

the same exception, nor any Inspector General of another Power can do or authorize to be done any act whatever; and that no new Supreme Council can be created therein or for any part thereof without its express consent.

ii.—That every Empire, Kingdom or Republic, in which there is no Supreme Power of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, is open territory, in which every legitimate Power of the Rite may establish Bodies of its obedience, until a legitimate Supreme Power shall be created therein; before which time no one Supreme Council can annex such country to its jurisdiction, nor, by being the first to establish a body there, gain, by prescription or otherwise, any exclusive or superior right of jurisdiction over the same, or right to demand that other Supreme Councils shall not establish Subordinate Bodies there.

iii.—That no person who is a citizen of the country within the jurisdiction of one Supreme Council can be invested with any of the degrees of the Rite by authority of any other Power, though he may be temporarily resident in its jurisdiction, without the consent of the Power within whose jurisdiction he has the rights of citizenship.

iv.—That no Inspector General of one jurisdiction can be made, while domiciled there, an Active Member of another Supreme Council, and if he be so made, when domiciled elsewhere, he will lose that character when he retakes his original domicile.

v.—That the 33d degree, except when possessed by an Active Member of a Supreme Council, confers no powers whatever, in the same or in another country, but is a mere honorary rank and title, accompanied by no special functions; and when an active member ceases to be such, by resignation, retiring or removing from the jurisdiction, all his powers, those of conferring degrees and establishing bodies included, *ipso facto* cease.

vi.—That each Supreme Council decides in the last resort all questions depending for their solution upon the construction of its own Statutes and Constitutions, and all controversies arising in bodies of its obedience or among its own Members, and its decisions in such cases, ought not to be reviewed or discussed by other Supreme Councils.

vii.—That no person can ever be recognized as lawfully invested with any degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, by having received it or a degree so numbered or claiming to be such, as a part of the Rite of Mizraim or of the Rite of Memphis, or in a body of either, or from any one conferring the degrees of either.

viii.—That no Mason, not invested with a particular degree of a particular Rite, can have any voice or in any manner whatever have or bear any part, in the administration or government of a body of Masons of that degree, as such; and no Masonic body or its members as such, can be governed or controlled, directed or guided, or the action of such body revised or reviewed or in any way inter-