

November 19th, I visited Red Cross Lodge, of Hamilton, conferring the Esquire and exemplifying the other ranks.

January 2nd, I installed the officers in Ivanhoe Lodge, Toronto; and performed a like duty in Friendship Lodge, Windsor, January 7th.

January 8th, I visited Myrtle No. 2, in London, and installed the officers.

May 21st, I met members of Mystic and Ivanhoe Lodges, in Toronto, in joint session.

Thursday, May 22nd, paid an official visit to Charity Lodge No. 20, St. Catharines, and exemplified all the secret work.

Friday, May 23rd, visited conjointly the members of Myrtle No. 2, and Mizpah No. 22, in London East, conferring the Page and Esquire ranks.

May 25th, I officially visited Red Cross Lodge No. 3, of Hamilton, accompanied by V. G. C. Peace and G. P. Vale, and, assisted by these officers, conferred the Esquire and Knight ranks on two candidates.

I have made three official visits to Erie Lodge No. 21, at Harrow, including the institution, viz., September 7th, September 18th and December 4th.

Chatham has been visited four times in connection with the reorganization of a Lodge there.

Friendship Lodge, of Windsor, having honored me by re-election to the C. C. chair for four successive terms, it is needless to state the fact that I have appreciated the honor, and was absent from my post only when the more responsible duties as your Executive head called me elsewhere. These visitations, in connection with the official visit to Port Arthur and Sault Ste. Marie (comprising a journey by rail and steamer of about 1,600 miles, necessitating an enforced absence of 21 days), besides two visits to Sarnia, have been supplemented by unofficial visits to Lodges in Michigan, and a visit to New Orleans during the late session of the Supreme Lodge.

OFFICIAL DECISIONS AND RULINGS.

As has been the case with my predecessors, many communications from the various Lodges have been received asking for rulings on minor matters on which a simple reference to the Subordinate Lodge Constitution and By-laws would render clear; and since the publication of the Revised Official Digest, prepared by S. R. R. E. Cowan, rendering questions of law easily accessible and decided, I trust members will avail themselves of the opportunity afforded them of reference to this channel. All the Lodges in the jurisdiction have, at my suggestion, been furnished with copies by the G. K. R. & S.

I submit for your approval questions received, and my rulings and decisions thereon:

From Myrtle Lodge No. 2, London.

1. Q^{UE}.—"Can a brother in arrears be legally elected as one of a Committee to investigate charges against a brother?"

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