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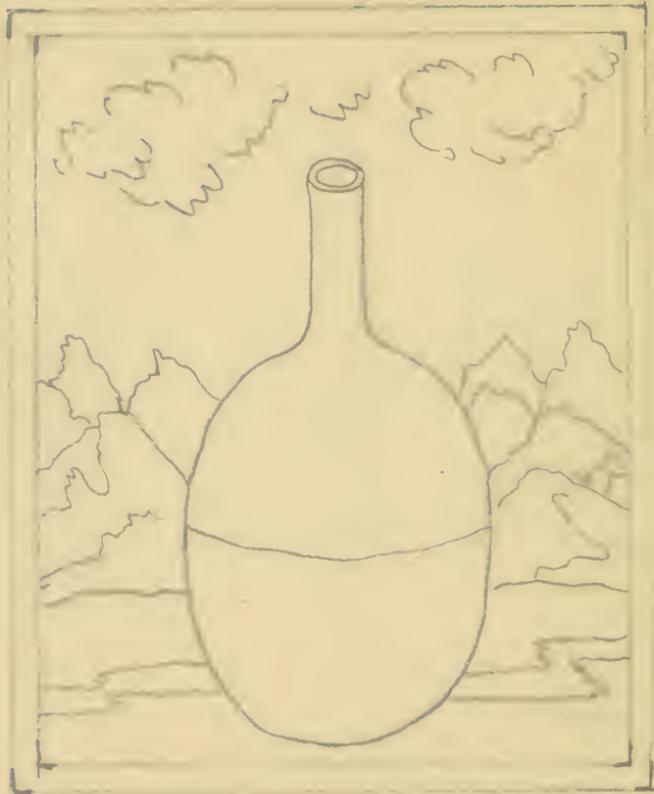
















Isle of Mauritius District of  
Pampelunuse 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1794

In the name <sup>יהוה אלהים</sup> of the true and  
only God manifested in Trinity

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Sigismund Bacstrom, do  
hereby promise in the most  
sincere and solemn manner  
Faithfully to observe the follow-  
ing Articles during the whole  
course of my natural life to the best of my  
knowledge and ability; which Articles I  
hereby confirm by oath and by my proper  
Signature hereunto annexed.

One of the worthy members of the  
August, most Ancient and most learned  
Society "The Investigators of Divine,  
Spiritual, and Natural Truth", (which  
Society, more than two centuries and a  
half ago i.e. in 1490) did separate them-  
selves from the Free Masons but were  
again united in one Spirit among them-  
selves under the denomination of  
"Frateres Rosae Crucis" (Brethren of the  
Rosy Cross) i.e. the Brethren who believe

in the Grand Attonement made by  
Jesus Christ on the rosy Cross stained  
and marked with His Blood for the  
redemption of Spiritual Nature (:laying  
naked at the same time our Universal  
Microcosmical Subject **מארכה** the  
best Magnet for continually attracting and  
preserving the Universal Fire of Nature  
in the form of Incorporeal Spiritual  
Nitre for the regeneration of Matter):  
having thought me worthy to be admitted  
into their august Society in quality of  
Member Apprentice and Brother and to  
take of their sublime Knowledge, I do  
hereby engage in the most solemn manner.



**1st** That I will always to the utmost  
of my power conduct myself as  
becomes a worthy member, with  
sobriety and piety; and to en-  
deavour to provide myself grate-  
ful to the Society for so disting-  
uished a favour as I now receive  
during the whole course of my natural  
life

**2<sup>nd</sup>** That derision insult and persecution

of this august Society may be guarded against, I will never openly publish that I am a member, nor reveal the name or persons of such persons as I know at present, or may know hereafter.

3<sup>rd</sup> I solemnly swear that I will never during my whole life publicly reveal the Secret Knowledge I receive at present, or may receive at a future period from the Society, or one of its members nor even privately but will keep our Secrets Sacred.

4<sup>th</sup> I do hereby promise that I will instruct for the benefit of good men, before I depart this life, one or two persons at most in our Secret Knowledge, and initiate and receive such person or persons as a member or apprentice into our Society, in the same manner as I have been initiated and received; but such persons only as I believe to be truly worthy and of an upright, well-conforming, blameless conduct, sober life and desirous of Knowledge; and as there is no distinction of Sexes in the Spiritual World, neither among the Blessed angels, nor among the Rational, Immortal Spirits of the Human Race: and as we have

had a Semiramis Queen of Egypt, a Maguam  
the Prophetess, a Peronella the Wife of  
Hammul, and lastly a Leonora Constantia  
Abbess of Clermont, who was actually, re-  
ceived as a practical Member and Master  
into our Society in the Year 1736 which  
Woman are believed to have been all pos-  
sors of the Great Work, consequently  
various Kings Princes and members of our  
Society by possession, so the possession  
of this our Art is the Key to the Most  
Hidden Knowledge, and moreover, as  
redemption is manifested to Mankind  
by means of a Woman (The Blessed Vir-  
gin) and as Salvation which is of in-  
finitely more Value than our whole Art,  
is granted to the Female Sex as well as  
to the Male our Society does not exclude  
a worthy Woman from being initiated  
God Himself not having excluded Women  
from partaking of every Spiritual felicity  
in the next life) we will not hesitate  
to receive a worthy Woman into our Soc-  
ety as a Member Apprentice and more  
as a practical Member, or a Master if  
she possesses our Work practically, and  
has accomplished it, provided she is found

like Focarella Flaminia wife to be sole-  
pious, discrete, prudent and reserved, of an  
upright mind, and blameless conduct;  
and desirous of knowledge.

5<sup>th</sup> I do hereby declare that I intend with  
the permission of God to commence the  
Great Work with mine self, as soon as  
circumstances, health opportunity  
and time will permit. 1<sup>st</sup> that I may  
do good therein as a faithful steward,  
2<sup>ndly</sup> that I may merit the continued con-  
fidence which the Society has placed in  
me in quality of a Member apprentice.

6<sup>th</sup> I do further most solemnly promise  
that (should I accomplish the Great Work)  
I will not abuse the great power entrusted  
to me, by appearing great and exalted, or  
seeking to appear in a public Character  
in the World by hunting after vain  
Titles of Nobility and vain glory which  
are all fleeting and vain. but will en-  
deavour to live a sober and orderly life  
as becomes every Christian tho' not poss-  
essor of so great a temporal Blessing, I  
will devote a considerable part of my ab-  
undance and superfluity (multiplicable  
infinitely) to works of private charity

To aged and deeply afflicted people, to poor children, and above all to such as love God, and act uprightly, and I will avoid encouraging laziness and the profession of public beggars.

**7<sup>th</sup>** I will communicate every New or Useful discovery relating to our Work to the nearest Member of our Society and hide nothing from him seeing he can not as a worthy Member possibly abuse it or prejudice me thereby: on the other hand I will hide these secrets discovered, from the World.

**8<sup>th</sup>** I do moreover solemnly Promise, (should I become a Master and possessor) that I will not on the one hand, assist aid, or support with Gold or with Silver any Government, King, or Sovereign; (except by paying taxes) nor on the other hand, any Populace or particular set of men to enable them to revolt against their Government, I will leave Public affairs and arrangements to the Government of God; who will bring about the events foretold in the Revelation of St John, which are fast accomplishing. I will not interfere with affairs of

Governments.

9<sup>th</sup> I will neither build Churches, Chapels nor Hospitals and such Public Charities as there are already a sufficient number of such public Buildings and Institutions if they were only properly applied and regulated. I will not give my Salary to a Priest or Churchman to make them more proud and insolent than they are already. If I relieve a distressed worthy Clergyman, I will consider him in the light of a private distressed individual only. I will not give my Charity with the view of making my name known in the World, but will give my Alms privately and secretly.

10<sup>th</sup> I hereby promise that I will never be ungrateful to the worthy friend and brother who initiated and received me, but will respect and oblige him as far as lies in my power in the same manner as he has been obliged to promise to his friend who received him.

11<sup>th</sup> Should I travel either by Sea or by Land and meet with any person who may call himself a Brother of the Rosy Cross, I will examine him whether he

can give me a proper explanation of  
"The Universal Fire of Nature and of  
our Magnet for attracting and magni-  
fying the same under the form of a  
Salt? And whether he is well acquaint-  
ed with our Work? And whether he  
knows the Universal Dissolvent and its  
use? If I find him able to give satisfactory  
answer, I will acknowledge him as a Mem-  
ber and Brother of our Society, should  
I find him superior in knowledge and  
Experience to myself I will honour him  
and respect him as a Master above me.

**12<sup>th</sup>** If it should please God to permit me  
to accomplish my Great Work with my  
own hands I will give Praise and Thanks  
to God in humble Prayer and devote my  
time to the doing and promoting all the  
Good that lies in my power and to the  
pursuit of true and useful Knowledge.

**13<sup>th</sup>** I do hereby solemnly promise that I  
will not encourage wickedness and debauch-  
ery thereby offending God by administer-  
ing the Medicine to the Human Body  
nor the Aurum Potabile to a patient  
infected with the Venereal Disease.

**14<sup>th</sup>** I do promise that I will never give

the Formed & Metalled Medicine for  
administration to my person living  
is not a single grain, unless the  
person is an Initiate and received  
Member and Brother of the Rosy Cross.

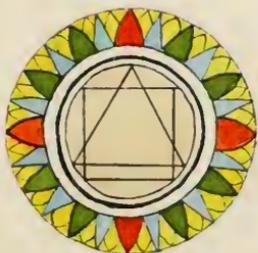
To keep faithfully the above articles  
as I now receive them from a worthy  
Member of our Society so he received  
them himself I willingly agree and  
sign this with my name and affix my  
Seal to the same, So helps me God,  
*Amen.*

S. Bactrom L.S.

I have initiated and received M<sup>r</sup>  
Sigismund Bactrom Doctor of Physic  
is a practical Member and Brother  
and an apprentice in consequence of  
his solid learning, which I certify by  
my name and Seal.

Mercurius 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1794

du Chazal F.R.C.



(The Seal of the Red Stone).





















