grd (o) (*ops dr*): Wh cm hr.

1st Cfm.: Twl F.C. sk audc wth K. S. We hv
an impt cmctn.

Grd. (*cls dr*): Br. H. K. o Ty. Twl Fc. sk an
audc wth K. S. nd sy tht thy hv an
impt cmctn.

H. K. o Ty.: M. E. K. S.

K.S.: Br. H. K. o T

H. K. o T.: Twl fcs sk an audc, nd sy th hv
an impt cmctn.

K.S.: Admt thm.

H. K. o T. (*to Grd.*): Admt thm.

(*Th twl Fc. ae nw admtd, sx o ea sd o L. Prcd
t th E, frmng smicrel i frt o K. S., knl on r
k nd gv dg o Fc.*)

1st Cfm.: M E. K. S.

K.S.: Cfm.

1st Cfm.. M E. K. S. we twl, wth thr oths, ent

int a cnspre t xtr fm ou G. M. H. A. th sct
wd o M. M., or tk hs lf. Rflctng on th enrmt
o th crm, we hv rentd, nd nw appr bfr u,
clthd i whi glvs nd aps tkns o inoc, nd hmbly
crv yr prdn. W fr, hwvr, tht th oths hv bn
so bse at t crry thei mdrs dsgn int exectn.
K.S.: Ari, rpr t yr lbr; yr prd wl dpnd upn
yr futr endc.

(*Twl Cfm, contra-mch nd ps ot, rtrcng stps
o ntrnce.*)

K.S.: Br H. K. o T.

H. K. o T.: M. E. K. S.

K.S.: Cse th svrl rls o wkm t b cld, nd c wh,
if ny, ae msg.

H. K. o T.: Br. Sec.

Sec.: Br. H. K. o T.

H. K. o T.: Cl th svrl rls o wkm, nd c wh, if
ny ae msg.

Sec.: Cfm asubl f r l cl. (*Cls rll.*)

Amos, Caleb, Ezra.

Joshua, Hezekiah, Nathan. Ja.

Samuel, Isaiah, Aholab. Jlo.

Gideon, Haggai, Daniel. Jm.

Sec.: Br H. K. o T.

H. K. o T.: Br. Sec.

Sec.: Th svrl rls o wkm hv bn cld, nd thr ae msg: Ja., Jo. nd Jm, brs nd mn o Ty.

H. K. o Ty.: M. E. K. S.

K. S.: Br H. K o Ty.

H. K. o Ty.: Th svrl rls o wkm hv bn cld, nd thr ae msg: Ja., Jlo. nd Jm., brs nd mn o Ty.

K.S.: Br H. K. o Ty., twl Fcs aprd bfr me ths mrng, clthd in whi glvs nd aps, tkns o inoc, nd cnfsd tht thy, wth thr oths, hd entrd int a cnsprr t xtr f G. M. H. A. th sc wd o M. M., o tk hs lf; rflctng on th enrmt o th crm, th hd rent nd hmbly crvd m prdn; thy frd, hwevr, tht th othrs hd bn so bse a t crry thei mrds dsgn int exectn. Selc frm t cfmn thos twl Fcs, dvd thm int prts o thr, nd snd thm E, W, N, nd S, i srch o th absnts.

H. K. o T.: Cfm asmbly.

(*Twl cmsm, sx on ea sd, mch int L nd fm sm-crc wst o Alt, fcg th W, nd gv & o Fc.*)

H. K. o T.: U twl wh appr d bfr K. S. ths mrng nd cnfsd dvd int prts o thr, nd trv E, W, N, and S, i srch o th absnts, nd rtn nt wth tdngs, (*Thy t dyd nd prcd t trv.*)

Fs Prt.: Le us prsu a W. crs.

Scn Prt.: Le us prsu a E crs.

Thd Prt.: We go N.

Frth Prt.: We S.

(*All mch in th dirc nmd. Th prty wh prsd th W crs, mt a sa f mn, nd th Fs Cfm. sys*),
Cmpns, hr is a sa f mn; lt us inqr o hm (*Th wh thy agr.*)

1st Cfm.: Sr, hv u sn ny strngs ps ths wa.

S.f. Mn.: I dd; thr, ystd.

1st Cfm.: Wl u dscr b thm.

S.f. Mn: Fm thei gnrl aprc, I sps thm t b mn o T. Fm a strng fmly rsmnc, brs, nd fm thei bng clthd i whi glvs nd aps, mst hv bn wkm fm th T. Thy wr endvng t obt pssg to Ethop, bt K. S., hvg isud an edc frbdg ny psn t lv th rlm wtht hs ps, nd nt hvg it, thy fald t obt pssg nd rtnd int th cntr.

Fs. Cfm.: Ths no dt wr th Rfs.

2n Cfm.: Ths is imptnt.

3d Cfm.: Lt us g up nd rpt.

1st and 2d Cfm.: Agrd.

(*Cfmn mch t E.*)

Fs. Cfmn.: Tdgs, M. E. K. S.

K. S.: Wht tdgs.

Fs Cfmn.: We wh trvl a W crs. on arvg a th cty o Jpa, fl i wth a sa f mn, o whm we inqrd if h hd sn an strngs ps tht wy. H rpld

tht h hd, 3; th dy bfr, wh fm thei gnrl aprc, h spsd t b mn o T; fm a strng fmly rsmblc, brs, nd, fm thei bng clthd i whi glvs nd aps, mst hv bn wkm fm th T. Thy wr endvng t obtn pssg t Ethop, bt K. S., hvg isud an edc frbdg ny psn t lv th rlm wtht hs ps, nd nt hvg it, thy fald t obt pssg, nd rtnd int th cntr.

K.S.: Ths, no dt, wr th Rfs, bt th i nt satisfcy. Trvl as bfr, wth th pstv asrnc, tht if u d nt sced i brngng th Rms t jstc, u wl b dmd th mrds o G. M. H. A. nd sfr acl.

1st Cfmn.: Lt us agn prsu a W crs.

2nd nd 3d Cfmn.: Agd. (*Al trv W.*)

1st Cfmn.: Cmpns, I m wery; nd wl st dn t rst nd rfsh msl.

Scn Cfmn.: Cm alng; we hv an impntnt dty t pfrm.

Fs Cfmn.: Hai, cmpns hai! On atmptg t ari, I acctl cght hld o ths sp o ac, wh s easl gv wa as t xct m sspcn. (*2nd 3d Cfmn rtr.*)

Scd Cfmn.: Th ert sms t hv bn rentl dstbd.

Thd Cfmn.: It prsns th aprnc o a gr.

(*Vcs ae nw hrd isung fm th clfs o adjct rks.*)

Ja.: O, tht m tht hd bn ct acs, m tg tn ot an brd i th sn o th sa a l wt mk, whr th td bs

nd flws twc i twn fr hrs, er I hd bn accsr t th mrd o ou G. M. H. A.

3rd Cfmn.: Tht i th vc o Ja.

Jlo.: O, tht m l bs hd b t op, m ha nd vtls tkn thnc t th vl o Jhsphr, nd thr lf a pry to th vtls o th ar, er I hd bn accsr t th mrd o ou G. M. H. A.

2d Cfmn.: Tht i th vc o Jlo.

Jm.: O, tht m bd hd bn svrd i tw m bls tkn thnc nd bn t ashs, th ashs thrf scdt t th fou wns o hv, tht thr mt rnm neth trk, tre, nr rmbrc amk mn or Esns o so vle nd prj a wrh as I, wh hv sl ou G. M. H. A.

Fs Cfmn.: Tht i th vc o Jm. Lt us rsh i, sz, bnd, nd tk thm bfr K. S.

2d nd 3d Cfmn.: Agd.

(*Rfs ae tkn up t th E.*)

Fs Cfmn.: Tdgs M E. K. S.

K. S.: Wht tdgs.

Fs Cfmn.: We trvld as drcctd; on arvng a th brw o a hl, I bng wery, st dn t rs an rfsh msl. On atmptg t ari, I acctl cght hld o a sp a ac, wh so easl gv wy as to xct m sspcns. I thrpn hld m cmpns, nd whl cnvrsng upn th snglty o th ocrnc, we dstnclly hrd vcs isung fm th clfs o th adjct rks, th fst

o whh we rcnizd as tht o Ja., xclmn: "O, tht m tht hd bn ct acs, m tg tn ot nd br i th sn o th sa a l wt mk, whr th t bs nd flws twc i twn fr hrs, er I hd bn accsr t th mrd o ou G. M. H. A." Th send as tht o Jlo, xclmg: "O, tht m l bs hd b t op, m ha nd vils tkn thnc t th vl o Jhsph, nd thr lf a pry t th vlts o th ar er I hd bn accsr t th mrd o ou G. M. H. A." nd th thd a tht o Jm., xclmg: "O, tht m bd hd bn svrd i twn, m bls tkn thnc nd bn t ashs, th ashs thrf scd t th fou wns o hv, tht thr mt rmn nthr trk, trc, nr rmbrc amng mn o Esns o so vl nd prj a wrh as I, wh hv sl ou G. M. H. A." We thrpn rshd i, sz, bnd, nd hv thm bfr u.

K. S.: Ja., u std chgd wth bng accsr t th mrd o G. M. H. A. Wt sy u t th chg, gl or nt gl.

Ja.: Gl.

K.S.: Jlo., u std chgd wth bng accsr t th mrd o G. M. H. A. Wt sy u t th chg, gl or nt gl.

Jlo.: Gl.

K.S.: Jm., u std chgd wth th mrd o G. M. H. A. Wt sy u t th chg, gl o nt gl.

Jm.: Gl.

K.S.: Vle nd impus wrhs, rtlet upn th enrmt o yr crm, nd th ambl chrctr o hm u hv sln. Lk up nd rev yr sntc, wh i tht u b tn wth th wls o th cty nd thr svrly xcudt agrbly t th impretns o yr ow mth. Begone! (o)
(*Th Rfs ae cndtd ot o th L, nd th cfmn rtrn nd rpt.*)

1st Cfmn.: M. E. K. S.

K.S.: Cfmn.

1st Cfmn.: Th Rfs hv bn xcudt agrbl t yr cmd.

K.S.: It i wl. Nw g fth i srch o th bd o G. M. H. A., nd if fnd, mk dlgn srh on nd abt it f nythg whb it my b clrly idntfd.

1st Cfmn.: Lt us rpr t th brw o th hl whr I st dn t rs nd rfs msl.

2d nd 3d Cfmn.: Agrd. (*Thy prcd W.*)

Fs Cfmn.: Ths sms t b th spt.

Send Cfmn.: Ys; hr i th sp o ac.

Thd Cfmn.: It prsns th aprnc o a gr.

Fs Cfmn.: Cmpn, lt us rmv th ert (*Dn*) Hr i a bd, bt i so mgl nd ptrd a cdtm tht it i impsbl f us t prsu th srch. Lt us stn asi untl th effv arsg thrfm pss o. Nw lt us prsu th srch. Hr is a jl.

2d Cfmn.: Lt us rmv it nd go up nd rpt.

1st nd 3d Cfmn.: Agrd.

(*Thy rmv th j nd br it t K. S.*)

Fs Cfmn.: Tdgs, M. E. K. S.

K.S.: Wht tdgs.

1st Cfmn.: We wnt frth as drctd, nd on arv g a th brw o th hl whr I st dn t rs nd rfsh msl, dscr d th aprnc of a gv, nd on rmg th ert, fnd a bd bt i s mgl an ptrd a cndt tht w fnd ou hns invltly i ths psn (*plcg th hns i th psn o dg o M. Esn*) t grd ou nstls fm th eflv aris thrfm. Aft th eflv hd psd o, we md dlgn srch on nd abt th bd, bt fnd nthg sve ths jl.

K.S.: Prsn th jl.

(*1st Cfmn prsnts jl.*)

K.S. (*sotto voce*): Thr cn b no dbt as t th dth o G. M. H. A., as ths i th jl wh h wr. Bro. H. K. o T.

H. K. o T.: M. E. K. S.

K.S.: Thr cn n lng b ny dbt as to th dth o G. M. H. A. or as t th idnt o th bd, as ths i th jl wh h wr. Als! I fr th ms wd i ls, f u wl rmb r tht it ws agrd btwn ysl, msl nd G. M. H. A. tht th sc wd o m Esm shd nt b gvn unls we thr wr prsn nd agrd. On o ou nmb i no mr. I thrfr prps tht u asmb l th cf nd pred wth me t th gv f th

prps o rsg th bd nd brng it up t th T f a mre dcnt intrm. I als prps tht th fs & gvn on arv g a th gr, nd th fs wd spkn aft th bd shl hv bn rsd shl b, rsptvly, th gn hlg sn o dsts o M. Esn. nd th wd a subst f tht wh i 1st, unls th wsd o ftr gnrtns shl dscv nd brng t lgt th tru wd.

H. K. o T.: Agrd. Bro Mrshl

Mrshl.: Br. H. K. o T.

H. K. o T.: Asmb l th cft.

Mrshl: Cftmn, asmb l, tw b tw, fcg th E.

(*Th cft thn frm i prcsn, wth Mrshl a hd, Dcns; K. S. nd H. K. o T., fll d by Cfmn in tws, Stwds nd Chap. in th rr.*)

(*March th tms ard, sng*) :

The following or some other suitable dirge may be sung.

FUNERAL DIRGE

Solemn strikes the fun'ral chime,
Notes of our departing time;
As we journey here below,
Through a pilgrimage of woe.
Here another guest we bring;
Seraphs of celestial wing,
To our fun'ral altar come,
Waft our friend and brother home.

Lord of all! below — above —
 Fill our hearts with truth and love;
 When dissolves our earthly tie;
 Take us to Thy Lodge on high.

(*Th Mrshl at th E dvds prcn in snl fl. On
 arvg a th gv, al frm a crc arou th bd K. S.
 a th hea; H. K. o T. a th ft; Mar at S o bdy.
 Chap. at Al. Brn gv & o M.M. nd rmn in
 or. K. S. mks & o dsts o M.M., nd rpts
 ony onc: O — — — — — — — — — —*
 — — — — — .)

K.S.: Br. H. o T.

H. K. o T.: M. E. K. S.

K.S.: Endv t rs th bd b th g o E.A.

H. K. o T. (*Trys bt fls.*): Owng t th hgh stt
 o pfcn, th bd cnnt b s rs; th s sls fm th fl.

K.S.: Endv t rs th bd b th g o Fc.

H. K. o T.: Fr th rs bfr assnd, th bd cnnt b
 s rsd; th fl cls fm th bn.

K.S.: Br. H. K. o T., i ou, prsn mrgncy wt
 shl we d.

H. K. o T.: Pray

K.S. (*xmvs hs ht*): Bn lt us pray

(*Th brn al kn arou th bd on l kn; K.S. (th
 Ms.) kns a th hd o th bd; K S. or Chap.
 rpts th flwg*)

PRAYER

Thou, O God, knowest our downsit-
 ting and our uprising, and understandest our
 thoughts afar off. Shield and defend us from
 the evil intentions of our enemies, and support
 us under the trials and afflictions we are des-
 tined to endure, while traveling thru this vale
 of tears. Man that is born of woman is of few
 days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth as a
 flower, and is cut down; he fleeth also as a
 shadow, and continueth not. Seeing his days
 are determined, the number of his months is
 with Thee, Thou has appointed his bounds
 that he cannot pass; turn from him that he
 may rest till he shall have accomplished his
 day. For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut
 down, that it will sprout again, and that the
 tender branch thereof will not cease. But man
 dieth and wasteth away; yea, man giveth up
 the Ghost and where is he? As the waters fall
 from the sea, and the flood decayeth and
 drieth up, so man lieth down and riseth not,
 till the Heavens be no more. Yet, O Lord,
 have compassion on the children of Thy crea-
 tion; administer them comfort in time of

trouble, and save them with an everlasting salvation. Amen.

All So mote it be.

K.S.: Bn, ari (Dn) Br H. K. o T., asst m
t rs th bd o G. M. H. A. b th strn g o
a M. M. or lns p.

(K. S. sts t th ft o th bdy. H. K. o T. sts t lf
sd. As K. S. tks cand b th rl g o M. M.,
H. K. o T. tks cand's lf rm nd asst in rsng
cand on Sq. nd K. S. gvs hm th wrd on th
fv pnts o flshp.)

W.M.: My br, th wds u hv jst red ae Hbrw wds
nd sgfy (— — —), nd ald t a prtclr ti i
ur obl, whrn u swr tht u wd nt gy th sub
f th M. Wd in ny oth mnr thn tht in whc u
red it, whc wd b o th fv ps o flsp nd a lw
br. Th fv ps o flsp ae: f t f, k t k, bs t bs,
hn t b, nd mh t e, nd th tch us ths impt
lsns:

F t f, tht we shd b ev rd t go on f,
nd evn br f, on a wthy M. Esns ernd, shd
hs ncsts rqr i nd we b nō btr prvdd.

K t k, tht we shd evr rmb ou bn i ou
dvtns t Dei.

B t b, tht th scs o a wth B. M. Esn whn
cmct t us as sh, shd b as scr nd invlt i

ou bs as thy wr i hs bfr cmct.

H t b, tht we shd b ev rd t strch frth
a hn t spprt a flng bro nd asst hm on al
lfl occsns.

Mh t e, tht w shd b ev rdy t whsp wse
cncl i th ea o an rng bro nd wrn hm o
arprhg dng.

My B, I wl nw instc u in th mnr o
arvg a th rl g nd wd o M. Esn, bt as u
ae uninstd, h wh hs hrtf ansd f u wl
at the tm. Gv m th p g o M. M.

(Gvs p g o M. M.)

W.M.: Br. S.D.

S.D.: W. M.

W.M.: Wl u b o or fm.

S.D.: Fm.

W.M.: Fm wt nd t wt.

S.D.: Fm th p g o M Esn t th rl g o th
sm.

W.M.: Ps. (Dn) Wt i tht.

S.D.: Th rl g o M Esn or lns pw.

W.M.: Hv u th sub wd o a M. M.

S.D.: I hv.

W.M.: Wl u gv it t m.

S.D.: Plc ursl i prp psn t rc it nd I wl.

W.M.: Mrk th dfrc, m br. Hrtfr yr ans

hv bn, I dd nt so rc i, nth wl I so impt
lt. Nw it i: Plc ursl in prp psn t rs i nd
I wl.

W.M.: Wt i th prp psn t rc it.

S.D.: On th fv pts o flshp.

W.M.: Wht ae th fv pts o flshp.

S.D.: F t f, k t k, bs t bs, h t b nd m t e.

W.M. (*Illustrates th fv pts, as thy ar nmd
by S.D., als gvs wd.*)

W.M.: Ths, my br, i th g hlg & o dst
o a M. M., nd i gvn in ths mnr — (*gvs it*)
— nd alds t a prtcl te i yr ob, whrn u sw
tht u wd nt gv th g hlg & o dst o M. M.
xcpt f th bnf o th cft whl a wk or f th
instcn o a br, unl u wr in rl dst. Shd
it b ncsry t use ths & whn it cd nt b obsvd,
th wds “ — — — — — ae
t be subs, bt th & nd wds ae nv t b gvn
tgthr.

Shd u c tht & gvn, or hea ths wds, u wl
hsn t th rlf o th psn so gvg thm, f u
my rst asrd thy cm fm on wh hs trvd th
sm rd nd rcvd th sm lt in Esnsn tht u hv.

W.M.: Br S.D. Cndct th Br t th E whr h wl
rcv ftr instrctnss.

SECTION III HISTORICAL LECTURE

W.M. Sacred history informs us that it was determined in the councils of infinite wisdom that a Temple should be founded at Jerusalem, which should be erected to God, and dedicated to His Holy Name.

The high honor and distinguished privilege of performing this sacred service was denied to David, King of Israel, because, (as the Scriptures inform us) he had made great wars and shed blood abundently.

We also learn from the same sacred source that the God of Israel had promised David that out of his loins he would raise up seed to serve Him. This divine and memorable promise was afterwards fulfilled in the person of Solomon, and in his splendid and unexampled career of prosperity.

After David had been gathered to his fathers, and the last honors paid to his memory, Solomon wielded the scepter of Israel, peace reigned within her borders, and the children of Israel looked forward with peculiar satisfaction for the display of that wisdom

which was destined to astonish and amaze the world.

In the second month of the fourth year of his reign, Solomon commenced the erection of this edifice, the curious workmanship of which was calculated to excite the wonder and admiration of all succeeding ages.

It was located on Mount Moriah, near the place where Abraham was about to offer up his son Isaac, and where David met and appeased the destroying angel, which was visible over the threshing-floor of Ornan the Jebusite.

About this time, King Solomon received a congratulatory letter from H., K. of T., offering him every assistance in his power, and manifesting a strong desire to participate in the high honors then clustering around the Throne of Israel.

This was the building progressing, with the assistance of H. K. of T. and the immediate supervision of G. M. H. A., and was well advanced, when several of the craft, in an attempt to exert influence from G. M. H. A. the second of M. Esn, became his assistants. Thus for a short period was the building impeded in its progress.

Under the management of the even respondents of ancient G. M. H. A., whose custom it was every day a high twilight, while the craft were at refreshment, the number of the temple and drew his designs upon the transverse, after which he reported to the unforgotten sinner that of up his presence to the ever living and true G. After performing this pious devotion on the day of his death, he attempted to pass over a the S. G., where he was accused by Ja, who there demanded the second of M. M., and on his third refusal, struck him with a two-fouled gale across the thigh. He then attempted to pass over a the W. G., where he was accused by Jo., who also there demanded the second of M. Esn, and on his third refusal, struck him with the angel of a square on the right side; he then attempted to pass over a the E. G., where he was accused by Jm., who likewise there demanded the second of M. M., and on his third refusal struck him with a stone-mill on the forehead, which fell from his forehead.

Thereafter the brethren both the ribs, agreeing to meet a law twilight conference. They accordingly met and considered the business of the west coast to the bridge of a hill, where they had a grand altar prepared, and there burned it, planting a stone on each side of the grand temple to mark the spot should further occurrences require them to find it, and then endeavored to mark their escape from the realm.

It was also the custom of S. K. of Israel every

mng t ent th T f th prps o inspct th wk
nd se if it ws bng cmplt d i al its pts agbl
t th plns wh h hd rcvd fm Dv, hs fth. On
arvg a th T on ths occs, h fnd th cft i
cnfsn. H rprd t th hll o audc, wh h mt
H. K. o T., o whm h inqd th cse, nd ws
infmd tht thr wr no dsns on the trs-bd,
nd tht G. M. H. A. ws mssg. H thn ord
strc srh t b md i nd abt th svrl apts o th
T t se if h cd b fnd. Strc srh ws acd
md, bt wtht tdgs, h hd nt bn seen snc h
twl th dy bfr.

Ab ths tm twl Fc apd bfr K. S., clth i
whi gls nd aps, tks o inc, nd cfsd tht thy,
wth thr oths, hd ent in a cnspc t xtr fm
G. M. H. A. th sc wd o M. Esn, or tk hs lf
Rflctg on th enrmt o th crm, thy hd rcntd,
nd hmbly crvd hs prdn. Thy frd, h wv, tht
th oths hd bn so bs as t crry thei mrds dsgns
int exectn.

H ord thm t rpr t thr lbr, a th sm tm
infmg thm tht thr prd wd dpnd upn thei
futr cndt.

H thn ord th svrl rls o wkm t b cld t se
wh, if ny, wr msg. Th rls wr acdly cld
nd 3 wre msg — Ja., Jo., nd Jm., brs nd

m o T. He thn rqstd H. K. o T. t slet fm
th dfn bns o wkm th twl Fcs wh hd aprd
bfr hm, dvd thm int prts o thr nd snd
thm E. W. N, nd S, i srh o th absnts.

Ths wh prsd a wst crs, on arvg a th
Cty o Jpa, fl i wth a sf mn, o whm thy
enqr if h hd sn ny strngs ps tht wy. H
repld h hd, thr th dy bfr, wh fm thei
gnl aprc, h spsd t b mn o T, fm a strng
fmly rsmblc brs, nd fm thei bng clthd i
whi gls nd aps mst hv bn wkm fm th T.
Thy wr endvg t obt pssg t Ethp, bt K. S.,
hvg isud an edc frbdg ny psn to lv th
rlm wtht hs pss, thy nt hvg it, fai t obt
pssg nd rtnd int th cntr.

Wth ths info thy rtnd t K. S., wh sd
tht thse, no dbt wr th rfns, b th i ws
nt satisfcty, nd ord thm t agn trv wth th
pstv asrnc tht if thy dd nt sced i brng th
rfs t jstc thy wd b dmd th mrds o G. M.
H. A. nd sfr acd.

Thy trvld as drctd, nd on arvg a th brw
o a hl, one o th cmpns, bng wery, st dn t
rs nd rfsh hmsl. On atmpgt t ari, h acdl
cght hld o a sp o ac, wh so esl gv wy as t
xct hs sspcns. H thrpn hai hs cmpns, nd

whl cnvrsng upn th snglty o th ocrnc, thy dstncly hrd vcs isung fm th clfs o th adjc rks, th fst o wh thy rcnizd as tht o Ja., xclmg: "O, tht m tht hd bn ct acs, m tn t ot nd br i th sn o th sa a l wt mk, whr th t bs nd flws twc i twntfr hrs, er I hd bn accsr t th mrd o ou G. M. H. A." Th scnd a tht o Jo., xclmg: "O, tht m l bs hd b t op, m ha nd vtls tkn thnc t th vl o Jhsphnt, nd thr lf a pry t th vlts o th ar er I hd bn accsr t th mrd o ou G. M. H. A."; nd th thd as tht o Jm., xclmg: "O, tht m bd hd bn svrd i tw, m bls tkn thnc nd bn t ashs, th ashs thrf scd t th fou wns o hv, tht thr mt rmn neth trk, trc, nr rmbrcnc amg mn or Esns o so vle nd prj a wrh as I, wh hv sl ou G. M. H. A." Thy thrpn rshd i, szd, bn nd tk thm bfr K. S., wh, aft de cnfsn fm ea, ord thm t b thk wtht th wls o th cty nd thr svrly xcutd agrbl t th imprctns fm thei ow mths. Th rfs wr xcutd agrbl t hs cmd. Fm ths xclmatns hv arsn th pnls o th obls wh u hv tk in Esnsn.

K.S. thn ord th Fcs t go fth i srh o th bdy o G. M. H. A., nd if fd, t mk dlgn

srh on nd abt it f nythg whby it mgt b clrly idntfd.

Thy wnt fth as drcd, nd on arvq a th brw o th hl whr th wery cmpn st dn t rs nd rfsh hm sl, dscvd th appr n o a gv, nd on rmvg th ert, fd a bd, bt i sch a mngd nd putrd cndn tht thy fn thr hns invlntly i ths psn (*dg o M. M.*) t grd thr nstls fm th effv aris thrfm. Aft th effv hd psd o thy md dlgn srh on nd abt th bd, bt fnd nthg sve o JI, wh thy agd t rmv nd go up nd rpt.

K. S., on bhldg th JI, sd thr cd no lng b ny dbt as t th dth o G. M. H. A., or as t th idnt o th bd as tht ws th JI wch h wr. Als, h frd th ms wd ws ls, f it ws agrd b hm sl, H. K. o T, nd H. A. tht th sc wd o M. Esn shd nt b gvn unls thy thr wr prsn nd agrd.

On o thei numb ws nw no mr. H thrfr prpsd t H. K. o T. t asmb l th cft nd prcd wth hm t th gv f th prps o rsg th bd nd brng it up t th T f a mr dent intrm.

H als prpsd tht th fs & gvn on arvq a th gv, nd th fs wd spkn aft th bd shd hv bn rsd, shd be, rspecvly, th G H & o dsts o

M. Esn, nd th wd a subst f tht wch ws ls, unls th wsd o futr grntns shd dscv nd brng t lt th tr wd. Ts & is th G H & o D o M Esn, a th wd allud t ws tht gvn t u on th fv pts o fishp nd a lw br.

Th G H. & o M. Esn i gv n th mnr. (Dn) Cpy, m br, R u h t h, ur rm fg a s, nd lr th b tw mns t th sd, a alds t a prtc t in yr ob, whrn u sw th u wd n gv th G. H. & o dsts o M.Esn, xcp f th bn o th cft whn at wk, or f th instn o a br, nls y wr n rl dst. Sh it b in a pl wh th s c nt b sn, th wds "O, l, — g — t — n — h t w s," a t b sub. Shd u c th & or h ths wds, u wl hstn t th rlf o th on s gvg thm, f u ma rst assrd tht th c fr on wh h trv t sm rd nd red th s l in Msry th u hv.

Ths wr th rm o G. M. H. A. rs fm thr hmb rstg plc, cnvd t th T, nd thnc t th plc o brl, wh ws as nr th unfns S Snet as th Jwsh lw wd alw, nd ovr hs rmns ws erc a mnt o th finst mrble, on wh ws dlnat a brkn clm nd a vg wpg; i her r hn a sp o ac, i hr l an urn, bfr hr an op Bk

nd tm bhnd hr unfldg nd cntg th rmls o hr hai. Th brkn clm dnts tht one o th prncp sprts o F. Esnm hs fin; th vrg wpg, th untml dh o G. M. H. A.; th spr o ac, tht wh ld t th tml rcvry o hs rms; th urn, tht hs ahs ae sfly dpst; th op bk, tht hs mry i on prptl rcr amng Esns; whl tm dnts tht alth G. M. H. A. i no mr, nd th sc wd o M. Esn i ls, yt tme, ptc, nd prsvnc wh acmps al thgs, my yt dscv nd brng t lt th tr wd.

Thr wr tw rnkbl evts attdg th erect o ths edfc. Scrd hsty infms u tht thr ws n hd th snd o x, hm, o ay mtl tl i th bldg; nd Jsphs infms u tht alth a lttl mr thn sv yrs wr mpld i its erectn, i dd nt rn xcpt i th ntssn nd whl th crf wr fm lb t rfmt. Ths ws rgd a a strkg mnfsstn o th sptndg cr o Dv Prv.

I i sd t hv bn spptd b ftn hnd nd ffty-thr cols nd tw ths nn hnd nd sx plstrs, al hn fm th finst mrb. Thr w mpld i its erect thr G. M.s, thr ths thr hnd Ms, o ovrs o th wk, ety ths F.C.s, or hwrs i th mts nd

qrs, nd svy ths E. A., or brs o bdns. Al ths
wr clsd nd arrgd i sch mnr b th wsdm
o K. S., tht nthr nvy, dscd nr cnfsn ntrpd
o dstbd th pc an gd flshp whc prvid amg
th wkm.

SYMBLSM

Ths hv I rhsd t u th lgnd o th dth o H.
A.; a hstry vnrted as a rmnscnc o th dys
lng pssd nd rgdd b Msn with pc rvrc, nt s
mch f th hstry itsf as f th slm nd sublm
dctrn i i ntd t mprs o ou mds — th rsstcn
o th bdy nd th imtly o th soul.

Bt i ord tht u ma filly cmprh nd appr th
ntmt cnet o th wh Esnc sys, b th rel dntc
o its svrl pts, I pps brfly t rvw th tchgs o
th tw pre dgrs bf ntrg upn th fid o trth
prstd i th subl dgr o M. M.

Ur admsn amg Esns i a st o bldns nd
dstutn ws mbcll o th ntrc o al mn upn ths
thr mrtl st o xct, whn, wk nd hlpls, thy
ae nersly dpt un othrs f prten nd lf.

A th nblst emts o th hrt ae cld fth by
hlpls infcy so i th dgr o E. A. ntndd to
inclt th strkg lssn o ntrl eql nd mutl dpc. I
tt u i th actv prncs o unv bnfc nd chty, t sk
th solc o ur ow dstrs b xtng cmft nd cnsln
t ur fl-ctrs i th hr o thr affect. I nblid u t
fre th mnd fm th domn o prd nd prjc; to lk
byd th nrow lts o hm nstns, nd t vw i ev

sn o Adm a br o th dst. Abv al nd byd al, it tgt u to bnd wth huml nd rsgn bf th G. A. o th U; t ddt t Hm ur hrt ths purfd fm ev mlgt pssn, nd prp ur md fr th recptn o trth nd wsdm.

Prcdg onw, stl gui b th prepls o bro lv, rlf nd trth, u wr psd t th dgr o Fc., whr u wr nbld t cntmp th ntcltl fcfts; t tre thm fr thr org thr th pths of hvn-bn scnc evn t th thrn o A. G. Hm. Th scs o ntr nd th prncs o mrl trth wr ths unvld bf u. U lrnd th jst estmt o thos wndrs fcfts whw G. hs ndow th crts fmd af Hs ow imag, nd u flt th du H hsimps upn u o cltvg th dv atrbt wth unrmgt cr nd attn, tt u ma thb b nbld t glrfy H nd rndr urs a cntbtr t th hppns o mnkd.

To th mn whs mnd hs ths bn mld t vrt nd scic, Ntr prsts on mr grt nd usf lsn, th knlg o hmsf. Sh lds u by cntmptn t th clsg hr o ur existn; nd whn b mns o tht cntmptn, sh hs endctd u thru th var wndgs o ths mrtl lf, sh fnly nstrc u hw t di. Sh lds u t rflc upn ur inevtbl dstny nd prmts th inwd mn to trt sa tht dth hs n stng eql t th stn o flshd, nd tht th crt-ny o dth a ay tm i btr thn th psblty o dshnr.

O ths grt prnc, F. Esny affs a glrs xmpl

in the unshkn fdlty nd nbl dth o ou G. M. H. A., whm u hv ths evg rpsd, nd I trs i wl b a strkg lssn t u al, shl u ev b plc i a smlr st o tr.

Nd nw, m br, lt u smblz th dth o ou G. M. H. A. nd aply hs prprtn f nd rdns in fcg dth t ouslvs.

Th lgnd nfms u tht aft h hd drn hs dsgn upn th trslbd h ws bst b thr rfns, ae i trn mr pwfl nd dtrmd thn th othr, wh ovrc hm nd fnl tk hs lf.

Ths it i wth mn. Strng in yth nd cnfdt in hs strgth, he sts fth t xct th dsgns wh h hs drn upn th gr trslbd o hs lf, bt a th vry oust, h mts hs fst nmy, hs Ja, in hs ow evl psns i nvy, hte, licnt, nd dbchy; dfgc th btf mirr o hs sl b thr bnfl inflc. Bt thes ma b ovcm; nd stl strg i fth nd hp, h prss frwd o lfs jy t mt hs scnd nd stl stgr nmy, hs Jo, ftly rpsntd by srow nd msft, b dsse o pvrtty, b th cidns o fls frds, or th hstly o opn enms.

Wry nd fnt fm th cnflc, stl strglg f th rt, upwd lkng wth ey o fth, tho ths enms b sbdd, h mts i th evg o hs das, hs thrd nd trbl nmy, hs Jm. To hm ths nmy i Dth — Dth, frm whm thr cn b n escp — Dth, bfr

whm al mst yld, whthr thy b th yng, th bfl,
or th gftd; lk Jm, a rntlss nmy, instng upn hvg
hs vctm.

To th crls nd thtls th lssn wd end hr; bt
th uprt nd tr Esn my prsu i fthr nd apl i
t th etrn sal o hs sl, s btflly tpfd b th evrgn
sp o ac, wh tohs u th alth ou fral bds mst,
snr or ltr, mldr i th bsm o ou mthr ert, yt
thro th mrts o th dvn prms cntnd i th grt
lt in Esny, w ma cnfdtly hp tht ou sls wl blm i
imrt gren.

Rmbr, thn tht a th bd o ou G. M. H. A.
ws brd i th rbs o th T, s shl urs b brd in
erts fdly bsm; as h ws rsd, s lkws mst u b rsd;
nt, indd b th brthy grp o an erthy mstr, bt
a th awfl cmd o Hm wh rls hv nd ert, nd i ans
to whs smms nd wd, grvs wl b opn, ses gv up
thr dd, nd al th prfn nd inittd wl stnd bfr hs
jgmt st i th Grd Ori o th Univ to rndr unt
Hm thr drd acct.

Lt, thn, m br, trth nd jstc, rlgnd nd piety,
b ur cnst aim nd end. Lt th Tm wh u hv,
in prt, ths evg rsd, b btfd nd adrnd wth chrs
choes jls, nd s acptl t th Al S Ey, tht whn,
a th cls o a vrts lf, u ae sumnd hnc b th Omnific
wd, u ma b admtd t tht glr nd clsl Tm, tht

hs nt md wth hs, whs archtc i th G. M. o th
U, whs thrn i th etr hvns.

M Brs, ths brgs u t th snd cls o mblms, whc
cntn mny vl nd ins lsns.

THE THREE PILLARS

The three pillars were explained in a pre-
ceding degree, and there represented Wisdom,
Strength, and Beauty. They are here more fully
explained. They represent our three ancient
Grand Masters: Solomon King of Israel, Hiram
King of Tyre, and Hiram A. The pillar Wisdom
Solomon King of Israel, by whose wisdom the
Temple was erected, which has so honored and
exalted his name; the pillar Strength, Hiram
King of Tyre, who strengthened King Solomon
in his great and important undertaking; and the
Pillar Beauty, Hiram A., the widow's son, of
the tribe of Naphtali, by whose cunning work-
manship the Temple was so beautified and
adorned.

E.A.s hld thr mtgs on th gr flr o K. S.
Tm svn cnstg a L, one M. M., nd sx E. A.:
Fcs hld thr mtgs in th M. C. o K. S. Tm
fv cnstg a L, tw M Ms nd thr Fcs, nd M.
Ms hld thr mtgs i th unfs s s o K. S. Tm.
thr cnstg a L.

THE THREE STEPS

The Three Steps usually delineated upon the Master's carpet, are emblematical of the three principle stages of human life, Youth, Manhood and Age.

In Youth, as E.A.'s we should occupy our minds in the attainment of useful knowledge; in manhood, as F. C.'s., we should apply our knowledge to the discharge of our duties to God, our neighbor, and ourselves; so that in Age, as Master Masons, we may enjoy the happy reflection consequent upon a wellspent life, and die in the hope of a glorious immortality.

POT OF INCENSE

The Pot of Incense is an emblem of a pure heart, always an acceptable offering to Deity, and as this glows with heat, so should our hearts continually glow with gratitude to our Creator for the manifold blessings and comforts we enjoy.

THE BEEHIVE

The Beehive is an emblem of industry, teaching the practice of that virtue to all men. As we came into the world rational and intelligent beings, so should we ever be industri-

ous, never content to be idle, while our fellow creatures are in want, if it is in our power to relieve them.

When we take a survey of nature, we view man in his infancy, more helpless than the brute creation. He lies languishing for days, months and years, totally incapable for providing sustenance for himself, of guarding against the attack of the wild beasts of the field, or sheltering himself from the inclemencies of the weather. It might have pleased the great Creator of Heaven and earth to make man independent of all other beings, but as dependence is one of the strongest bonds of society, men were made dependent on one another for protection and security, whereby they enjoy better opportunities to form the ties of love and friendship. Thus was man formed for social and active life, the noblest work of God; and he that will so demean himself as not to endeavor to add to the common stock of knowledge and understanding, may be deemed a useless member of society, unworthy of protection as Masons.

BOOK OF CONSTITUTIONS

The Book of Constitutions guarded by the

Tylers sword reminds us that we should ever be watchful and guarded in our thoughts, words, and actions, particularly when in presence of enemies of Masonry, ever remembering those truly Masonic virtues, Silence and Circumspection.

SWORD AND NAKED HEART

The Sword pointing to a Naked Heart illustrates that justice will sooner or later overtake us; and although our thoughts, words, and actions may be hidden from the eyes of man, yet the

ALL SEEING EYE

All Seeing Eye whom the sun, moon and stars obey, and under whose watchful care even comets perform their stupendous revolutions, searches the innermost recesses of the human heart, and will reward us according to our merits.

ANCHOR AND ARK

The Anchor and Ark are emblems of a well grounded hope, and a well-spent life. They are emblematical of that divine Ark, which bears us over this tremendous sea of troubles, and the Anchor which shall safely moor us in the peaceful harbor where the

wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest.

FORTY SEVENTH PROBLEM

The Forty-seventh Problem of Euclid teaches Masons to be general lovers of the arts and sciences.

HOUR GLASS

The Hour Glass is an emblem of human life. Behold, how swiftly the sand runs, and how speedily our lives are drawing to a close. We cannot without astonishment behold the little particles in the device; how they pass away almost imperceptibly, and yet, to our surprise, in the short space of an hour they are all exhausted. Thus wastes man. Today, he puts forth the tender leaves of hope; tomorrow, blossoms, and bears his honors; the next day comes a frost which nips the shoot; and when he thinks his greatness it still aspiring, he falls, like autumn leaves, to enrich our mother earth.

THE SCYTHE

The Scythe is an emblem of time, which cuts the brittle thread of life, and launches us into eternity. Behold, what havoc the scythe of time makes among the human race. If by chance we should escape the numerous ills

incident to childhood and youth, and with health and vigor attain the years of manhood; yet, withal, we must soon be cut down by the all-devouring scythe of time, and be gathered into the land where our fathers have gone before us.

I wl nw cl yr attn t th thrd nd lst cls o mblms, wh ae a sc a an prtn o th dgr u hv rcvd, nd I trs u wl ev rtn thm a sh. (ooo) Thy ae th S. M. Sp, Of an S o A.

Th SM i mblmtcl o tht wh G. M. H. A. ws sl. Th S o tht wh opd hs gv, rmndg us tht er lng a smlr instm ma b usd to opn ou grs, nd th Cf o tht wh cntnd hs rmns.

Thse, m Br, ae strkg mblms, nd t a rflctg mnd afrd subjes f srs cntmpln; bt whn we rflc on th sp o ac fnd blmg a th hd o th gv, we ae rmnd tht we hv an imrtl prt wthn us wch wl srvi th gv nd wch wl nv, nv, nv de. (o)

CHARGE

Brother, your zeal for the institution of Masonry, the progress you have made in the mystery, and your conformity to our regulations, have pointed you out as a proper object of our favor and esteem.

You are now bound by duty, honor, and gratitude to be faithful to your trust, to support the dignity of your character on every occasion, and to enforce, by precept and example, obedience to the tenets of the Fraternity.

In the character of a Master Mason, you are authorized to correct the errors and irregularities of your uniformed brethren, and to guard them against a breach of fidelity. To preserve the reputation of the Fraternity unsullied must be your constant care; and for this purpose, it is your province to recommend to your inferiors, obedience and submission; to your equals, courtesy and affability; to your superiors, kindness and condescension. Universal benevolence you are always to inculcate, and, by the regularity of your own behavior, afford the best example for the conduct of others less informed. The ancient landmarks of the Fraternity, entrusted to your care, you are carefully to preserve, and never suffer them to be infringed, or countenance a deviation from the established usages and customs of the Fraternity.

Your virtue, honor, and reputation are concerned in supporting with dignity the char-

acter you now bear. Let no motive, therefore, make you swerve from your duty, violate your vows, or betray your trust, but be true and faithful, and imitate the example of that celebrated artist whom you have this evening represented. Thus you will render yourself worthy of the honor which we have conferred, and merit the confidence we repose in you.

W.M.: Br, ths cnclds th 3rd dgr o Msry U wl stp t th Sec's dk nd sgn th by-lws, thby cnsmtg ur mbshp into th L.

W.M.: M Br, thr i als a lct cnctd wth ths dgr, wh I wl nw endv t ps btwn mysl nd th S. D.. Pa stret atntn, f wr u at any tme undrgng an xmntn, hs answs wd b urs, nd it wl b necsry f u t bcm prfent in thm in ord to prv urslf a M. M.

LECTURE 3rd DEGREE

W.M.: Br. S. D., ae u a M. M.

S.D.: I m.

Q. Wht indcd u t bcm a M. M.

A. Tht I mt obt th ms wd, trv i frn cntrs, wrk nd rc ms ws, nd b thb btr enab t spprt msl nd fml, nd cntrbt t th rlf o dsts wthy M. M.s' thei wd nd orphs.

Q. Wht mks u a M. M.

A. M oblg.

Q. Whr wr u md a M. M.

A. Wth th bd o a jst nd rgl cnst L o M. Ms, asmbly in a plc rpsntg th unfnsh snet setm o K. S. T., fnshd wth th H. B, S, nd Cs, tghr wth a chtr or dspnssn fm sm grn bd o cmpt jrsdc mprg it t wrk.

Q. Hw ma I kn u t b a M. M.

A. B crtn &s nd tks.

Q. Wht ae &s.

A. Rt ngls, hrzls, nd pndlrs.

Q. Advnc a &. (*Gvs dg o M.M.*)

Q. Hs tht an als.

A. I hs; t th pstrn o m hs whl tkg th Obl.

Q. Hv u a frth &.

A. I hv (*Gvs & o M. M.*)

- Q. Hs tht a als.
 A. It hs; t th pnlt o tht obl.
 Q. Wht as tkns.
 A. Crtn frnl or brth gps, whrb one Ms m kn anth in th dk a in th lgt.
 Q. Advnc nd gv m a tkn.
 A. (*Gvs p g o M. M., on stp*)
 Q. Wht i tht.
 A. Th pg o M M.
 Q. Hs i an nm.
 A. **I hs.**
 Q. Wl u gv i t m.
 A. I dd n s rcv i, nth wl I s imp it.
 Q. Hw wl u dsps o it.
 A. Lt or sb it.
 Q. Sb i nd bg.
 A. U bg.
 Q. Bg u. (*wrd gvn.*)
 Q. Wl u b o or fm.
 A. Fm.
 Q. Fm wht nd t wht.
 A. Fm th ps g o a M M. t th rl g o th sm.
 Q. Ps (*Dn.*) Wht i tht.
 A. Th rl g o a M. M., or lns pw.
 Q. Hv u th sub wd o a M.M.

- A. I hv.
 Q. Wl u gv i t m.
 A. Plc ursl i prp pstn t rcv i, nd l wl.
 Q. Wht is tht prp pstn.
 A. On th fv pts o flsp.
 Q. Wt ae th fv pts o flsp.
 A. F t f, k t k, bs t bs, hn t bk, nd m t e (*Wd gvn on fv pts o flsp.*)
 Q. Wht wr u prpd t b md a M. M.
 A. I a rm adjng th bd o a jst nd rgl cnst L o M. Ms.
 Q. Hw wr u prpd.
 A. Dvs o al mtlc sbs, nth nd n clth, bf n sh, bth kns nd bs br, hw, nd a ct thr tms arou m bd, clth a Fc, i wh cndtn I ws cndt t a dr o th L nd caus t gv thr dstnc kns, wh wr ans b thr wthn.
 Q. Wh ws a cbl-t thr tms arou yr bd.
 A. T tch m tht m dts nd oblgtns bcm mr nd mr xtstv as I advc i Msry.
 Q. T wt dd th thr dstc kns alld.
 A. T th thd dgr o Msry, upn wh I ws thn entrg.
 Q. Wt ws sd t u fm wthn.
 A. Wh cms hr?
 Q. Yr ans.

- A. A wthy br wh hs bn rgl initd E. A., psd t th dgr o Fc, nd nw wshs fthr lg in Msry b bng rsd t th sublm dgr o M. M.
- Q. Wt wh u thn skd.
- A. If i ws an ac o m ow f wl nd acd; if I ws wth nd wl qlf dl nd trl prp; if I hd md sutbl prfenc i th predg dgrs. Al o wh bng ans i th afrmt, I ws skd b wt fthr r or bnf I xpctd to obt ths imptn prv.
- Q. Yr ans.
- A. Bnft o th ps wd.
- Q. Hd u th ps wd.
- A. I hd nt; m cndt hd nd gv it f m.
- Q. Wt wr u thn tld.
- A. Snc I ws i psn o al ths nes qlfctns, I shd wai unt th W. M. cd b infmd o m rqs nd hs ans rtn
- Q. Wt ws hs ans whn rtn.
- A. Lt hm ent ths Wfl L o M. M., nd b red i de nd anc frm.
- Q. Hw wr u rc.
- A. On th xtrm ps o th cs, xtng fm m n r t m n l bs, wh ws t tch m tht a wthn th bs ae cntn th mst vtl prts o mn, so btw th xtrm pts o th cs ae cntn th ms vlubl tnts o F. Msry, wh ae frnsh mrlt,

- nd brthl lv.
- Q. Hw wr u thn dsps o.
- A. Cndct thr tms rglrl arou th L, nd t th J. W. i th S, whr th sm qus wr skd nd ans rtnd as a th dr.
- Q. Hw dd th J. W. dsps o u.
- A. Dret m t b cndct t th S. W. i th W, whr th sm qus wr skd nd ans rtnd a bfr.
- Q. Hw dd th S. W. dsps o u.
- A. Dret m t b cndct t th W. M. i th E, whr th sm qus wr skd nd ans rtnd a bfr; wh als dmnd o m whnc I cm nd wthr tvlg.
- Q. Yr ans.
- A. Fm th W, trv E.
- Q. Wh dd u lv th W nd trv E.
- A. I srh o fthr lg i Esnm.
- Q. Hw dd th W. M. dsps o u.
- A. Ord me rcndt t th S. W. i th W, wh tgt m hw t aprh th E i de nd anc frm.
- Q. Wt ws tht de nd anc frm.
- A. Advnc on my lf ft, brng th hl o my r t th hl o my l, thrby fmg th ngl o a sq; bdy erct fcg th E.
- Q. Wht dd th W. M. thn d wth u.
- A. Oblgt m a M. M.

- Q. Hw.
- A. In de fm.
- Q. Wt ws tht de frm.
- A. Klg on bth m n ks, bth hs rs on th H. B., S, nd Ccs i wh de frm I tk th sm obl o M. M.
- Q. Hv y tht ob.
- A. I hv.
- Q. Rpt it.
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- Q. Aft th obl, wt wr u skd.
- A. Wt I mst dsrd.
- Q. Y ans.
- A. Fthr lg i Esnsm.
- Q. Dd u rcv it.
- A. I dd, b ord o th W. M.
- Q. On bng brt t lg, wt dd u bhld.
- A. Th thr gr lgs i Esnm, a i th prcdg dgr, wth ths dfnc, bth pts o th cs wr abv th sq, wh ws t tch m tht I hd rc, nd ws entld t rc, al th lt tht cld b cnfrd on or cmnctd t m i a M Ms L.
- Q. Wt dd u nx bhld.
- A. Th W. M. aprhng fm th E upn th st, und th dg nd & o M. M., wh prsnt hs r hn i tkn o cntnc o frnsh nd brthl lv, nd

- invst m wth th p g nd p w, ord m t ars, salut th J. nd S. W.s, nd stsf thm tht I ws a dl oblgd M. M. nd i psn o th st, dg, & p g, nd p w.
- Q. Hw wr u thn dsps o.
- A. Rendtd t th S. W. i th W, wh tgt m hw t wea m ap as a M. Esn.
- Q. Hw shd a M. Esn wea hs ap.
- A. Wth th fl nd crn dn.
- Q. Wth wt wr u thn prsn.
- A. Th wkg tls o a M. M.
- Q. Wt ae th wkg tls o a M. M.
- A. Al th tls in Esnsm, espely th trw. Th trw is an instmnt usd b oprtv 'Ms t sprd th cmt wch unit th svl pts o th bldg int one cmn ms; bt w, as F. nd A. Ms, ae tgt t use i f th mr nob nd glors prps o spdg th cmt o brthl lv nd affct, tht cmt wch unit us int one sacrd bnd or socty o frnds nd brs, amng whn no cntntn shd evr xst, sv that nobl cntnt, or rthr emulat, o wh bst cn wk nd bst agr.
- Q. Hw wr u thn dsps o.
- A. Rendt t th plc whc I cme, invst wth tht o wh I hd bn dvs, nd in du tm rtn t th L for fth insttn.