

ed with its tenets. At the close of the first term there was also issued a circular showing the progress and standing of each Lodge for the term. This also has had the effect of stimulating Lodges to renewed efforts.

#### OFFICIAL VISITS.

The privilege of visiting my Brother Knights in their own Castle Halls has afforded me the greatest pleasure. Each Lodge was visited during the term, and everywhere true Pythian courtesy was extended. The ritualistic work is creditably performed throughout the Jurisdiction, and the Lodges are all well up in the unwritten work. On some of these visits I was accompanied by Supreme Representative Moulson, Grand Vice Chancellor Fraser, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal Henry, and others, whose company was highly appreciated by myself as well as beneficial to the Lodges visited. Two of our Lodges, Nos. 5 and 7, have moved into new and commodious halls, and are better prepared than ever for performing the necessary work.

#### STATE OF THE ORDER.

Never in our history have our Lodges been so active as at present. From all sides come reports of constant additions to membership. Harmony prevails in every Lodge. While it is desirable that our membership should be increased, too much care cannot be exercised in admitting applicants to fellowship in our Order. The report of our Grand Keeper of Records and Seal will deal fully with our position and give all statistics. To Brother Henry much credit is due for his untiring energy and unflagging interest in the cause of Pythianism. The amount of work required of this officer is increasing year by year; but never have I found the present occupant too busy to give promptly and cheerfully whatever time was required to advise and assist me in the discharge of official duties. I desire to place on record my high appreciation of his valuable assistance and services, and hope my successor may be fortunate enough to have the benefit of his counsel and zeal.

#### NEW LODGES.

Through the efforts of Deputy Grand Chancellor Parker Grimmer and other members of Frontier Lodge, a list of twenty-one names was secured for a Lodge in that charming summer resort, St. Andrews, and on June 19th "Seaside" Lodge, No. 9, was instituted and sixteen of the applicants created Knights. The attendance of Knights was very large, and included a strong delegation from Eastport and Calais, Me., Grand Vice Chancellor Hanson being among the number and rendering valuable assistance. To all I desire to return hearty thanks for their presence. The membership of Seaside comprises some of the very best material, and more enthusiastic