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## ASSEMBLY.

To the Voters of Adams county: THE undersigned, at the earnest solicitation of many friends, has consented to be a candidate for ASSEMBLY, at the next election. Should the Free-men of Adams county honor me with their confidence, it shall be my aim to serve them honestly, faithfully and to the best of my ability.

WM. B. WILSON.  
Menallen twp., Sept. 4, 1854.

## SHERIFFALTY.

To the Voters of Adams county: FELLOW-CITIZENS:—At the solicitation of numerous friends, I offer myself to your consideration as a candidate for the office of SHERIFF, at the next election. Should I be elected, it will be my aim to acknowledge the favor by endeavoring to discharge the duties of the office promptly and with fidelity.

HENRY THOMAS.  
Straban township, Dec. 19, 1853.

FELLOW CITIZENS:—At the request of many friends I again offer myself as a candidate for the next SHERIFFALTY of Adams county, and pledge myself, if elected, to discharge the duties of the office satisfactorily to all.

DANIEL MINNIGH.  
Latimore twp., Nov. 7, 1853.

THE undersigned, encouraged by the solicitations of numerous friends, announces himself as a candidate for the office of SHERIFF at the next election, and respectfully asks the support of his fellow citizens. If elected, I shall endeavor to discharge the duties of the office with fidelity and impartiality.

ISAAC NEELY.  
Freedom township, Dec. 26, 1853.

## PROTHONOTARY.

To the Voters of Adams county: THE undersigned is a candidate for the office of PROTHONOTARY, and solicits the support of his fellow citizens. Should he be elected, he promises his best efforts to discharge the duties of the office in a satisfactory manner.

ROBERT McCURDY.  
Cumberland tp., Sept. 25, 1854.

To the Voters of Adams county: GRATEFUL for the favors and evidences of confidence heretofore extended to me by my fellow citizens, and encouraged by numerous solicitations and friendly assurances, I am induced to announce myself as a candidate for the office of PROTHONOTARY, pledging myself, if elected, to devote my best efforts to a faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of the office.

JOHN PICKING.  
East Berlin, Dec. 12, 1853.

To the Voters of Adams county: THE undersigned will be a candidate for the office of PROTHONOTARY, at the next election, and respectfully solicits your support.

ROBERT SHEADS.  
Gettysburg, August 28, 1854.

## Register & Recorder.

To the Independent Voters of Adams co. HAVING been solicited by numerous friends through the county, the undersigned respectfully offers himself as an independent candidate for the office of REGISTER AND RECORDER, at the next election. Should I be so fortunate as to be elected, I pledge myself to discharge the duties in such a manner as shall give general satisfaction.

W. F. WALTER.  
Butler twp., July 10, 1854.

To my Friends and Fellow Voters of Adams co. IN accordance with the wishes of numerous friends, I offer myself as an "Independent Candidate" for the office of REGISTER & RECORDER of Adams county, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence, at the next General Election. Should I be elected, every exertion on my part shall be made to evidence my sense of your confidence by a faithful and impartial performance of the duties thereof.

JOHN L. GUBERNATOR.  
Conowago twp., August 21, 1854.

THE undersigned will be a candidate for the office of REGISTER & RECORDER, and pledges himself, if elected, to discharge the duties of the office with fidelity and impartiality.

JACOB FULWEILER.  
Franklin township, April 21, 1854.

## CLERK OF THE COURTS.

FELLOW-CITIZENS:—At the request of many friends, I again offer myself as a candidate for the next CLERK OF THE COURTS of Adams county, and respectfully solicit your favorable consideration and support, pledging myself, if elected, to discharge the duties of the office with punctuality and fidelity.

J. J. BALDWIN.  
Mountpleasant township, Nov. 14, 1853.

GROCERIES! GROCERIES! WE have just received the largest stock of GROCERIES ever offered in the county, comprising 25 Hds of prime SUGAR, 60 Barrels of best N. O. MOLASSES, 6 Hds of finest quality of SYRUP, together with a large assortment of COFFEE, RICE, TOBACCO, &c., to which we invite the attention of purchasers, either wholesale or retail. Now is your time for cheap and desirable Groceries; the place to furnish them is FAHNESTOCKS'.

FAHNESTOCKS'.  
Sign of the Red Front.  
May 15.

AMERICAN HOTEL, No. 210 Pratt Street, Baltimore. ISRAEL KNOBE, Proprietor. JOHN G. KNOBE, Superintendent. May 8, 1854. 1y

## VALUABLE FARMS, MOUNTAIN LAND, and Town Lots, AT PUBLIC SALE.

THE Subscribers, Executors of GEORGE DEARDORFF, deceased, will offer at Public Sale, on Friday, the 13th day of October next, at 10 o'clock, A.M., on the premises, part of the

**MANSION FARM,** of said deceased, situate in Latimore township, Adams county, Pa., on the State Road, two miles from Petersburgh, (Y. S.) adjoining lands of Henry Lerew, Jacob Livingston and others, containing

**150 Acres, more or less,** about 40 acres being good Timberland—the whole under good fencing, and the arable part in excellent cultivation. Latimore creek passes through one corner of the tract. There is a One-Story DWELLING, a never failing Spring of Water, and a first rate young bearing ORCHARD, on the premises. The tract will be offered in one or two parts, as may best suit purchasers.

Also, at the same time and place, will be offered the following Timber Lands and Town Lots:

**25 Acres of Good Timber-Land,** more or less, situate in said Latimore township, adjoining lands of Joseph Fickel, Henry Fickel, Warner Townsend, and others.

**8 Acres of Timber-Land,** situate in Dickinson township, Cumberland county, adjoining lands of Jacob Sipe, Francis Conison, and others.

**THREE TOWN LOTS,** situate in the town of Petersburgh, (Y. S.) near the West end, and bordering on the Carlisle Turnpike. The lots are well calculated for building purposes, and one of them has a never failing Spring of Water upon it.

Also, on Saturday, the 14th of October next, at 1 o'clock, P. M., on the premises, will be offered,

**A FARM,** situate in Huntington township, Adams county, one mile from Heidersburg, on the old Carlisle road, adjoining lands of Peter Miller, Michael Fassel, John Bolen, and others, containing

**75 Acres, more or less,** with good proportions of Timberland and Meadow. A considerable part has been fenced. The improvements are a

**HOUSE AND SHOP,** with a good Barn and Sheds, an excellent Young Orchard, and a never-failing Well of Water near the door.

Persons wishing to view the property, are requested to call upon the first named Executor, residing in Huntington township, two miles West of Petersburgh.

Attendance given and terms made known by JACOB A. MYERS, JOHN B. MCNEARY, Executors. Sept. 11, 1854. ts

## VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.

THE subscriber, intending to relinquish farming, offers for sale,

**His Farm,** on which he resides, situate in Cumberland township, Adams county, near Horner's Mill, and near the road leading from Gettysburg to Taneytown, adjoining lands of James Black, Dr. John Runkle, Eli Horner, and others, containing

**153 Acres, more or less;** about 40 acres are well-timbered Woodland, with a due proportion of Meadow. The improvements are a one and a half story Log

**DWELLING HOUSE,** a double Log Barn, with sheds all around; Wagon Shed, Corn Crib, and other outbuildings; and a well of never-failing water at the door. Rock creek passes along one side of farm, and a small stream, which never fails, along the other. There is a Young Orchard of choice fruit on the premises. The land is under good fencing and good cultivation, a considerable part having been fenced.

If the property is not disposed of at Private Sale before Saturday, the 14th day of October next, it will be offered at Public Sale on that day, at 1 o'clock, P. M., on the premises.

Persons wishing to view the farm are requested to call upon the subscriber, residing thereon. JESSE SHARRETT'S. Sept. 18, 1854. ts

## New Oxford Collegiate and Medical Institute.

VALENTINE SCHEER, Professor in the Collegiate Department. M. D. G. PFEIFFER, Professor in the Medical Department.

THE Winter Session, in the above Institute, will commence on Monday, the 9th of October next, and continue till the last Monday in March following.

Tuition Fee in the Collegiate Department \$15 00  
Contingencies 1 50  
" " Medical Department 20 00  
Contingencies 2 50

German Language 5 00  
French do 5 00  
Dancing 5 00  
Music 10 00

Payments always in advance. BOARD, Lodging, Washing, etc., the Principal, if requested, will procure for \$100 per annum, quarterly in advance.

N. B. The semi-annual examination, closing the Summer Session, will be on Monday, the 25th inst., commencing at 9 o'clock, A. M.

M. D. G. PFEIFFER, Principal. New Oxford, Sept. 18, 1854.

**Ladies' Dress Goods,**—Ladies, do you wish handsome dresses, for Spring or Summer? If so, call immediately at the long established cheap Store, where we are prepared to exhibit the most beautiful variety and prettiest patterns of Dress Goods ever opened. Do not defer the matter too long, nor lose the opportunity of selecting from the entire assortment. If you wish to save money and at the same time secure for yourself the prettiest apparel worn, call immediately at April 3, 1854. FAHNESTOCKS'

**SEGARS and Tobacco,** all flavors and prices to be had at GILLESPIE'S.

## PUBLIC SALE.

THE subscriber, Executor of PHILIP SHRIVER, deceased, will offer at Public Sale, on the premises, on Friday, the 13th day of October next,

## A FARM,

late the property of said deceased, situate in Cumberland township, Adams county, Pa., four miles from Gettysburg and one mile from Horner's Mill, adjoining lands of the heirs of Andrew Horner, heirs of John Black & others, containing

**128 Acres,** more or less, about 28 acres of which are Woodland, with a due proportion of Meadow. The improvements are a Two-story

**BRICK HOUSE,** with Back-building, Bank Barn, Wagon Shed, Corn Crib, Spring House, Carriage House, and other outbuildings; a fine Apple Orchard, and other choice fruit; a never failing Spring of water near the house, and a never failing stream through the Farm.

Persons wishing to view the farm are requested to call upon Mr. Wm. Snodgrass, residing thereon.

Also, at the same time and place, will be sold,

**The Personal Property** of said deceased, to wit: 2 fine Horses, 2 fresh Milch Cows with Calves, Young Cattle, 3 Fat Hogs, Now and Pigs, Arrow-tread Wagon, with bed and hay carriage, Winnowing Mill, Ploughs, Harrows, Cultivators, Carriage and harness, Horse Gears, a lot of Bags, a lot of Tools, Grindstone, &c.

Wheat, Rye, Oats and Corn, by the bushel, and Grain in the ground.

Also, Household and Kitchen Furniture, such as Bureau, Bedsteads & Bedding, Tables, Chairs, Clock, Carpeting, Stove and Pipe, Cupboard, Copper and Iron Kettles, together with many other articles too numerous to mention.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M., on said day, when attendance will be given and terms made known by JACOB HANKEY, Ex'r.

September 25, 1854. ts

## VALUABLE REAL ESTATE, At Public Sale.

THE subscriber will offer at Public Sale, on the premises, on Saturday, the 14th day of October next, the following Real Estate, to wit:

## A FARM,

situate in Cumberland township, Adams co., on the Chambersburg turnpike, 2 miles from Gettysburg, adjoining lands of John H. McPherson, Henry S. Minnigh, Abraham Plank, and others.

Containing **180 Acres, more or less,** between 60 and 70 acres of which are Timberland. The land is under good fencing and good cultivation. The improvements are a Two-story Brick

**TAVERN HOUSE,** with a Two-story Brick Back building, two Tenant Houses, a new Bank Barn, Brick Stable, Wagon Shed and Corn Crib, Blacksmith Shop, two wells of water, and two young bearing Orchards. This is one of the most desirable properties in the county, and should command the attention of capitalists.

Also, a TRACT OF LAND, adjoining the above, containing 60 Acres, more or less, about 5 acres of which are Woodland. It is improved with a Two-story Frame House, and a Stable, with a never-failing well of water at the door.

Also, a TRACT OF LAND, adjoining the above Farm, lands of Dr. Hall and John Herbst, containing 44 Acres, more or less, about 11 acres of which are Woodland.

Also, a TRACT OF LAND, on the Chambersburg turnpike, adjoining the above Farm, lands of Henry S. Minnigh, John B. McPherson, and others, containing 16 Acres, more or less. The improvements are a Two-story

**STONE HOUSE,** with Back-building, Frame Barn, Wagon Shed and Corn Crib, a Blacksmith Shop, Carriage Wood-work Shop, Trimmer Shop, and other buildings. There is a thriving young Orchard on the premises, and a never-failing well of water near the door of the dwelling. This property is admirably calculated for a business stand.

Persons wishing to view the property are requested to call upon the subscriber, residing on the first mentioned.

Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, P. M., on said day, when attendance will be given and terms made known by FREDERICK HERR.

September 25, 1854. ts

## Tarnapick Dividend.

THE President and Managers of the York and Gettysburg Turnpike company have declared a Dividend of One Per Cent, payable on or after the 25th inst.

GEO. SWOPE, Asst. Treas. September 25, 1854. 3t

## COACH-MAKING.

THE subscriber, thankful for past favors, respectfully informs the public that he continues the Coach-making business, in all its various branches, at his Old Stand, in York street, (formerly Buckingham's) where he has on hand, and will manufacture to order,

**Rockaway and Boat-body Carriages, BUGGIES, JERSEY WAGONS, &c.,** all of the best materials, and by the best of workmen. Call and judge for yourselves.

LEONARD STOUGH. Gettysburg, April 6, 1846.

**RANDOLPH & LATHIER, PRODUCE** COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 66 South street, BALTIMORE.

ATTEND particularly to the sale of *Flour*, Grain, &c., and all kinds of Country Produce, and are prepared to furnish bags to persons wishing to consign to them.

September 7, 1853. 1y



## The Republican Compiler.

GETTYSBURG, PA.

MONDAY MORNING, OCT. 9, 1854.

## Democratic State Nominations.

FOR GOVERNOR, WILLIAM BIGLER, of Clearfield Co.

FOR JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT, JEREMIAH S. BLACK, of Somerset Co.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER, HENRY S. MOTT, of Pike Co.

Congress, WILSON REILLY, of Franklin county.

## Democratic County Ticket.

Assembly, MOSES McCLEAN, of Gettysburg.

Commissioner, JOHN DUTTERA, of Union.

Director of the Poor, JOHN PFOUTZ, of Franklin.

Auditor, THOS. A. MARSHALL, of Hamiltonban.

Coroner, Dr. J. W. HENDRIX, of Oxford.

Sheriff, HENRY THOMAS, of Straban.

Prorogatory, ROBERT McCURDY, of Cumberland.

Register and Recorder, WILLIAM F. WALTER, of Butler.

Clerk of the Courts, JACOB BUSHEY, of Hamilton.

## Wood Wanted.

Those of our patrons who intend paying their Subscription in Wood, are requested to "bring it along" as soon as they can. We are out.

## Every Democrat!

The Democratic party never stood in a more honorable position. It is defending against the attacks of insidious but artful foes, not only the Constitution and the laws, but the entire spirit and genius of the institutions of this great Republic.

The Democratic party has never changed its ground. Its principles identical with those upon which the Government of the country has been based since the adoption of the Constitution, are the same to-day as ever before. To-day it is found ready to avow them, without one jot of abatement from their pristine significance, and is under the necessity of defending them as though they were as new as at the first promulgation of the glorious charter of American liberty.

Never was the party placed in a more honorable or more responsible position. The schemes of designing factious, the wily machinations of unprincipled tricksters, the political outlaws of all cliques and colors, not hesitating to assault the Constitution nor to set at defiance the laws of the land, have found in the Democratic party their only opponent, and its measures and men their greatest obstacles.

A time has arrived for action—shall the Republican and Constitutional party be sustained? Let the answer be at the ballot-box. Let every man do his duty.

A combination of Know Nothings and Whigs elected Wm. B. Shepherd, (Know Nothing) Mayor of Louisville, a few days ago. Coalitions of this sort are the order of the day, although Democrats are told that they may join the Know Nothings and still be Democrats! A more palpable cheat never was invented to gull unsuspecting citizens. We advise ALL to be on their guard, and not suffer themselves to be imposed upon by such devices. The whole affair will turn out just as anti-Masonry did—pass over to the Whig party.

**Democratic Know Nothings.** Some of our Democratic friends have been entered into the ranks of this secret society under the delusion that some great good is to be done by an order that date not work openly. Let them now remember that the very first act required of them is to vote for a Whig governor. Can they be deceived so easily? Can they be so sold so soon? Is it not all deception? A Whig trap, into which they have fallen? But let them further remember that the oaths they have taken are in no wise binding. They bind neither the conscience, the honor, nor the act of any man.

We are told that many of the Democrats in the country have discovered the fraud, and are desirous to retract in time. In Philadelphia the defection and reaction are well known, notwithstanding all falsehoods to the contrary. No one can fail to see that it is a fraud; a mere contrivance to elect a Whig governor, if possible. What possible good can be gained by that, except to the Whig office-seekers? Shall the Democratic party be stricken down for that purpose? And will Democrats themselves help to do it? We trust not.

Will the threat of vengeance which the Know Nothing demagogues denounce, prevent honest men from leaving their ranks? We trust no Democrats have yet fallen so low as to be influenced by such fears.

Those threats come from men who have large sums of money bet on the election. Must Democrats help them to win?—Pittsburg Post.

If you feel as if you didn't know where to go or what to do, kinder elastic and indefinite—get married.—For bringing one down to a fixed fact, and making him feel somehow and where, matrimony is a great article.

Do good with what thou hast, or it will do thee no good.

## A Full and Complete Exposure of the Know Nothings!

The annexed Exposure of Know Nothingism is given in the last McConnellsburg Democrat.

We are assured by persons who belonged to the order here, that it is true throughout, with this slight difference, that in McConnellsburg they swear on a wooden cross, whilst in Gettysburg they use a brass or gilded one.

Read and ponder well this Exposure, which is made by Mr. William Conner. He says:

My object at present is, with the fear of God before my eyes and my duty to my fellow men daily impressed upon my mind, to make known such facts and observations as my connection with the Know Nothing order has made me acquainted with. In justice to myself, and to avoid the faintest imputation of anything having the semblance of perjury, it will be necessary to make some preliminary explanations, before proceeding to the actual work of the exposition, for which this article is chiefly intended. Every reader will readily observe, that no man who believes that the awful oaths which I am about to disclose, are at all obligatory, could make the statements which I intend to do, without bringing himself under the penalties of the dread sin of perjury. After much long, careful and deliberate reflection, I am persuaded beyond all possibility of doubt, that in disregarding these solemn oaths, I am not only free from all crime, but am doing an act of good will to my friends around me, who may yet avoid the snares of this secret political order, an act which heaven itself would smile upon. No oath can be binding which would compel a man to keep secret an act committed in violation of the laws of the land, no matter with how much mock solemnity that oath may be surrounded. In the present case, I was grossly deceived, and the principles of the order into which I was inveigled are in my opinion wrong, and war directly against the fundamental principles of our government. Hence, I am not only free to tell what I know, but am in duty bound to expose this midnight political association.

The first statement I shall make will be in regard to the name by which the order is known among its members. The name of "Know Nothings," by which the members of this association are known throughout the country, is not at all acknowledged by themselves, neither as individuals or as members. Hence, any one of them who readily swears he is not a Know Nothing. By doing this latter, however, he tells a lie at any rate, as it is done to deceive. The name is frequently, I believe, changed, in order to avoid detection. When I first became acquainted with their movements, the name they were known by, among themselves, was "The Sons of the Stars of '76." Since that time it has been changed to the "UNITED ORDER OF THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER." And this, I believe, is their present title. The next point I mention is their signs of recognition, or the means by which one member recognizes another.

One meeting another whom he supposes to be a member, commences fumbling about the left lapel of his coat with the fingers of his right hand—the other, if a member, answers by drawing the index finger of his right hand across his forehead. This done, they join hands and give what is known as the grip, which consists in pressing the ring finger of the right hand against the second joint of the other's little finger. Then holding hands, the first says, "Where did you get it?" The second says, "Where did you get it?" The first then says, "I don't know—do you?" The second says, "No." These signs have also been changed to the following, which is the present mode of recognition:

The first thrusts the index finger of his right hand into one of the openings formed by the vacancies between the buttonings of his vest. The second places his thumb in the same position. The grip consists in pressing the thumb on the back of the other's middle finger. The first saying, "What time?" the second says, "Time to Work." The first says, "Are you?" the reply is "we are." Their mode of advertising that a meeting is to be held, is thus: Square pieces of white paper are pasted over the town door the following kind:

On the upper left hand corner is a figure denoting the number of the month, on the lower left is the number of the hour, as 5 for five o'clock in the morning, and when it is to be after the middle of the day a dash is added, 6—, denoting 6 o'clock, P. M. On the right upper corner are two c o s s marks, similar to the character known in music as a sharp, and indicating that important business is to be transacted; on the right lower corner is the flag of the Union, indicating that it is a Know Nothing advertisement. In the centre is the place of meeting spelled backward thus: "MOOR LUGUOC," meaning Council Room.

Their meetings are known as Councils; their place of meeting as the council room. Their officers consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and an Instructor. I will now proceed to the account of my initiation or introduction into the order. The subject was proposed to me by a member of the medical profession on Tuesday, the second day of your last Court, being the 8th of August. After assuring me of the good purposes of the order I was directed to repair to the office of a certain lawyer, where in company with three others, I was to take what is called the first degree.

Here were two officers, viz: The person who proposed the subject to me, and another who may be known by the length of his legs, being by far the most prominent of all the proportions of his person, with his head whitening to the tomb of political death. This latter dignitary, assuming all the austere solemnity of a priest of the Inquisition, proceeded to administer the following oath:

"I do solemnly swear upon this holy cross before Almighty God and these witnesses, that I will not divulge any question proposed to me here, whether I become a member of this Order or not; and that I will never, under any circumstances whatever, mention the name of any person I may see present during any of the meetings, or that I know any such Order to be in existence, and that I will a true answer make to every question asked me, so help me God."

This oath being administered on a little wooden cross, the Jacobin officer then asked the following questions: 1. In your religious belief are you a Roman Catholic?—2. Are you willing to use all the influence you possess in favor of Native born American citizens for all offices of honor, trust or profit in the gift of the people, and to promise to vote for them to the exclusion of all aliens and foreigners and

Roman Catholics in particular, for all local, State or Government officers? These liberal sentiments being acquiesced in the other officer mentioned above, administered the following oath by the uplifted hand:

"I do solemnly and freely do solemnly promise and swear, before Almighty God and these witnesses around me assembled, that I will not, under any circumstances whatever, divulge or make known to any persons, either directly or indirectly, or to any human being other than those I shall know to be good and true members of this Order, the name, secrets, mysteries, or objects of the same, or cause to allow the same to be done by others, if within my power to prevent the same; binding myself under no less penalty than that of being excommunicated from the Order, and having my name posted and circulated throughout the different Councils of the Order, as a traitor and a perjuror to both my God and country, and as being unworthy to be employed, entrusted, countenanced, or supported in any business transaction whatever, and as a person totally unworthy of the confidence of all good men, and one to whom the finger of scorn shall ever be pointed. I furthermore promise that if I should hereafter be expelled from, or voluntarily leave this Order, I will consider this obligation as binding out of it as it is. All of which foregoing I voluntarily and freely subscribe to, so help me God?"

The officer who had administered the first oath now delivered the following infamous injunctions:

"My Brothers: The Order which has now received you as members may, with all propriety, be considered a Secret Organization. It is so secret in fact, that if you were placed before a legal tribunal, and there sworn to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, you could not for your lives reveal the name of that band of brothers among whom your name now stands enrolled; and farther than this, when you retire from this meeting, you will return to your family and friends as ignorant as when you came, as far as the name of this Order is concerned."

In common with ourselves, you "Know Nothing" and let it be your stern resolve through life to "Know Nothing" that will at all conflict with the high and exalted duties you owe to your God, your country, and yourselves, so far as regards the preservation of American liberty, which can alone be secured to ourselves and our children by the entire and absolute exclusion of all foreign influences in those matters which appertain to our government policy."

This completes the first degree, and is as far as I have been permitted to progress. But I will here mention, that the form of initiation, directly after my introduction, was somewhat varied, after which I heard the following oath administered to a young man of your town, as part of the first degree, but which I believe formerly belonged to the ceremonies of the second degree. The oath runs thus:

"I do solemnly promise and swear before Almighty God and these witnesses, that I will not, under any circumstances, divulge or make known the name of the Order or its objects, to any person or persons in the world, unless to those whom I may know to belong to this Order, in good regular standing."

"And furthermore promise and swear, that I will neither write, print, paint, cut, carve, engrave, emboss, stamp, stain or mark any secrets of this Order on any thing moveable or immovable on the earth or sea, whereby said secrets, or any part thereof, the name of the Order, its operations, the names of its officers,