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**SECOND DEGREE
MAGICIAN
CONSECRATION**

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ANNOTATED EDITION:
III° INITIATOR OR HIGHER
TRANSFERABLE
DUPLICATE

OFFICERS REQUIRED

Saladin or Master

Wazir

Emir

(Orator)

(Sentinels)

CHECKLIST

Three scripts

Three small flashlights or “booklights”

Conical tent with pole and tools to erect it

Oriental costume for Saladin

Robes for other officers

Four cubes (for sitting) in shape of Tau

Altar (cylindrical)

Candle and holder

Well with coping-stone, water (cool)

Ark

Liber Legis (not scroll form)

Dagger

Boulometer

Swords for new initiates (their own, if they have one)

Swords for each sentinel (if there is one)

Red felt triangles for initiates (equilateral, 6” per side)

Banquet given by initiates -in addition to fee

Cup with champagne or wine

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CONSECRATION¹

The Oasis is a space, preferably circular.² In the West is a Well, with a coping-stone; that is, a cubical altar with a removable top. It is made so as to hold water; and on this floats an Ark, preferably proportioned as is given in The Canon,³ containing a Dagger, a Disk, and The Book of the Law. In the East is an Altar, cylindrical, where burns a Candle. This is overshadowed by a conical Tent, where is a throne composed of four cubes, arranged as an inverted Tau, for the three officers. These are Saladin, his Wazir, and an Emir. The Wazir sits on the right hand.⁴

- 1) Baphomet attributed this degree to the element Air, and to the Anahata chakra. Its traditional attribution to the time of day is noon, and many initiators perform it at that time. —NEMO
- 2) See diagram of the Man of Earth temples, appendix. NEMO
- 3) These proportions are 30 long x 5 wide x 3 high. —NEMO
- 4) The Oasis maybe visualized as the Lamen of the Order, with the Mtar considered as the Shining Triangle (Phallos) and the Well as the Graal (Kteis). The tent as it moves from degree to degree may thus be viewed as the dove descending. It may also be viewed as the Sun in its progress from dawn to dusk.
— NEMO.

OPENING IN MINERVAL⁵

Saladin gives one knock #

All rise.

Saladin. Noble Emir, what is your duty in this encampment?

Emir. Mighty Saladin, it is to protect our Mysteries against the indiscretions of the profane.

S. Have you taken measures to that effect?

E. The Sentinels are at their posts and we are in security.

S. Since it is so, satisfy yourself that all present are Minerval.

E. Brethren, it is the Mighty Saladin's command that you prove yourselves Minerval.

Done.

E. Mighty Saladin, the Brethren have proved themselves Minerval.

S. That being so, I will thank the Brethren to stand to order whilst I declare this encampment open.

Done.

Accordingly, in the name of the Secret Master, and under the auspices of the Sovereign Sanctuary, I proclaim this encampment open in the Degree of Minerval for the quest of Peace and Wisdom.

Noble Emir, enquire if there is aught to report.

The brethren resume their seats.

5) This should be performed in the Antechamber if that is to be used for Minervals. If however the Oasis or Lodge is being opened for higher degree work only, then this opening may be performed in the Oasis or Lodge proper.
-NEMO

OPENING IN I°⁶

Saladin crosses his hands, left over right; Wazir and Emir take them between theirs, with their left hands on top.

Saladin A---

Wazir U----

Emir M (simultaneously)⁷

All together AUM.

S. *(rises)* Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

W. *(rises)* Love is the law,

E. *(rises)* love under will.

S. Fellow-soldiers, assist me. What is the first duty of a True Man?

W. Most Mysterious Master, to guard the Camp.

S. Let the Camp be guarded.

Done by locking doors, and setting sentinel, if there be one.

W. Most Mysterious Master, the Camp is duly guarded.

S. The next duty?

E. To see that all present are True Men.

S. To order, fellow-soldiers.

All take the pose and give sign.

S. How many officers has the Camp?

W. Three visible.

B. And eight invisible.

S. What is the Weapon of the Master?

W. *(gives Candle)* Light.

S. How shall he use it?

B. To find Truth.

S. Where shall he seek it?

W. In the Well.

They go together, S. bearing Candle, W. and E. with arms crossed over his back, to the Well.

⁶⁾ A note from Baphomet to the III° Opening states: "The Opening is given very slowly and solemnly, in entire opposition to the brisk manner of the first two degrees." Therefore the I° Opening should be given briskly. –NEMO

⁷⁾ E.g., Saladin should begin the mantra and hold **it** with the other officers chiming in, each in their turn, until all are simultaneously chanting. Care should be taken to rehearse this mantram in order to achieve good intonation and harmony. I prefer a chord but unison will work as well. –NEMO.

- S. A spring shut up, a fountain sealed!
Brethren, let the Well be opened!

*W and E. remove the Ark, and bear it to the Altar walking in front of S.*⁸

S. places the Candle upon it.

*They form a triangle about the Altar.*⁹

S. takes the Dagger and gives it to W, the Disk, and gives it to E., and takes the Book of the Law himself

E. lays Disk on Altar, to West of Candle; S. places Book open upon Disk; W. places Dagger upon Book.

- S. Fellow-soldiers, we have drawn the Living Water of Truth from the Well of the Oasis.

*O. T. O. applause.*¹⁰ *All resume seats.*

- 8) In order to avoid the necessity of lifting the ark over the head of S., a possible arrangement is that S. goes to South, leaving W. in East, and E. in North. –NEMO
- 9) I suggest Saladin to East of altar, Emir in SW, Wazir in NW. –NEMO
- 10) According to oral tradition, OTO. applause consists of clapping the hands three times, then five, then three, like the battery in Liber Reguli. –NEMO

FIRST POINT

THE EXAMINATION

Fellow-Soldiers, _____ is now a candidate to be consecrated a Magician; he must first give proofs of his worthiness to acquire Virtue. I shall therefore put the necessary questions.

E. brings C. to face throne.

The Candidate is to be taught this dialogue before the ceremony.

S. Where were you first prepared for your initiation?

C. In heart, verily.

S. Where next?

C. In a convenient place, hard by a Spring.

S. How long did you remain there?

C. For nine moons.

S. Where were you initiated?

C. In an Oasis.

S. At what Hour?

C. Dawn.

S. The sun is risen. Do you pledge your honour as a Man¹¹, and your fidelity as a Brother¹², that you will steadily persevere through the ceremony of being consecrated a Magician?

C. I do.

S. I warn you that a severe test of your sincerity will be required. Unless you are prepared to jeopardize your social position, and possibly your liberty or your life, it will be better for you to withdraw on the instant. I wish further to impress firmly upon you that this Order is a serious body of men and women, courageous, earnest, and faithful, and that these remarks are not the make-believe terrors of orders instituted for the amusement of grown-up children.

Pause.

S. (*loudly*): Candidate, do you persist in your Will to be consecrated a Magician?

C. I do.

11) Or Woman — NEMO

12) Or Sister. — NEMO

S. Do you likewise pledge yourself, under penalty of your obligation, that you will conceal what I shall now impart to you with the same strict caution as our other secrets?

C. I do.

S. Then I will entrust you with the Pass Grip and Pass Word leading to the degree to which you seek admission.

The Pass Grip is given by joining hands as you have been taught, and twisting the wrist sharply to the right.¹³

The Pass Word is Thelema, which means Will in the Greek language.

Look frankly and fearlessly into my eyes, and say with me:

The word of the Law is Thelema.

You will now retire from the Camp to a prepared place, there to undergo the necessary preparations for your Consecration.

E. takes C. out.

13) That is, Saladin, in giving the Pass Grip, seizes the Candidate's right thumb in his right hand, as if beginning the I^o Grip, then twists the Candidates wrist clockwise from an upright to a sideways position.—
NEMO

OPENING IN THE II°

The Oasis has been opened in the I°.

The C. has been given the Pass Word.

The tent, etc., of S. have been moved to the center, facing West.¹⁴

The water of the Well is reduced to a small depth.)¹⁵

Wine in a cup should be placed in the well for this.¹⁶

S. crosses his hands, right over left; W and E. take them between theirs, right hands on top.

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S. Let the Camp be guarded.

Done by locking doors, and setting sentinel, if there be one.

W. Most Mysterious Master, the Camp is duly guarded.

S. The next duty?

E. To see that all present are Magicians.

S. To order, fellow-soldiers.

All take the pose and give sign.

S. How many officers has the Camp?

W. Three visible.

E. And eight invisible.

S. What have we found in the Well?

W. Truth.

S. What else is there?

E. Refreshment.

14) See Temple layout diagrams, appendix -NEMO.

15) See O.T.O. Safety Memorandum (appendix) for a discussion of water depth. -NEMO

16) The wine in this degree is sweet red wine or champagne. -Baphomet. If a Candidate needs to refrain from alcohol in order to keep his or her I° oath, then non-alcoholic wine must be substituted.

—NEMO

S. Let us partake thereof.

*They go as before to the Well, but S. leaves his Candle.
At the East of the Well they form a triangle.
W. and E. put their four hands on S. 's shoulders.*

W. and E. We swear to guard you in your ways.

*They turn, as to guard him.
S. dips his hand in the Well, removes the cup, and offers them to drink,
drinking also.*

S. Who drinketh of wine shall thirst again; but whoso drinketh of the wine that
I shall give him shall never thirst.

They return.¹⁷

S. Fellow-soldiers, we have drawn the Wine of Life from the Well of the Oasis.

*O. T. O. applause.
All resume seats.
Refill cup and replace in well.*

17) They return to stand in front of their seats, facing the center of the Temple. –NEMO.

SECOND POINT

THE OATH

The Oasis is opened in the II°. E. goes out, prepares C., and knocks twice # #. The C. is prepared by baring the right arm to the shoulder, the sleeve of his robe being securely pinned back. W. opens door.

- W. Whom have you there?
E. A Man and a Brother¹⁸ who wills to be consecrated a Magician.
W. Halt!
S. Do you vouch that he is properly prepared?¹⁹

W applies Disk to Breast of C.

- W. I do.
S. Admit him in due form.
C. *is led to throne by Emir.*
S. *(Gives 10 Grip.)* What is this?
C. The Grip or Token of a Man and a Brother.
S. What does it demand?
C. A Word.
S. Give me that Word.
C. At my initiation I was taught to be cautious; I will letter it with you.
S. I agree; begin.
Done.
S. What is its import?
C. The Lord.
S. *(Gives Pass Grip.)* What is this?
C. The Pass Grip, leading from the First to the Second Degree.
S. What does it demand?
C. A Pass Word.
S. Give me that Word.
C. Thelema.
S. What is its import?

18) Or Woman and a Sister. –NEMO

19) W. should check sleeve, and remove dangerous attire such as glasses, necklaces, etc. –NEMO

- C. Will.
- S. Pass, Thelema.
- E. *takes C. to center.*
- S. You now stand in the center of our Camp, the place of the Balance

Hear first the Book of the Balance.

Orator, who may be any member of the Oasis, and is selected for the excellence of his delivery, reads Liber XXX²⁰

- S. Another and more serious obligation will now be required of you. Are you willing to take it?
- C. I am.
- S. Officers, do your duty.

They go to Altar, W. directs C. to place his right hand on the open Book. He places Dagger on C. 's heart, while E. presses Disk upon his head.²¹

- S. Repeat your name at length, and say after me:

I, _____
 in the Presence of the Powers of Life
 visible and invisible,
 and of this Camp of Magicians,
 do hereby and hereon
 most solemnly promise and swear:
 Never to reveal
 What I learn beneath the Seal
 Within the guarded border
 Of this Most Holy Order
 Unless it be to a True Sister or Brother
 And not another That has been lustrated
 And consecrated
 By high permission
 A true Magician
 Using a perfect portion
 Of proper caution
 That they be duly
 Tested truly
 By right divine

20) Liber Librae, in *Gems from the Equinox* (New Falcon publications). –NEMO

21) Disk is placed at Ajna chakra, but not covering the eyes. –NEMO

Of Grip and Sign
And of each word
That ye have heard
In full possession
Or else in session
Of such a Camp as this
within whose border I stand,
aspiring to the Holy Order
Which I do know
By the letters O.T.O.

S. Besides the Oath of Secrecy, there are certain obligations designed to make you more efficient in your Way as in ours. Are you willing to take these?

C. I am.

S. Say after me:

I solemnly pledge myself
to know,
to will,
to dare,
and to keep silence.
These several points
I solemnly swear to observe,
under no less a penalty
than that of having my Breast cut across,
my heart torn therefrom,
and thrown to the fowls of the air,
that they may devour it.²²

You will seal this solemn Oath twice with your lips on the Book of the Law, lifting the Book to your lips.²³

*Seal twice on CCXX, lifting Book to lips.*²⁴

Your first act will now be to join in our declaration of the Rights of Man. This you will sign in triplicate with your full name and address; one copy we retain; the others are to be affixed publicly to edifices symbolizing the civil and religious authority.

All raise the right hand, C. holding Book. All repeat:

22) The E. and W. remove the weapons from the C. –NEMO

23) This line is adapted from I° to match the instruction below. –NEMO

24) Candidate does not replace the Book. — NEMO

- S. Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.
There is no god but man.
Man has the right to live by his own law.
Man has the right to live in the way that he wills to do.
Man has the right to dress as he wills to do.
Man has the right to dwell where he wills to dwell.
Man has the right to move as he will on the face of the Earth.
Man has the right to eat what he will.
Man has the right to drink what he will.
Man has the right to think what he will.
Man has the right to speak as he will.
Man has the right to write as he will.
Man has the right to mould as he will.
Man has the right to paint as he will.
Man has the right to carve as he will.
Man has the right to work as he will.
Man has the right to rest as he will.
Man has the right to love as he will,
when, where, and whom he will.
Man has the right to die when and how he will.
Man has the right to kill those who would thwart these rights.
Love is the law, love under will.

O.T.O. . applause.

S. Sign!

C. *signs.*²⁵

W. *takes papers.*

S. In the Name of the Secret Master,

Puts Book to his brow.

In the name of the O.T.O.

Puts Dagger to throat.

By the authority of Baphomet

25) Camp should remain silent during this signing. –NEMO

Puts Disk to heart.

I consecrate you a Magician.

O.T.O applause.

- S. I now appoint you sentinel of this Camp, while we enjoy the siesta of noon.²⁶

*E. leads C. to door, and bids him guard it, with his face outwards. The Orator now reads one of the following:*²⁷

Dolores [Swinburne]

Orpheus' Invocation of Aphrodite [Crowley] (omitting the last verse)

Orpheus' Hymn "Roll, Strong Life Current" [Crowley]

"The Priestess of Panormita" ["Elaine Can-", i.e. Crowley]

"We Have Seen Thee, O Love", from Atalanta [Swinburne]

"Isis Am I from Tannhauser [Crowley]

"My Soul is an Enchanted Boat" [Crowley]

"Uncharmable Charmer" [Crowley]

26) One version has the C. given a sword, as is appropriate for the role of sentinel. If this is done, care must be exercised to retrieve it before the Sentinel is "refreshed". –NEMO

27) See appendix, for these poems. –NEMO

THIRD POINT

THE ORDEAL

S. Comrades, let us refresh ourselves at the sacred Well!

All group about the Well, except C., and drink, guarding each other.

E. Most Mysterious Master, the Sentinel needs refreshment.

S. Let him drink of the Well.

All resume seats, except W. and E., who lead C. to Well.²⁸

They put his hands on the edges so that he has to bend over to get his mouth to the water.

Either he overbalances, or they tip him in.²⁹

He is left to scramble out as best he can.

A pause.

S. Brother³⁰ Magician, it is legitimate to gratify thirst, but it is wise to observe precaution. Either from your own lack of balance, or from the malice of others, you may find yourself in a disgraceful, humiliating, and ridiculous position, even should you be fortunate enough to escape more serious injury. You must learn to do a given thing in a given way at a given time. Fellow-soldiers, let the Candidate be instructed in the proper method of satisfying thirst.

W and E. do this as in Opening, C. replacing S.

S. You will now retire from the Camp; on your return, I shall communicate to you the Secrets of our Order in this degree.

Done.

S (on C. 's return): Let the Candidate come forward while I invoke the powers of LIFE.³¹ O Lord of all Magick, I hereby invoke upon this Candidate the Powers of the Sphinx. May he acquire Knowledge,

28) They take C's sword, if he has one. –NEMO

29) See O.T.O. Safety Memorandum, appendix. –NEMO

30) Or Sister. –NEMO.

31) This passage is based on an earlier O.T.O. typescript, where it read "Let the candidate(s) kneel while invoke the powers of LIFE." It is reintroduced here as it is symmetrical with the invocations in the I° and III° rituals, for Birth and Death, with the II° of course being Life. –NEMO

Will, Courage, and Silence, to the Glory of Thine Ineffable Name. AUMN.

The Wazir assists the Candidate in attaching the boulometer to his thumb, following S. 's instructions.

- S. Place your thumb in the boulometer, and tighten the screw as far as you can.³²
- C. *has to turn the screw as far as he can, and his ability to do so is marked on the scale, and recorded.*³³ *When he desists, S. says:*
- S. This, then, is the measure of your courage, will, and power to keep silence. Now let me show you.
- S. *adjusts boulometer, and screws it to the end.*
- S. My brother, if you had had Knowledge, you would have known how to solve this problem painlessly.
Send the Candidate on his travels with the Sun.

32) The boulometer consists of an attachment to the thumb, with a screw and a graduated wheel. –Baphomet.
Proper boulometers are available and are required temple equipment for working this degree. The caliphate G-clamp solution is insufficient to express the intended symbolism of this tool — fr. V.

33) The other officer should make note of the reading. — NEMO

FOURTH POINT

THE CONSECRATION AND INSTRUCTION

*W. and E. conduct him, deosil, seven times around the well for each of the four elemental prayers?*³⁴
*Saladin, or the Orator, reads the Prayers of the Elementals from Levi.*³⁵

- S. I now proceed to instruct you in the Secrets of this degree. Advance to me as at your Lustration.

Done.

You will now take a second step as before, but with the other foot; it is in this position that the Secrets of the Degree are communicated. They consist of a Sign, a Grip, and a Word.

The Sign is twofold. The first part is called the Sign of Life, or of Manifestation. It is given by clenching the fingers of both hands, thumb extended, the right hand to be held with the upper arm forming a square with the shoulder, and the forearm vertical; the left hand is placed at the base of the torso. This is the characteristic position of the principal Gods of Egypt.

The second part is called the Sign of Death, and is given by dropping the left hand to the side, and with the other, giving the motion of stabbing the heart. It alludes to the penalty of your obligation.

The Grip is given as before, but by offering the thumb and with six pressures only.

This Grip demands a Word. This Word is **BO**,³⁶ which means The Lord. As in the Minerval Degree, it is an universal name or title of the Most High.

- 34) Each circle of course represents a “year”, for a total of 28 circles. It is possibly significant that 28 is the length of a lunar month, thus plausibly aligning the solar and lunar within the quaternary of the elements. Also, seven times around the well allows the right amount of time for the proper reading of a single prayer. — NEMO
- 35) Either Saladin, or a very experienced magician, should read these invocations; a good reading voice is not sufficient for the desired magical effect. See “*Transcendental Magick*” by *Eliphas Levi*, for the prayers. — fr. V.
- 36) State the word, then spell it. — NEMO

Send the Candidate on his travels with the Sun.

Seven deosil circles around the Well, as in I^o ³⁷

S. (*Gives Grip*³⁸): What is this?

C (*prompted by E.*) The Grip or Token of a Magician.

S. What does it demand?

C. A Word.

S. Give me that Word.

C. At my initiation I was taught to be cautious; I will letter it with you.

S. I agree. Begin.

*Done.*³⁹

S. What is its import?

C. The Lord.

*E. leaves C. to Wazir.*⁴⁰

S. Pass.

Seven deosil circles around the Well.

W. Noble Emir, I present to you a Magician on his Consecration.

E. I will thank him to advance to me as a Magician.

Done.

Have you anything to communicate?

C. (*prompted by W.*) I have.

E. (*rising with Grip*⁴¹) What is this?

C. The Grip or Token of a Magician.

E. What does it demand?

C. A Word.

E. Give me that Word.

C. At my initiation I was taught to be cautious. I will letter it with you.

E. I agree; begin.

37 This is in addition to the 28 just completed. –NEMO

38 By taking thumb of Candidate. Emir responds for Candidate who repeats throughout. C. must be taught this dialogue thoroughly during these travels. In these testing dialogues, C. is prompted only if he or she needs it. –NEMO

39 C. gives first letter; S. responds with second letter. –Baphomet

40) They do not circle yet. –NEMO

41 By offering thumb. –NEMO

Done.

Its import?

C. The Lord.

W leaves C.

E. Pass.

He rises and conducts C. seven times, deosil , around Well to Wazir.

E. Worthy Wazir, I present to you a Magician on his Consecration.

W. I will thank him to advance to me as a Magician.

Done.

What is that?

C. *(prompted by Emir)* The second regular step.

W. Do you bring anything else?

C. I do.

Gives Sign.

W. What is that?

C. The Sign of a Magician.

W. To what does it allude?

C. To the penalty of my Obligation.

W. Have you anything to communicate?

C. I have.

Gives Grip.

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W. I agree; begin.

Done.

Its import?

C. The Lord.

E. leaves C.

W. Pass.

Wazir takes C. to altar and to Sal adin.

W. Most Mysterious Master, I present to you a Magician on his Consecration, that he may receive a mark of your favor on his travels with the Sun.

S. My Brother⁴², in the First Degree, you were presented with a robe of darkness indeed, yet in the shape thereof was concealed a certain invocation of the Light. To those who thus invoke the Light, light comes. I therefore affix this red triangle, the apex pointing downwards, as it were the wedge of Light splitting the clouds that surround birth, and warming life with its rays. As it is written, "The Sun of Righteousness shall arise, with healing in His wings."

This triangle is also the special symbol of the Lord of the Aeon, Ra Hoor-Khuit, the Crowned and Conquering Child, the eternal Sun that dieth not, whom we adore. I also gird you with this Sword,⁴³ which you are to keep sharp and bright, neither to draw without need, nor to sheath without honour. Be seated, Brother Magician.

*Orator reads Constitution.*⁴⁴

S. It is an immemorial custom among us, so that the memoir of man runneth not to the contrary, for the newly made Magician to offer a banquet to the officers of the Oasis.⁴⁵ You have signified your intention to conform to this custom, and, the business of the evening being completed, we may pass from labor to refreshment.

42) Or Sister. — NEMO

43) Unlike Saladin's sword, this should be a straight sword with a crosshilt. — NEMO

44) *Liber 194*, published in *Equinox* III (1). — NEMO.

45) After closing the Oasis, a banquet is provided by the initiate(s) for the officers of the Oasis. Nonessential persons (sic -fr. V-) present should contribute in proportion to their share of the banquet. — NEMO

CLOSING IN THE II°

S. crosses his hands, right over left; W. and E. take them between theirs.

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They return.

S. Fellow-soldiers, we have drawn the Wine of Life from the Well of the Oasis.

O. T. O. applause.

All resume seats.

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CLOSING IN I°

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Emir M (*simultaneously*)
All together AUM.

S. (*rises*) Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.
W. (*rises*) Love is the law,
E. (*rises*) love under will.
S. Fellow-soldiers, assist me. What is the first duty of a True Man?
W. Most Mysterious Master, to guard the Camp.
S. Let the Camp be guarded.

Done by locking doors, and setting sentinel, if there be one.

W. Most Mysterious Master, the Camp is duly guarded.
S. The next duty?
E. To see that all present are True Men.
S. To order, fellow-soldiers.

All take the pose and give sign.

S. How many officers has the Camp?
W. Three visible.
E. And eight invisible.
S. Fellow-soldiers, how shall we guard Truth?
W. By Silence.

They take the Book, etc., reversing their actions in the Opening, until the Well is again closed⁴⁶

S. extinguishes his Candle.

O. T. O. applause.

E. Let every man depart unto his tent.

The door is opened.

46) The Officers form the triangle about the Altar, S. in East, E. in SW, W. in NW. W. takes Dagger. S. takes Book. E. takes Disk. S. places Book in Ark. S. takes Disk from E. and places it in the Ark. S. takes Dagger from W. and places it in the Ark. W. and E. return Ark to Well, preceding S. The coping-stone is replaced. — NEMO