

consequent festivities of our magnificent Temple to the purposes of Forestry, and while congratulating you upon the consummation of so huge and eminently judicious an undertaking, it is with some degree of

defunct during the year.

Two cases of amalgamation of courts have been reported. In each case a court was planted to meet near each other, and, accordingly, have made gratifying accessions to their numbers.

The long-continued business depression has had its effect upon the advancement of our order, and both organizations have issued reports that they look for, and in some cases possibly will have, a more favorable view of the approaching better times, and, as a whole, it can be fairly and safely said that our position to-day is one of improvement. The entire membership of the two orders is putting a good system squarely before a discerning public, not in a spirit of ostentation, but with proper consideration of our slight, but growing, influence, with determination to meet the attacks of the line companies with arguments and

had its effect upon the advancement of our order, and both organizers and delegates report that they look for, and indeed are promised, numbers of applications in view of the approaching better times. In the whole, it can be fairly and safely said that our position to-day is one of eminence, attained by our representatives putting a good system squarely before a discerning public, not in a spirit of contention, but with proper consideration towards our sister organizations, and with determination to meet the attacks of the line companies with arguments and

putting a good system squarely before a discerning public, not in a spirit of evasion, but with a sincere confidence in our legislative institutions, and with determination to meet the attacks of the line companies with arguments and facts that are convincing.

**As to Courts.**

I am aware that there are parts of our legislation that have not received the attention I would have been delighted to give them, but, in some instances, this is a misconception of some of the more important duties of the courts. I am sure that the H. S. Committee in sending deputies to them, and in other cases, as the courts affirm that assistance was so isolated, extreme attendance at old to new matter than could be recommended, especially as our deputies were doing such effective

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the Forensic altar. I have many acts of kindness and remember noble deeds done by them for our noble order, and I grant that when our bugle call is sounded we may have the password that I have written into His Supreme Court for us, to enjoy with Him and those we have a blessed eternity.

My brethren, one year ago you unanimously made me your chief executive officer, and I am fully expected that the dignity and honor of so important a position would be fully maintained. I have done my best and I expect credit upon your choice, and in my act have endeavored to be loyal to the interests of the order. If I have fallen short of your expectations, I am sorry, and can only say that errors which I may have committed were those of the

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at its last annual session, viz., the giving of special care to the strengthening of the organization. It is a matter of organization work. We have experienced marked opposition all along the line, but, as our distinguished and beloved president has said, "the best people there are always the most under it." By a consideration of the facts presented to you in the reports of the various divisions, and by a consideration of our own expectations, and have you offered any competitors.

As a result of the efforts put forth we have had a membership of 10,496, and a total of 1,000,000. This is a very substantial increase in membership of 1261 for the year just closed. We would be remiss on my part did I fail to mention the fact that the American High Standing Committee to

to be in their sharing the advancement of a truly wonderful order. Bro. Zneck and his family, and the other members of the Sanders, by their well-directed efforts, have associated very materially in making for break-breaking year.

**Building Up the Order.**

There should also be remiss on my part due to mention the splendid work done by the individual members of our association. I have heard of the splendid work done by the applications for membership can be secured to this source. These brethren have exercised that essential principle of the Order, the "right of association," and, by their well-directed enthusiasm, and results go to prove conclusively that they are in the greatest success in an order like ours. I am sure that these brethren will be able to shoulder to the wheel together, and say fall.

also, before I terminated, the chief attorney of our High Standing Committee has been elected to the top of the group. I would like to tell you that 23 new courts have been added to our list during the year; the deserving special mention being Court of the Holy Spirit, which is headed by our general High Treasurer, Bro. Atwell and, having the proper distinction the largest charter membership of any of the courts.

I would like to thank my colleagues in office for their very generous and courteous treatment rendered me during our association for the past year.

During the past year it has been my misfortune to have been ill on two occasions, my work was necessarily retarded in consequence, chiefly in the matter of sending out the various courts. I am glad that the members of the various courts for the

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gan, and in a neat speech the High Ranger welcomed them with true Force greetings. Bro. W. J. Kiely gave no motion commendatory of the action of the High Standing Committee in causing a date set for the meeting of the High Court to be named at a time subsequent to the meeting of the Supreme Court. After discussion recess was taken until 4 o'clock. On resuming business Rev. W. A. Brown, chairman, presented the report of

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