

the membership within the State. They are established in Bangor, at The Wilson, on Union Street, where they will remain for a few weeks. Every brother and brother's wife must be sure to meet Brother and Sister Campbell if possible, and help to make their stay in Maine a pleasant one.

CARIBOU, ME., Aug. 23rd, 1899.

To the Officers of the Supreme Court, I.O.F.

DEAR SIRS AND BROS.,—I desire to tender to you my most sincere thanks for the prompt payment of my sick benefit claim, amounting to \$36. I also desire to thank the officers and members of Court Caribou, No. 1165, for the many acts of kindness received at their hands during my illness. Wishing our beloved Order prosperity and success in its noble work, I remain

Yours in L., B. and C.,

C. F. SHEPARD.

DR. WILLIAM MCDAVID, OF AUGUSTA, MAINE,

Possibly the next Department Commander of the Maine Division, G.A.R.

AUGUSTA, Aug. 24.

Loved and respected by all the Maine men who wore the army blue in the civil war is Dr. William McDavid, of Augusta. Dr. McDavid was born in Philadelphia 57 years ago of Scotch-Irish parents. At the age of six he came to Augusta, where, with the exception of nine years, he has since resided.

At the age of 19 he enlisted in Company B, of the Third Maine Regiment, and served two years in the civil war. In 1872 he was appointed a clerk in the Treasury Department of the United States, and assigned to duty at Dix Island, on the Maine coast, where he remained four years, returning to Augusta in 1876. He then resumed the practice of his profession, dentistry. In 1887-8 he was a member of the city government, in 1890 commander of Seth Williams' Post, G.A.R., in 1891 president of the Main Dental Society, in 1892 aide-de-camp on the staff of Commander-in-chief Palmer. He was for 10 years adjutant of Seth Williams Post, G.A.R. At present Dr. McDavid is High Secretary of the High Court of Maine, Independent Order of Foresters, and secretary Third Maine Regiment Association. He is also clerk of St. Mark's parish, and clerk and treasurer of St. Mark's Home.

Dr. McDavid, his friends assert, will ere many moons be elected department commander of the Maine Division of the Grand Army of the Republic.

MANITOBA.

A letter of acknowledgment has been received from C. McMeichen, of Souris, Man., for the prompt payment of \$1,000 Mortuary Benefit and Funeral Benefit of \$50, of his son Benjamin McMeichen (Court Plum Creek, No. 1192, Souris, Man.)

MICHIGAN.

Kalamazoo Was Too Much for Jackson in the Game "Hight" Baseball.

(From a Local Newspaper.)

The Jackson brethren who came to participate in the Foresters' celebration on a recent Thursday evening, brought with them a baseball team on which they seemed to wager considerable. The

boys were a happy lot, but judging from the varied exhibitions they gave, their experience on the diamond was not commensurate with their jolliness and sociability.

Ashley Abell was to have had the final "say so" in the field, but he failed to appear and the trusty old war horse and all-round sport, Thomas P. Gleason, accepted the responsibility. Part of the Jackson aggregation jumped the job and Jake Ball, Sabin and LaBelle filled out their list.

The game opened with some very "fast" playing and through hard and heroic efforts the Kazoos piled up six scores and L. Green made one for Jackson. The next inning showed a shut out for the celery sluggers and two notches for the Jackson-Kazoos. Fenker scored in the third and Jackson found a bare cupboard. Then came on the rain and Jupiter Pluvius showed the demoralized ball players a father's pity. The final score stood 12 to 7 in favor of Kazoo. The umpire maintained perfect composure even when the storm of disapproval beat hardest.

Kalamazoo has not seen such a brilliant exhibition of ball-playing since the travelling men competed for the laurel.

The Independent Order of Foresters did things up royally in entertaining their visiting brethren in the evening. Foresters were in attendance from Jackson, Grand Rapids, Hillsdale and several other places.

The exercises opened in the evening at 8 o'clock and one of the largest classes in the history of the Foresters of this city was introduced to the preliminary mysteries of the brotherhood. Those initiated were William S. Tupper, George H. Cornell, A. Buelow, C. H. Ford, Theo. L. Fenker, C. Van Halst, Glen L. Shipman, Carl Bacheller, E. J. Pennell, D. C. Ingraham, E. V. Kelley, Dan Carroll, John Carroll, and the degree work was conducted by the Court of Gibraltar team of Jackson.

After the work was over the company marched into the banquet room where a fine repast was served.

DR. BOSMAN TOASTMASTER.

Dr. J. W. Bosman, the renowned after-dinner speaker, officiated as toastmaster and called upon several of the visiting members and some of the home lodge for extemporaneous toasts, after giving to the visiting brethren a short address of welcome.

W. J. Sampson, High Counselor of Hillsdale, made a fine address on the "Foresters." "America" followed, which was sung by the company. Ashley J. Abell spoke on the "Good of the Order," and made several amusing hits.

Prof. Wienn entertained the Order with several violin solos. Messrs. Genchach, of Jackson, and G. H. Sharpe, High Treasurer, of Battle Creek, made short speeches, after which Fred Adler, of Jackson, rendered a pleasing piano solo.

W. A. Crouch added to the programme a short speech on insurance, and related several funny stories. "Whitie" Kools rendered in his usual good manner a vocal solo and responded to an encore. Thomas P. Gleason related his experiences as a Forester, and Dr. W. H. Scott and Cornelius Van Halst responded to the medical and undertaking professions. C. H. Ford amusingly said that the ball game of the afternoon was the most atrociously managed affair he had ever been connected with. No one could play ball but the umpire.

A general good time was enjoyed until the guests left on the 2.10 morning train for their homes.