

The Supreme Executive are anxious to meet the Supreme Court with a membership of 50,000, and a Reserve of *three quarters of a million*. I confidently expect that we in Ontario will contribute our full share to this desirable end.

Daily intercourse with the head office convinces me more and more of the high administrative ability of our Supreme Chief Ranger and his colleagues on the Executive, and their great devotion to the interests of our beloved Order.

Wishing for your court profitable meetings and large additions to the membership, and for yourselves personally, health, prosperity and happiness.

I remain,

Fraternally yours in L. B. & C.,  
JAMES B. HALKETT, A. MACGILLIVRAY,  
High Secretary, High Chief Ranger.

Result of competition for prizes offered by High Standing Committee in September, 1892, according to returns received by High Secretary.

1st Prize.—Brethren of courts in Ontario who secured five or more members during the time specified, who are entitled to a lithograph of the Supreme Chief Ranger:—

Name	Court.	Location.	No. new members
Chris. Quanbury,	Dover,	Port Dover,	12
W. Caley,	Dover,	Port Dover,	12
P. Y. Carey,	Imperial,	Toronto,	10
Jas. R. Anderson,	Eden Mills,	Eden Mills,	15
Thomas Butler,	Capital,	Ottawa,	12
Jas. Harmer,	Eden Mills,	Eden Mills,	5
John McKee,	Napanee,	Napanee,	8
Rev. D. J. Hyland,	View,	Fitzroy Harb'r	8
W. D. Henn,	Cambridge,	South Indian,	6
A. Clark,	Clandeboyce,	Clandeboyce,	6
Dr. E. J. Watts,	Moore Creek,	Moore Creek,	5
Dr. R. J. Niddrie,	Ivanhoe,	Millbrook,	5
J. H. Lock,	Erminie,	Garden Hill,	5
Alex. McPherson,	Metcalfe,	Metcalfe,	8

2nd Prize.—Bro. James R. Anderson of Court Eden Mills, obtained fifteen members, the largest number secured by any one brother during time given, and is entitled to a picture of High Standing Committee.

3rd Prize.—Court Coldwater obtained an increase of 122.29 per cent., and is entitled to picture of High Standing Committee.

4th Prize.—The following courts have been increased by ten members and upwards, and are awarded each a copy of picture of High Standing Committee.

Court.	Location.	Number of members.
Eden Mills,	Eden Mills,	42
Trent,	Campbellford,	23
Boyne,	Staples,	18
Ivanhoe,	Millbrook,	15
Dover,	Port Dover,	12
Clandeboyce,	Clandeboyce,	11
Coldwater,	Coldwater,	11
Imperial,	Toronto,	10
Metcalfe,	Metcalfe,	14
Capital,	Ottawa,	18

5th Prize.—Picture of High Standing Committee is awarded to Court Eden Mills as having had the largest number, viz., 42, join its ranks during time specified.

#### CASH PRIZES.

1st. Bro. James R. Anderson, Court Eden Mills ..... \$20.00

2nd. Bro. Thomas Butler, Court Capital.... 16,00  
3rd " P. Y. Carey, Court Imperial..... 12,00  
4th and 5th divided amongst Bros. John McKee, Court Napanee; Alex. McPherson, Court Metcalfe, and Rev. D. J. Hyland, Court, View, each received \$4.00. 12.00

#### Court Ottawa, No. 41.

The banner court of the order at Canada's capital was recently visited by the Supreme Secretary. "The best and heartiest thanks of the court" were tendered to Bro. "Jno. A." for his visit, and his able and interesting address. Court Ottawa goes marching on.

#### Court Bowmore, No. 941, Duntroon.

The public meeting of this court on the 13th ult., was, notwithstanding the severe weather, largely attended. Dr. Bolster presided. Short addresses were given by Revs. A. McD. nald and J. Lindsay, and the H.C.R. of Ontario, Rev. A. Macgillivray. A select musical programme was rendered. The court is of comparatively recent institution and is gaining steadily in numbers.

#### Court Angus, No. 968.

The members of this court and their friends completely filled the Presbyterian Church, Angus, on the occasion of their first anniversary service on Jan. 15. Bro. Rev. Jno. Leishman, P.D.H.C.R., pastor of the church, assisted in the service. The sermon was preached by Bro. Rev. A. Macgillivray, H.C.R. The membership of Court Angus is not large, but an increase is looked for.

#### Court Stormont, No. 3, Cornwall.

This is the leading court of eastern Ontario. The annual ball is one of the leading social events of the season. The event of the 10th February, we are assured, was a brilliant success. A large company, good music, fine supper, and a good time, were some of the leading features.

#### Court Brookdale, No. 291, Clayton.

The annual concert of this court on the 11th Jan. was not the complete success in point of numbers that it doubtless would have been, but for the storm and cold weather; but, notwithstanding certain drawbacks, everyone present seemed to have a good time. After the concert, refreshments were served in the court room by the lady friends of the members.

#### Court Forest Home, No. 431, Palmerston.

This is one of the courts that is contributing nobly to the growth and popularity of the Order. The initiations have been four, six, and eight at recent meetings. They are aiming at a membership of one hundred by next July. They would like a visit from the Chief, or some other leader in the Order. They deserve it, although they do not need it.

#### Court Seabright, No. 378, Kettleby.

The annual concert of this Court is an event to which the whole community look forward. On the evening of the 17th January the spacious Temperance Hall was completely filled. Reeve Stokes, of King, presided. A choice programme of music and readings was given. The chairman, Mayor Lloyd, Editor Ratchiffe, of Newmarket, and the H.C.R., Rev. A. Macgillivray, gave addresses. After the public meeting the members and their friends sat down to an oyster supper.