

ODES

BLUE DEGREE

Opening.

Dennis—S. M.

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

Initiation---No. 1.

Tune—Hursley—L. M

Far from the world's cold strife and pride,
Come, join our peaceful, happy band;
Come, pilgrim, we your feet will guide,
Where truth and love shall hold command.

Although in untried paths you tread,
And filled, perhaps, now with anxious fear,
A True Blue's faithful hand shall lead
Where doubt and darkness disappear.

Initiation---No. 2.

Ho! my comrades, see the signal
Waving in the sky;
Reinforcements now appearing,
Victory is nigh.