legitimacy of certain Bodies which have the pretension of claiming for themselves the titles and rights of regular Supreme Councils.

We ask of the Supreme Councils of the A.: A.: S.: Rite, in sending us their concurrence, to be pleased to point out to us the different points upon which the action of this Congress ought to bear, so that it may be possible for us at an early day to prepare a complete list of the questions which ought to be discussed in this solemn meeting.

We beg of you, then, Ill.: and M.: P.: S.: Gr.: Commander and very Illustrious Brethren, to be pleased to communicate this balustre to your Supreme Council at its first meeting, and invite it to choose in advance the delegates who shall attend the Congress, furnished with regular powers.

Persuaded that the Confederate Supreme Councils will approve this measure, which tends to assure the prosperity of the Rite and the development of our principles, we beseech you to accept, very Illustrious Brethren, the expression of our most devoted and fraternal sentiments.

May the Grand Architect of the universe be your support.

(L. S.)

AD. CREMIEUX, 33°,

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Gr.: Secretary and Chancellor. (L. S.)

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LETTER OF ILL.'. BRO.'. BENJAMIN ODIO, ADDRESSED TO ILL.'. BRO.'. A. PIKE, ON BEHALF OF THE SUP.'. CO.'. OF COLON.

NEW YORK, May 20th, 1875.

M.: Pow.: Bro.: Albert Pike, Sov.: Gr.: Com.: &c., Washington, D. C. M.: P.: AND DEAR BRO.:

It is my pleasant duty to forward to you a communication just received from my Sup... Council, addressed to you, with regard to which I am charged to reiterate to you that my Sup... Council congratulates that of the Dominion of Canada upon its being established under your valuable auspices, which will insure to it the hearty welcome of all the other Sup... Councils of the world; and if you will kindly express to said Sup... Council for the Dominion of Canada that my Sup... Council of Colon for the W. I. will hail with pleasure the Representatives and Garant s'Amitié, that it may see fit to appoint near the same, we shall have taken the step that is due to your recommendation of that body, and I hope they will at once address themselves to my Sup... Council, through me, opening a correspondence that I trust will affirm the good feeling and fraternal considerations between the two Councils.

Yours very fraternally,

BENJAMIN ODIO, 33°, Gr.: Rep.: &-c.

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