

In the term ending 30th of June, 1889, under Brother Chancellor Commander A. J. Reid, M.D., we began to perceive indications of a going among the "mulberry trees," and seven (Rory O'More's lucky number) new members were added to our numbers. And the commencement of the new term, under Bro. Chancellor Commander A. L. Friedman opened with a list of acceptable applications, which have at this date reached *thirty one already initiated*, and a firm conviction among the members that there are "more to follow."

Not only have we enjoyed a marked degree of success numerically, but the initiations have given us "new blood" for officers, and I am gratified beyond measure, in being able to testify to the very excellent character of the work, and the disappearance of the ritual from the hands of C. C., V. C., P., and M. at A. during all the ceremonies of the lodge. Our present V. C., Bro. H. Dubois, reached the pinnacle of Pythian perfection in this particular, while performing the duties of Prelate, and also in his present position.

One Brother has been reinstated, and one has removed to Washington Territory during the term.

Providence has been exceedingly kind to our lodge in sparing our members from death and grievous sickness. Our ranks remain unbroken by the scythe of the great Reaper, but two of our number have been called upon to suffer bereavement through the loss of their wives.

I cannot close this report without expressing my appreciation and gratitude to the new members added to our Order for the considerate kindness and courtesy with which they treat the old members of the lodge; some of whom—myself among the number—are not altogether free from charges of being "cranks" with regard to our ideas of strict propriety, etc.

I beg to report, with no small degree of pleasure, the successful organization of Olive Lodge, No. 14, at Bruce Mines, on the 20th inst. Acting upon a suggestion by Bro. Mitchell, G. K. of R. and S., a full supply of necessary rituals, etc., were taken from the Sault Lodge, together with jewels, etc., which we afterwards discovered saved us a serious disappointment, as none of the supplies usually sent by the Grand Lodge with dispensation had reached Bruce Mines; and they are yet waiting for them.

I am very much indebted to C. C., A. L. Friedman, V. C., H. Dubois, and M. at A., E. R. Bailey, of Algoma Lodge, No. 11, for excellent assistance, and most hearty co-operation. P. C.'s W. Turner and John Jenkins, and thirteen Knights accompanied us as a deputation, and added very much to the success of the ceremony.

I initiated 17 of the applicants in three Ranks, and installed all the officers; and if the requisite G. L. supplies have been forwarded, you will shortly hear of work done by the members of Olive Lodge that will encourage you to look them up.

I enclose the list of names of Charter Members, all of whom were