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second degree he swears to join any member or members in the protection of their rights or in resenting any personal affront or injury. If he fails in responding when called on, or reveals any contemplated action on the part of a fellow member, his life may be declared forfeited by the action of the council to which he belongs. It will be noticed in these two degrees there is no provision for enforcing the penalty. Every member is expected to take all three degrees and is then fully prepared for the final degree. He places himself at the disposal of the inner council in life and in death. He swears faithfully to execute any orders issued him by the council, even though he be commanded to take the life of his dearest friend or relative. He is given to understand that the power of this secret order of justice will be directed against the enemies of one or all of the organization. He further swears that when ordered to destroy any member proven to be a traitor, or even suspected of such, he will unhesitatingly obey such command. When called out by the inner council, or by one member thereof, he swears to obey, holding himself in readinces at all times to join any party for the extermination of common enemies. Failing in any part

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