

A. J. SCOTT, PAST CHANCELLOR.

Bro. Arthur J. Scott, who is the youngest charter member of Crusader Lodge, No. 19, was born at Charlottetown, P. E. I., 26 years ago. Bro. Scott was prominent as Vice-Chancellor in the crack Vancouver Drill Team. After

studies in his father's office, after the close of the War, he prepared himself and was ready to apply for his license at the age of nineteen. Being two years under the legal age to obtain admission to the Bar, and pecuniarily unable to wait, he sought employment, becoming connected with the Seaboard Air Line, of which he



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holding various offices in his lodge, he became a Past Chancellor in July, 1898. Besides being one of the Committee of the "True Knight," he is an active member of the Order.

Three years ago Bro. Scott formed a partnership with Captain H. A. Mellon, under the firm style of Mellon & Scott, and has been successful in general insurance and brokerage circles in this City.

has been an efficient officer for 20 years, being now in charge of all the interests of that system in Wilmington.

In 1895 he was promoted and made General Agent by Mr. St. John, Vice-President and General Manager, who was not slow to recognize his executive ability and special fitness for the position. During the last three years the business of the agency under his management has increased about 70 per cent., a result largely due to his personal efforts. Mr. Meares is a great favorite, not only in the social but the business life of Wilmington. He is a man of fine attainments in journalism and literature, is universally esteemed for his probity, industry, liberal methods and sterling good traits, and occupies an enviable position of power and influence as a high minded, honorable, upright citizen.

SUPREME MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

Thomas D. Meares was born in North Carolina in 1845. He is descended from ancestors long prominent in the history of his State. Among his maternal ancestors were James Iredell, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; James Iredell, second, Judge of Superior Court, United States Senator, and Governor of North Carolina. His father and paternal grandfather were leading lawyers and public men in North Carolina. He thus inherited a talent and predilection for the law.

Mr. Meares' education was somewhat interrupted by the War, in which he took part as courier on the staffs of Gen. Bradley Johnson and Gen. Wade Hampton. Resuming his legal

He joined the Knights of Pythias in 1880 as a member of Stonewall Lodge, No. 1, of Wilmington. He passed through the chairs in 1882, and was elected Grand Representative in 1885, declined re-election in 1886, but was again elected in 1887. At the ensuing Grand Lodge session he was unanimously elected Grand Vice-Chancellor. In 1888 he received the unanimous vote for Grand Chancellor, and again in 1889, serv-