

ance of these Fratres present, to administer to you the Vow of profession. Under the altered circumstances of the Order, some of the clauses of the ancient Vow are now properly omitted. Kneel on both knees.

*The Aspirant kneels on both knees.*

PRECEPTOR.—Good and dear Brethren, stand up, and let us pray God to grant to the Brother before us, the Grace of Fidelity and Perseverance to the fulfilment of the Vow he is now about to take, that he may ever remain amongst us a true and faithful soldier of the Cross.

*The Brethren stand, with Reverential sign.*

CHAPLAIN.—Merciful Redeemer of Heaven and Earth, look down, we beseech Thee, on this Chapter of Thy servants, and impart Thy Holy Spirit to the Aspirant now before Thee, that he may be a good and faithful Soldier in Thy service, and be worthy of Thy acceptance and Salvation. FRATRES.—Amen.

PRECEPTOR.—To order, Fratres.

PRECEPTOR [to the Aspirant].—Place your hands upon the Holy Gospels, whilst I repeat the clauses of our Vow, which you will afterwards repeat, clause by clause.

O. B.

“In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, our God, I A.B., freely and solemnly promise to dedicate myself to the Fellow Soldiery of the Temple, by which vow I declare my firm and unchangeable resolution.

“That I will oppose infidelity and unbelief, by example, virtue, good works, and good advice, and will fight with the sword, in defence of the Cross, against