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The Grand Chaplain, who remains standing at the altar, reads, when the singing is ended, as follows :

"For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of the corn, of the new wine and the oil, unto the chambers, where are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers, and we will not forsake the house of our God."

The G. M. gives (. . .), descends from the East, pours wine on the Ark, and says :

"In the name of the Great Jehovah, to whom be all honor and glory, I consecrate this lodge with wine, the emblem of joy and cheerfulness."

Response by the brethren: "So mote it be."

The Grand Director of Ceremonies takes the vessel from the G. M., replaces it on the pedestal, and says: "The brethren will now give the Grand Honors thrice, taking time from myself,"

G. M. gives (. . .), and the brethren are seated:

THE THIRD CIRCUMAMBULATION

The Grand Honors being given, the Ark is again taken up by the four Past Masters, the procession reforms and moves for the third time, in the same manner as before, with musical accompaniment, around the lodge, halting when the Grand Master arrives at and ascends the East. The brethren then sing :

And we have come, fraternal bands,
With joy and pride and prosperous spoil;
To honor him by votive hands,
With streams of corn, and wine and oil.

The Ark or Lodge having been placed on the altar after the third procession, the G. J. W. presents the vessel with oil to the G. M.

The Chaplain, who remains standing at the altar, when the singing is ended, reads :

"And thou shalt make an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compounded after the art of the apothecary: it shall be an holy anointing oil. And thou shalt anoint the tabernacle of the congregation therewith, and the ark of the testimony."

The M. W. Grand Master gives (. . .), descends from the East, pours oil on the Ark, and says :

"In the name of the Great Jehovah, to whom be all honor and glory, I consecrate this lodge with oil, and I consecrate this lodge to the honor and glory of the great Architect of the Universe."

Response by the brethren: "So mote it be."