

The provincial lodges, thus organized into a regular body, appear, "beautiful as Tirzah, comely  
 " as Jerusalem and terrible as an army with banners." They will be supported by "work-  
 " men, that need not be ashamed†;" they will be taught by Masters, "who comprehend the  
 " light of truth‡," and guarded by officers  
 "who will not remove the ancient landmarks  
 which their fathers have set§."

By this union of interest and design, I need not observe, that the cause of government will be strengthened; since individuals will derive so many advantages from it. For were the providence of God to cast you on an unknown shore; were you to travel through any distant country, though ignorant of its language; ignorant of its inhabitants, ignorant of its customs, you will still have a key, which will give you admittance to the brotherhood, and which will open the treasures of their charity. And in every regular lodge, to which you may gain access, you will meet with

that.

• Song of Sol. vi. 4. † 2 Tim. ii. 15. ‡ John i. 9. § Prov. xiii. 23.