

THE
GRAND MYSTERY LAID OPEN
or the
FREE-MASONS

Signs and Word discovered.

All Secrets till they once are known,
Are wonder'd at by every one,
But when once known we cease to wonder,
Tis Equal then to fart or thunder.

When any person is admitted a Member into this Noble and Ancient Fraternity, He is instructed to answer the following Questions viz.

How many signs has a true Free-Mason, Mine, which are distinguished into Spiritual and Temporal. How many Temporal Signs are there? Three. The first is a Grip by the two first fingers and is called Jacobin and Boaz; the second is a Grip by the Wrist and called Gibboram and Gibborun; the third is a Grip by the Elbow and is called Thimbulum and Timbulum.

Have the six Spiritual Signs any Names? Yes but are not divulged to any new admitted member, because they are Cabalistical

What are these Signs, The first is foot to foot the second is Knee to Knee, the third is breast to breast, the fourth is Hand to Back, the fifth is cheek to cheek the sixth is Face to Face, Who is the Grand Master of all the Lodges in the

World? INRI. What is the meaning of that name? Each distinct letter stands for a whole word, and is very mysterious.

How is the Master of every particular Lodge called? Oakecharing a Tocholochy.

By what name are all Members distinguished? By the Name of Istowlawlays. Who is your Founder? God and the Square.

What is God called? Laylah Illalah. Who invented the secret Word? Checchabedain Jacmauny. What is it? It is a Cabalistical Word composed of a letter out of each of the names of Laylah Illah as mentioned in the Holy Bible.

Where sat King John in the Morning when he assembled the Society? He sat in the East Window of the Temple in a Chair of Marble waiting the rising Sun. Where sat He in the evening when He dismissed it? At the West end of the Temple in the same Chair waiting the setting of the Sun.

Why was St. John called King? Because he was the Head of all the Christian Lodges, and from his Superior knowledge in the wonderful art of Masonry. What are the Day and Night made for? The Day is made for Man to see in, the Night is made for Men to hear in. What is the most useful Member? The Ear, because Men ought to hear more than they speak. What are the Tools requisite for a Free-mason? The Hammer and Trowel, the one to separate the other to join. What names are given to the, Asphahani and Talagaica. By what Oath did you swear to conceal the Secret Wors? By God, the Square, the King, and the Master. At the Installation of any Member the Person to be admitted drest with an Apron before him, a Trowel in his Right Hand, and a Hammer in his Left, kneels on his Right Knee with a Bible on his Breast, supported by the Trowel and in this posture He swears to keep secret the Word and Signs by which a Free-Mason is known over all the World, the priveleges they enjoy by being admitted Members into this Ancient Society are very great, for a Member of any Lodge is obliged to Furnish another Member tho' of a different Lodge, with all Necessaries in his distress and support Him to the utmost of his Power

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