

Master.—Friend, kneel down.

The Candidate shall then kneel at the table, (all the Brethren standing), and the Chaplain or Brother appointed shall read the following portions of Scripture:

“ O Lord God of our Fathers, art not Thou God in Heaven ? and rulest not Thou over the Kingdoms of the heathen ? and in Thy hand is there not power and might, so that none is able to withstand Thee ?”—*II. Chron., c. xx., v. 6.*

“ Who is like unto Thee, O Lord, among the Gods ? Who is like Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders : Thou in Thy mercy hast led forth the people whom thou hast redeemed : Thou hast guided them in Thy strength unto Thy holy habitation.”—*Exod., c. xv., v. 11, 13.*

“ And it shall be for a token upon thine hand: and for frontlets between thine eyes, for by strength of hand the Lord brought us forth out of Egypt ; thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in His season from year to year.—*Exod., c. xlii., v. 16, 10.*

Here the Obligation shall be administered by the Master :

ORANGE OBLIGATION.

I, A. B., do solemnly and voluntarily swear, that I will be faithful, and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and to Her lawful Heirs and Successors in the Sovereignty of Great Britain and Ireland, and of these Provinces, dependent on and belonging to the said kingdom ; so long as She or They shall maintain the Protestant Religion and the Laws of this country : that I will, to the utmost of my power, defend Them against all traitorous conspiracies and attempts which I shall know to be against Her or any of them : that I will steadily maintain the connection between the Colonies of British America, and the Mother Country, and be ever ready to resist all attempts