

New Brunswick.

Capt. H. V. Willbur, of Albert, who intends soon to remove to British Columbia, was on Tuesday presented with an address by Court Shepody, of which he has been secretary for years.

Court Bellisle, with its present membership of 54, is one of the most progressive in the province. Its success is largely due to the interest taken and the wide-awake spirit assumed by a number of its members. Initiations are frequent and the officers and members wide-awake and pushing.

St. John Encampment held a very excellent public meeting and concert in Foresters' Hall, St. John, in aid of a fund for the purchase of a banner. Brother Todd, who is in command, made an efficient chairman. Vocal and instrumental music, readings, and an address by the H.C.R., composed the programme, and encores were very much in evidence, and quite deservedly so.

A fine audience assembled in the Public Hall at Point de Bute when it was known the H.C.R., Judge Wedderburn, would deliver an address, under the auspices of Court Cumberland, I.O.F. The meeting was favored with some excellent music, vocal and instrumental. The H.C.R. spoke for an hour, and at the close received a hearty vote of thanks, which was proposed by the resident Methodist clergyman and seconded by Brother McQueen, M.P.P., in very eulogistic terms, and unanimously carried amid loud applause.

At the close of the regular meeting of Court Miramichi, No. 165, I.O.F., a social was held in their room, at which the members of the Society and their friends were present. The programme consisted of songs, instrumental music, recitations, etc., after which light refreshments were passed around and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Two new members were initiated into the Order last night, and several applications received. Court Miramichi is feeling the impetus pervading the jurisdiction.

An esteemed brother writes: "Whether the compliment paid to Court Milicete, Fredericton, in your recent issue of the FORESTER is deserved or not, we are trying to do our business in good shape. We have an excellent Chief Ranger in Bro. C. E. A. Simonds, a rising lawyer; and Bro. A. Burchill, who is both C. D. and R. S., is a most painstaking and efficient officer. The membership on the 1st of January was 149, not 102, as printed, so that we then ranked second on the roll of this provincial jurisdiction. Court Moncton is likely, however, to outstrip us."

A very large number of people attended the funeral of the late Brother John J. Waring, and everywhere were evidences of regret. The floral offerings included a Maltese cross from Court Lancaster, I.O.F. Rev. Mr. White, of the Fairville Baptist Church, conducted the services at the house, and interment was in the rural cemetery. Members of Court Lancaster, I.O.F., of which deceased was a member, and other Foresters, attended the funeral in a body. The late Brother Waring was a prominent resident of Milford, a man of excellent worth and deservedly respected by all who knew him.

The remains of Ernest, fifth son of the late Douglass Pelton of St. Andrews, who died suddenly at Harrison, Me., were brought here by C.P.R. and taken to the residence of his sister,

from which the funeral took place. The remains were taken to All Saints' Church, where service was read by Rev. Canon Ketchum, and thence to the rural cemetery, where the concluding part of the service was read by Rev. E. W. Simonson. Ernest Pelton, who was 32 years of age, left St. Andrews four years ago for Kingman. Subsequently he went to Harrison, Me., and entered the employ of the C.P.R. He was a member of the court of Foresters at Harrison. The Foresters made all the arrangements for the funeral, and his brothers and sisters desire to express grateful thanks to the Harrison Foresters for the brotherly care bestowed on their late brother. Ernest Pelton is remembered as a kind-hearted, genial companion.

Under the heading "Foresters at Chatham—Rousing Address by Judge Wedderburn," *The St. John Telegraph* says: "There was a grand public meeting held in the Temperance Hall, Chatham, in the interest of Forestry. The meeting was under the auspices of Court Brunswick, who should be congratulated for the success. The hall was beautifully decorated with flags, while mounted heads of Canadian animals were given prominent places on the walls. Chief Ranger of the Chatham court, Robert Murray, occupied the chair, and in a few well-chosen and flattering remarks introduced the speaker of the evening, Judge Wedderburn, High Chief Ranger of the province. The Judge delivered a very able, entertaining and instructive address on the growth, progress and principles of Forestry. A young man 18 years of age can join this Order very cheaply, costing him only 60 cents a month on \$1,000, and for a little extra charge he can have the benefit of the sick list, drawing from \$3 to \$5 a week, with free medical attendance and at death \$50 for funeral expenses. The speaker gave the young men some good and able advice in his usual witty and amusing way, and with an eloquent flow of oratory the Judge described the old folks and the homestead, which was very touching, and wound up his lecture amid great applause.

During the evening White's orchestra played excellent music, and the following programme was carried out: Solo, Thomas Murray, of Sackville; solo, Mrs. H. Pallan; solo, Mr. Miller.

As the Judge is announced to speak—or probably has already spoken—at Blackville, Douglastown, Kingston, and elsewhere, we shall expect a report of interest for "our next." It is announced that the Judge will address a mass meeting, under the auspices of the three courts of Moncton, on Easter Monday (11th April) Public Meeting and Meeting of High Standing Committee; Fort Elgin, 12th; Sackville, 13th; Dorchester, 14th; and Petitcodiac. As all these meetings are open to the general public, ladies included, much interest is felt in them.

Judge Wedderburn, H.C.R., accompanied by High Auditor Thos. Murray, made a tour of the courts on the north shore of the jurisdiction. The first meeting was at Chatham; a fine audience of Chatham's ladies and gentlemen is met and every one present enjoys the next two hours.

White's orchestra renders some very bright and harmonious selections and is loudly applauded. Then High Auditor Murray follows with a song and is immediately a favorite with the audience. Mr. Miller and Mrs. Patten also sang.

The address of the H.C.R., Judge Wedderburn, which followed, was listened to with the closest