

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES.

We give below a few items taken from the official reports of the leading Fraternal Societies for the year 1905 compared with 1904, which will, no doubt, be read with interest by a great many of our readers.

NAME.		Organ- ized or Com- menced Busi- ness.	Number of C- ertificates in force 31st Dec., 1905.	Number of Certificates issued in 1905.	Number Ceased to be in Force, 1905.	Ratio of Ceased to New 1905.	Amount Paid by Members in 1905.	Amount Paid for Death Losses Claims, etc., in 1905.	Total Expenses, 1905.	Ratio of Expenses to Amount Paid by Members 1905.
							\$	\$	\$	
Ancient O. U. W. (Pa).....	1905	1868	299 8 3	17,661	41,231	233.5	8,788,554	7,758,780	680,777	7.75
do	1904		323,393	19,141	58,833	307.4	9,254,420	8,330,895	749,420	8.10
Catholic Benv. Legion.....	1905	1881	19,971	255	2,530	992.2	966,268	950,092	27,364	2.83
do	1904		22,216	396	14,085	3,556.8	1,185,711	1,290,333	27,384	2.31
Catholic Mutual Benefit Assoc'n.....	1905	1879	57,638	3,426	3,403	99.3	1,632,608	1,368,895	30,748	2.00
do	1904		57,615	2,333	6,264	268.5	1,534,104	1,520,640	41,334	2.70
Catholic Order Foresters.....	1905	1883	118,061	10,443	6,648	63.7	1,344,148	990,060	105,827	7.93
do	1904		114,266	10,547	8,889	84.3	1,306,545	996,840	100,830	7.72
Imp. Order Heptasophs.....	1905	1878	65,996	8,965	5,268	58.8	1,378,680	1,190,436	122,683	8.90
do	1904		62,299	9,911	5,343	53.9	1,333,124	1,165,465	100,051	7.55
Independent Order Foresters.....	1905	1881	233,293	29,091	21,674	74.5	3,546,484	2,197,629	529,873	14.94
do	1904		225,876	28,730	22,346	77.8	3,436,825	2,151,308	527,525	15.35
Knights of Honor.....	1905	1873	49,126	2,769	11,818	426.8	2,810,435	2,741,885	96,082	3.42
do	1904		49,175	3,481	5,912	170.0	2,948,032	2,892,637	78,951	2.68
Knights and Ladies of Honor.....	1905	1877	83,088	18,675	11,696	62.6	1,564,069	1,388,810	144,148	9.22
do	1904		76,169	16,191	10,833	66.9	1,524,342	1,353,326	140,564	9.22
Knights of Pythias.....	1905	1877	74,857	14,796	8,142	55.0	2,085,060	1,458,602	319,171	15.30
do	1904		68,203	12,248	7,606	62.1	2,020,570	1,495,639	385,304	19.07
Knights of the Maccabees.....	1905	1883	298,891	39,141	62,626	160.0	4,781,827	3,362,120	487,192	10.19
do	1904		322,376	50,369	69,287	131.6	4,540,450	3,473,040	476,046	10.49
Ladies	1905	1892	124,113	18,802	18,103	96.3	1,408,031	765,957	272,890	19.38
do	1904		123,414	24,898	13,735	55.2	1,162,140	675,923	290,414	24.99
Modern Woodmen.....	1905	1883	713,337	96,019	43,125	44.9	8,369,968	6,616,044	938,020	11.21
do	1904		660,952	61,074	60,273	98.7	6,980,303	6,659,681	812,031	11.63
National Union.....	1905	1881	61,019	4,025	8,378	208.1	2,437,605	2,053,250	130,689	5.36
do	1904		65,372	5,464	7,613	139.3	2,167,522	2,034,050	127,166	5.87
Royal Arcanum.....	1905	1877	254,756	22,678	73,005	321.9	8,442,876	8,021,429	283,442	3.40
do	1904		305,083	35,980	13,896	38.8	8,101,607	8,155,469	204,826	2.53
Woodmen of the World	1905	1891	274,592	67,307	29,967	44.5	4,032,478	2,789,476	613,617	15.22
do	1904		237,252	60,073	29,997	50.0	3,576,640	2,371,047	466,718	13.05

SOME OF THE ITEMS OF EXPENSES.

NAME.	Com-mis-sions Salaries, etc. paid to or allowed Agents, M'grs, &c.	Salaries, &c. of Officers.	Salaries, &c. of Office Employees.	Rent.	Advertising Printing, but not Supplies.	Gov'ning Bodies and Subordi-nate	Legal and other Expenses re Claims.	Official Publication.	Con-ventions or Supreme Council Expenses.
Ancient O. U. W. (Pa.).....	\$ 152,150	\$ 110,479	\$ 55,125	.....	\$ 31,124	\$ 71,821	\$ 13,072	\$ 63,208	.....
do	159,308	106,312	57,857	24,385	48,333	100,060	23,383	69,403	* 95,476
Catholic Benv. Legion.....	.....	7,626	7,495	900	1,954	.....	949	742	.....
do .....	.....	9,012	6,734	900	2,049	.....	570	857	1,317
Catholic Mutual Benefit Ass.	5,095	8,558	2,634	455	1,527	1,364	907	8,055	.....
do	12,354	7,242	2,197	385	3,372	1,913	1,686	8,980	.....
Catholic Order Foresters.....	5,108	8,434	17,014	3,406	4,124	5,710	2,640	17,077	19,316
do	16,610	8,441	15,708	3,056	2,657	6,195	1,057	14,823	.....
Imp. Order Heptasophs.....	32,118	28,284	6,757	1,769	4,581	10,552	613	14,452	.....
do	35,728	27,607	6,583	1,765	2,915	.....	1,337	13,886	.....
Independent Order Foresters.....	255,185	34,975	70,378	17,495	13,017	.....	21,300	21,091	39,767
do	217,497	32,702	84,858	18,230	25,882	.....	24,017	30,458	* 81,001
Knights of Honor.....	33,504	11,890	12,108	2,700	3,674	6,032	1,745	2,500	14,243
do	24,405	11,158	11,038	2,700	2,552	10,916	1,394	2,500	381
Knights and Ladies of Honor.....	84,799	12,639	12,736	.....	740	.....	2,408	9,817	5,871
do	85,211	13,417	12,925	1,875	953	.....	1,186	8,997	.....
Knights of Pythias.....	203,129	11,160	22,478	3,870	9,934	3,558	7,013	11,184	.....
do	183,176	11,483	18,344	3,747	7,166	3,988	6,768	1,567	* 94,830
Knights of the Maccabees.....	244,684	24,795	47,499	261	20,463	.....	20,634	59,455	.....
do	254,784	22,233	42,351	.....	8,994	43,982	16,818	30,824	.....
Ladies	88,275	15,000	31,680	1,750	12,077	1,884	26,307	39,390	.....
do	125,021	12,543	25,822	1,650	10,040	34,619	20,445	19,871	.....
Modern Woodmen	301,409	43,544	158,097	1,008	14,533	134,512	22,273	95,288	.....
do	273,805	40,505	152,264	993	39,344	16,934	24,790	87,040	* 130,882
National Union	42,344	17,283	14,276	.....	7,049	11,888	4,490	8,478	.....
do	38,067	15,425	12,589	1,356	7,064	11,443	4,874	7,934	.....
Royal Arcanum.....	37,636	40,267	48,282	.....	11,256	4,843	7,637	9,921	30,983
do	63,678	33,398	39,890	.....	13,278	3,928	2,423	12,396	.....
Woodmen of the World	228,644	19,011	71,094	6,610	41,174	68,263	19,582	84,209	.....
do	176,625	17,267	58,695	5,335	38,942	2,894	14,969	49,670	.....

Miscellaneous. General Branch Offices Travelling and other Expenses. Maintenance of Lexington Hotel Investment. Supplies, &c.