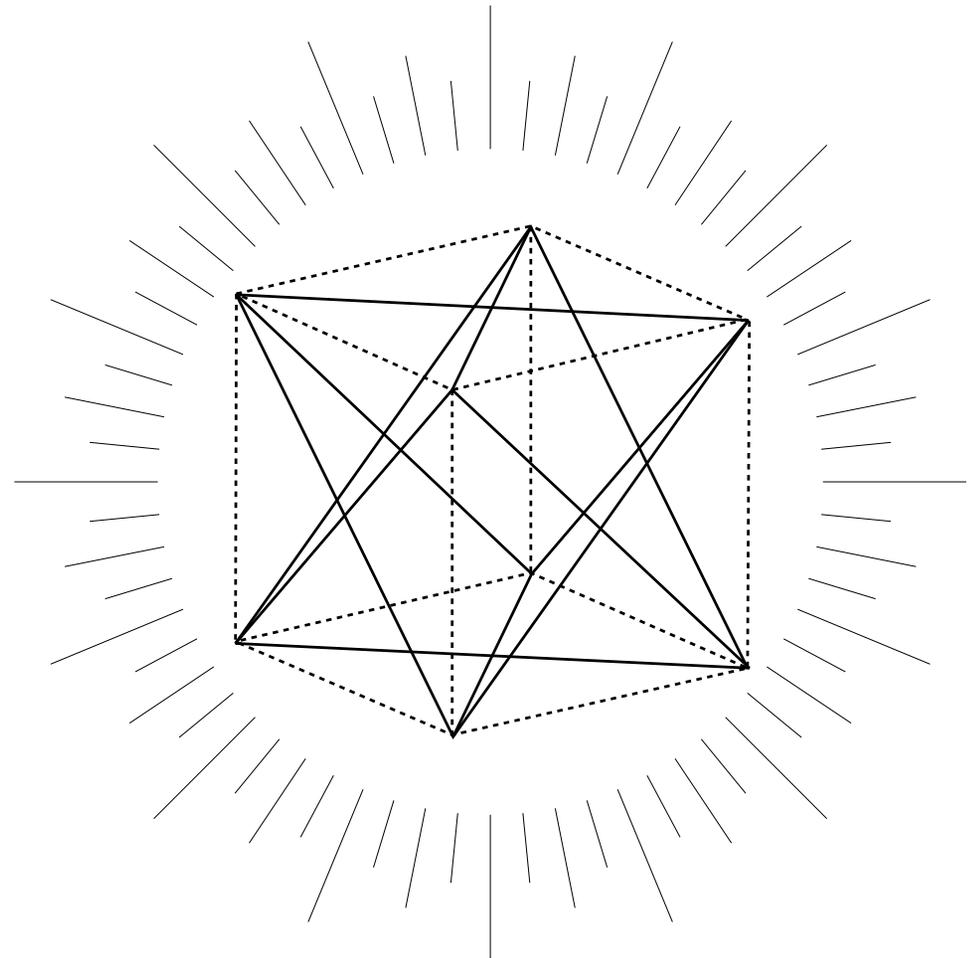


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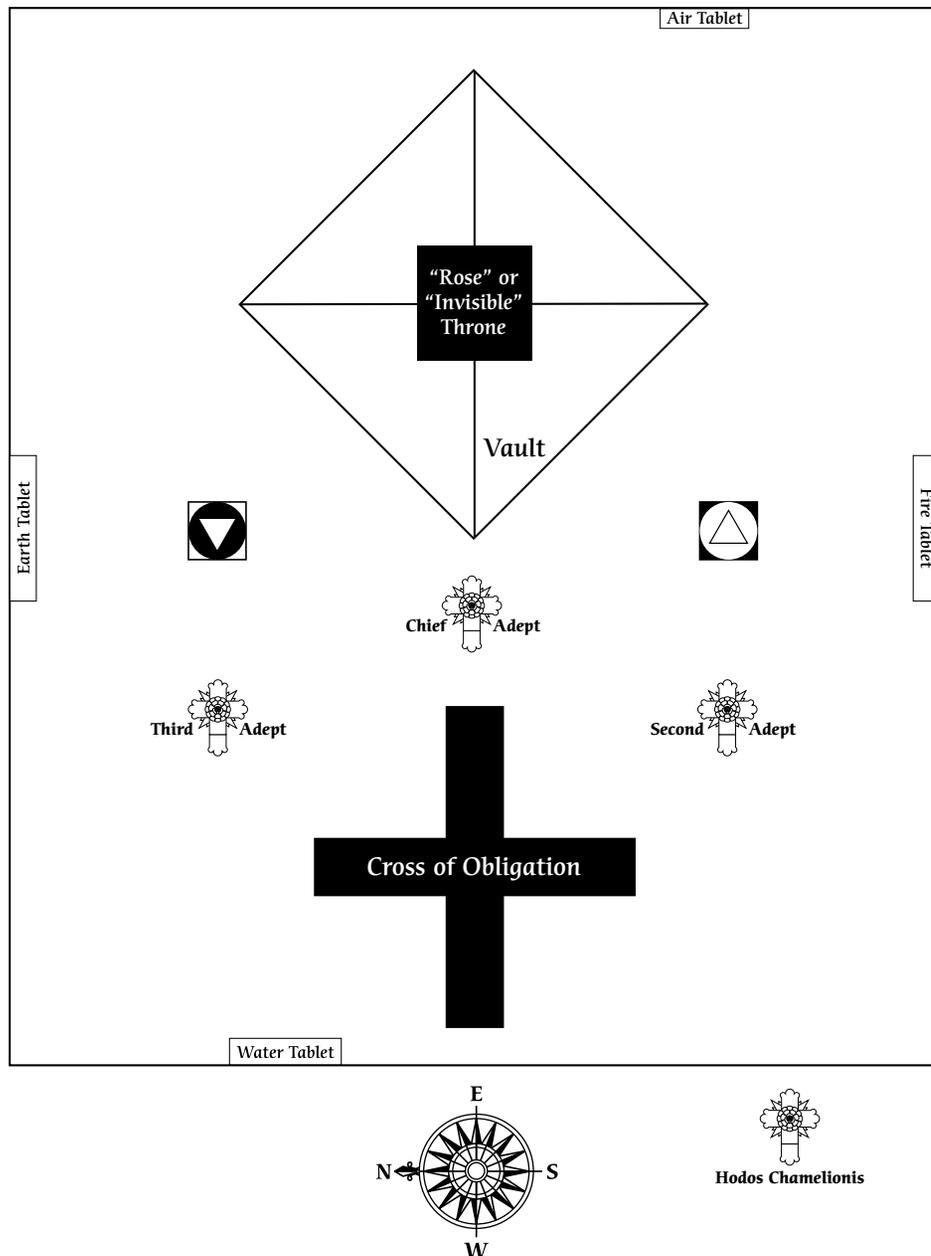
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Materials & Equipment

ROBES:

Chief Adept: Blue and Orange, with winged Sphere Wand.

Second Adept: Red and Green, with Wast.

Third Adept: Yellow and Purple, with Lotus Wand.

Hodos Chamelionis: White

All may wear golden slippers or shoes to match robes.

Each Officer carries a Crux Ansata on his/her left wrist.

Candidates should be dressed in black, have crossed Sashes, and have supplied Officers with Second Order name.

ADMISSION BADGES:

Hiereus Lamens, Sword and Serpent diagram.

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED MATERIALS:

Cup of Wine, Dagger, a Tarot Deck, Crown, White Robe, and 5=6 Sash for the Candidate.

This Consecration to be performed annually on Day C, or for a new Vault, before its first use.

Consecration Opening

Members assemble and wear Regalia. Three Chiefs robed and seated as in opening of 5=6.

Chief: Gracious Adeptus Minor, see that the Portal of the Vault is closed and guarded. (*done*)

Third: Merciful Exempt Adept, the Portal is closed and guarded. *Chief stands, lifts his Wand on high, and says:*

Chief: HEKAS HEKAS ESTE BEBELOI!

This is followed by the Watchtower Ceremony. After the Watchtower Ceremony, the Third Adept takes charge, moves to center seat, and performs the ceremony of the Opening of Portal.

Third: *(knocks 4, 1)* Very Honoured Fraters and Sorors, assist me to open the Portal of the Vault of the Adepti.

All rise.

Third: Give the Signs of a Neophyte, Zelator, Theoricus, Practicus, Philosophus. *(done)*

Third: Very Honoured Hodos Chamelionis, what is the additional Mystic Title bestowed on a Philosophus as a link with the Second Order?

Hodos: Phrath.

Third: To what does it allude?

Hodos: To the fourth sacred river.

Third: What is the Sign?

Hodos: The Sign of the Rending Asunder of the Veil. *(gives it)*

Third: What is the Word?

Hodos: Peh.

Third: Resh.

Hodos: Kaph.

Third: Tau.

Hodos: The whole word is PAROKETH, meaning the veil of the Sanctum Sanctorum.

Third: In and by that word, I declare the Portal of this Vault of the Adepts duly open. *(Leads Qabalistic Cross with All.)*

Third opens veil. Three Adepts take places.

Second: ! (=knock)

Third: !

Chief: !

Second: !

Chief: Ave Fraters et Sorors.

Second: Roseae Rubeae.

Third: Et Aureae Crucis.

Chief: Very Honoured Fraters and Sorors, assist me to open the Vault of the Adepts. *(knocks)*. Very Honoured Hodos Chamelionis, see that the entrance is guarded.

Hodos: *(does so, and salutes)* Merciful Exempt Adept, the entrance is guarded.

Chief: Mighty Adeptus Major, by what Sign hast thou entered the Portal?

Second: By the Sign of the Rending of the Veil. *(gives it)*

Chief: Gracious Adeptus Minor, by what Sign hast thou closed the Portal?

Third: By the Sign of the Closing of the Veil. *(gives it)*

Second: PEH.

Third: RESH.

Second: KAPH.

Third: TAU.

Second: PAROKETH.

Third: Which is the Veil of the Sanctum Sanctorum.

THE PASSWORD

Chief: Mighty Adeptus Major, What is the Mystic Number of the Grade?

Second: Twenty-one.

Chief: What is the Password formed there from?

Third: ALEPH

Chief: HEH

Third: YOD

Chief: HEH

Third: EHEIEH

THE NATURE OF THE VAULT

- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, What is the Vault of the Adepti?
- Second:** The House of Khabs, which is a compendium of the Universe.
- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, How can this be?
- Third:** In the Sphere, the center is everywhere while the circumference is nowhere found.
- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, what virtue has the center?
- Second:** 'Centrum In Trigono Centri', the center of the triangle of the center is the point of perfect equilibrium.
- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, what was the Vault entitled by our Fraters and Sorors of the Renaissance?
- Third:** The symbolic burying place of the Founder Christian Rosenkreutz.
- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, what does the Mystic Name of the Founder signify?
- Second:** The Rose and Cross of Life; the Fadeless Rose of Creation—the Immortal Cross of Light.
- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, what was the Vault entitled by our more ancient Fraters and Sorors?
- Third:** The Tomb of Ausar Un-Nefer, the Justified One.
- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, of what shape is the Vault?
- Second:** A Cube, inside a Cube-Octahedron, inside an Octahedron, inside a Tetrahedron.
- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, unto what do these shapes allude?
- Third:** The Cube to the Palace, the Cube-Octahedron to the Cosmos, the Octahedron to Hadit, and the Tetrahedron to Nuit.
- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, where is this Vault Symbolically situated?
- Second:** In the center of the Earth, in the Mountain of Caverns; the Mystic Mountain Abiegnus.

- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, what is the meaning of the name Abiegnus?
- Third:** Abiegnus is the Evergreen Fir Tree. Thus, Mount Abiegnus is the Evergreen Mountain and alludes to Everlasting Life.
- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, what is the Key to the Vault?
- Second:** The Rose and Cross which resume the Life of Nature and the Powers hidden in the word Abrahadabra.
- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, what is the Emblem which we bear in our left hands?
- Third:** It is a form of the Rose and Cross, the ancient Ankh or Egyptian symbol of life.
- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, what is its meaning?
- Second:** It represents the force of the Ten Sepheroth in Nature, divided into a Hexad and a Tetrad. The Oval embraces the first six Sephiroth and the Tau Cross the lower Four, answering to the four Elements.
- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, what is the Emblem which we bear upon our breasts?
- Third:** The complete symbol of the Rose and Cross.
- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, what is its meaning?
- Second:** It is the Key of Sigils and of Rituals, and represents the force of the twenty-two Letters in Nature, as divided into a Three, a Seven, and a Twelve. Many and great are its Mysteries.
- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, what is the Wand which thou bearest?
- Third:** A simple Wand having the colors of the twelve Signs of the Zodiac and surmounted by the Lotus Flower of Isis. It symbolizes the development of Creation.
- Chief:** Mighty Adeptus Major, thy Wand and its meaning?
- Second:** A wand terminating in twain and surmounted by the Head of Set. The seven colors between Light and Darkness are attributed to the Planets. It represents focused Power.
- Chief:** My Wand is surmounted by the Winged Globe, around which the twin serpents of Egypt twine. It symbolizes the intelligence of the Whole.

- Chief:** Gracious Adeptus Minor, What were the words upon the Door of the Vault and how was it guarded?
- Third:** Post Centum Viginti Annos Patebo. After one hundred and twenty years I shall open, and the door is guarded by the Elemental Tablets and by the Kerubic Emblems.
- Chief:** The 120 years refer symbolically to the five Grades of the First Order and to the revolution of the Power of the Pentagram; also to the five preparatory examinations for this Grade. Further, 120 equals the number of the Ten Sephiroth multiplied by that of the Zodiac, whose Key is the working of the Spirit and the Elements typified in the Wand which I bear.
- Mighty Adeptus Major, with what sign is the Door of the Vault now sealed?
- Second:** With the Sign of NOX, The Circle of Birth and the Cross of Fixation.
- Chief:** NOX is the Eternal Body of Nuit in which the Light of Hadit breaks forth, the Night of Pan.

Officers enter into the House of Khabs and into the Cube in the Circle and triangulate around the 49-fold Rose Cross, Chief in the East facing West, all touch wands over center of cube forming the Tetrahedron.

THE SPELL OF RA-HOOR-KHUIT

- Chief:** Let us analyze the Key Word, and raise the Spell of Ra-Hoor-Khuit.
- All:** Do What Thou Wilt *(the following with gestures)*
- Chief:** A
- Second:** B
- Third:** R
- All:** A
- Chief:** ALEPH
- Second:** BETH
- Third:** RESH
- All:** ALEPH

- Chief:** Had, the manifestation of Nuit
- Second:** Nu, the hiding of Hadit
- Third:** Abrahadabra, the reward of Ra-Hoor-Khut
- All:** The Sign of One Star in Sight
- Chief:** The Sign of the Serpents Twine'd
- Second:** The Sign of Giving Birth
- Third:** The Sign of the End of Work
- All:** N-O-X, Nox, the Night of Pan, AUM HA!
- Chief:** In the Grand Word Ra-Hoor-Khuit, by the Key-Word Abrahadabra, and through the concealed Word NOX, We have opened the Vault of the Adepti, the House of Khabs.

All exit Vault.

The Consecration of the Vault

Second: Let the Cross of Obligation be set in its place.

Chief: Upon this Cross of Obligation I, freely and unasked, on behalf of the Second Order, do hereby pledge myself for the due performance and fulfilment of the respective clauses of the Oath taken by each member on the Cross of the World at their admission to the Grade of Adeptus Minor.

Second: It is written: Whosoever shall be great among you shall be your minister, and whosoever of you will be the chiefest shall be the servant of all. I, therefore, on behalf of the Second Order, do require of you to divest yourself of your robes and insignia as a Chief Adept, to clothe yourself with the black of the first Order, of the Prime Matter, and of the Night that gives birth to the Light.

Chief disrobes, takes on the black, fastens self to the Cross.

Second: *(reading line by line to the Chief Adept who repeats them)*

Second: **Kether:**

I, Fr./Sr. _____, a star in the Body of Nuit, do this day spiritually bind myself on behalf of the whole Second Order, even as I have bound myself physically upon the Cross of the World.

Chokmah:

I hereby dedicate the benefit of my every act unto the complete liberation and the supreme enlightenment of all beings everywhere, pervading space and time.

Binah:

To this end I shall master the art of magick.

Chesed:

I furthermore solemnly pledge myself to always invoke the Highest Aid and the Truest Will of all concerned in any act of magick, for there is success

Geburah:

I further promise to support the admission of individuals to our Order regardless of gender, on a perfect equality, and use my speech to create comity among all the members

Tiphareth:

I further promise and swear that, with the Divine Grace I will, from this day forward, apply myself to the Great Work, which is, to purify and exalt my Spiritual Nature so that with the Divine Aid I may at length attain to Knowledge of and Conversation with my Holy Guardian Angel, to unite myself to my higher and Divine Genius, and to thereby become more than human. And that, in this event, I will not abuse the great power entrusted to me.

Netzach:

That I will work with the Collegues for the harmonious and just administration of the Order. That I will neither recommend a Candidate for admission to the First Order without due judgment and assurance that he or she is worthy of so great a confidence and honor, nor unduly press any person to become a candidate; and that I will superintend any examination of Members of lower Grades without fear or favor in any way, so that our high standard of knowledge be not lowered by my instrumentality;

Hod:

Furthermore, that I will perform the practical work connected with this Order in a place concealed and apart from the gaze of the outer and uninitiated world, that the mysteries of this Inner Rosicrucian Knowledge be preserved even as the same hath been kept through the ages; and that its promise be fulfilled.

Yesod:

That I will keep the Rosicrucian Profession, which is:

1. To profess nothing, than but to cure the sick, and that gratis.
2. To wear no distinctive dress, but therein follow the custom of the country.
3. To every year on the Day C, meet at the College of the Rose Cross, or write the cause of absence.
4. To find some worthy person of either sex, who after my death might succeed me.
5. To use the word R.C. to be the mark, seal, and character of the Order.

Chief: *Malkuth:*
Finally, if in my travels I should meet a stranger who professes to be a member of the Rosicrucian Order, I will examine him/her with care before acknowledging him/her to be such.

Such are the words of this my Obligation as an Adeptus Minor, whereunto I pledge myself in the Presence of the Living World, The Lord of Initiation, and the College of Adepti.

(While still bound) I invoke Thee, the Great Angel HUA to confirm and strengthen all the Members of this Order during the ensuing Revolution of the Sun, to keep them steadfast in the path of love under will, and to confer upon them the power of discernment, that they may choose between the evil and the good, and try all things of doubtful or fictitious seeming with sure knowledge and sound judgment.

Second: Let the Chief Adept arise from the Cross of Obligation.
(done)

Merciful Exempt Adept, I, on behalf of the Second Order, request you to re-invest yourself with the insignia of your high office, which alone has entitled you to offer yourself unto the Higher Powers as surety for the Order.

Chief Adept reclothes. Three Adepts enter the Vault, put Book T[arot] within Crown upon the Throne. Chief steps behind throne and stands facing the door. The three Adepts join Wands and Cruces.

Chief: I invoke Thee HRU, the Great Angel who art set over the operations of this Secret Wisdom, to strengthen and establish this Order in its search for the Mysteries of the Divine Light.

Increase the Spiritual perception of the Members and enable them to rise beyond that lower selfhood which is as nothing unto that Highest Selfhood which is in God the Vast One.

The three Adepts disjoin Wands rejoining them together at the black ends, directing them towards the centre of the throne. They hold Cruces as before.

Chief: I invoke Thee Apep, O Snake of Emerald, Thou hast no time Past, no time To Come. Verily Thou art not. Thy voice is beyond the Speech and the Silence and the Speech therein, Also Thy coils are of infinite range; the Heart that Thou dost encircle is an Universal Heart. But Thou art Eternity and Space; Thou art Matter and Motion; and Thou art the negation of all these things. For there is no Symbol of Thee. Thou art Sebek the crocodile against Asar; thou art Mati, the Slayer in the Deep. Thou art Typhon, the Wrath of the Elements, O Thou who transcendest the Forces in their Concourse and Cohesion, in their Death and their Disruption. Thou art Python, the terrible serpent about the end of all things!

Protect us in our obligations. Say ever unto us:

All: “So with thy all; thou hast no right but to do thy will. Do that, and no other shall say nay. For pure will, unassuaged of purpose, delivered from the lust of result, is every way perfect. The Perfect and the Perfect are one Perfect and not two; nay, are none!”

The three Adepts disjoin Wands and Cruces. Chief steps east of Throne and is seated. Second and Third triangulate behind Chief. Other Adepts form a circle round, join Wands over head of Chief.

Chief: Abrahadabra; the reward of Ra Hoor Khut...I reveal unto you a great mystery. Ye stand between the abyss of height and the abyss of depth. In either awaits you a Companion; and that Companion is Yourself. Ye can have no other Companion. Many have arisen, being wise. They have said “Seek out the glittering Image in the place ever golden, and unite yourselves with It.” Many have arisen, being foolish. They have said, “Stoop down unto the darkly splendid world, and be wedded to that Blind Creature of the Slime.” I who am beyond Wisdom and Folly, arise and say unto you: achieve both weddings! Unite yourselves with both! Beware, beware, I say, lest ye seek after the one and lose the other! My adepts stand upright; their head above the heavens, their feet below the hells. But since one is naturally attracted to the Angel, another to the Demon, let the first strengthen the lower link, the last attach more firmly to the higher.

Chief: Thus shall equilibrium become perfect. I will aid my disciples; as fast as they acquire this balanced power and joy so faster will I push them. They shall in their turn speak from this Invisible Throne; their words shall illumine the worlds. They shall be masters of majesty and might; they shall be beautiful and joyous; they shall be clothed with victory and splendour; they shall stand upon the firm foundation; the kingdom shall be theirs; yea, the kingdom shall be theirs. In the name of the Lord of Initiation. Amen.

Adepts then separate Wands from head and give 5=6 signs.

All except Chiefs exit. Chairs brought in for Second and Third. All others present take seats in layers spiraling outward.

Liber Ararita read in sequence and in chorus. Read all chapters, verses from zero to 13. Verses from each of the seven chapters are assigned by number to each present, thus: Ideally, the Chief Adept will read verses zero and one, the Second Adept verse two, the Third Adept verse 3, and the Hodos verse 4. The remaining present are assigned one verse number each up to 10. All read verses 11, 12 and 13. If there are more than 10 present, assign more than one to each verse number after the principal officers. If there are less, assign backwards from 10, Chief Adept reads from zero up to the number before that assigned to the Second Adept.

All rise (and dispose of chairs)

Chief: (*Faces Throne*) In the Name and Power of the Divine Spirit I invoke ye, ye Angels of the Watchtowers of the Universe. Guard this Vault during this Revolution of the Solar Course.

Bless it and keep far from it all evil and the unmaturing that they penetrate not into the abode of our mysteries. Inspire and sanctify all who enter this Temple with the Illimitable Wisdom of the Light Divine.

Chief Adept gives Signs of 5=6. All others join with Chief and then take their places as in the Opening of the Vault. Business may be conducted.

Closing

The Three Adepts stand at the Door of the Vault, facing west.

Chief: !

Second: !

Third: !

Chief: !

Second: !

Third: !

Second: Rosea Rubeae.

Third: Et Aureae Crucis.

Chief: Beloved Fraters and Sorors, please assist me to Seal the Vault of the Adepti.

Adepts turn to face Door.

Chief: Nothing is a secret key of this law. (*closes veil*)

Second: Sixty-one the Jews call it; I call it eight, eighty, four hundred and eighteen.

Third: But they have the half: unite by thine art so that all disappear.

Chief: NOX, Thus have we Sealed the Vault of the Adepti in the Mystic Mountain of Abiegnus.

Third: Nu is our refuge

Second: as Hadit is our light

Chief: and Ra-Hoor-Khuit is the strength, force, vigor of our arms. The Ending of the Words is the Word Abrahadabra.

This working is done and concealed.

All: AUM HA!

Dedication of Merit

All: May the benefit of this act, and all acts, be dedicated Unto the complete liberation and the supreme enlightenment of all beings everywhere pervading space and time. So mote it be.

May the benefits of practice, ours and others, come to fruition, Ultimately and immediately, and we remain in the state of presence—Ah!

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