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THE SPEECHES.

In the course of a brief address Mr. McNair expressed his pleasure at meeting the largest Forestric gathering in his experience. They were commemorating the twenty-second anniversary of the Order and bidding welcome home to its accomplished and beloved head, whose hospitality and that of his estimable wife they had been all day fully enjoying. They had present with them many eloquent speakers—all Foresters were eloquent—and it would be his business to allow his audience to hear as many of them as possible, and to this end he must not speak any longer himself, and he would see that those that followed should not speak too long. He had pleasure in introducing to them the Rev. Wm. J. McCaughan of Belfast, H.C.R. of Ireland.

Mr. McCaughan was received with applause, and gave expression to the pleasure he felt in being on Canadian soil and in joining with them to welcome the man they all delighted to honor, and to celebrate the 22nd birthday of the I.C.F. He bore to them the greetings of thousands of their brethren beyond the Atlantic. The Order was making steady and satisfactory progress in the British Isles, and in the three years of its history there they had secured a larger membership than had been secured during

the first five years of its history after its re-organization in 1881. That fact alone showed the wisdom of the Executive in extending Independent Forestry to Britain. The colleagues of the Supreme Chief had delegated to him an important and pleasant duty, that of reading an address from them to their beloved co-worker, Dr. Oronhyatekha. The address, which was beautifully illuminated and bound in album form, was as follows:—

ADDRESS TO THE CHIEF.

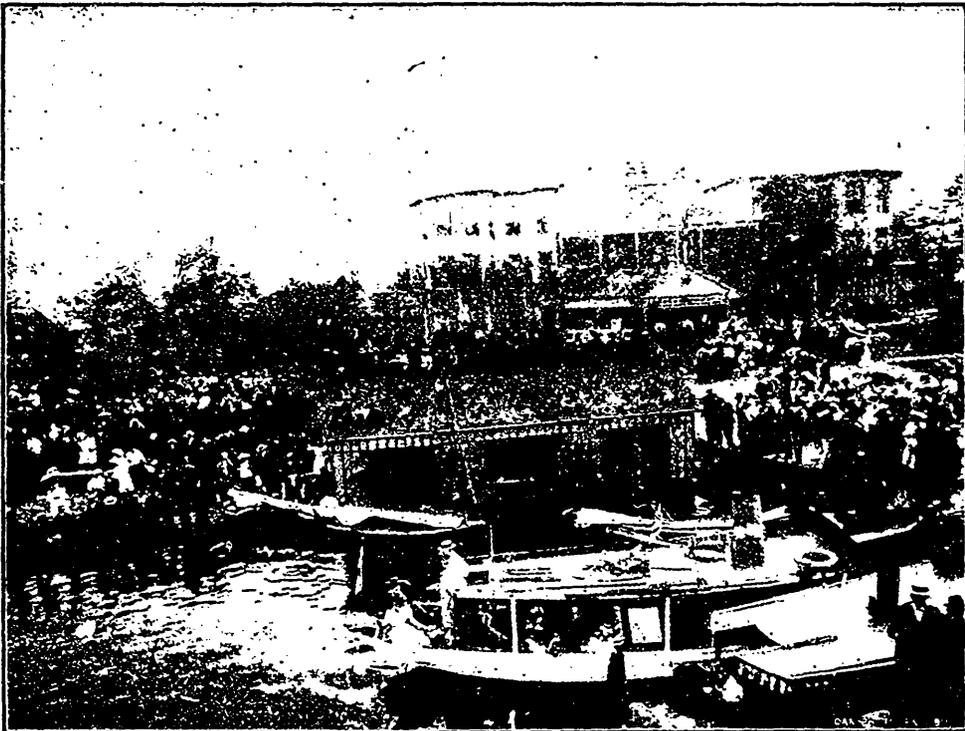
ORONHYATEKHA, M.D., J.P.,  
SUPREME CHIEF RANGER,

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—Your colleagues on the Executive Council join in bidding you a hearty welcome home from your brief but eminently busy and successful trip to the Old World. We rejoice to find you in our midst again in the enjoyment of good health, and giving every evidence of unabated physical and mental vigor.

We congratulate you on being privileged to see the completion of the twenty-second year of the history of our beloved Order, a year that had surpassed all preceding ones in the growth both of the membership and the surplus fund of the Order.

We wish cordially to acknowledge the many signal services you have rendered the Order during the fifteen years you have been its distinguished first officer. With voice and pen you have at all times, and in the face of all opponents and competitors, defended the



SCENE AT THE WHARF, FORESTERS' ISLAND PARK, JUNE 19TH, '96.