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PHOTOGRAPHS.

The members of the Supreme Court are again reminded to send in their photos, in uniform if possible, and in dark clothes, to the Supreme Chief Ranger at once, to be used in the new Supreme Court picture.

THE SUPREME COURT MEETING.

With the assent of the Executive Council and the High Standing Committee of Ontario concurring, it is proposed to open the High Court in Hamilton, on Monday, 15th August, at 3 p.m. The High Court will likely be through with business by Wednesday noon. The representatives elect to the Supreme Court can take train Wednesday evening for Montreal, when it is proposed to open the Supreme Court at 10 a.m., Thursday, 18th August. We will endeavor to give full particulars in the June FORESTER.

THE NEW CHARTER.

The new Charter is now being printed. It will be in ten colors, and as there are 10,700 copies of the charters and certificates ordered, it follows that there must be 107,000 impressions on the job, it will therefore be some time yet before they are got ready. But as we have before said, when completed we believe they will be superior to any other charter extant. The certificates of membership will be from the same plates as the charter, and will be very far superior in every respect to the old certificates.

The new certificates will be issued as of old to all new members for \$1.00, including policy, but to all members who have had the old certificates, the new one will be issued for 50 cents. So also if any Court wishes to have the new charter issued to it, it will be done on the Supreme Secretary being furnished with the names of the officers and a fee of 50 cts. to cover cost of engraving and transmission by mail. We believe when the members see the new certificates everyone will order one, and that each Court will want the new charter. The rule will be first come first served. Members therefore had better send early.

AN APOLOGY.

Owing to the indisposition of the S. C. R. we are unable to present in this issue of the FORESTER several articles we had intended to

place before our readers. The S. C. R. has been doing for some time back the work of two or three men, necessitating continuous work of from 18 to 20 hours a day. Though blessed with a strong constitution nature has at last rebelled, in an unmistakable manner, against such flagrant violation of its laws, and on the 12th inst. serious symptoms pointing to congestion of the brain supervened, and the physicians have ordered complete rest from all work. It is believed that a few days rest will be sufficient to recover all untoward symptoms, when the S. C. R. intends to take a couple of weeks holiday by visiting New Jersey and organizing the High Court for that State. If all our correspondents do not get prompt answers to their letters, this will, we hope, be a sufficient apology.

A LAWSUIT.

At the recent Oxford assizes a suit was brought against the C. O. F. for recovery of an endowment claim on a deceased brother, which the Executive had refused to pay, on the ground that the brother had misrepresented his age, giving it younger than he really was. That at the date of initiation he was, in fact, over 45 years of age, the limit to which the C. O. F. goes for the admission of members. Whether the judge and jury had heard that sometimes the C. O. F. Executive did not hesitate to admit men who were over the limit of age—aye, men who were nearly 60 years of age—we do not know; but the result of the suit was that the C. O. F. were ordered to pay the full amount of claim, viz., \$1,000 with all the costs. Bros. Stanley, White & Co. will no longer be able to say "the C. O. F. has not been obliged to be sued before paying claims." We don't know what our brethren will do now, as that was about the only advantage—and it was a doubtful one—that they claimed that the Canadian Order of Foresters had over the I. O. F.

A SAD CASE.

It has seldom been our duty to chronicle so sad, and at the same time so unexpected a death, as falls to our lot this week. On Tuesday morning Mr. Philbin received a letter from his wife, who was at the time of writing in Montreal, in good health. He had only returned to his store a short time, when a telegram was delivered to him saying his wife was very sick. Two hours later another was received giving the painful and harrowing information that she was dead.

About the 17th Dec. last, the deceased lady and her sister, Mrs. Matheson, left on a visit to Montreal, and she was expected by her husband on the first boat leaving Owen Sound. In the meantime he has had a new residence built on Second street, which is nearly completed, and the afflicted husband was looking anxiously forward to the return of his wife. The suddenness and unexpected character of the news created not a little consternation among the citizens generally, of whom Mr. Philbin has the deepest sympathy in his sad bereavement.

THE FORESTERS.

At the regular meeting of the Forester's lodge on Tuesday evening, of which our Mr. Philbin is one of its oldest members, the following resolution was carried unanimously: Moved by Bro. Hose, seconded by Bro. Reading, that the following letter of condolence be handed to Bro. Philbin before he leaves for Montreal, and that copies of it be also sent to the FORESTER, and the News:

To J. W. PHILBIN, ESQ.,

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—The members of Court Keewatin, No. 19, having heard of the sad loss you have sustained in the sudden death of your dear wife, cannot allow you to depart on your melancholy errand to Montreal without expressing our heart-felt sympathy in your great affliction, and we trust you may receive that comfort from the Great High Chief above, who alone can pour balm on the hearts of the afflicted and sorrowful.

Mr. Philbin left on Tuesday night for Montreal.

T. B. LINTON, R.S.

\$1,000.00.

Petitcodiac, N. B., April 14, 1887.

To F. W. Emerson, Esq., High Secretary of N. B.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of a cheque for one thousand dollars, being the endowment held by my father, the late Thomas Herrett, a member of Court Petitcodiac, No. 94, in your noble Order.

I would thank you to convey to all officers of the Supreme Court my sincere thanks for their promptness in paying said endowment.

I trust the Order will continue its good work, with greater success and prosperity.

I am, yours very truly,

BERTHA HERRETT.

NEW COURTS.

COURT BIRTLE, NO. 129, BIRTLE, MAN.
Instituted 10th March, 1887, by Col. P. H. Attwood.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

C.D.H.C.R., John Dunlop.
C.R., John Dunlop.
V.C.R., Arthur Daige.
R.S., Geo. E. Hargraves.
F.S., Richard Hargraves.
Treas., John Pearson.
S.W., Wm. Thos. Beimes.
J.W., Jas. Carroll Jackson.
S.B., Thos. Wilkinson.
J.B., Chas. Holmes.
P.C.R., Andrew McLaren.
Chaplain, Arthur Lepper.
Physician, Dr. A. B. McKinnon.

COURT RICHMOND, NO. 234, PORT RICHMOND, N. Y.

Instituted 4th April, 1887, by Dr. Oronhytekh, S.C.R.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

C.D.H.C.R., Alva W. Sharret.
C.R., Wm. Stevens.
V.C.R., John A. Nesbitt.
R.S., Oliver N. VanName.
F.S., William Murphy.
Treas., Edwin H. Brayne.
S.W., Chas. Brayne.
J.W., Howard Beyer.
S.B., Chas. E. Beyer, sr.
J.B., Angus Beyer.
Chaplain, Winfield S. Kruser.
Physician, Edgar D. Cooney, M.D.

COURT KENNEBECASIS, NO. 24, NORTON STATION, N. B.

Instituted 13th April, 1887, by Bro. F. W. Emerson, H. Secretary.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

C.D.H.C.R., A. P. Sherwood.
C.R., M. A. Innes.
V.C.R., A. P. Sherwood.
R.S., W. A. Club.