

frequent intervals injected live Order issues in a most entertaining and convincing manner. Bro. Cowan saturated the Court-room atmosphere with varied talks on every topic known to the average mortal, and had the last word at adjournment, which took place during the wee sma' hours. High Secretary Mingle, Degree of the Orient safely stowed in inside pocket, struck one of his happy poses, and besides straightening out tangles pertaining to Order and Court ethics and practice, added the climax to the night by conducting the initiatory features of the Oriental Degree. The Court has issued a very timely and instructive leaflet in which will be found the names and addresses of Court officers, and condensed facts and statistics relating to the field being plowed and planted by Forestry. On Friday evening a Court delegation, consisting of the Chief Ranger, Financial Secretary, Orator, and Vice-Chief Ranger, visited Court Juniata, at Nicetown, where after listening to addresses by H. S. Mingle, D.S.C.R. Campbell and Barton, and three-minute talks by all present, they partook of refreshments, a performance which always appeals to the inside sentiments of the Court's excellent membership.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

A goodly number of the Courts celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Order by attending public worship in the various churches. The turnout in Charlottetown of over 60 members from Courts Avondale and Mt. Stephen, with Past Commander F. S. Jost and M. McLeod, Ill. Archivist of Prince George Encampment, in full uniform, made, without doubt, the best procession ever held in Charlottetown by any society. Bro. Rev. D. B. McLeod, of Court Balnagowan, preached the sermon. The *Morning Guardian* had a good photo of Bro. McLeod and a full report of the procession of which the following is a synopsis:

MONDAY, JUNE 19.

Uniformed and resplendent in the beautiful regalia of the Order, the Independent Order of Foresters observed their 25th anniversary yesterday. In accordance with the prophecy and the wish of the committee, the day was a beautiful one. This was as it should be. The Foresters have, as a rule, always had fine weather when they turn out.

The members commenced to gather at their hall, new Prowse Block, on Grafton Street, at 10.15 o'clock. Line was formed in front of hall at 15 minutes to eleven. The procession was marshalled by Major H. M. Davidson.

Music was furnished by Worth's Brass Band, and the music was such as the exigencies of the occasion permitted.

Starting from the hall the route was up Grafton to Queen, Queen to Richmond, Richmond to Zion Church.

The route of procession was literally lined with people. The beautiful morning enabled crowds to view the procession as it marched past. Most of the people were surprised to find so many Foresters in Charlottetown. Taking the procession as a whole it was a very imposing one.

An eloquent sermon was preached by the pastor, which was listened to with marked attention.

Mark 3: 35. Whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother.

The Forester Ward in the P.E.I. Hospital is now an assured thing, as a large majority of the Courts have by their votes decided to ask the High Court to arrange for the same.

Congratulations are extended to Bros. J. Frank McMillan, of Court Mount Stephen, on his promotion from clerk to teller in the Merchants Bank of P.E.I., to W. H. Slackford, of Court Cabot, and James Taylor, of Court Elliot, in the interesting ceremonies they were the chief actors. Miss Mabel Allen is now Mrs. Slackford, and Mrs. Mary Belle McQuarrie is now Mrs. Taylor.

Brother Ewen Stewart McPhail, High Counsellor, has been appointed by the local Government Chief Secretary of the Board of Education, and Bro. W. J. McIntyre, of Court Woodburn, has been appointed Inspector of Schools for Queen's County. Both these appointments are popular with the general public and with Foresters in particular.

While congratulations are given many of the members, the sympathy of all who have the acquaintance of Bro. Niel McFadyen, of Court Elliot, will go to him in the loss of his estimable wife, which occurred at their home, Canoe Cove, on the 7th day of June. She was in her 24th year, and highly esteemed by all who knew her either as Miss Grace Campbell or Mrs. McFadyen.

Death has again been in our midst and taken away a young man just in the prime of manhood namely, Watson Moreshead, youngest son of John Moreshead. As he belonged to Court Mazeppa, No. 1086, the Foresters turned out in regalia at the funeral and the pallbearers were Foresters. He was buried with the usual Forestric ceremony at the grave.

QUEBEC.

COURT CHAMPLAIN No. 663.

MONTREAL, June 24th, 1899.

ORONHYATEKHA, Esq., M.D., S.C.R., TORONTO.

DEAR SIR AND BRO. — Enclosed please find the Mortuary Benefit Certificate of our late Brother Jas. Bissonnette, duly receipted by the beneficiaries. Please accept the thanks of the Court and the expressions of gratitude manifested by the widow of our late brother for your promptness in paying that claim.

Yours in L., B. and C.

F. BERTRAND, R. S.

New Recruits.

At St. Therese de Blainville, on the 23rd inst., the wife of Bro. C. H. Robillard, R. S., of Court Ducharme, No. 3556, of a son who has received the name, Jean Baptiste Lucien Roger. Godfather and Godmother, Bro. and Madame J. E. A. Robillard of Montreal. We are beginning to get new recruits for our Court. We must hope that the number will continue to increase.

Yours in L., B. and C.,

C. H. ROBILLARD, R. S.

WASHINGTON.

The Foresters of the four Courts in Seattle, had a grand and successful re-opening of their hall. They have put the hall in fire shape and it is a credit to Independent Forestry in Seattle. Now