

1867

INSTITUTION OF A PIONEER.

Candidate led to the center Council room, by Marshal and Assistant.

Marshal. Worthy Archon, A. B. a Recruit of this Council is hereby presented to you, by order of our W. V. A. for institution.

W. A. Having been duly elected and initiated a Recruit of this order and having served our good cause as such, to the satisfaction of this Council, you have been unanimously elected a member of the same. Are you ready to take the obligation?

C. I am.

(V. A. Calls up the Council.)

W. A. Brethren, let us renew the bond, which unites our Brotherhood.

OBLIGATION.

I, A. B. hereby freely pledge my sacred honor as a man, as a citizen and as a Christian that I will never divulge the name, object or proceedings, in whole or in part of the L. R. L. nor the name of its officers or members to any person except to a true and approved brother of this degree, or in open Council of the same.

I will ever, as now uphold the hands of loyal brothers, maintain and defend the union of states, its constitution and Laws, free speech, a free press, elective judges, equal justice to all men and an everlasting reconstruction.

I will not favor or conceal fraud, treason or corruption toward the government of the United States. I will not countenance any social or political aristocracy, but will do all in my power to aid in elevating and educating the people, to wrest power from the rich as such, to crush out nepotism and fraud, to prevent the leaders of rebellion from holding offices of trust and emolument, to the end that treason may be rooted out, and our country may be saved. All this I sincerely promise and will faithfully perform and may God, who heareth, keep us true and steadfast, and give us victory over wrong.

(V. A. Seats the Council.)

W. A. It is now my pleasant duty to welcome you as a Pioneer of our order, and instruct in the workings of this degree.

The grip of this Degree is * * *

The usual sign of recognition is * * *

The answer to the same is * * *

Another sign of recognition is * * *

The answer is * * *

The word used as a challenge is * * *

The answer is the word * * *

The hail of distress is * * *

Or * * *

The signal for convocation * * *

The test * * *

The alarm.

The sign.

Manner of entering a Council.

Alarm at outer door.

Alarm at inner door.

Word at outer door.

Word at inner door.

I. Manner of opening a Council.

W. A. Brother V. A. are all present Pioneers?

V. A. I will examine and report.

W. A. Worthy Marshall, you will see that none enter or leave the Council but by order of V. A.

II. Prayer.

III. Reading of minutes.

IV. Approval of minutes.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1st, Proposition and election of members.

2nd, Unfinished business.

3rd, Initiation.

4th, Miscellaneous business.

5th, Report of Committees.

CHAPTER No. I. DISTRICT OF N. C.

OFFICERS.

Rev. G. W. Welcher, Pres.	Shaw's Mills.
R. F. Trogden, Vice	Center.
Hiram Worth, Treas.	Greensboro.
David Hodgkin, Sec.	"
A. W. Tourgee, Cor. Sec.	"
C. C. Causey, Marshall,	Brich Church.

Councils must report to the Chapter quarterly giving the names of officers and members, date of initiation and other matters of importance.

Letters should be addressed to the Sec. or Cor. Sec. By name only.

All Councils are earnestly solicited to send Delegates to the next meeting of the Chapter, which will be held at the residence of _____ on Monday, March 4, 1867.

The Sec. of each Council should report to the Chapter Sec., all initiations and institutions, previous to first March.

By order of the Chapter.

Lewis Wilson
 Jacob Gausman
 Joseph M. Taylor
 Joseph M. Taylor
 Delegates
 to
 Chapter
 No. 1000 of the
 Grand Lodge of the
 Free and Accepted
 Masons of the
 State of New York

Lewis Wilson
 No. 21 Richville
 Pa.

Returns
 L. R. L.

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