

Brockville, Seeley's Bay, and has another well under way which will be instituted before the 1st of the month. We owe a very hearty vote of thanks to Bro. Glendenning, which we now have the pleasure of tendering him.

### Prince Edward Island.

The High Secretary has mailed to all the Financial Secretaries a post-card circular which reads as follows :

"To the Financial Secretary :

"DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I beg to remind you that with your report to the Supreme Secretary for the month of June you are required to send the capitation tax of 25 cents for each beneficiary member. Your report to the Supreme Secretary for the month of July must be on Form No. 12 for the Mortuary Department, and on 12 A for the Sick and Funeral Department. So many of our Financial Secretaries neglected to do this last year is the reason that I am now calling your attention to it. As to the report to the High Court I will write you in June."

Bro. F. J. Stewart, P.H.C. Ranger, is slowly improving from his recent illness.

Bro. Rev. David Price, High Chap., has recovered from his recent illness, and is now preaching three times every Sabbath.

Court Petrel has moved from their old place of meeting, North Tryon, to the hall lately vacated by the Masons at Tryon. The room is larger and more central for all concerned.

The High Court is to meet in Alberton about the middle of August. The High Standing Committee have arranged with the Prince Edward Island Railway for a special train from Charlottetown to Alberton, so as to make the quickest time and secure for the Representatives and others a very cheap fare.

A card containing the following words in large letters will soon be observed in the window of Miller Bros.' music-store, Queen Street, Charlottetown :

"This organ, made by the Dominion Organ Company, is to be given as a prize to the Court of Foresters in P. E. Island that will show, on the 1st of July, 1898, the largest number of new members since the 17th of August, 1897."

Bro. Dr. McNeill, of Court Prince Edward, has moved to Charlottetown. Before leaving Kensington about fifty of his friends met in the Foresters' hall and presented him with a short and suitable address, accompanied with a gold-headed cane and a diamond scarf pin. The cane is a very handsome one, with the following words engraved on it : "To A. McNeill, M.D., from friends in Kensington, April 7, 1898." After the presentation Dr. McNeill made a very appropriate reply, thanking all for the evidence of their good will towards him and expressing his regrets at leaving a practice and a place where he was always treated in such a kindly way.

The "new" court in Charlottetown bids fair to be an up-to-date court, as the following item from the Charlottetown *Guardian* clearly shows :

Court Mount Stephen, Charlottetown, held a most interesting meeting recently. There was a

large attendance of members. One candidate was initiated, and several applications for membership received. After the regular business was concluded, Bro. J. E. Birch, M.P.P., delivered a stirring address on Forestry ; this was followed by several songs by Bro. L. B. Foote, of Halifax, N.S., who is a host in himself. Bro. Robert Lamont, of Court New London, entertained the brethren with some of his popular Scotch songs. Altogether it was a most enjoyable evening.

"A GREAT BLESSING TO HIM."

Bro. Fowler received the following letter from the F.S. of the court at Kensington :

"KENSINGTON, March 31st, 1898.

"DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—The honorary member you notice in our report is Bro. Hon. G. W. Bentley, who has been on the free list since April, 1897. In October last we sent to the Supreme Court an application to secure for Bro. Bentley his disability benefit, and in January a cheque was received by him for \$1,500, being one-half of his assurance. This was a great blessing to him, as he is unable to do any kind of work, from paralysis of the nerves, and his family will, as you are aware, receive the balance at his death. (Signed). GORDON TUPLIN, Financial Secretary."

Mention has already been made in the *FORESTER* of the papers read in Court Chautauqua (the Banner court) by brothers Dr. McPhail, R. H. McDonald, John Mollison, Charles Murphy and A. L. Anderson. The local papers have the following to say about the last papers read :

Mr. L. U. Fowler, H.S., read a most instructive paper before the members of Court Chautauqua, No. 202, Summerside, on Friday evening, the subject being, "Are drinking men good insurance risks?" Chief Ranger Goss in conferring the unanimous vote of thanks voiced the sentiments of all present when he said that the paper was one of the very best that has been delivered in the court room this winter. Dr. McPhail spoke at some length and gave many reasons, from a physician's standpoint, why drinking men are not good risks.—*Summerside Farmer*.

Socialism.—Mr. R. H. Campbell, Principal of the High School, read a paper on "Socialism" before Court Chautauqua, No. 202, I.O.F., Friday evening. Mr. Campbell has given this subject a good deal of study and thought, and is well qualified to deal with it in the intelligent and interesting manner he did on the above occasion. All present were pleased with the paper, and Mr. Campbell received a hearty vote of thanks.—*Summerside Journal*.

### High Court of Quebec.

#### Official Circular No. 2.

OFFICE OF THE HIGH CHIEF RANGER,

134 Dorchester St.,

MONTREAL, May, 1898.

To all brethren of the Independent Order of Foresters, under the jurisdiction of the High Court of Quebec, Greetings.

BRETHREN :

Your Executive take pleasure in extending to you their hearty congratulations for the good work done during the competition just closed. Although for the month of March we find our jur-