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A PLEDGE OF FAITH.

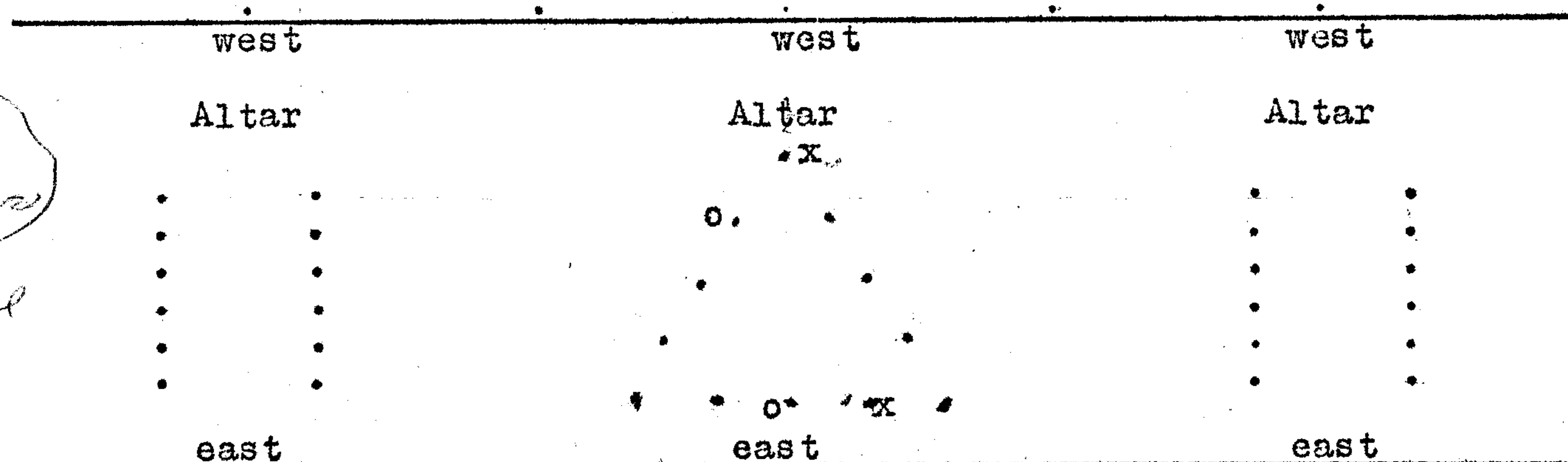
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As soon as Worthy Matron is invested with the badge of her office, twelve officers (or other members) each carrying a flower, form a aisle between Altar and dais as in Fig. 1.



As soon as Worthy Matron passes through aisle and is given Grand Honors, those in aisle form triangle, Fig. 2, as follows:- the one nearest the Altar on north side takes position at x in front of Altar, the others on north stepping to positions as indicated, the one nearest the Altar at x in base of triangle.

Those on south side of aisle step to positions as indicated, the one nearest the Altar taking position at o, and the one nearest the east taking position at o in base of triangle. Fig. 2.

As soon as all are in position, facing east, soloist sings,-

Tune,- Break Thou the Bread of Life.

The East awaits you now,
And welcomes you,
The gates of love are standing open too;
May every joy be yours,
May faith abide,
And serving you will find us by your side.

We bring to you the hope
Of Martha dear,
As you approach the East to serve the year;
May you each day be led
In ways of love,
With blessings that come only from above.

If any clouds should come
As days pass by,
May they be few as rainbows span the sky;
We wish each day to be
So bright and clear,
As you serve us as Matron through the year.

At close of song, officers may again form aisle between dais and Altar Fig. 3. One of the officers nearest the Altar passes through the aisle and collects the flowers. They may be tied with the Worthy Matron's colors if desired. *yes*
Flowers are presented as follows,-

By Laura
Flowers can say so many things that words can never say,
And that is why we use them to welcome you our way;
For as the East awaits you to grace your work this year,
We will stand by to aid you and fill each day with cheer;

And you will find each flower has it's own message too,
Saying it will stand right by to help the whole year through;
And if you have a duty that you may feel is ours,
Won't you please just remember the message of the flowers.

Officers return to former positions and aisle may again be formed for Worthy Patron if desired.

yes
no flowers
Soloist sings for Worthy Patron,-

Tune,- We Need Thee Every Hour.

We need you all the year
As Patron here,
For if our work is done
You must be near.

Chorus,- We need you, O we need you,
All the year we need you,
So try to be so faithful,
A Patron true.

We need you all the year
Our East to share,
We cannot do without
A brother there.

Chorus,-

We need you for we must
On you rely,
'Though other brothers leave
You must stand by.

Chorus,-

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