

ter at Arms; Grand Prelate in 1877; Grand Vice-Chancellor in 1879; Supreme Representative in 1881, entering the Supreme Lodge in 1882. Up to 1893 he was continuously re-elected Supreme Representative, against probably the strongest organized opposition that any member ever had to confront him.

In 1893, owing to the resignation of Stansbury J. Willey as Supreme Master of Exchequer, Brother Sample was chosen for that office by the Council of Supreme Officers, and at the convention of the Supreme Lodge which followed at Washington, in 1894, he was unanimously elected Supreme Master of Exchequer. At the convention at Cleveland, Ohio, August, 1896, he was unanimously elected Supreme Vice-Chancellor, and now at the recent meeting at Indianapolis, on Friday, August 26th, 1898, he was unanimously elected, and on Thursday,

September 1st, 1898, he was duly and lawfully installed Supreme Chancellor of the Order of Knights of Pythias. Two of the men who met him twenty-five years ago at the crossing of the Monongahela, were there to shake his hand as the Pythian Executive. They were Past Supreme Chancellor Henry Clay Berry, and the writer, William D. Kennedy, who, together with Past Supreme Chancellor D. B. Woodruff, were the only members present at this convention who were participants in the Richmond, Virginia, meeting in 1873, where first the name of Thomas G. Sample became prominently known in connection with the stirring Pythian events of those days.

Brother Sample is now, and has been for many years a resident of the City of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, where he is connected with the Fire Bureau.

OGDEN H. FETHERS.

Supreme Vice-Chancellor, Janesville, Wis.

Supreme Vice-Chancellor, Ogden H. Fethers, was born and educated in New York State, and is 53 years old. He has been an active member of the Pythian Order for over twenty years. He was honored with the election of Grand Vice-Chancellor for the Grand Domain of Wisconsin within three years after receiving the rank of Knighthood, in his Subordinate Lodge, and was elected Grand Chancellor the following year. In 1890 he entered the Supreme Lodge, as Representative for the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, and served continuously in that capacity until 1893, when the Supreme Lodge further honored our distinguished brother by electing him to the office of Supreme Vice-Chancellor—a position we feel satisfied our brother will fill with marked ability and dignity, and in a manner that will meet with the approval of all.

Bro. Fethers, as a lawyer, stands foremost in the ranks of his profession, not only in his

own State, but throughout the Union. He has been twice selected to deliver the annual address to the College of Law, of the University of Wisconsin.

St. Lawrence University, New York, conferred upon him the degree of LL.D. in 1895. He has been twice Temporary Chairman, and twice Permanent Chairman of the State Convention of his party, and has been for several years, and is still, a Regent of the University of Wisconsin.

Bro. Fethers, whom we will be pleased to welcome to our domain, visited this Province some few years ago, and those of us who had the pleasure of meeting him have naught but the kindest recollections, and, in the course of events, should our brother be further honored, and decide to pay this Domain a visit, we bespeak for him a hearty welcome.

The "True Knight" is indebted to Bro. Fethers for copies of reports of the University of Wisconsin and other matters of interest at different periods. We are glad to learn that our brother is again restored to his usual good health, after a season of rest in the Sunny South.

JOHN A. HINSEY.

President of the Board of Control of the Endowment Rank.

While the "True Knight" has always been a firm advocate of the Endowment Rank, yet it has never lost sight of the fact that it has been entirely due to the executive ability and masterly hand of Brother John A. Hinsey that the Insurance Branch of the Order has been brought to the splendid position which to-day it occupies in the world of fraternal insurance. For this reason, as well as because of our esteem and regard for the man, we take pleasure in bringing to the notice of our brethren the name of one who has played so conspicuous and honorable a part in Pythian affairs.

John Adams Hinsey was born at a place now known as Robesonia, Berks County, Pa., August 10th, 1833. His father died in March of

1841. He and the remainder of the family, in October, 1841, moved into Ohio, going to Richland County, in that state. His early life was one of poverty and hard work, but he soon overcame the former by his earnest efforts and persistency. After a while he went to Adrian, Mich., and shortly after going there he sought and obtained employment with the Michigan Central Railroad Company, as a freight brakeman. He proved a very apt scholar in railroading and in a year was conductor on a passenger train running between Chicago and Detroit. After many years of railroading he in 1866 entered the employment of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad, as special agent, and has ever since continued his relations with that Company, in charge of the Claim Department, one of the most responsible in the service of that Corporation.

During the period since 1866, he has held several positions in the gift of the people, both in Indiana and Wisconsin. He served twenty-one