
luve.
As the sin offering of the temple typified the atonement to man, so the dedication of our all for the bettering of existing condi tions, the sacrifice of the pleasure of life for the welfare of the breth ren, should ever and anon point us to the words of the Gallilean, "In asmuch as you have only handed a cup of cold water to any of mv little ons $s$, you have done a deed of love to me." The burning of in cense in the Solomonic templehow full of meaning, sanctifying purifying the very air of the temple; how emblematical of the pure life of a true Mason, whose soul, body and spirit has passed beneath the fragrant fumes of the censo, exhaling all the perfumes of Lebanon and making life a ray of sunshine to poor struggling fellow eraftsmen in the great temple of our God. The temp'e was incomplete until the ark of the covenant had been placed within its sacred precints; reminding us that the life of a Mason wiil not be a complete success until the law of the Almighty has been ac cepted as the rule of life regulating the actions, sanctifying the motives and creating a spirit of sacrifical devotion to the interests of the as


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Carefully perusing the words of our text we are impressed with the silenceduring the process of erec (ion of Solomon's temple, no sound of hammer, ax or tool of iron being heard. The solution has been found in the reverential feeling af the workmen; remembering the words of Holy Writ that the Lord is in his holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before Him Brother Masons, listen, if we are building character, if we are bringing our children in tomeh with the great Master-workman, it we are rearing a spiritual temple to onir God, reveremme and awzinspiring sanctity should ever characterize our work, and in commemoration of thisstupendous work so reverent Iy and silently completed, Masons have dways whered to silently build the great fabre of fraternal love, hidden from the eyes of men but ensared upon the tablets of the recordingancel antil the great day of the Lord shall reveal the temple complete, without the sonnd l'a hammor having been heard during rection. The Solomonic lemple wa- subjected to pillage and destruction, but the remple we are limidimg oh:ll be un asaibable, imper shable, a monument forever, althomg the work is going o: quil tly and gently to the glory of (ion and the redemption of man. In soleman awe do we stand betore this picture of the erection of Solomon's temple by men of all nations, tribes and tongues, unable to understand each other, but bent upon the one great task of building the house of their God. Centuries

have rolled into oblivion, the names of the craftsmen have never been recorded and unknown, un recognized they have passed to the great beyond; but their influence is felt among Masonic brethern today as they quietly, silently, gently lay stone upon stone of a pure and unselfish life until in the fullness of time, when the sun shall sink in the West, at the sound of the gavel from the great Master-work man they shall go hence leaving the unfinished work to the hrethren
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