

within seven years after the dissolution of such branch; and provided further, that pending the exercise of such option by the Society, the corporation shall continue in existence, and the trustees thereof shall continue their duties for the purpose of liquidation only.

13. Within three months from the coming into force of this Act, a certified copy of the present Constitutions and Laws of the Society, and of its form of insurance policy or contract, shall be deposited in the offices of the Secretary of State of Canada, and of the Superintendent of Insurance; and copies of any future changes or amendments thereto shall be so deposited within three months from their adoption by the said Society, and in default of compliance with any provision of this section, the Society shall incur a penalty of ten dollars for each day during which such default continues.

14. Nothing herein contained shall be held to exempt the Society from the effect of any legislation hereafter passed by the Parliament of Canada in respect to any insurance powers exercised by friendly societies.

Acknowledgements.

Letters acknowledging the prompt payment by the Supreme Executive of mortuary benefits, and the kindness of members of the subordinate courts, have been received from the following beneficiaries. The letters invariably express good wishes for the prosperity and growth of the Order.

\$56. Bro. L. F. Hanson acknowledges gratefully the prompt payment of his sick claim, also the great kindness shown him in his illness by the brethren of Court Golden Rule, No. 704, South River.

\$1,000. Mrs. E. H. Stanley, Ottawa, expresses by letter her gratitude for the prompt payment of the mortuary benefit of her late husband, and also the indebtedness to the members of Court Capital for many acts of kindness.

\$2,000. Mrs. Catherine Brede, Hamilton, Ohio, writes in grateful terms of the prompt payment of the mortuary benefit of \$2,000 of her late son. She also mentions the kindness and sympathy shown her by the members of Court Butler, No. 1380.

\$1,000. Mrs. Isabella Curtindall in a grateful letter to Court Rifle, No. 714, acknowledges the prompt payment of the mortuary benefit of her husband, as well as the many acts of kindness shown her husband during his illness and herself since his death.

\$1,000. Mrs. Ellen Esford, of Buffalo, writes the officers and members of Court Lake Erie No. 1205, Buffalo, thanking them for kindly sympathy on the death of her son, and for the prompt payment of the benefit of \$1,000. She says: "Truly your Order is the mother's friend."

Endowment insurance is a good precaution for a rich man.

Our Exchanges.

The Cube, the official organ of the National Provident Union, appears in special new dress for the new year. It is carefully edited, and well printed on fine paper.

Our Dumb Animals for January is as bright and fearless as ever. The editor, Geo. T. Angell, pleads eloquently for peace and good will between the two great English-speaking nations of the earth. More power to his pen.

Printer's Ink, a journal for advertisers, is published by Geo. P. Howell & Co., New York. Its 96 pages are full of interesting matter to advertisers.

The *Canadian Woodman*, published at London, Ont., is one of the latest additions to fraternal journalism. It is a modest well-edited eight-page paper, devoted to the interests of Woodmen in Canada. We welcome it to our exchange table, and wish it a long and useful career.

Massey Magazine, from the Massey press, is a distinct gain to the periodical literature of Canada. We have gone through the initial number from cover to cover, and we did not find a dull page. The mechanical work is admirable. We bespeak for it a cordial reception, and a successful career.

Home Office Staff.

FIRST ANNUAL "AT HOME" A BRILLIANT FUNCTION.

The Assembly Hall in Confederation Life building presented an animated and brilliant appearance on the evening of Monday, Jan. 13th. The occasion being the first At Home given by the Home Office Staff of the I.O.F. In every particular the affair was a great success, and must have proved highly satisfactory to its promoters, as well as gratifying to Dr. Oronhyatekha, S.C.R., and G. H. Harper, A.S.C.R., in whose honor it was arranged. The officers of the Supreme and High Courts, resident in the city, the members of the office staff, with very few exceptions, together with their sisters, cousins, and aunts, made up a goodly company of upwards of 150. To say that the fair lady clerks looked charming is but a literal statement of fact. In the discharge of official duties they have not neglected to cultivate the graces of social life. Conversation, promenading, games, and the dance afforded scope for the entertainment of a diversity of tastes. The Supreme Chief was constantly moving hither and thither seeing that no one was forgotten and that every one was sharing in the enjoyment. The friendly relationship existing between the executive and the staff is a noteworthy characteristic of the I.O.F.

The Lady Patronesses of the "At Home"