

DISPENSATIONS.

During the year Dispensations have been issued for the formation of two New Chapters, one at Timmins, Ontario, to be called "The Northern Lights," and the other at Inwood, Ontario, to be called "Vimy." A number of other Dispensations have been issued, reference to which will be found in the report of the Grand Scribe E.

SUPREME GRAND CHAPTER OF QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA.

A Communication was received from the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Queensland, asking for fraternal recognition. The Communication has been placed in the hands of the Chairman of Fraternal Correspondence and he will no doubt make special report to this Grand Body concerning the matter.

RULINGS.

1. The question was asked, if a Companion who was suspended for non-payment of dues in December 1913, and at the time of his suspension owed dues to the amount of \$4.75, was he liable for and should he pay the dues intervening, from 1913 to 1918, before he could be reinstated.

If the Companion, I ruled, paid the amount due at the time of his suspension, he should be re-admitted to his Chapter without the payment of the dues for subsequent years.

2. I was asked, if the examination of a Candidate in the Mark and Most Excellent degrees should take place in open Lodge, and if it was not the duty of the Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, besides one of the Past Z's, to examine the Candidates.

I decided that the examination was to be held in open Lodge by the officers ruling the Lodge.

3. The question was also asked, if a newly installed Z. failed to appoint the officers of the Chapter such as Veilsmen, Overseers, etc., on the night of Installation would that not constitute an illegal Installation.