

pital. He did not rally after the operation, however, and on Tuesday morning last he passed away. The deceased, who was a son of the late Bruce Stewart, and who was about fifty years of age, was, as one of our contemporaries very truly says of him, "one of nature's truest noblemen—honorable and straightforward to a degree." He was a man of quiet, unselfish and generous disposition, and of the most kindly, refined and gentlemanly manner, and, while he had hosts of friends wherever he was known, we do not know that he had an enemy in the world, and by his death this province loses one of its most upright citizens, who led a blameless life, and who left the circles in which he moved better for his having lived, and he goes to his long rest honored and regretted by the community. Mr. Stewart was for many years one of the prominent mercantile men of the west, and his business career was an honorable one, against which no man has a word to utter. He was, in short, a good citizen of his native province, a business man of spotless reputation, an affectionate husband and father, and a true friend. Mr. Stewart was a prominent Forester, being a member of Court Mazeppa, No. 1068, O'Leary, and he held several important positions in the Order, being High Chief Ranger of the High Court of Prince Edward Island for the year 1896. He stood high in the Masonic Order, being a member of Alexandra Lodge, No. 5, Port Hill, of Prince Edward Royal Arch Chapter, No. 12, Summerside, and of the Commandery of Knight Templars. He was also a prominent member of the Methodist Church. Mr. Stewart died about a year ago, and leaves one son, a bright lad of about thirteen years, who is one of the leading students in Alberton's school. Mr. D. B. Stewart, Charlottetown, is a brother of the deceased, who also leaves three sisters, Mrs. (Rev.) J. G. Cameron, Mrs. Daniel Davies and Miss Rosa Stewart, all of Charlottetown."

### Acknowledgments.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 4th, 1898.

COURT YERBA BUENA, No. 913, I.O.F.

MY DEAR SIRS,—With many thanks I acknowledge receipt of your prompt payment of the policy held by my dear husband, L. Balart.

I wish to thank the Brotherhood of Foresters for their kind expression of sympathy to me and mine in this sad hour of our distress and sorrow, but I am unable to find words to express my gratitude. I can only turn to Him above and pray that He will shower the blessings that He alone can give upon Court Yerba Buena and the Independent Order of Foresters that you so richly deserve.

Again thanking you from the bottom of my heart, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,  
MRS. L. BALART.

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK, Oct. 23rd, 1898.

The Executive Council:

I wish to return my thank for the kindness and sympathy shown me at the time of my husband's death, and to thank the Supreme Court for their promptness in forwarding me the draft for \$1,000, being the amount of my husband's insurance. He was a member of Court Genessee, No. 387.

Hoping that your Order may grow and prosper, I remain truly,

MRS. ROSA LINDBERGH

CALDWELL MILLS, Nov. 7th, 1898.

To the Officers of the Supreme Court, I.O.F.:

GENTLEMEN,—I hereby express my sincere thanks for the prompt payment of my claim of \$1,000 arising out of the death of my late husband, who was a member of Court Clyde Forks, No. 1514.

Yours truly,

MRS. JOHN M. CLELAND.

COURT MOONSTONE, No. 3004,

MOONSTONE, Nov. 1, 1898.

As the members of this Court have on many occasions in the past become dependent on our beloved Order in times of illness and affliction and heretofore no acknowledgment or word of appreciation for same has been voiced through the FORESTER, I therefore, in behalf of Court Moonstone, No. 3004, beg space Mr. Editor to acknowledge the promptness with which Bro. J. J. Mitchell's Sick Benefit claim, amounting to \$77.00 was paid. Our meetings are regular and well attended by Foresters whose constant desire it is to promulgate the great principles of the I.O.F. by their conduct and example.

Yours in L., B. and C.,

T. J. MARRIN, R.S.

### Our Prize Lamps.

Major McGillivray, S.S., has received the following appreciative responses from two of our prize winners:—

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I.

JOHN A. MCGILLIVRAY, Esq.,

Toronto, Ont.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—As the recipient of the Prize Lamp sent to the Secy. of Court Mount Stephen, No. 3741, I have very much pleasure in acknowledging receipt of same.

The lamp is one of the handsomest, if not *the* handsomest I have ever seen, and far surpasses my fondest imagination. I expected a fairly nice lamp, but was most agreeably disappointed.

It is now on exhibition in one of our drug stores and is very much admired by everybody. Thanking you most sincerely,

Yours in L., B. and C.,

R. M. JOHNSON, C.R.

BELLEVUE, OHIO, Nov. 21st, 1898.

MR. MCGILLIVRAY, Sup. Secy.,

Toronto, Can.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—I received on the 14th inst. the beautiful lamp won by me in prize competition for May and June last, and would say that I am well pleased with the same. I consider myself well paid for the extra efforts I put forth during those two months, and you can rest assured I will continue in my efforts to help Forestry along in its good work. I now thank you one and all for this beautiful prize, and hoping that I may be able to still further advance the good work of Forestry.

Yours in L., B. and C.,

H. J. STRAUB, Bellevue, Ohio.

### National Fraternal Congress.

We are indebted to the National Underwriter for the following account of this important session: The twelfth annual session of the National Fraternal Congress was begun in the Heptasoph's Hall, Baltimore, Md., Tuesday, November 15, 1898.