

Charge them to practice out of the Council the duties taught in it; and by their forbearance, frankness, discretion, and profound regard for truth and honor, to convince all who know them of the excellence of our institution.

I hope your example will remain as the best and brightest of lessons for your successors, to show them how to work and act to deserve well of the Order, to secure its gratitude and to win for themselves honor and reputation.—Be seated.

Vice Regent elect, please rise.

My Brother, it has pleased the members of this Council to elect you to the office of Vice Regent, to take the place of the Regent in case of his absence. The duties which, in that case, you are to perform, are known to you and need not be repeated.

When he is present you are to assist him in maintaining the dignity and authority of his office and the peace and harmony of the Council. You have charge of the inner door. You will see that no stranger is received into your Council without due examination and proof of his title to be admitted, and perform such other duties as are laid down in the Book of Duties. I congratulate you on being thought worthy, by your brethren, of this honorable station, and earnestly hope you may give them no reason to regret the choice they have made.—Be seated.

Orator elect, please rise.

My Brother, as Orator of this Council it will be your duty to educate the members, by delivering a lecture, reading a scientific paper or essay, or presenting something instructive or entertaining at each