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The announced rate over the roads of the Central Traffic Association, one fare for the round trip will insure good accommodations over the various roads, the big G. A. R. event in Chicago taxing the roads to the utmost for cheap excursions. It is the promise of the roads that the Detroit rate means the best possible service and Pythians out for a good time prefer the best that the world affords.

A GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP.

From a report just received from R. L. C. White, Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, we find that the Order has, during the year 1899, a net gain in membership of 21,589. This is a matter in which all should be interested, and one that we should feel proud of, notwithstanding the fact that in most of the lodges, there has been a general movement towards weeding out that class of membership that does not contribute, solely from lack of interest, and a stronger desire to accept only the best material. We find that this grand institution is on the increase. In British Columbia the membership have every reason to feel proud of what they have accomplished. We stand to-day first in point of membership with any of our sister domains in Canada, and lead very considerably some of the domains in the United States. Considering the fact that as yet we have not an over-abundant population in the Province—and that to a great extent floating or transient—we have to congratulate ourselves, on having excellent workers in the field. Our Order is the youngest of the three great fraternal orders, having a foothold in this Domain, and we can justly claim a place side by side with them in the work of fraternal organization. Especially successful has been our mission in the Upper Country, with eleven good lodges, each with a good healthy membership and exchequer, and prospects of more lodges in the near future, thanks to the work of loyal and active knights in that section of our Province, which gives so much promise of untold wealth and prosperity.

FINANCES OF THE SUPREME LODGE.

From information just received from Bro. Thomas D. Meares, Supreme, Master of Exchequer we are glad to state that the finances of the Supreme Lodge are in a healthy condition, and that there will possibly be a surplus on hand after the next session of the Supreme Lodge. It is gratifying to note this condition of affairs and we trust that continual prosperity will be our portion, and that the Supreme Lodge will be placed in the position that it should be—financially able to meet all its obligations.

OBITUARY.

Charles A. Lee, Supreme Representative, Rhode Island.

Charles A. Lee, Editor of the "Pawtucket Gazette," and Supreme Representative of Rhode Island, died at 11:50 p. m. on Wednesday, May 23rd, at the Preble House, Portland, Maine, from a stroke of apoplexy. Bro. Lee left Pawtucket to attend the annual convention of the Grand Lodge of Maine. He made his headquarters at the Preble House, and was sitting at dinner when he was taken suddenly ill. Assistance was at once summoned and all that medical skill and attendance could do was given him. Nothing, however, availed and death released him from his suffering at the hour above mentioned.

Bro. Lee was one of the most prominent members of the Order in the United States. For many years he held the important position of Official Reporter, for the Supreme Lodge at its sessions, and was held in high esteem by all members of that body, who had the pleasure of meeting him. Bro. Lee held many offices of honor in that Order. He was a charter member of Eureka Lodge, No. 5, Knights of Pythias, which he joined in March, 1871, and was its second Chancellor Commander. He was Grand Chancellor in 1875 and 1876, and since 1877 he had been a representative of the Supreme Lodge, his term of continuous service making him the oldest member of that body. He was also a member of the Uniform Rank and the Endowment Rank of the Knights of Pythias.

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