THE FORESTERS.

Annual Meeting of the High Court at Fredericton.

The Reports of the High Chief Ranger and High Secretary.

(From our own correspondent.)

Fredericton, July 1.-The high court. I. O. F., meets at 8 p. m. Most of the delegates are already in the city. The following are the high court officers: Le Baron Coleman, H. C. R.; H. C. Creed, P. H. C. R.; Wm. Kinghorn, H. V. C. R.; F. W. Emmerson, H. sec.; E. P. Eastman, H. treas.; O. E. Morehouse, M.D., H. Phys.; A. W. Macrae, H. Coun.; J. A. Lindsay, R. F. Keith, H. auditors; Rev. A. F. Brown, H. chap.; Geo. E. Day, H. S. W.; M. H. Goodspeed, H. J. W.; Judson Fowler, H. S. B.; D. W. Kyle, H. J. B.; J. Mc-

Gibbon, H. con.; H. McAfee, H. mess.; W. P. Starratt, H. J. S. W. The following are the delegates thus far reported to High Secretary Emson, all of whom are expected to be here: Andover, J. J. Kupkey, Chas. Pickett; Arthurette, J. Fletcher edale, John V. Stevenson; Marysville, W. T. Day, Thos. Morrison, Geo. Hume, H. A. Robertson; Gagetown, Thos. W. Gilbert, C. Z. Scott; Belle-isle Point, O. E. Davis; Moncton, A. Y. Clarke, W. McK. Weldon, D. Grant, Rev. J. M. Robinson, J. T. Hawke, G. A. Dodge, W. F. Sears, Geo. Scott; Bellisle Creek, Rev. A. J. Cresswell, G. G. Scovil, M.P.P.; Boiestown, J. Weir, M.D., R. H. Fairley; Sussex, Geo. W. Fowler, H. W. Folkins; Havelock, T. V. Freeze, W. B. Taylor; Centreville, Geo. J. Cronkhite, Chas. Wilkinson, A. J. Lee; Clearview, Thos Killcollom; McAdam Junction, Thos. Armstrong, E. W. Brownell; town, R. Harvey Doak and Otto Hildebrand; St. John, J. F. Goodere, L. A. MacAlpine, M.D., I. E. Smith, C. J. Morrison, C. W. Segee, J. C. Corey J. V. Russell, E. W. Paul, R. G. Mur ray, Robert Maxwell, A. M. Belding. F. Sharp, E. J. Todd, A. Bower, E R. Chapman, E. S. Gifford, A. Nell, H. J. Pratt, W. J. S. Myles, A. A. Mabee, J. H. Gray, M.D., W. M. Sanborn, Thos. Miller, D. Oram, J. R. Armstrong, Q. C., John A. Watson, W. Watson Allen; Kingston, Kent Co. H. M. Ferguson and T. F. Curran; Salmon River, Robert Brown and James Johnston; Greenwich, A. Z. B. McKiel; Glassville, P. B. Millie, Wm. Simpson Port Elgin, S. B. Anderson; Hampton, Burns, Geo. W. L. Sharp, Pickett; Hillsboro, W. J. Lewis, M. P. P., B. A. Marvin, M.D.; Dorchester, Hon. H. R. Emmerson, A. W. Chapman; Penobsquis, M. P. Morton, G. Talbot Morton; Harvey, York Co., B. Glendenning; Robt. H. Robinson; Kars, Miles G. Jenkins, A. A. Morrell, Jerusalem, W. T. Inch, G. A. Machum, Kingston, Kings Co., R. R. Sheldrick,

A. R. Wetmore; Apohaqui, G. B. Jones. L. Gross; Norton, station, O. R. Patriquin, Rev. D. Long, D. B. Hatfield; Jemseg, E. P. Dykeman, C. W. White; Long Point, John F. Ganong, Andrew Leonard; Fairville, A. H. Clark, Geo. H. Brown; St. Martins, W. E. Skillen, E. A. McKay; Snider Mountain, John Lester, W. Snider: St. George, R. H. Davis, G. M. Johnson; Newcastle, Hon. J. P. Burchill, R. L. Maltby; Fredericton, J. W. Bridges, M.D.; Hugh Doherty, Benj. Everett, Daniel Jordan, Q.C., John Black; Newtown, R. E. Sharp, John H. King; field, Kings Co., John E. Titus and O. A. Wetmore; Nashwaak, Rev. I. N. Parker, C. A. Smith; Perth Centre, James McPhail, A. L. Green; Petitcodiac. John Hilts, Nathan Steeves, J. C. Graves, J. G. A. Belyea, Chas. Burnett W. Fleming; Lord's Cove, A. H. Havey, C. H. Conlay; Woodstock, J. A. Lindsay, John Tattersoll; Campbellton, W. W. Doherty, M.D., John McAlister, M.P., Sheffield, Murray E. Gilbert, Geo. F. Banks; Edmundston, J. A. Bernier, J. E. Marchand; Stanley, B. McMinneman, T. H. Craig Bristol, Carleton Co., James A. Barker, Geo. A. Brittain; St. Stephen, James Murray, Robt. E. Ross; St. Andrews, E. A. Cockburn, W. M. Magee; Salis bury, A. Sherwood, A. O'Blenis; Hoyt, J. H. Hoyt, C. L. Clark; St. Marys, A. R. Slipp, J. C. Machum, R. Boone, J. S. Fleming, W. H. Walker; Sackville, D. Wry, Dr. B. S. Thorne, H. B. Allison, T. Murray; Upham, A. H. Upham, W. Barnes; Hampstead, T. Hastings, Isaac E. Vanwart; Shannon W. B. DeLong; Welsford, H. H. Woods, D. H. McDonald; Washademoak, Levi

The above list, including a member of parliament, members of the legislature, clergymen, medical men, lawyers, teachers, merchants, mechanics, farmers and in short men in all walks of life, illustrates in that respect as well as in the number of perso ent and the larger number they represent, how widespread has become the influence of Forestry in New Bruns-

Curran, A. F. Armstrong, M.D.;

Hartland, W. E. Thistle, A. J. Brown,

Geo. Peebles, Fred J. Boyer.

It is a foregone conclusion that there will be a lively contest in the elections this year, both of officers and of delegates to the supreme court in

Fredericton, July 1.-The high court I. O. F. met this evening, H. C. R. Coleman in the chair, in the temperance hall, York street. Over two hundred were in attendance. The high court degree was conferred on the delegates reports of the high chief ranger and high secretary were sub-

HIGH CHIEF RANGERS ADDRESS. The High Chief Ranger, Le Baron Coleman, delivered his address as foilows:

To the Officers and Members of the High Court of New Brunswick: Brethren-In accordance with the duties of my office, I have called you to the labors of this, the twelfth ansion of our high court, and of

submitting to you my fourth annual Before entering upon the work of an other year, let us return thanks to the Supreme Ruler above, that He has spared so many of us to meet together again, and for having prospered us in our work for the order

In behalf of the high standing com-

that the fraternal bonds which bind of securing the large charter list, and he had received between July 1st, 1894, It now remains with you to take

stock of what has been accom lished in the work during the year, and to nsider and plan how best we can still further advance our interests. In considering the advanceement of our order we are naturally proud if its great strength and its most remarkable growth, standing as it does oday with a membership of 77,144, an addition of 15,878 to our membership during the year. This is an average increase of 1,383 members per month. Also, the remarkable increase of our reserve fund, which has far exceeded our anticipations, having reached the magnificent sum of \$1,317,690. The amount added for the year ending June 1st was \$336,119, being an aver-

age increase of \$30,509 per month. This remarkable growth of our order reflects great credit upon the supreme court officers, and it is gratifying to us to know that the interests of our order are in the hands of such men as our supreme chief ranger and his colleagues.

I would now call your attention to our own jurisdiction, in whose progress and prosperity we are more particularly interested. I am proud to be able to report a record that sur-passes the result of that of any previous year. The following statement -increase in membership, and number of courts instituted for each year since the organization of this high

court-will show this; But servit Courts This statement shows that since our inception we have had a good,

sound, healthy growth, and is also strong evidence of the soundness of the principles of our order. Our growth during the past year goes to prove conclusively the hearty co-operation of the entire membership in .The following statement will show

you how the order has been extended in this jurisdiction, as it gives the number of courts in each county and the entire membership for the same. It may be noticed that one county ester) is not mentioned, because we have not one court in that great

Queens Northumberland

our entire membership when I say we are proud of our position, stand-ing as we do sixth in point of membership in the entire supreme jurisdiction. I am particularly proud to call your attention to the fact that the increase in membership in this jurisdiction during the past year has not been exceeded or equalled by any other high court jurisdiction, that is in proportion to the population of the provinces or states where the order is located

Appropriate reference was made in the report to the loss sustained by the and out of the balance remaining for order in the death of E. L. Wedderburn, the late high marshal.

expresed himself in favor of bienial high chief ranger sessions of the high court. Regarding finances, he noted that the receipts exceeded those of any previous year. Reerence was made to the meeting of the supreme court in London on Aug. 1st. The report then proceeded:

"A meeting of the high standing committee was held at Fredericton on Feb. 13th, and after reviewing the work done, planned for renewed ef-The following resolutions were also adopted:

1. Moved by High Counsellor Macrae, and seconded by High Vice Chief

Ranger Kinghorn, That in the opinion of this high standing committee it is in the interests of the order that all charges preferred against officers or members subordinate courts in this jurisdiction should be referred to the high chief ranger for investigation before being dealt with by the supreme executive, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the supreme chief ranger. 2. Moved by High Secretary Emmerson, seconded by High Physician More-

house That this high standing committee urge upon the representatives in par-liament from this province to exert their influence to so amend our act of incorporation that our surplus funds be invested only in federal, provincial and municipal securities.

3. Moved by High Counsellor Macrae, seconded by High Treasurer East-

That the attention of the suprem chief ranger be again called to the re-solution adopted at the last high court meeting re the exemption of this province from dispensation to initiate at charter rates

The high chief ranger strongly endorsed sections 2 and 3, urging their adoption by the high court. Reference was made to the \$150 appropriated last year for advertising purposes as having been of great advantage to the order in bringing in new me the institution of courts. Regret was expressed that the publication of the New Brunswick Forester, so well started by Geo. E. Day, canot be continued, and members were urged to see that the Independent Forester is supplied with news. The report speaks thus of the institution of new courts:

"In this line of work we have had remarkable success, and have doubled the record of any previous year, hav instituted thirty-one new courts. The most remarkable of these is Court Log Cabin, St. John, with 138 charte applicants, and in which the high court is highly honored, as it is ac knowledged to be the largest court ever instituted in the entire supreme court jurisdiction. To Bros. E. W. Paul

I leave it to the high court to show their appreciation of the work done. I can assure you I feel highly honored in being the instituting officer. Court Martello of St. John comes next, with 90 charter applicants, the credit of which is due to High Counsellor Bro. Macrae and High Senior Beadle Bro. J. D. Fowler, the former being the instituting officer. Our high secretary, nerson, has also distinguished himself in this line of work, having instituted two-thirds of the whole number organized during the year. This remarkable increase has been the result of the system adopted by the high standing committee in carrying out this line of work. The plan was this: They did not consider it advisable to employ an organizer, but gave every brother the privilege of working up a court where there was not one

located, he to be paid for his work according to the amount done." In conclusion the high chief ranger referred to his official acts during the year. He had visited as many courts as possible, publicly installed the officers of three courts and also installed the officers of three others. He instituted seven courts, made eighteen Foresters-at-sight, and granted a number of dispensations. In returning to the high court for the fourth time the trust reposed in him he returned thanks to all for the honor done him and the aid and kindness rendered him in the past by the entire membership. REPORT OF HIGH SECRETARY. The high secretary, F. W. Emm

submitted his report as follows:

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

1. Ever since I have had the honor of being your secretary it has been my pleasure to report that each successive year had been the most prosperous one. Today I am able to report that since July 1st last our progress both in the increase of our membership and in the number of our subordinate courts has been far ahead of any made in any previous year. Our m ship on July 1st, 1894, was 2,832. Today it is about 4,000, an it is about 4,000, an increase of over 40 per cent. On July 1st last we had 67 subordinate courts in this jurisdiction, while today we have 105, an increase of 38. The 38 new courts were organized by the following brothers:

High Chief Ranger and High S High Councillor Bro. J. J. Clarke

No court has been suspended. It affords me great pleasure that not only many of our leading public men, merchants, bankers and professional men, but many of our young farmers-the bone and sinew of our country-have enrolled themselves on the honor roll of our beloved order. While we are thus able to congratulate ourselves on the wonderful growth, we must not forget that many of our Forest homes have been called upon to mourn the loss of departed brothers. high court, have to mourn the loss of our well beloved brother, E. L. Wedderburn, our high marshal. This is the first time that death has entered the ranks of our high court officers. All the endowments of our departed brothers have been promptly paid by the supreme court. 2. I submit the annual financial

statements, which will, on comparison with last year's, show an improved standing. All our indebtedness is to other branches of the order. In considering the amount of \$1,500 paid me on the organization of new courts. I would ask the brothers to remember that a very large portion of that amount was paid to those brothers who canvassed the several courts for me, myself I had of necessity to pay a large amount for travelling expenses. Since I met you in St. Stephen, at leas two-thirds of my time has been willingly devoted to the work of the order, either in office work or in visiting or organizing courts—with what success I leave you to judge. I have to thank Bros. A. P .Sherwood, H. A. Ryan, W. S. Belyea, B. McMinnamin, H. W. Woods, E. C. Lockett, Jas. T. Kirk and many others for their kind services rendered me and the order.

3. As some have expressed desired of having a change made in the man ner of organizing courts, I would suggest that this matter be considered by a special committee. For the informa tion of those who have recently joined our order, I will give a resume of the different methods adopted by us since our organization. After the organization of our high court at Moncton on September 5th, 1883, Bro. Dr. Oronhyatekha organized one court, viz., Cour Gordon Falls, at Elgin, and then left to introduce the order into Nova Scotion. Before leaving, he engaged Bro. F. W. Watson, D. S. C. R., to further introduce the order into this province. Bro. Watson organized several courts and left for the United States. Nothing was done by any brother of this jurisdiction until our first annual sessio at Moncton in 1884. At that session Y was appointed high secretary, and asked to devote as much time as possible to organizing courts. I did so, and Bro. Creed, on his being elected H. C. R. in 1886, also went to work Bro. S. C. Wells joined in the fight. The work thus continued until 1889, when Bro. A. P. Sherwood was employed as provincial organizer, a position he held for four years. He was paid a regular salary for the first three years. At this time Bro, Coleman began the work, and has continued the same up to the present time with marked success. On the appointment of Bro. Sherwood, I practically gave up the work, only resuming the same on receiving my present judicial position in March, 1894. A few courts have been organized by D. S. R.'s since Bro Watson left the field. All the work has been paid for by commission except the first three years of Bro. A. P. Sher. wood. In 1893, at the St. John session the office of provincial deputy was abolished. At a meeting of the standing committee held in St. John in October, 1893, a resolution was passed to the effect that no court should be organized in this province except by a member of the H. S. C. We then had 55 courts, today we have 105. Whether this high court should rescind that resolution or not should I think be decided at this session, as I am informed there are several brothers who desire to enter upon the work of organizing

Th financial statement submitted by

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and May 16th, 1895, the following sums: For high court dues, \$1,260.40; for supplies, \$513.11; for sundries, \$2,771.19, or a total of \$4,544.70, which was duly paid over to the high treasurer. He also submitted the following

\$ 518 55 Amout due from subordinate courts Supplies on hand (estimated) Regalia and furniture 300 00 180 71 \$3,464 38 Due supreme court, funded

Amount due subordinate court \$2,951 00 Amount of assets over lia-\$3,464 38

ties on May 16th, 1895:

High Treasurer Eastman's report was so submitted showing a balance on hand of over five hundred dollars, a better showing than last year. The following committee's were appointed:

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Finance O. E. Morehouse, M. D.; G. Scovil, M. P. P.; E. W. Brownell, John Betts, H. F. Sharp. Constitution and laws-A. W. Macrae J. R. Armstrong, R. H. Davis, W.

State of the order-J. T. Hawke, McAllister, M. P.; R. L. Maltby, L. A. Cockburn, D. G. Tingley.

New business—John Lindsay, John
McGfbbon, C. M. Leonard, W. T. Day,

A. Y. Clarke. Appeals and petitions-D. Jordan, Q. W. E. Skillen, A. H. Haney, W. E. Thistle, D. A. McDonnell.

Distribution-H. C. Creed, Geo. W. Fowler, Robt. Brown, Chas. Burnett, Press-J. T. Hawke and A. M. Beld-

The secretary read a letter of greeting from Judge Wedderburn , which nded fraternal greetings and stated that the writer could not be in attendince at high court. On motion, the letter was received and a committee appointed to draft a suitable reply and letter of condolence to Judge Wed derburn an family on their recent great pereavement. Fredericton, July 2.-The High

Court, I. O. F., resumed its session at 10 a. m. The several committees had previously been in session. There was a very large attendance of delegates, quite a number arriving by this morning's train.

The report of the committee on new business was submitted by J. S. Lindsay. It recommended that the initiation fee should be kept at \$5 and that the following resolution, passed at St. Stephen in 1894, be resent to the supreme executive, as follows: "Resolved, that the H. S. C. be instructed to request the supreme executive to exempt all fully organized courts in this province from all We, as a dispensations of the S. C. R. to admit members at less than ordinary rates charged by courts in this jurisdiction." The committee also recom-mended that the resolution of the high standing committee with regard to the manner of dealing with charges against officers or members of courts in this jurisdiction be endorsed; also that the resolution favoring amendment of the act of incorporattion so that surplus funds be invested only in federal, provincial and municipal securities, as set forth in the report of the high chief ranger, be made the unanimous resolution of

the court.
The report was adopted unani-

mously.

The report of the finance committee was submitted by Dr. Morehouse and elicited a long discussion. It recommended that \$400 be devoted to mislost on division. The report congratulated the high court on its great increase in membership and fairly good showing financially. The total receipts from all sources, as shown in the reports, was \$4,974.99; disbursements, \$4,456.44, giving a balance of \$518.55. The report recommended that the blotter system be discontinued and a like sum be appropriated to the Brunswick Forester or other system of advertising. This section was on motion deferred, as was another recommending that \$200 be voted to the maintenance of the N. B. Forester, one recommending that the present system or organizing be continued, and still another opposing biennial sessions, as all these questions were referred to the committee

on state of the order. J. T. Hawke submitted the report of the committee on the state of the

order as follows:
"This committee again congratulates the high standing committee and members generally upon the phenomenal prosperity which has characterized our beloved order within this high court jurisdiction during the past year, and which is but typical of our order's progress generally. Judging from the monthly statements of expenditures this high court jurisdic tion has been, proportionately to population, one of the most progressive and the least expensive in the supreme executive in mission work, and fore we believe that that fact alone ent reason why the suprem executive should, as requested by the high standing committee, invest \$30, additional in public securities in this The report urged the high standing committee to renewed diligence in promoting this request. If the New Brunswick Forester were to be continued as the official organ of the order, the committee believed it should be under the editorial supervision of a sub-committee of the high standing committee; the matter was important, especially the question financial support, and it should therefore be referred to a special committee of the high court. The committee's report proceeds: "Your committee believes that the time has come when the high court representation from the subordinate courts should be decreased, and the expenses of subordinate court representatives be met her the high court, and that to meet this outlay by the latter the high court dues from subordinate courts be increased. The effect of this change would be to assure the continued interest of outlying and weaker courts in the ernment of the jurisdiction and to lessen and equalize the burdens as a whole of subordinate court represenmittee, I welcome you here, and trust and J. P. Hipwell belongs the honor High Secretary Emmerson showed that that the preparation of a schedule of

ntation and high court dues be referred to the proper committees."
The committee expressed disapproval
of the idea of biennial sessions of the
high court, the annual meetings maintaining interest in the general manage ment, challenging public attention to statement, showing assets and liabilithe order and its usefulness, the money

spent being well invested.
"Deeming it inadvisable," the re port continues, "to allow any further. increase in the amount of insurance allowed any one member of the order, we would recommend that our representatives in the dominion parliament be asked to oppose the provisions of the bill now before that parliament to amend the constitution authorizing an increase in the insurance \$3,000 to \$5,000. But we would strongly recommend that an amendment be made therein limiting the investment of the surplus to the dominion, provincial and municipal bonds, and further providing for a thorough system of inspection , such as that imposed by law upon old line companies,"

The first two sections of the report were adopted without debate. section relating to the continued publication of the N. B. Foreser was discussed at considerable length, and was still under consideration when court adjourned for dinner.

The first business of the afternoon was the election of officers. Harvey Atkinson, J. A. Watson and W. R. Waring were appointed scrutineers.

The following were the successful candidates for the several offices: For high chief ranger, William Kinghorn, St. Marys; vice-chief ranger, E. J. Todd, St. John; high secretary, F. W. Emmerson, Petitcodiac; high treasurer, E. P. Eastman, Petitoodiac; high physician, Dr. Wier, Newcastle; high ounsellor, E. R. Chapman, St. John high auditors, R. F. Keith, Havelock, and W. E. Skillen, St. Martins. The following were elected deleto the supreme court, which meets in London on August 1st: Wm.

Kinghorn, F. W. Emmerson, G. G. Scovil, M. P. P., A. M. Belding, and John McAllister, M. P. The court next took up the report of the committee on the state of the order. The section favoring reduced representation and the payment of reentatives to high court by increasing the per capita was discussed at

considerable length. The section regarding increased per capita tax was voted down, while the report was laid aside to consider another matter.

At Monday's session J. R. Armstrong, Q. C., chief ranger of Court Martello, St. John, had presented a petition from his court setting forth that six gentlemen who were charter applicants of that court, but had not been initiated, were made Foresters at sight by High Chief Ranger Coleman without the court being consulted. Col. Armstrong submitted an inquiry as to whether the chief ranger had acted within his authority and, if so, whether the six persons r ed were now charter members of Court Martello.

This was referred to a joint committee composed of Daniel Jordan, Q. C., D. H. McDonald, A. W. Macrae, W. E. Thistle, P. B. Mille, Col. Armstrong and W. E. Skillen. The com-mittee, with the exception of Col. Armstrong, now reported to the effect that the high chief ranger had acted within his constitutional right and that the six gentlemen made Foresters at sight by him were charter members of Court Martello, entitled to all its benefits and privileges., Col. Armstrong submitted a minor-

ity report which exonerated the high chief ranger from intentional discourtesy, but claimed that if he had such power he should have notified Court Martello and once, and the colonel reon work in the next year. This was advised to initiate those members with a view of thereby ending the matter; also that hereafter charter applicants be not made Foresters sight after the installation of the court except on request of the high chief ranger. These reports were taken up for discussion

There were numerous motions and amendments made, and one to amend the first section of the majority report by the addition therto of the mir report was voted down. Finally in a very thin house, at one a. m., whole matter was given the six months' hoist.

Col. Armstrong gave notice of appeal to the supreme court.

Fredericton, July 3.—The high court, f. O. F., resumed its session at 9.30 this morning. The consideration of the re- Forester, beginning with the present port on state of the order was again taken up. The section opposing biennial sessions was adopted, also that opposing increase of the insurance limit from \$3,000 to \$5,000, and urging that an amendment be made to act of incorporation limiting the investment of the surplus to dominion, provincial or municipal securities, and providing for a thorough system of inspection such as is imposed on old line ports, minutes, etc., at rates to companies.

At the suggestion of Mr. McAlister, M. P., it was ordered that the resolution of high court relating to this matter be telegraphed to Ottawa to be placed before the insurance committee who will have the question before them morrow morning.

High Secretary Emmerson and J. McAlister, M. P., were appointed a committee to send the telegram for-

The whole report as amended was then adopted. The committee on state of the order

then submitted a second report, recommending that the representatives to the supreme court be instructed to vote as a unit upon the following mat-

(1) That they affirm and support as the future policy of the order respect-ing the investment of its surplus funds a provision or resolution that such investments shall only be made in federal, provincial or municipal securities, and that the present investments in mortgage securities shall be discontinued as rapidly as possible con-sistent with the interests of the order further maintain that security of in- is in session of one vestment should always in this order be superior to rate of interest in determining investments.

(2) That without expressing any opinion as to the merits of the question involved in the proposed admission of women into full membership, they be instructed to oppose, until such time as the present field has been fully section one was adopted. The sec-

worked, any extension of the territory of the order or the qualification for

(3) That they be further instructed to oppose the investment of any of the surplus funds of the order in the erection of the Foresters' Temple, socalled, at Toronto, inasmuch as such investment is too uncertain and too speculative in its returns to form a basis of security for an endowmen fund, and that all efforts to make the erection of such a building other than

a private enterprise be resisted. This report was taken up and sections one and two amended by substituting the words "be recommended" for "be instructed." Section three was adopted.

On motion of W. Myles, seconded by Rev. A. F. Brown, it was resolved that the delegation appointed from this high court to the supreme court be directed to obain all available information and necessary affidavits relating to the case of Bro. Herbert W. Moore of Court Loyalist, No. 121, and lay the same before the supreme court at the next session, and urge upon that body some settlement of the appeal of

his beneficiaries, It was explained that Mr. Moore had left New York for Norfolk, Va., some four and a half years ago and had never since been heard from. His beneficiaries had kept his premiums paid up ever since, and now desired

that some settlement be effected. The committee on finance recomnended the following payments: High secretary's salary, \$300; high treasurer, \$35; grant to chief ranger, \$100; auditors, each, \$10; high journal secretary, \$15; press representatives, \$10 each; hall expenses, \$30.50. Report adopted to give journal secretary \$25. Committee to whom was committed high secretary's report, sec. 3, reported against any change in the mode of or ganizing courts. Adopted.

The committee on letter of condolence to Hon. Judge Wedderburn reported as follows:

lence to Hon. Judge Wedderburn reported as follows:

Hon. Judge Wedderburn, Supreme Councillor, I. O. F.:

Dear Sir and Brother—The High Court of New Brunswick, I. O. F., now in session in this city, begs to acknowledge the receipt through the high secretary of your letter of fraternal greeting. This court most highly appreciates your good wishes for a happy and beneficial outcome of its labors. At the same time it is with profound regret the court learns that you will not be able to share in its deliberations. We shall miss your wise councils and your great knowledge of Forestric constitution and laws, as well as the stimulus of your splendid enthusiasm. Our regret is immeasurably deepened by the knowledge of the loss you and your family and our beloved order have sustained in the death of your son, E. L. Wederburn, the late high marshall of this high court, who was in the truest and best sense a worthy Forester. No words can measure your loss, nor can words adequately express the sympathy of the Foresters of New Brunswick which went out to you and yours in your hour of sorest trial. To yourself and family this high court now formally extends the assurances of its profoundest sympathy, and records its deep sense of the loss this order has sustained.

Yours in L. B. and C.,

A. W. MACRAE,

J. T. HAWKE,

A. M. BELDING.

This was adopted and a copy of the letter ordered to be forwarded to the

supreme counsellor. It was resolved that a day be set apart by the high standing committee of this high court for the purpose of decorating the graves of departed brothers throughout this jurisdiction. Moncton, Chatham and St. John were placed in nomination as the next.

place of meeting.

The ballot decided in favor of Monc-Dr. Grant having taken the chair,

High Secretary Emmerson moved that this high court confer upon retiring Chief Ranger Coleman the High grand cross of merit in recognition of his valued services to the order in his capacity of vice-chief and then high chief ranger of this co J. A. Lindsay heartily seconded the motion, which was also supported by

H. C. Creed, who said in conferring this honor the high court was honoring itself. (Applause.) The was carried by a rising vote. Chevalier Coleman rose to acknow-ledge the honor, but his feelings were too much for him "Brothers," at last, "I can't say a word." He re-

continued for some minutes The committee on the continued publication of the New Brunswick Forester, consisting of Messrs. Day, Creed, Belding, Maltby and Grant, re

sumed his seat amid applause that

That the high standing committee enter into a contract with the pub-lisher, Geo. E. Day, for the issue of twelve monthly numbers of the N. B. month, to be in the same general form as the two numbers already issued, each issue to include 16 pages of reading matter, and a copy to be sent free to every member of the order in this jurisdiction, the publisher to have the advertising privileges and to receive from the high court the sum of \$300 for the twelve numbers and to have in addition the printing of reagreed on by himself and the high standing committee; all reading matscanding committee; all reading mat-ter inserted in the Forester to be un-der the joint supervision of the pub-lisher and two members to be ap-pointed by the high standing com-Adopted unanimously

It was resolved that the delegates to the supreme court be directed to lay bfore that court the justice and necessity of the supreme executive paying the amounts of all endowment certificates at their face value at some chartered bank .- Adopted unanimous-

The committee on representation, Messrs. Macrae, Belyea, Myles and Sherwood reported as follows:

That each subordinate court with twenty members or less shall be entitled to one representative and to one additional representative for each additional 50 members, or a major fraction thereof, in good standing at the end of the half year immediately preceding the regular session of the high

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