

The complete list (and it will be a long one) of those who won the prizes offered by the Supreme Executive, will appear in our next issue. All the returns are not yet complete.

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It is suggestive, that while we have *twenty-eight* chapters, recording the Acts of the Apostles, we have no record of their *resolutions*. In our day some apostles reverse this apostolic order.

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In this issue we give our readers a portrait and sketch of Bro. Rev. A. Macgillivray, H.C.R. of Ontario. Next month Bro. Emmerston, P.S.C. and H.S., of New Brunswick, will adorn our first page.

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The prize list of the High Court of Ontario should excite a lively competition among the members of the Order in Ontario. The list of those who won the prizes offered last October, appears in this issue.

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"Speak a shade more kindly than the year before;

Pray a little oftener, love a little more;

Cling a little closer to the Father's love;

Thus life below shall liker grow to life above."

The detailed statement of the Supreme Secretary in this No., showing the standing of each court, is of special value. Members, by comparing it with the statement in the August FORESTER, will see whether their court has advanced, stood still, or receded.

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The Order that, in the first month of the 17th year of its history, adds \$27,000 to its reserve, and has behind it a total reserve of \$607,000, and a membership of over 44,000, paying monthly something like \$50,000, is as strong numerically and sound financially as the most cautious can reasonably desire.

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Some men like to work for an Order, and some like to have the Order work for them. We have hosts of the former, possibly an odd one here and there of the latter. The Order is being conducted on sound business principles. "Good pay for good work, and no work, no pay." The Order is bound to prosper.

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February and March were our best months last year. We can't afford to show a poorer record for the same months this year. We should show a better record. We have over 10,000 more members; they ought to be

workers; we expect they are, and that it will be seen in handsome additions to our membership.

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A month of the new year is past—what have you done to carry out the resolutions so earnestly made at the beginning of the year? Whom have you helped? Whose life has been made brighter by your fellowship, and whose burden lighter by your sympathies? What you should do, do now. Opportunities do not return.

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"I can't afford life insurance," we now and then hear a man say. "I have as much to do as I can to get along now." Brother, if you and yours find it enough to get along *now*, how would it be with them if you were taken from them? You cannot afford, of all men, to neglect the protection that life insurance affords.

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One of the disgraceful sights of our town and city streets is to see sickly-looking lads in krickerbockers puffing away at the stub of a cigar or cigarette. If a policeman brought every such offender to his home, and had an interview with his parents, it might tend to prevent these youngsters from becoming mental and physical imbeciles. The law against selling cigarettes to lads should be rigidly enforced.

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For some weeks, two clerks have been busy with the mailing list. Every Forester whose name appeared in the annual report of his court, has his name on the mailing list, and ought to get his copy of the FORESTER regularly. All changes and additions will, as soon as reported to the editors, be at once noted. We are anxious that every member should get his copy of the official organ regularly. *Will financial secretaries please notify us promptly of all changes; and will they please write a hand that ordinary mortals can read?*

A Year of Unparalleled Progress.

Those who have watched the career of the Independent Order of Foresters and have interested themselves in its history will note with special interest the splendid record that the Order has made for itself during the year 1892. It will be fresh in the recollection of many that at the beginning of the year the Order was enjoying the hostile criticism of those whose interests would be served by prejudicing it in the eyes of the public. It may be safely concluded, that the strongest