THE ARUNDEL DECREE

On the rudiments of statecraft, all civilisations — great and small — have example of victory and defeat. King Solomon was wise to clear the traitors in government; Cicero applied the importance of overt discretion; Napoleon, how great risks promise great reward. History sets the greatest precedent on success in public life. By mastering her ways, we achieve. By ignoring them, we slit our throats! And so, for the acquisition of political power, there are three steps a novice will take to secure his place in the realm: civil society, constitutional institutions and free association.

The first, civil society, refers to the wider institutions which influence society. That is, the church, the military, the civil service, the police, the judiciary, chambers of commerce, schools and all other factions of an akin nature. This is where the first wrung of power resides. By joining such organisations, building social networks and ascending the ranks this provides you with the influence to raise the support of allies and the authority to make decisions, and opinions, to change public policy. A healthy number to join is at least three such factions; however, any contribution is better than none. From here comes the power to change society for the better, avoid or suppress evils and uphold the virtues needed for a flourishing society.

In addition, or instead of, civil society, one may decide to focus attention on constitutional institutions for power. That is, the institutions which are responsible for the formal arrangement of offices in governing the state and the citizen. We see these played out in the The Crown, Parliament, local councils and the Lieutenants, Sheriffs and Bishops of the England's counties. Rather than following Christ's maxim of 'knock, and the door will be open unto you', these institutions require more clandestine means of appointment. Those popularity contests called elections; appointment by birth, or patronage or reputation. Legally, these institutions yield the greatest power, and so greater legitimacy to change society for the better. Although, such institutions, as we know, are highly susceptible to novel moral corruption, decadence and sophistry. This means of power is only secure with the preceding and succeeding steps fully in alignment. And so, under this condition, the power to protect the security, culture and happiness of society is best met.

Having seen matters within the box, so to speak, we turn to power residing without. Namely, free association. By free association, we speak of voluntarily meeting with others, often with similar minds and dispositions, to affect change by means of acquiring political power. This includes political parties (like the Tories and Whigs), trade unions, clubs, societies, order of chivalry (like the Templars, Teutons or Lazarus) and other reforming groups dressed in the liveries of leisurely pursuit. Surveying the land, we know the Heritage Party is the surest means of affecting change in favour with the natural law, and so the common good. For the Heritage Party is not a traditional post Pittite political party (with whips and ideologies) but a movement for change based on common sense principle over cloying ideologies of the most grandiloquent pusillanimity. By participating within free associations, seeking allies, hosting and attending social events, this builds the fraternity, the army needed to affect change for the common good; practice the art of statesmaship God has entrusted to us and overthrow the petty evils of this daemonic status quo.

By following these three steps — civil society, constitutional institutions and free association — you will acquire power. By focusing on one to the exclusion of others, or avoiding them all

together! — you will let fate slip through our fingers into the steaming claws of our enemy, and the enemy of all this is just to our sacred country. Make the change, take courage to lead and play your part, and you will save civilisation. Sleep on this lesson, and you assent to deeper slavery. A slavery which will have no end. To action, therefore, we go!