

other council to which you may be attached, so long as they do not conflict with the constitution of the United States, nor that of the State in which you reside; that you will, under all circumstances, if in your power so to do, attend to all regular signs or summons that may be thrown or sent to you by a brother of this or any other degree of this order; that you will support in all political matters, for all political offices, members of this order in preference to other persons; that, it may be done legally, you will, when elected or appointed to any official station conferring on you the power to do so, remove all foreigners, aliens, or Roman Catholics from office or place in your gift. You do also promise and swear that this and all other obligations which you have previously taken in this order shall be kept through life sacred and inviolate. All this promise and declare as Americans to sustain and abide by, without any hesitation or mental reservation whatever, so help you God, and keep you steadfast! [Each will answer "I do."]

*President.* Brother Marshal, you will now present the brothers to the instructor for instructions in the second degree of the order.

*Marshal.* Brother Instructor: By direction of our worthy president, I present these brothers before you, that you may instruct them in the secrets and mysteries of the second degree of the order.

*Instructor.*—Brothers: In this degree we have an entering sign and a countersign. At the outer door, proceed ———; at the inner door you will make ———, and proceed as in the first degree, giving the second degree pass-word, (which is ———,) instead of that of the first degree. If found to be correct, you will then be admitted, and proceed ———, giving the countersign, which is made thus ———.

The sign of recognition in this degree is the same as in the first degree, with addition of ———, and the response to be made in ———.

*Marshal,* you will now present the brothers to the Worthy President for admonition.

*Marshal.*—Worthy President: I now present these candidates to you for admonition.

*President.*—Brothers: You are now duly initiated into the second degree of this order. Renewing the congratulations which we extended to you upon your admission to the first degree, we admonish you by every tie that may move patriots to aid us in our efforts to restore the political institutions of our country to their original purity. Begin with the youth of our land. Instil into their minds the lessons of their country's history—the glorious battles and brilliant deeds of patriotism of our fathers, through which we received the inestimable blessings of civil and religious liberty. Point them to the example of the sages and statesmen who founded our government. Implant in their bosoms an ardent love for the Union. Above all else, keep alive in their hearts the memory, the maxims, and the deathless example of our illustrious Washington.

Brothers: Recalling to your minds the solemn obligations which you have severally taken in this and the first degree, I now pronounce you entitled to all the privileges of membership in this second degree of our order.