

EXAMINATION UPON ENTRANCE INTO THE LODGE.

Peace be here.

- A. I hope there is.
- Q. What a'clock is it ?
- A. It's going to Six, or going to Twelve.
- Q. Are you very busy?
- A. No.
- Q. Will you give or take ?
- A. Both; or which you please.
- Q. How go Squares ?
- A. Straight.
- Q. Are you Rich or Poor ?
- A. Neither.
- Q. Change me that?
- A. I will.
- Q. In the name of , &. are you a Mason ?
- What is a Mason ?
- A. A Man begot of a Man , born of a Woman , Brother to a King,
- Q. What is a Fellow ?
- A. A Companion to a Prince.
- Q. How shall I know you are a Free Mason ?
- A. By Signs , Tokens , and Points of my Entry.
- Q. Which is the Point of your Entry ?
- A. I Hear and Conceal, under the Penalty of having my Throat cut , or my Tongue pull'd out of my Head .
- Q. Where was you made a ~~Masonry~~ Free-Mason ?
- A. In a just and perfect Lodge .
- Q. How many make a Lodge ?
- A. God and the Square , with five or seven right and perfect Masons , on the highest Mountains , or the lowest Valleys in the World.
- Q. Why do Odds make a Lodge ?
- A. Because all Odds are Mens Advantage .
- Q. What Lodge are you of ?
- A. The Lodge of St. John
- Q. How does it stand ?
- A. Perfect East and West , as all Temples do .
- Q. Where is the Mason's Point ?
- A. At the East Window , waiting at the Rising of the Sun , to set his Men at Work .
- Q. Where is the Warden's Point ?
- A. At the West Window , waiting the Setting of the Sun , to dismiss the Entered Apprentices.
- Q. Who rules and governs the Lodge , and is Master of it ?
- A. A. Irah or the Right Pillar.
- Iachin.
- Q. How is it governed ?
- A. Of Square and Rule.
- Q. Have you the Key of the Lodge ?
- A. Yes, I have .
- Q. What is its Virtue ?
- A. To open and shut , and shut and open .
- Q. Where do you keep it ?
- A. In an Ivory Box , between my Tongue and my Teeth , or within my Heart , where all my Secrets are kept.
- Q. Have you the Chain to the Key ?
- A. Yes, I have.
- Q. How long is it ?
- A. As long as from my Tongue to my Heart.
- Q. How many precious jewels ?
- A. Three , a square Asher , a Diamond , and a Square.
- Q. How many Lights ?
- A. Three a Right East , South and West.
- Q. What do they represent ?
- A. The Three Persons , Father , Son , and Holy Ghost.
- Q. How many Pillars ?
- A. Two ; Iachin and Boaz.
- Q. What do they represent ?
- A. A Strength and Stability of the Church in all Ages.

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- A. Four, bordering on Squares. 
- Q. How is the Meridian found out ?
- A. When the Sun leaves the South , and breaks in at the West -End of the Lodge .
- Q. In what part of the Temple was the Lodge kept ?
- A. In Solomon's Porch , at the West-End of the Temple , where the two Pillars were set up .
- Q. How many Steps belong to a right Mason ?
- A. Three.
- Q. Give me the Solution ?
- A. I will .... The Right Worshipful , Worshipful Masters , and Worshipful Fellows , of the Right Worshipful Lodge from whence I came , greet you well.
- Response. That Great God to us greeting , be at this our Meeting with the Right Worshipful Lodge from which you came , and you are .
- Q. Give me the Jerusalem Word ?
- A. Giblin.
- Q. Give me the Universal Word ?
- A. Boaz.
- Q. Right Brother of ours , your name ?
- A. N. or M.
- Response . Welcome Brother M. or N. to our Society.
- Q. How many particular Points pertain to a Free-Mason.?
- A. Thre ; Fraternity, Fidelity , and Taciturnity .
- Q. What do they represent ?
- A. Brotherly Love Relief , and Truth , among all Right Masons; for which all Masons were ordained at the Building of the Tower of Babel , and at the Temple of Jerusalem.
- Q. How many Proper Points ?
- A. Five; Foot to Foot , Knee to Knee , Hand to Hand , Heart to Heart , and Ear to Ear.
- Q. Whence is an Arch derived ?
- A. From Architecture .
- Q. How many Orders in Architecture ?
- A. Five ; the Tuscan , Dorick , Ionick , Corinthian and Composit.
- Q. What do they answer ?
- A. They answer to the Base , Perpendicular , Diameter , Circumference and Square .
- Q. What is the right Word , or right Point of a Mason ?
- A. Adieu.

THE FREE-MASON'S OATH.

You must serve God according to the best of your Knowledge and Institution , and be a true Liege Man to the King , and help and assist any Brother as far as your Ability will allow : By the Contents of the Sacred Writ you will perform this Oath. So help you God.

A FREE-MASON'S HEALTH.

Here's a Health to our Society , and to every Faithful Brother that keeps his Oath of Secrecy . As we are sworn to love each other, the World no Order knows like this our Noble and Ancient Fraternity ; Let them wonder at the Mystery. Here, Brother I drink to thee.

TRUE

SIGNS TO KNOW A MASON.

1. To put off the Hat with two Fingers and a Thumb.
2. To strike with the Right Hand , on the inside of the Little Finger of the Left three times , as if hewing.
3. By making a Square , viz. by setting your heels together, and the Toes of both Feet straight , at a Distance , or by any other way of Triangle .
4. To take Hand in Hand , with Left and Right Thumb close, and touch each Wrist three Times with the Fore-Finger each Pulse.
5. You must whisper , saying thus , the Master and Fellows of the Worshipful Company from whence I came , greet you well. The other will answer , God greet well the Masters and Fellows of the Worshipful Company from whence I came

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6. Stroke two of your Fore-Fingers over your Eye-Lias three Times.
7. Turn a Glass ~~down~~, or any other Thing that is hollow downwards, after you have drank out of it ,.
8. Ask how you do ; and your Brothers drink to each other .
9. Ask what Lodge they were made Free-Masons at.

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