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## The Ibigh Courts.

HIGH COURT OF CALIFORNIA.

### Official Circular No. 1.

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 1, 1899.

To the Officers and Members of the Subordinate Courts throughout the Jurisdiction of the High Court of California, GREETING:

MY DEAR BRETHREN, -I take this, my first, opportunity to acknowledge to the membership of the jurisdiction generally, my high appreciation of the honor that has been conferre I upon me by the High Court in placing me, for the ninth time, in the konorable and important position of Chief Executive Officer over the affairs of our beloved Order throughout California. In my acceptance of this high trust, at the hands of your representatives. I do so with my earnest assurance of a constant effort towards the advancement of the Order's interest everywhere, but more particularly in California. To this end I earnestly request the co-operation and assistance of every member of the Order, because without that co-operation I can accomplish but little indeed.

The welfare of our Order, and the very ust interests of every one of its membership, requires at all times your most carnest endeavors towards its advancement. The institution of our kind that has as its membership those who are well informed in its principles, and who are constantly active in its work, will naturally be the most progressive and successful. It therefore believes every member of the Order, who desires its success, to at least render unto it that moral support which every member owes towards its upbuilding. Every member should endeavor to educate himself in the principles of the Order and the advantages that accrue to a membership therein, so as to be better able to advance its noble cause.

I would be pleased to have your Court take under consideration the matter of holding public or open meetings occasionally, inasmuch as these meetings will be found to be valuable factors in the success of the Court, as they afford an opportunity for the families and friends of the membership to enjoy one of the social features of the Order as well as the spreading of its principles. Many of our Courts are suffering from the lack of interest taken in the Court's affairs by a large portion of the membership. I am of the opinion that more interest can be aroused, and a better attendance had, if the officers of a Court will use more effort in making the meetings interesting by arranging for some form of amusement under the head of "Good and Welfare." A little music, song or declamation, the