

### THE ELECTION OF SUPREME OFFICERS

Supreme Leader, Rev. John Kay, Brantford; (re-elected); Supreme Vice Leader, Dr. R. J. Ough, Millbrook, (re-elected); Secretary, A. J. Pattison, Toronto, (anonymous); Treasurer, D. R. Foster, Waterford, (anonymous); Chaplain, Rev. Jas. Mooney, Cainsville, (re-elected); Marshal, Rev. Saml. Cunningham, Waterford; Warden, W. H. Godwin, Kingston; Guard, D. B. Calbick, Goderich, (re-elected); Sentinel, John J. Hall, Woodstock (re-elected); Medical Examiner, Dr. A. D. Watson, Toronto, (anonymous); Solicitor, James R. Roof, Toronto, (anonymous). Trustees: John Small, Arthur, John L. Buck, St. Williams; James G. Howorth, Toronto Finance Committee: Wm. Wilkinson, M.A., Brantford; John Firstbrook, Toronto; Henry F. Perry, Toronto. Committee on Laws: F. N. Raines, M.A., Uxbridge; Samuel A. Nelles, Grimsby; W. H. McFadden, Brantford. On Appeals: Dr. C. Y. Moore, Brantford; M. Y. Keating, St. Catharines; Andrew Rodgers, Jarvis. Board of Past Leaders: R. Harcourt, M.P.P., Welland; John B. Freeman, M.P.P., Simcoe; J. J. Sidey, Welland.

### OUR NEW CIRCLES

The Supreme Organizer, P. M. Pattison, assisted by Bro. M. T. Hensworth, instituted North Toronto Circle, No. 132, at Davisville, Friday, March 28th, with the following first Officers:— W. Tomlinson, P.L.; J. T. Whaley, L.; F. Goulding, V.L.; T. G. Crown, Sec'y; Wm. Lewis, Treas.; J. S. Davis, Fin.-Sec.; Jno. Pender, C.; Jno. Davis, M.; Jno. Meaker, W.; Wm. Farrell, G.; A. Saunders, Sen.; Dr. S. R. Richardson, Med Exam. The new Circle starts with 18 active members, and promises a useful career in the good work.

### HOME CIRCLE CONCERT

A Committee of Toronto Home Circle, No. 19, provided a very enjoyable evening's entertainment for the friends of the Order and members of the Circle on Friday evening last in their Dundas Street Hall. The room was comfortably filled with an appreciative audience, and the programme made up from suitable selections was greatly enjoyed. The Supreme Secretary, Bro. A. J. Pattison, occupied the chair, and Bros. David Dunlop and A. R. Riches, of the Supreme Circle, and Past Leader Hro. Reid, of Toronto, 19, were on the platform.

Mrs. Arnold and Miss Spalding, Miss Maud Alexander, Miss Walker, Miss Ella Tewsley, Miss Coleman, Professor Wood, Mr. Harding and Mr. George MacBeth contributed to the programme. At the close of the Concert a choice lunch was provided for the ladies and gentlemen who had volunteered their services for the evening. The proceeds of the evening are to be donated to the family of a deserving member of the Order, and the Committee who provided the entertainment deserve special praise for the thorough efficiency and completeness of their arrangements. The committee consisted of Mrs. Emma Groom, Miss Wigley, Mrs. Fredale, Messrs. Hill and Barrett.

### WHAT THE PUBLIC THINK OF OUR ORDER

1. Would you kindly give me the address of the secretary of a few of the different benefit or friendly societies in Toronto? 2. Mention, if possible, which you would consider the best for a tradesman or workman to join. STRANGER.

1. A. J. Pattison, 44 Church Street, Order of Canadian Home Circles; I.O.O.F., J. B. King, 42 King Street east; I.O.O.F., M.U., Owen Mead, 136 Major Street; C.O.O.F., C. P. Parkinson, 136 Baldwin; A.O.F., W. Williams, room 20, Wesley Buildings, 33 Richmond west; I.O.F., J. A. McGillivray, 10 St. Patrick; Knights of Pythias, George H. Mitchell, 157 Denison Avenue; A.O.U.W., H. M. Wilkinson, 44 Maitland; Royal Arcanum, H. English, 112 Maitland; Orange, W. Lee, Victoria Hall; Royal Templars of Temperance, J. E. Kerr, 20 Oxford Avenue; Order of Chosen Friends, Mrs. E. G. B. Kemble, 16 Richmond Chambers. 2. For a workman the Order of Canadian Home Circles, A.O.U.W., Oddfellows, Foresters, or Royal Templars are all good; we cannot make a choice for you.—From the Answers to Inquiries in the Toronto Daily News, Monday, March 3rd, 1890.

### SECRET WORK

The exemplification of the Secret Work which was given by Supreme Organizer P. M. Pattison, towards the close of the Session of the Supreme Circle, proved a most interesting exercise. His ability to give it without the aid of the book was very gratifying to the fifty or more members who remained to the close. One brother who had been spoken of as an expert in the rendering of the charges and secret work, congratulated Bro. Pattison on his rendering so as to bring out some points which had altogether escaped his previous notice.

Although the Canadian Order of Home Circles does not attach essential importance to the secret work, yet it is with feelings of satisfaction that we look upon our simple, clear and instructive initiation ceremony, and brief but efficient rendering of the secret work. If the officers of our Circles could be persuaded to commit to memory so as to give off with good effect the charges and unwritten work, the whole ceremony would be much more attractive. We can readily see how repulsive to an educated and refined person an awkward and bungled rendering of the ceremonies must be. The Officers of the Order should enforce the obligation to commit to memory all charges and instructions to be used with candidates. We were very much delighted to notice the thorough acquaintance of our Supreme Organizer with all this work, and hope he may be able to impart an enthusiasm for a smooth and suggestive ceremony given in good style and with the taste of true literary culture.

### GEORGETOWN

On Friday Evening, 7th March, we had the privilege of initiating three of our leading citizens—one, headmaster of our High School. We expect three more at our next meeting. The Circle here is in splendid working order. Bro. J. Allen makes a first-class Leader.

### THE WHITE CROSS MOVEMENT

This is one of the most important movements of the day, in which efforts are being put forth to correct the social vice, and save from its ravages the tempted and tried of both sexes.

The inauguration of such a movement is not one hour too soon, for while intemperance is a great vice, and many others that we might mention are dreadfully destructive of the character and the health, none has a more deadly influence than the vice at the overthrow of which this Society proffers a helping hand. The passions and habits that are impure destroy the noblest elements of human character, and to show, especially the young, the dignity and manliness of controlling these in lines of purity to both mind and body is a noble work. The address of Dr. Douglas, principal of the Methodist College in Montreal, on this movement, has called almost world-wide attention to the Society, and its operations.

If Society is properly warned against the prevalent evils which this organization is trying to correct, then to be forewarned is to be forearmed.

All teachers of the young have a great work before them if they will do their duty, to elevate the standard of social morality so that the lecherous villain who by the blandishments of hypocrisy may mingle with the best society, may be detected, and either cured or cast out. The philanthropist knows how wide a realm this field presents. The cure begins in total abstinence from intoxicating beverages, and the vicious effects of all narcotic indulgences, and continues in a process of education which will spread beneficial results on every hand.

Men engaged in such a work should receive encouragement from all Insurance Companies and Beneficiary Societies, for whatever improves the public morals has a similar effect upon the public health. This diminishes the death rate and promotes the economical purposes of these Societies. We are glad, therefore, to speak a favorable word for the "White Cross Movement," and to wish its promoters all success in their noble undertaking.

The Journal of Proceedings will be out within ten days. It will give the proceedings of the late Supreme Session in full. See that it is read in the Circle for the information of the members.