

Past Chancellor John Beamish,	New Brunswick, No. 1.
" " H. V. Cooper,	Union No. 2.
" " J. H. Wran,	Westmorland, No. 3.
" " R. J. Rosborough,	Frontier, No. 4.
" " R. H. Cooper,	Cumberland, No. 5.
" " J. D. Fowler,	Fredericton, No. 6.
" " Mered Brewer,	Ivanhoe, No. 7.
" " J. M. Deacon,	Border, No. 8.
" " R. E. Armstrong,	Seaside, No. 9.

The election of Deputy Grand Chancellor Armstrong to the office of Chancellor Commander of his Lodge necessitated the appointment of another in his stead. I was therefore pleased to appoint Past Chancellor F. H. Grimmer.

THE STATE OF THE ORDER

is indeed satisfactory. Within this term two Subordinate Lodges have been instituted, Myrtle Lodge, No. 10, at Advocate, and Chignecto Lodge, No. 11, at Amherst.

The credit of these additions is largely due to the efforts of Grand Vice Chancellor Peers. Both these Lodges have started under the most favorable auspices, and will I believe be a credit to the Jurisdiction. The increase in membership has been most encouraging. The net gain for the year ending June 30 is 133, to which might be added the membership of Chignecto Lodge at its inception, (25) making a total of 158, or 22½ per cent of an increase.

RITUALISTIC WORK.

I regret exceedingly to report that, but in a few instances, I found on my official visits to the different Lodges the officers did not perform the Ritualistic work at all well. In most cases the Rituals were in constant use.

In my opinion the great beauty and effect of our Rank work is to a large extent lost on the candidate if the obligations, instructions and charges are not administered naturally and without reference to the book.

With the advent of the new Ritual it may be necessary that this Grand Lodge pass such legislation as will make the memorizing of the Ritualistic work imperative.

UNIFORM RANK.

Fowler Division, No. 6, of Fredericton, has been added to the strength of the Regiment during this term; and all arrangements for the organization of a Division at Woodstock have been completed and would have been effected but for the absence of Col. Moulson, who was in attendance at the late session of our Supreme Lodge.

This branch of our order should now become exceedingly popular, since through the efforts of our much esteemed Supreme Repre-