

Executive Meetings.

Your Executive met at the offices in Shaftesbury Hall from time to time, for the transaction of business, as the needs of the Society required. The meetings have been characterized by harmony and business-like attention to the affairs of the Order. The business has been conducted with strict regard to economy, and I think at the same time with efficiency.

The Executive Officers have been regular and punctual in their attendance, and at all times rendered me cheerful support in the management of the various branches of the Society's work. The receipts and disbursements and general statistics will be found in the Supreme Grand Secretary's Report, which I trust will be considered satisfactory to this Supreme Grand Lodge.

Fraternal Association.

In pursuance of instructions and authority given your Executive by last Supreme Grand Lodge, we affiliated with this organization, and I am pleased to say it has resulted in considerable advantage to our Society.

The Secretary of Tennyson Lodge, in Hull, P.Q., was prosecuted by Mr. Bowker (the person who goes about laying information against, and prosecuting fraternal societies that he thinks may have violated the law). Notwithstanding that our Bro. Skipworth was defended by our solicitor, or by a solicitor representing him, a conviction was secured by Bowker, and a fine of \$20.00 and costs entered against him.

The Fraternal Association, recognizing that all Benefit and Fraternal Insurance Societies were deeply interested in the principle involved in this case, offered to appeal the same at their own expense if permitted to do so. We, of course, gladly assented to their kind offer, with the result that Bowker was defeated on the appeal and the costs charged against him.

There are other advantages in the connection, though perhaps not directly of so pronounced a financial character, but nevertheless valuable to our Society; and I strongly recommend a renewal of our membership with that Body.

District Deputies.

Certificates of appointment of District Deputies were made out and forwarded to the brethren chosen to fill those important positions as soon after Supreme Grand Lodge Meeting as possible.