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CONSTITUTION

OF THE NATIONAL AND STATE COUNCIL OF PENNSYLVANIA, TOGETHER WITH THE BY-LAWS AND FORM OF INSTALLATION.

READ! READ!! READ!!!

The committee to whom were referred the resolutions, relative to the State and national constitutions, submitted the following resolution, which was agreed to:

Resolved, That the constitution of the State council be, and the same is hereby modified, so as to the existing national constitution, and that in all cases where there is conflict of provision, that of the national council be supreme, and that the dues to the State and national council shall be assessed and collected per capita on the members; four cents for the national and two cents for the State councils; that after full examination, in their judgment, is inexpedient at present to make any other amendments to the State constitution; and that a committee of three members of this council be appointed to superintend the printing of the constitutions of the national and State councils, and send a copy of the same to the president of every subordinate council in the State.

FORMULARY OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Officers of the National Council.—President—James W. Barker, of New York, Vice President—W. W. Williamson, of Alexandria, Va., Corresponding Secretary—Chas. D. Deshler, of New Brunswick, N. J., Recording Secretary—James M. Stephens, of Baltimore, Md., Treasurer—Henry Crane, of Cincinnati, Ohio, Inside Sentinel—John P. Hilton, of Washington, D. C., Outside Sentinel—Henry Metz, of Detroit, Mich., Chaplain—Rev. Saml. P. Crawford, of Indianapolis, Ind.

CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES OF NORTH AMERICA.

ARTICLE I. This organization shall be known by the name and title of the National Council of the United States of North America; and its jurisdiction and power shall extend to all States, districts, and Territories of the United States of North America.

ARTICLE II. The object of this organization shall be to protect every American citizen in the legal and proper exercise of all his civil and religious rights and privileges; to resist the insidious policy of the Church of Rome, and all other foreign influence against our republican institutions, in all lawful ways; to place in all offices of honor, trust, or profit in the gift of the people, or by appointment, none but native-born Protestant citizens; and to protect, preserve, and uphold the Union of these States and the constitution of the same.