lain, Rev. J. L. Small; Physician, R. B. Aylesworth, M.D. 28 members.
Court Toluca, No. 3675, Toluca, Cal.

Instituted on the 18th Sept., 1897, by G. A. McElfresh. Officers Installed—C.D.H.C.R., A. F. Gwynn; Chap-tin, F. A. Parrish; Physician, D. Dwire, M.D. 49

members.

-, No. 3676, Fullerton, Cal. Court -

Instituted on the 17th Sept., 1897, by Wm. R. Uber.
Officers Installed—C.D.H.C.R., Geo. A. Ruddock;
Chaplain, A. S. Bradford; Physician, Geo. C. Clark,
M.D., 35 members.
Court.——, No. 3677, Messina, Cal.

Instituted on the 20th Sept., 1827, by G. A. McElfresh, Officers Installed—C.D.H.C.R., W. F. Grow; Chaplain, C. W. Davis; Physicians, C. C. Browning, M.D. W. H. Wilmot, M.D. 30 members.

-, No. 3078, Lacombe, N.W.T. Instituted on the 21st Sept., 1897, by C. R. Stovel, Officers Installed C.D.H.C.R., D. C. Gourley; Chaphain, Rev. E. J. Chegwin; Physician, E. M. Sharpe, M.D. 23 members.

Court Carrying Place, No. 3679, Murray, Ont. Instituted on the 21st Sept., 1897, by Jas. Glendiaing. Officers Installed - C. D. H. C. H. Alfred H. Hunt : Chaplain, Rev. John W. Forster; Physician, Dr. Far ley. 20 members.

Instituted on the 30th June, 1897, by James Marshall, Officers Installed—C.D.H.C.R., Geo. Burch; Chaplain, F. J. McDermott; Physician, W. H. Wright, M.D. 17 members. Court Maritime, No. 2197, Liverpool, Eng.

Court Norfolk, No. 2201, Norwich, England. Instituted on the 16th Sept., 1897, by James Boddy, Officers Installed—C. D. H. C. R., Geo. C. Davies: Chaplain, John Holmes; Physician, Harrington Wyndram Davrell, M.D. 22 members.

## Report of the Medical Board for the Month of September, 1897.

During the month of September the Medical Board reviewed 1,955 medical examination papers, of which 1,858 were accepted and 255 rejected. The subjoined table will show the Jurisdictions whence the papers enamated:

Jurjsdiction.	Accept'd Reject'd.	Jurisdiction.	Accental. Rejected.
Arizonn British Columbia. California Colorado Connecticut Illinois Indiana Iowa Manico Manico Minnesota Missouri Montana Nebraska New Brunswick. New Hampshire New Jersey. New York North Dakota	128 17 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	Nova Scotia Ohio Ontario (Centre) Ontario (East) Ontario (West) Oregon Pemsylvania. I'. E. Island. Quebec. Ithode Island Texas. Utah Vermont. Washington Wisconsin England Irelaud Scotland Wales	16: 2 11: 9 17: 4 31: 10: 6: 2 16: 2
N. W. Territory		Total	1688, 267

Yours in L., B. and C.,

T. MILLMAN, M.D., Sec. of Med. Board.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Zimmerman, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., write the officers and members of Court Evershed, thanking the I.O.F. for the prompt payment of the Mortuary Benefit of their late son, Bro. H. Zimmerman, and for many kindnesses shown during the illness of their son.

## Ilmong the Courts.

High Court of Ontario.

BRO. A. H. BACKUS, ESQ., AYLMER,

High Chief Ranger of Ontario.

Though comparatively young in years Bro. Backus, whose portrait we give below, is one of the oldest and best known members in the Order, especially in the great Province of Ontario, in whose annual Forestrie gatherings he has been a prominent figure for the last thirteen years. That the brother has always enjoyed the confidence of his fellow members is evident from the fact that he has been a High Court officer for the greater portion of the time he has been a member of the High Court. At the recent meeting of the High Court of Western Ontario, at Brantford, long, faithful and valuable services were rewarded by his election to the highest office in the gift of his brethren.



BRO. A. H. BACKUS.

Bro. Backus does not tell us his age, but our readers will see for themselves that he has not yet reached the meridian of his years. He was born at Walsingham, Norfolk Co., Ont. His father, the late J. A. Backus, a native of England, was for many years Inspector of Schools in the County of Norfolk. The father of the subject of our sketch believed in giving his sons an education, as there oeneved in giving his sons an edication, as there are two lawyers and two physicians in the family. The studies of the High Chief of Ontario were carried on in the Public School, Simcoe High School, Toronto University, and the law office of Col. the Hon. D. Tisdale, M.P.

Bro. Backus is senior member of the law firm of Backus & Miller, which enjoys an extensive and lucrative practice. For ten years Mr. Backus was a member of the Aylmer School Board and its