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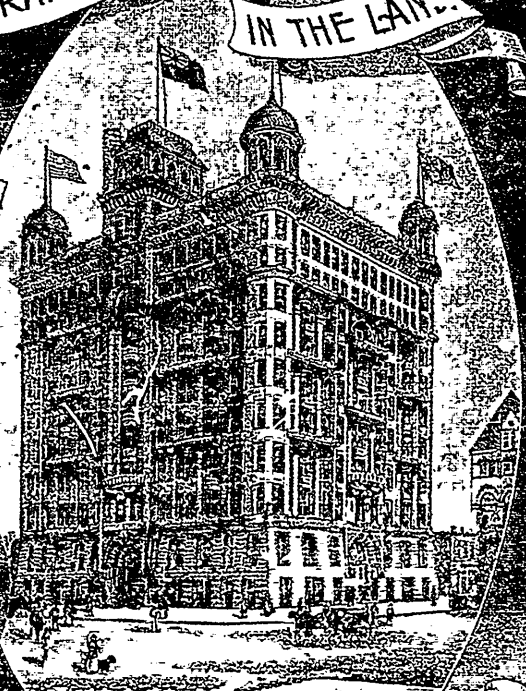
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FRATERNAL BENEFIT SOCIETY

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FOUNDED
17th JUNE, 1874
INCORPORATED IN ONTARIO
SEPTEMBER, 1878.
DOMINION INCORPORATION
MAY, 1889
LICENSE BY INSURANCE
DEPARTMENT OF CANADA
MAY, 1896.



NUMBER OF MEMBERS 1st JANUARY, 1898

124,685

SURPLUS FUND 1st FEBRUARY, 1898

\$2,611,155.24

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Limit of Age for Admission is from 18 to 55 Years.

Rates of Monthly Assessments.

To secure (1) the Mortuary Benefit, (2) the Total and Permanent Disability Benefit, the members of the L.O.F. are required to pay the small monthly rates shown below:

SCHEDULE OF RATES OF MONTHLY ASSESSMENTS FOR THE ORDINARY CLASS.

AGE	\$100	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
18	35	60	1 20	1 80	2 40	3 00
19	37	61	1 22	1 82	2 44	3 05
20	39	62	1 24	1 84	2 48	3 10
21	41	63	1 26	1 86	2 52	3 15
22	43	64	1 28	1 88	2 56	3 20
23	45	65	1 30	1 90	2 60	3 25
24	47	66	1 32	1 92	2 64	3 30
25	49	67	1 34	1 94	2 68	3 35
26	51	68	1 36	1 96	2 72	3 40
27	53	69	1 38	1 98	2 76	3 45
28	55	70	1 40	1 100	2 80	3 50
29	57	71	1 42	1 102	2 84	3 55
30	59	72	1 44	1 104	2 88	3 60
31	61	73	1 46	1 106	2 92	3 65
32	63	74	1 48	1 108	2 96	3 70
33	65	75	1 50	1 110	3 00	3 75
34	67	76	1 52	1 112	3 04	3 80
35	69	77	1 54	1 114	3 08	3 85
36	71	78	1 56	1 116	3 12	3 90
37	73	79	1 58	1 118	3 16	3 95
38	75	80	1 60	1 120	3 20	4 00
39	77	81	1 62	1 122	3 24	4 05
40	79	82	1 64	1 124	3 28	4 10
41	81	83	1 66	1 126	3 32	4 15
42	83	84	1 68	1 128	3 36	4 20
43	85	85	1 70	1 130	3 40	4 25
44	87	86	1 72	1 132	3 44	4 30
45	89	87	1 74	1 134	3 48	4 35
46	91	88	1 76	1 136	3 52	4 40
47	93	89	1 78	1 138	3 56	4 45
48	95	90	1 80	1 140	3 60	4 50
49	97	91	1 82	1 142	3 64	4 55
50	99	92	1 84	1 144	3 68	4 60
51	101	93	1 86	1 146	3 72	4 65
52	103	94	1 88	1 148	3 76	4 70
53	105	95	1 90	1 150	3 80	4 75
54	107	96	1 92	1 152	3 84	4 80
55	109	97	1 94	1 154	3 88	4 85
56	111	98	1 96	1 156	3 92	4 90
57	113	99	1 98	1 158	3 96	4 95
58	115	100	1 100	1 160	4 00	5 00
59	117	101	1 102	1 162	4 04	5 05
60	119	102	1 104	1 164	4 08	5 10
61	121	103	1 106	1 166	4 12	5 15
62	123	104	1 108	1 168	4 16	5 20
63	125	105	1 110	1 170	4 20	5 25
64	127	106	1 112	1 172	4 24	5 30
65	129	107	1 114	1 174	4 28	5 35
66	131	108	1 116	1 176	4 32	5 40
67	133	109	1 118	1 178	4 36	5 45
68	135	110	1 120	1 180	4 40	5 50
69	137	111	1 122	1 182	4 44	5 55
70	139	112	1 124	1 184	4 48	5 60
71	141	113	1 126	1 186	4 52	5 65
72	143	114	1 128	1 188	4 56	5 70
73	145	115	1 130	1 190	4 60	5 75
74	147	116	1 132	1 192	4 64	5 80
75	149	117	1 134	1 194	4 68	5 85
76	151	118	1 136	1 196	4 72	5 90
77	153	119	1 138	1 198	4 76	5 95
78	155	120	1 140	1 200	4 80	6 00
79	157	121	1 142	1 202	4 84	6 05
80	159	122	1 144	1 204	4 88	6 10
81	161	123	1 146	1 206	4 92	6 15
82	163	124	1 148	1 208	4 96	6 20
83	165	125	1 150	1 210	5 00	6 25
84	167	126	1 152	1 212	5 04	6 30
85	169	127	1 154	1 214	5 08	6 35
86	171	128	1 156	1 216	5 12	6 40
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88	175	130	1 160	1 220	5 20	6 50
89	177	131	1 162	1 222	5 24	6 55
90	179	132	1 164	1 224	5 28	6 60
91	181	133	1 166	1 226	5 32	6 65
92	183	134	1 168	1 228	5 36	6 70
93	185	135	1 170	1 230	5 40	6 75
94	187	136	1 172	1 232	5 44	6 80
95	189	137	1 174	1 234	5 48	6 85
96	191	138	1 176	1 236	5 52	6 90
97	193	139	1 178	1 238	5 56	6 95
98	195	140	1 180	1 240	5 60	7 00
99	197	141	1 182	1 242	5 64	7 05
100	199	142	1 184	1 244	5 68	7 10

To secure these benefits it is necessary to pay an Enrollment Fee of \$1.00 and a Registration Fee of \$1.00.

The rates for monthly assessments are as follows:

At Age of	Monthly Assessment	At Age of	Monthly Assessment	At Age of	Monthly Assessment	At Age of	Monthly Assessment
18	\$0.40	26	\$3.44	34	\$2.48	42	\$3.52
19	47	27	45	35	31	43	46
20	41	28	46	36	32	44	47
21	42	29	47	37	33	45	48
22	43	30	48	38	34	46	49
23	44	31	49	39	35	47	50
24	45	32	50	40	36	48	51
25	46	33	51	41	37	49	52
26	47	34	52	42	38	50	53
27	48	35	53	43	39	51	54
28	49	36	54	44	40	52	55
29	50	37	55	45	41	53	56
30	51	38	56	46	42	54	57
31	52	39	57	47	43	55	58
32	53	40	58	48	44	56	59
33	54	41	59	49	45	57	60
34	55	42	60	50	46	58	61
35	56	43	61	51	47	59	62
36	57	44	62	52	48	60	63
37	58	45	63	53	49	61	64
38	59	46	64	54	50	62	65
39	60	47	65	55	51	63	66
40	61	48	66	56	52	64	67
41	62	49	67	57	53	65	68
42	63	50	68	58	54	66	69
43	64	51	69	59	55	67	70
44	65	52	70	60	56	68	71
45	66	53	71	61	57	69	72
46	67	54	72	62	58	70	73
47	68	55	73	63	59	71	74
48	69	56	74	64	60	72	75
49	70	57	75	65	61	73	76
50	71	58	76	66	62	74	77
51	72	59	77	67	63	75	78
52	73	60	78	68	64	76	79
53	74	61	79	69	65	77	80
54	75	62	80	70	66	78	81
55	76	63	81	71	67	79	82
56	77	64	82	72	68	80	83
57	78	65	83	73	69	81	84
58	79	66	84	74	70	82	85
59	80	67	85	75	71	83	86
60	81	68	86	76	72	84	87
61	82	69	87	77	73	85	88
62	83	70	88	78	74	86	89
63	84	71	89	79	75	87	90
64	85	72	90	80	76	88	91
65	86	73	91	81	77	89	92
66	87	74	92	82	78	90	93
67	88	75	93	83	79	91	94
68	89	76	94	84	80	92	95
69	90	77	95	85	81	93	96
70	91	78	96	86	82	94	97
71	92	79	97	87	83	95	98
72	93	80	98	88	84	96	99
73	94	81	99	89	85	97	100
74	95	82	100	90	86	98	
75	96	83		91	87	99	
76	97	84		92	88	100	
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Our Investments

The surplus funds of the Order are always invested with a view to safety. A large portion of the funds is deposited with Governments and with sound monetary institutions, the balance being invested in first mortgages upon improved realty and in municipal securities, as shown below.

Investment Funds

The following shows some of the funds now thus invested:

Deposit Ins. Dept. Canada	\$11,089.00
On Brit. and Lond.	97,238.25
United States Government Bonds	26,752.40
New Brunswick Government	20,000.00
Real Estate and First Mortgages on Real Estate	172,000.00
Debentures	125,000.00
Deposit Receipts	500.00
From the above it will be seen that we have already an invested Surplus Fund of	\$2,201,550.00

No portion of the funds thus invested can be withdrawn except by the joint check of the undermentioned officers who comprise the Executive Council:

- 1. R. Osmbyatka, M.D., Editor in Chief, NATIONAL GUARDIAN, Toronto.
- 2. F. C. R. Hon. D. W. Allen, M.A., Clerk, Toronto.
- 3. Secretary, John A. McMillan, C.M., Toronto.
- 4. Treasurer, H. A. Collins, Toronto.
- 5. Phys. T. McKinnon, M.D., Toronto.
- 6. Coun. Hon. Judge W. Wadsworth, C.C. Hamilton.

With what we have in the current bank account and what is on hand as last report (see Report) and the magnificent sum of

\$2,201,550.00

For rates of Monthly Assessments in the Hazardous and Extra Hazardous Classes, Constitutions and Laws, in official literature of the Order.

The Sick and Funeral Benefits

Sick and Funeral Benefits are optional. Benefits are as follows: - (1) During any separate contagious sickness, a payment of \$10.00 a week for the first two weeks, \$5.00 a week for the next four weeks and at the discretion of the Executive Council a further amount of \$10.00 a week for the next two weeks. (2) A payment of \$10.00 towards funeral expenses at the member's death to his

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TORONTO, CANADA, FEBRUARY 15, 1898.

1. Send all matter relating to THE INDEPENDENT FORESTER and questions on points of Forestry law to Dr. Oronhyatekha, S.C.R., Toronto, Canada.

2. Send all Medical Examination Papers, Notices of Sickness, Sick Benefit Claims, etc., to the Supreme Physician, Dr. Millman, Temple Building, Toronto, Can.

3. Send all Monthly Reports, etc., to the Supreme Secretary, John A. McGillivray, Q.C., Toronto, Canada.

4. The Monthly Reports and exact sum required to cover assessments and other fees called for by such Monthly Reports should be sent together in one cover, as per special instructions.

5. All applications for membership (on Form No. 1, duly filled up) in the United Kingdom must be sent through the London office, so that certificates of membership may be promptly issued.

6. Courts working under the jurisdiction of a High Court must order all supplies from the High Secretary of their own High Court; those not under a High Court must order from the Supreme Secretary.

7. The FORESTER will be mailed to each member of a court as soon as the Recording Secretary sends a list of members, arranged Alphabetically, with their Post Office addresses, to Dan A. Rose, Manager, "The Independent Forester" Toronto. Until such list is received the FORESTER will be mailed to the Court Deputy in bundles for distribution among the members.

8. Recording Secretaries will immediately notify the Manager, at Toronto, giving in each case the name and address in full

- When a member is initiated.
- When a member is suspended.
- When a member withdraws from the court.
- When a member changes his address.
- When a member joins a court by card.
- When a member is reinstated.

Editorial.

All members of the Order, when writing to Headquarters, are respectfully requested to give the name and number of their Court, in every letter, as well as the name of their Province, State or Country. In a large percentage of the letters received these important requisites are omitted, and the waste of time at the Head Office hunting for this information, before such letters can be answered, is so great that we are forced to make this request urgently. Don't ask us to reply to you personally when you write on matters connected with your Court. All communications from Headquarters, in connection with the business of the Court, must, according to the Constitutions and Laws, be sent to the Court Deputy. The Supreme Officers have no option in the matter.

Notes.

Surplus, Jan. 31st, 1898, \$2,611,155.24.

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Membership first January, 1898, was 124,685.

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For January the Surplus increased \$52,372.46.

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That friend of yours to whom you spoke of joining the I.O.F. last month needs being seen again. Keep at him till he joins.

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Bravo, Quebec! To lead all jurisdictions for January is a distinction to be coveted, and of which the province on the St. Lawrence may well be proud.

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Michigan was third for January, with 162. The year is past, and Michigan follows and does not lead Quebec; but then there is no telling what 1898 may bring.

That \$3,000,000 surplus by the time Supreme Court meets in August is assured. The average increase last year was over \$50,000 a month. The same average will do it.

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Constant effort is the price of success. Let us keep pushing things. 150,000 members by Sept. 1st. Every member brought in increases the security of those who are now in.

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The courts instituted during 1897 numbered 458. This is also a marked gain on any former year. The indications are that for 1898 the number of new courts will be greater than ever.

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This is February. A month of the new year is gone. What have you attempted of all that you promised? Don't forget to secure a new member before you forget your good resolutions.

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For the first time in many months New York came second. It was only a difference of 4. Quebec 186, New York 182. We were beginning to think that New York could not be dislodged.

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25,315 is the net increase that the Order needs to make between now and the meeting of Supreme Court to be able to meet that body with a membership of 150,000. It can be done. "*Secure a new member.*"

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The gain in membership for 1897 was 21,847, or 1,820 per month, or about 70 per day. No wonder the average age and death-rate are low, and that the surplus is mounting up, like the membership, faster than ever.

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1897 is a year to be remembered. The additions to the membership were the greatest, the increase in the surplus the largest. The average age the lowest. The faith of the members in the I.O.F. the highest. It was a superlative year.

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It is still safe to bank on the old premier province of Ontario. The province gave 352 applications for January, of which the East gave 90, the Centre 124, and the West 138; the mother High Court—as was becoming—leading for the New Year.

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The net increase in the membership for the month of December was **2,775**. We know some Old Line Companies that think they have done well if their net increase for a year is up to our odd *hundreds* for December, leaving the thousands out of consideration.

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"A man that makes character makes foes." So sang the poet. What is true of the individual is

equally true of the institution. Independent Forestry has made for itself a character for enterprise, success and integrity. The enemies it has made are a tribute to its worth.

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The officers for 1898 have been installed and are by this time familiar with their work. They will find work as well as honor connected with the office. The more work the more honor. There is a good deal expected of the officers of 1898. We count on them making this the record year of the I.O.F.

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The improvidence in times of prosperity is the chief reason for the suffering in times of adversity. Good times are returning. Let people practise the thrift and forethought inculcated by the I.O.F., and when lean years revisit us, the store laid by and the habits of economy formed will stand us in good stead.

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To be of any account in the world one must live for others rather than himself. The individual who is living for himself is easily spared, and little missed. It is this great fact, that man lives for others, that inspires the effort, self-denial and forethought that have done so much for humanity, and that is daily leading men to protect their loved ones, by securing an interest in the benefits of a safe, benevolent and tried institution like the I.O.F.

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Of a truth, the Order gets younger as it gets older. The average age of the 124,685 members that were in good standing on the 1st January, 1898, was 35.40 years. Twelve months ago the average age of the members was 35.49 years, so that while the Order is a year older and has increased its membership by 23,861, the average age is, through the large additions of young members, a shade less than it was at the beginning of 1897.

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There is a provincial election on in Ontario. Of more importance to the elector is it to have a benefit certificate with the I.O.F. than to have his party in power. The certificate will be of a great deal more use to his family than a political party. The candidates we are most interested in are candidates for membership in the I.O.F. We vote for Grit, Tory, Independent, Patron, etc., as often as we get a chance. Bring them on.

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The committee that has charge of the bronze statue of the Chief report satisfactory progress. Bro. Allward, a talented young artist of Toronto, secured the contract for the work after competition. The casting will be done in Paris. The figure of the Chief in imperishable bronze will be the crowning glory of the beautiful rotunda of the Tem-

ple. The committee have made arrangements whereby they will be able to send a fine bust picture of the Chief to all courts contributing to the Statue Fund. Contributions, which are purely voluntary, can be sent to Rev. A. Macgillivray, P.H.C.R., Secretary of Committee, Room 711, Temple Building.

The Klondike, Alaska, and India Proscribed.

Extra Hazardous Rates Must be Paid by Those Who Reside Therein.

The Executive Council, at a meeting held Nov. 6th, 1897, by the authority vested in them by the Constitutions and Laws of the Order, proscribed for residence by members of the Order all that part of North America lying north of the 60th parallel of north latitude, which embraces Alaska (except the southern peninsula), the Klondike and adjacent territory; and also India, except by a special permit from the Supreme Chief Ranger and paying Extra Hazardous Rates.

Notice, therefore, is hereby given that no beneficiary member shall reside in the above-described territory for a longer period than *thirty* days without a special permit from the Supreme Chief Ranger, countersigned by the Supreme Secretary, and without paying Extra Hazardous Rates; and in case a beneficiary member resides in the above-described territory without the permit herein provided for, he shall, at the end of *thirty* days, *ipso facto*, stand suspended from the Order.

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

JOHN A. MCGILLIVRAY,
S. S.

TORONTO, Canada,
December 1, 1897.

Decisions on Points of Law, by the Supreme Chief Ranger.

1. When a member, suspended for non-payment, presents himself to the court to apply for reinstatement, and is present at the opening of the court, or subsequently applies for admission thereto, he is entitled to be admitted and to a seat in the court, and to this end must be regarded as a "worthy Forester." He would not, however, have vote nor voice in the court until he is actually reinstated, which is when he signs and transmits to the Supreme Secretary the Form 47, or when the Supreme Secretary gives notice of the brother's reinstatement.

2. No person is entitled to be a member of two courts. A member cannot hold Beneficiary Mem-

bership in one court and Social or Honorary Membership in another court.

3. Only those who are within the scope of the persons entitled to be Honorary Members as defined in Section 120 (8) of the Constitutions and Laws can be elected as Honorary Members, and then, in a Subordinate Court, only in the manner as provided in Section 125 (14). Persons admitted as Honorary Members to a Subordinate Court who cannot qualify according to Section 120 (8) must take the status of Social Members and pay Court dues.

ORONHYATEKHA,
Supreme Chief Ranger.

Appeal.

In Behalf of Court Falls City, No. 765.
(Located at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.)

Re LATE BROTHER FRANK DORÉ.

To all Subordinate Courts of the Order, Greeting:

In behalf of this Court I appeal to the brethren so that a "Good Samaritan" Court may not be permitted to suffer a serious loss by reason of its living up to the principles of the Order. The case is as follows: Frank Doré was initiated into this Court November 28th, 1894; made his infant son, Alonzo Claude, aged 8 years, his beneficiary for \$2,000. He died of pneumonia on the 11th day of March, 1897, after an illness of nine days. He was not enrolled in the Sick and Funeral Benefit Department of the Supreme Court, and left no property of any kind on his decease. The Court purchased a space in the cemetery for a grave and buried him decently, at an expense of \$159.61.

His wife and son seem to have been living in the township of Kincardine, Province of Ontario, while he lived at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The Court made proof of claim for his Mortuary Benefit and sent us the Benefit Certificate with the proof of claim, advising us that the widow and son resided in the Township of Kincardine, County of Bruce, Ontario. The Court sent to the widow a bill for \$159.61, the amount expended in connection with the death and burial of the late brother, but, either from inability or other causes, she would not pay it.

The widow was duly appointed guardian of the infant son, and we promptly paid over to her \$1,840.39 of the \$2,000; and we informed her, through her attorneys, that the balance, \$159.61, would be held till the son became of age, with the hope that then he would consent to reimbursing the Court for its outlay in caring for and burying his father. The widow refused to allow this balance to thus remain, and made a demand on the Supreme Court, through her solicitors, for the balance. We could do nothing but pay it over.

The Executive Council cannot pay this bill from the funds of the Supreme Court, and therefore I appeal to the Courts to contribute their mites, so that Court Falls City, No. 765, may not suffer this loss, which it is ill able to afford.

The donations for this purpose should be sent to me direct, separate from any other remittance; and should there be more than \$159.61 contributed, the remainder will be applied towards the Foresters' Cottage at the Muskoka Sanitarium for consumptives, situate on Lake Muskoka at Gravenhurst, Ont.

Fraternally yours in L., B. & C.,

ORONHYATEKHA,
S. C. R.

January 15th, 1898.

How to Secure a New Member.

How many of the 25,000 members that the I.O.F. expects to gain before the Supreme Court meets in August are going to join the Order unsolicited? One cannot give the exact number, but anyone is safe in predicting that it will be small—more than one in a thousand—less certainly than one in a hundred. The I.O.F. is unsurpassed in popularity, if, indeed, it is equalled, by any fraternal order in the land. Its history is one long series of triumphs over obstacles and opposition. Step by step it has won its way to the front among all orders of a similar character, till to-day it stands, with its membership of over 125,000 and its surplus of \$2,611,155, securely entrenched in the affection of its members and in the esteem of the public. But the public are not besieging the offices of the Order, or finding out its deputies, that they may make application for membership. They still have to be sought out, and not unfrequently argued into an appreciation of their need of the benefits the I.O.F. confers and its absolute ability to do all that it claims. Personal solicitation secures the member as no other method does, at least the great majority of members are secured in that way. Not unfrequently at the close of a meeting at which the principles and benefits of the I.O.F. have been clearly and forcibly presented men come forward and make application for membership. Public addresses, distributing literature, advertising—all help; but the chief means, and the one on which the Order must rely, as it is the one to which the I.O.F. owes most, is the wise, unwearied personal solicitations of brethren and deputies, of the men that they know will make good and worthy members of the Order. The great majority of men are yet uninsured. The same majority are comparatively ignorant of the many excellent features of this great organization. We do not claim that every member in the Order can secure a new member. We know a few localities where nearly all the eligible men are in the Order; but the majority of our members know one

or more men without the benefits the I.O.F. gives. Will they see their friend? Will they in a frank, cordial way set forth what this Order undertakes to do? If they will, there will be such additions to our ranks as will dwarf all former gains; and great as the record of 1897 was, that of 1898 will be twice as great. Will the brethren be up and doing? The royal way to success is effort. The way to secure the new member is to keep seeking him till you secure him.

Careful Management. Securities O.K.

Advantage was taken of the opening of the Temple as an office building on Dec. 17th, 1897, to invite the High Chief Rangers and High Secretaries of the various jurisdictions in America to be present and to examine for themselves the splendid office home of the Order, and also the various securities held by the Executive for the invested surplus. The following letter, that we are permitted to publish, in addition to showing the kindly regard of Bro. McElfresh, the able H.C.R. of California, for Col. A. B. Caldwell, P.S.C.R., the honored and venerable founder of the Order, also shows the entire satisfaction with which one of the most careful and conservative of our high officers regards the investments of the Order:

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Jan. 13th, 1898.

COL. A. B. CALDWELL,
P.S.C.R., I.O.F.,
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear old Friend and Brother,

Your kind letter of December 20th reached me here in due time, and I would have answered it sooner, but when the postman was delivering it, I was dictating some items for the press, and on reading your letter to the reporter, he requested the privilege to publish it in full, and, of course, that was just why I read it to him, and he did not return it until to-day, hence my delay in answering it.

Well, my dear brother, so you are "three score years and ten." Let me congratulate you on being so favored by the Almighty God, That gives to but few the privilege to live so long in this grand old world of ours. I know well that you have performed many good deeds during this long life of yours, but I know of nothing more grand, more brilliant, or more commendatory, than your connection with the laying of the foundation of this grand old Order of ours; may you live to see its membership numbered by the millions, and its influence surrounding the civilized world, is the wish of one who loves you much.

I had a very profitable visit to Toronto last month; I say a profitable one, because, while there, I had the opportunity of examining the securities of the Order, and the reports that this examination will, and does, permit me to make to my constituency will be of great profit to the Order in my jurisdiction, as I found them O.K. in every respect, and every evidence of careful management in the investment of the funds of the Order. And

oh my, ain't we getting rich—over two and a half millions of dollars! I don't suppose that on the 17th June, 1874, that you pioneers had any idea that the institution you were inaugurating would ever possess such a large bank account.

When in Toronto I had the pleasure of seeing much of our Supreme Auditor, Bro. Charlie Fitzgerald, your High Secretary, and I am indebted to him for many kindnesses shown to me. I am pleased to note the progress of the Order in your State, and the good work that you are doing. With the earnest wish that you may be long spared to continue in your noble efforts in behalf of the Order,

I am as ever,

Yours in L., B. & C.,

G. A. McELFRESH,
H.C.R.

The Growth of the Order in Great Britain.

What was becoming more and more evident from the monthly reports is now fully confirmed by Bro. T. Lawless, A.S.C.R., who has just returned from a visit to the old land. By him we are assured that the Order has fully passed the experimental stage in Britain, that it has successfully stood the test of searching investigation and unfriendly criticism, and to-day stands firmly established in the confidence of the British public. The proof of this we have in the steadily increasing number that is from month to month seeking admission into the Order. The termination of the great engineers' strike will cause a great revival of business in many industrial centres, and with good times the number of applications always increase. We are told that the character of the members already in the Order is exceptionally good. They represent largely the intelligent thrifty, middle class. They are in the I.O.F. to stay. Throughout different parts of the British Isles great interest is manifested in Independent Forestry. The officers and deputies are finding it much easier to secure members. The Mother Country will contribute her fair quota to bring the membership up to 150,000 by August next.

Foresters to the Front.

As time advances and the membership of the I.O.F. increases, the number of brethren that will be found occupying positions of trust and importance will be proportionately large. Among the members of the Legislature of Ontario, during the last parliamentary term, were many Foresters, all of whom acquitted themselves with advantage to the country and credit to the Order. Among the candidates nominated in the pending Ontario elections we notice many well-known brethren. We are interested in them as brother Foresters; we will rejoice over their election; we will be sorry if

any of them go down among the vanquished. That they are good men and will make good representatives, irrespective of party, none but extreme partisans will doubt. We fear that in a few instances members of the Order will be arrayed against one another. That shows how thoroughly free from anything like party entanglements the Order is. Our regret will be that both cannot be elected, and that they will not be permitted to exemplify the fraternal spirit by representing the constituency in turns. Among the brethren that we know to be seeking the suffrages of their fellow-citizens are the Hon. G. W. Ross, Hon. E. J. Davis, Hon. J. M. Gibson, and Messrs. J. B. Whitney, Q.C., G. F. Marter, J. W. St. John, W. Beatty, J. Longford, A. Currie, W. Little Jamieson, H. Carscallen, Q.C., Thomson, Chapple, Blezard, Caven, Haycock, Stokes, Caldwell, J. D. Hodgins, Campbell, Bridgeland, C. Calder, and Miscampbell. We have no doubt there are others, from whom we will be glad to hear after their election, when we purpose giving the photos and brief sketches of our brethren in the Ontario Legislature.

Men Die, but the Mortgage does Not Die with Them.

The men who have amassed a competency are few. The majority are not only without a competency, but are more or less in debt, possibly with the home or farm mortgaged. Given life and health, a man of enterprise will pay off his indebtedness and probably accumulate a competency for his old age, or for those dependent on him that he may leave behind. But life is uncertain; it may come to an end here any day, or health may at any time become so impaired as to leave the individual practically disabled. A man dies; the debt against his name and property remains. He could not pay while he lived; are his widow and children likely to be better able to pay it than he was? Certainly not. They will have to give up the struggle and surrender all, unless in his lifetime he secured membership in the I.O.F. or some similar institution. Then the amount of his benefit may not only wipe out all the indebtedness, but leave a little that will yield some income to supplement the earnings of the family, or the proceeds of the business or farm. Time and again cases have come under our notice where the husband and father was taken from the family, but the protection that he carried either in some Fraternal Society like ours, or in some line insurance company, saved the home and enabled the bereaved ones to face their changed circumstances without anxiety for daily bread. Provide for the payment of the mortgage and the saving of the home by joining the I.O.F.,

"Great Kindness."

The courts mentioned below deserve more than passing notice for the admirable way in which the members manifested the fraternal spirit on the occasion of the death of Bro. Frank A. Bailey. Though not a member of either court, all the necessary steps were taken, and that promptly and cheerfully, to have the proof claim made out and forwarded to Head Office. Every respect was shown to the memory of the departed brother and much gracious sympathy to the bereaved mother. The Supreme Chief is greatly pleased with the conduct of the brethren of Courts Whitefield, No. 1914, and Mt. Washington, No. 1448, and wishes them to accept his thanks for the way in which they upheld the honor and exemplified the fraternal spirit of our great Order.

The following letter expresses Mrs. Bailey's thanks:

Dr. Oronhyatekha, S.C.R.:

Mrs. M. C. Bailey, of Lancaster, N.H., writes thanking the Order for the payment of the Mortuary Benefit of \$1,000 and Funeral Benefit, \$50, of her late son, Frank A. Bailey. She also mentions the great kindness of the members of Court Mt. Washington, No. 1448, and Court Whitefield, No. 1914.

"It Came As a Blessing."

Bro. Bland was a member of Court Destiny, Tacoma, on the Pacific coast. He became a member of the Order a little less than four years ago, when he was thirty-six years of age. A few months ago he was placed on the Permanent Disability list, as he was suffering from a painful and incurable disease. The \$1,000 Disability Benefit was promptly paid, and all further demands for assessments ceased. When death came the remaining \$1,000 was forwarded to the widow of our late brother with the least possible delay. The Order claims no special credit for this. The Executive were only carrying out, as they do in every particular, their contract on behalf of the Order with the brother. The way in which the widow regards the Order can best be told in her own words. We gladly republish her letter that appeared in the Tacoma papers. Her unsolicited testimony proves the ability and willingness of the I.O.F. to carry out all its promises:

NORTH YAKIMA, Oct. 30, 1897.

S. H. POYNER, Court Deputy, Court Destiny, No. 598, of the Independent Order of Foresters, Tacoma, Wash.:

"DEAR SIR,—Your letter of October 28th, with draft for \$1,000.00, duly at hand, and I herewith return you the policy fully receipted. I wish to thank your Supreme officers for their promptness, and the officers and members of your court for what they have done for us.

"It was a relief to us when we were notified, last November, to send no more money for dues, that the insurance would be taken care of anyhow. And when, on the 15th day of July last, we received \$1,000.00 in advance on my late husband's insurance, on account of his total disability, it came as a blessing. And now, so soon after sending the proofs of death, to receive the balance of his insurance, makes me feel that I should assist in letting people know that such a noble Order as the Independent Order of Foresters exists, and if the publication of this letter will assist in bringing more members to your Order, and there to make provision for their dependent ones, it will have served its purpose. I remain

"Very respectfully,

(MRS.) MARIA A. BLAND."

"By their Fruits ye shall Know Them."

We have never asked for favors for the I.O.F. We have always been willing to be known and judged by what we did rather than by what we professed. In an Order such as ours there must be the profession prior to the practicing. Each day now demonstrates our loyalty to our professions and our ability to carry out our promises. We are daily receiving letters that contain kind and appreciative things about the Order. These come unsolicited. We give a few of them to show that the most complimentary things said about the I.O.F. have been said by those who have had proof both of the willingness and ability of the Order to carry out to the letter all that it promises.

"ACTS WHICH I SHALL NEVER FORGET."

A lady in Michigan writes:

To the Officers and Brethren of Court Watchful, No. 572, Belding, Mich.

DEAR BRETHREN,—Words cannot convey my gratitude to you for your uniform kindness and sympathy extended to me and my husband during his long sickness and grief, your attendance at the bedside of the suffering and dying, your attention during the funeral, your many expressions of sympathy and regret for the loss of a brother, and now your prompt payment of his Mortuary Benefit (\$1,000) as acts which I shall never forget.

It is my earnest prayer that God will still more abundantly bless the work of the I.O.F., and that the Order may long be spared to give expressions to that noble teaching which you inscribe as your motto, "Liberty, Benevolence and Concord." Truly the I.O.F. is the widow's friend.

MRS. ABBEY GARSTONE.

BELDING, Mich., Dec. 27th.

Bro. D. A. Rose, of our printing firm, has secured the publishing of Mr. Ogilvie's report on the Yukon and its gold fields. The book is to be published in Canada, United States, Great Britain, France, and Germany. It is said it will net the publishers a handsome figure. We are always pleased with what friends get.

Foresters' Cottage.

Sanatorium for Consumptives, Gravenhurst, Muskoka.

A member of our staff visited this interesting institution on the 28th Jan. It was typical Muskoka winter weather. The ground was covered to a considerable depth with snow. The air was clear and bracing, and although the mercury was below zero, the high location and the dry, stimulating atmosphere prevented one from feeling the cold to the same extent that he would where the air is more humid. Gravenhurst is a bright, enterprising town, charmingly located at the foot of the Muskoka lakes, well equipped with schools and churches, mills, stores and hotels. Railway connection with Toronto is very good, and the distance can be covered in some four hours. Muskoka is the "lake region" of Ontario, and is becoming more popular every year as a summer resort. Its high altitude, pure air, pine forests, innumerable lakes and streams, with facilities for boating and fishing, all combine to make Muskoka unsurpassed as a place for the invalid seeking health, or for the weary worker with hand or brain in quest of change and rest.

The Management of the Sanatorium were fortunate in securing a site on a bay of Muskoka Lake. The magnificent main building, flanked on either side by artistic cottages, occupies rising ground in a park of some forty acres of the forest primeval, a splendid growth of maple, birch, elm, hemlock, linden, etc. It is the intention to plant open spaces with pine as the occasion offers. In season passengers can be landed from the steamers within a minute's walk of the main building. There is a splendid carriage drive to the town two miles distant. The building, grounds and drives are lighted with electricity. At the time of our visit thirty patients were in residence. Judging from their bright looks, they were enjoying their surroundings, and looking forward hopefully. As much of the time as possible is spent in the open air, and although it was zero weather on the morning of our visit, the majority of the patients, wrapped in furs, or other warm garments, were out on the broad verandahs. The rooms are all high, bright and airy. One of the features is the sun-rooms on the second flat, where the light streams in through glass on three sides of the room. The building is well supplied with reading, recreation, reception rooms, etc. From Bro. Dr. Grant, the accomplished Medical Superintendent, we learned that a great deal of reliance was placed on pure air, sunshine, good food, cheerful surroundings, etc. The Sanatorium had not been long enough in operation to enable any definite estimate being given as to the percentage of cures. It was safe, however, to conclude that a considerable number of those who came sufficiently early would be permanently cured. Applications had to be declined daily because the disease had passed the initial stages. The object of the Sanatorium is to fight the disease at its very beginning.

Mr. W. J. Gage, publisher, of Toronto, with whom the idea of the Sanatorium originated and who is devoted to the enterprise, took great pleasure in showing us over the buildings and grounds.

He pointed out the place where he hoped to see the "Foresters' Cottage," to our mind the most desirable location available. Teams were busy drawing building material, the intention being, owing to increasing applications for admission, to build several cottages early next season. We are sure that when the question of a Foresters' Cottage reaches the courts there will be but one opinion, and that Foresters' Cottage will be built and ready for dedication by our Chief when the Supreme Court is in session. To visit the Sanatorium will afford a delightful excursion by rail and steamer. Every delegate to Supreme Court will want to see the "Highlands of Ontario," and especially "Foresters' Cottage," an exemplification of the benevolent spirit of our great Order. Donations of warm wraps, fur coats, etc., will be very welcome at the Sanatorium for the use of the patients. In our next issue we hope to give a cut of the Foresters' Cottage, prepared by the architect of the Temple, Bro. G. W. Gouinlock, D.S.C.R. Toronto. Meantime, courts and members can send their contributions to Bro. Rev. A. Macgillivray, Sec.-Treas. of the Foresters' Cottage Fund.

Companions of the I.O.F.

One by one we are obliged to let go of some cherished tradition. For ages the world has been taking it for granted that women are communicative. *It is not so.*

There are 107 courts of Companions of the I.O.F. We were going to say we had not heard from one of them in a month. We will modify the statement and say we have heard from but a few of them.

Bro. A. Cornwall, D.S.C., instituted a court in Cleveland on January 12th. It will be known as Court Euclid. It has a charter membership of 28, and a capital staff of officers.

Court Robin Hood, No. 12, Cleveland, at the regular meeting in January, had two initiations and a fraternal visit from members of sister courts. Refreshments were served and a delightful evening spent.

The Companions of Court Kent, No. 3, scored a great triumph on the occasion of their first masquerade ball. Financially and in every other particular it was a decided success. The ladies have received many compliments on their success.

Michigan leads among States and Provinces with the highest number of courts of Companions; and it looks as if Saginaw led among the cities of Michigan.

Mrs. Lodema Flory, Supreme Chief Deputy, has completed the organization of three courts of Companions in the city, and each one with a fine charter membership.

Court Maldone, No. 68, with 72 charter members.

Court Valley, No. 73, with 52 charter members.

Court Mountaineer, No. 91, with 54 charter members.

This is magnificent work, and we congratulate the fair Deputy on her great success.

When we got our information a day ago, and commenced this article, there were as we wrote 107 courts of Companions. Bro. Harper, A.S.C.R., informs us that there are now 109, with the probability that several more will be added by the time this reaches our readers. Bro. Harper has again called to correct our figures. The number is now

I. O. F.

ANNUAL STATEMENT.

THE GREAT WORK DONE.

1897 A Record Breaker,

To the Executive Council:

BRETHREN,—Twelve months ago we were congratulating each other and the officers and members of the Order upon the phenomenal achievements of the I.O.F. during the year 1896; and it was generally conceded that we had abundant reasons for such congratulations, for the record was in every respect in advance of that of any of the past years, howsoever successful some of these years have been. With so marked a success standing to the credit of the I.O.F. for 1896 the officers and members generally would have been entitled to congratulations had they made the record of 1897 only the equal of 1896. But that would not have been in accord with I.O.F. ideas. The spirit of jubilee abroad in the world in 1897, due to the benign reign of one of the wisest and best sovereigns that ever graced a throne, seems to have been upon every loyal Independent Forester, and right manfully have the rank and file of the Order, together with the officers of every grade and degree, backed up the efforts of the Executive Council to extend the beneficent work of the Independent Order of Foresters, and the result is that if we take a retrospective view of the year just closed we shall find 1897 to have been a veritable jubilee year for the I.O.F., and the work accomplished surpasses the expectations of even the most sanguine, and of which we may all feel justly proud, thus demonstrating anew that "nothing is impossible with the I.O.F."

Beginning first with the membership results, it will be gratifying for you to learn that during the year 1897 no less than 37,457 persons made application to the I.O.F. for membership or for increased benefits, and that these applications involved no less than \$44,906,000 of assurance. In the exercise of that wise discretion, to which the Order is so greatly indebted for its favorable death-rate, the Supreme Physician accepted only 33,528 of the applicants, for \$39,521,500 and rejected 3,929. Of those whose applications were accepted 30,137, representing \$35,224,500 of assurance, were new members. Adding these to the 102,838 on the roll at the beginning of the year, and deducting 632 losses by death and 7,638 by lapses, the membership was increased, on the 31st of Dec., 1897, to 124,685, carrying \$154,510,000 of assurance, being a net gain during 1897 of 21,847 members, and of \$25,819,000 in the amount of assurance carried. The increase in the new membership during 1897 as compared with 1896 was 6,013, or 24.92 per cent.; the increase in the new assurance taken during 1897 was \$6,366,500, or 22.05 per cent. It will therefore be seen that the percentages of gain during the year 1897, in respect of the membership and of the assurances taken, has been of an exceptionally satisfactory character. In this connection it may not be amiss to add the gratifying statement that the average

age of the membership, which stood at 35.49 on the 31st December, 1896, was reduced to 35.40 on the 31st December, 1897, thus proving that the I.O.F. is younger to-day than it was a year ago. The death-rate continues most satisfactory, being for the year only 5.56 per thousand. These figures may be slightly modified by claims from the distant jurisdictions which have not yet had time to reach the Head Office. The following tabulated statement of the membership and assurance will show at a glance the result of our year's work:

TABLE No. 1.

NEW MEMBERS ADMITTED.

LOCATION.	MEMBERS.	ASSURANCE.
Canada	10,107	\$10,965,000
United States	19,180	23,262,000
Great Britain and Ireland ...	850	997,500
Totals	30,137	\$35,224,500
Increase	6,013	6,366,500

THE TOTAL MEMBERSHIP.

LOCATION.	MEMBERS.	ASSURANCE.
Canada	57,680	\$ 68,750,000
United States	63,265	81,130,000
Great Britain and Ireland ..	3,740	4,630,000
Totals	124,685	\$154,510,000
Increase	21,847	25,819,000

The number of new Courts instituted during the year 1897 was 458, or an average of over 38 per month.

The results of the year's operations in the financial department are equally gratifying. On the 31st of December, 1896, the surplus funds of the Order amounted to \$2,015,484.38; on the 31st December, 1897, the figures were \$2,558,832.78; thus the increase for the year was \$543,348.40, being at the rate of 26.95 per cent. The mortuary premiums collected during the year 1897 amounted to nearly a million and a half of dollars, the exact figures being \$1,462,237.71. This was \$251,475.92 more than was received from the same source during 1896. The mortuary benefits paid during 1897 amounted to \$817,647.95; the total and permanent disability benefits to \$43,500, and the old age benefits to \$2,000.00. The aggregate of these payments was \$863,147.95, as against \$712,507.76 paid during 1896; the increase being \$151,640.19. While these figures standing by themselves are exceedingly gratifying, they are rendered even more so when we turn to the account for management expenses of the insurance department of the Order and find that it was only \$171,219.85 for 1897, as compared with \$164,254.36 for 1896, the rate of increase being only 4.24 per cent., while the increase in the benefits paid amounted to 21.28 per cent. The payment of the above-mentioned benefits absorbed 59.02 per cent. of the gross mortuary premium receipts, while \$73,111.89 of the premium receipts (being 5 per cent.) were devoted to the payment of management expenses, the balance of the expenses being derived from general fund revenue and the profits on supplies sold. The amount expended in management expenses, which of course includes the care of the old business, to each new member secured in the mortuary department was only \$5.68, as against \$6.81 in 1896. It will thus be seen that while in several important particulars the ratios of income and new business secured show

satisfactory increases, there is an equally gratifying reduction in the ratio of the cost at which the operations of the Order are being carried on.

The following table No. 2 will show the sources of the premium receipts for 1897 and the purposes to which they have been applied :

TABLE No. 2.

THE PREMIUMS RECEIVED.		
LOCATION.	MORTUARY DEPARTMENT.	SICK AND FUNERAL.
Canada.....	\$ 667,353.66	\$114,878.62
United States...	742,017.56	39,835.21
Great Britain and Irel'd.	52,866.49	267.23
Totals.....	\$1,462,237.71	\$154,981.06

THE BENEFITS PAID.

LOCATION.	MORTUARY DEPARTMENT.	SICK AND FUNERAL.
Canada.....	\$ 473,918.31	\$ 98,227.62
United States.....	375,094.15	30,710.43
Great Britain and Irel'd.	14,135.49	139.60
Totals.....	\$863,147.95	\$129,077.65

PREMIUMS APPROPRIATED TOWARD PAYING MANAGEMENT EXPENSES.

LOCATION.	MORTUARY DEPARTMENT.	SICK AND FUNERAL.
Canada.....	\$33,367.65	\$ 5,743.92
United States.....	37,100.92	1,991.76
Great Britain and Ireland.	2 643.32	13.38
Totals.....	\$73,111.89	\$ 7,749.06

BALANCE OF THE PREMIUMS AFTER PAYING BENEFITS AND APPROPRIATION TOWARD MANAGEMENT EXPENSES.

LOCATION.	MORTUARY DEPARTMENT.	SICK AND FUNERAL.
Canada.....	\$160,067.70	\$10,907.08
United States.....	329,822.49	7,133.02
Great Britain and Ireland	36,087.68	114.25
Totals.....	\$525,977.87	\$18,154.35
Deduct premium refunds, investigation of claims and other special charges	743.87	39.95
Net balance of premiums carried to surplus.....	\$525,234.00	\$18,114.40

The Sick and Funeral Benefit Department has shared in the general prosperity of the year. The enrolments in the department during 1897 numbered 5,647, and the membership at the end of the year was 26,819, of which number 20,145 were residents of Canada. The premiums received in this department during 1897 amounted to \$154,981.06 as against \$137,678 63 in 1896. Sick Benefits were paid during 1897 to the amount of \$121,850.19, and in addition \$7,227.55 was paid for funeral benefits, making the total sick and funeral benefits paid \$129,077.65, or \$20,643.50 more than was paid during 1896. Of the premiums collected in this department during the year no less a proportion than 80.29 per cent. was returned to the members in the form of the benefits paid to them, while only 5 per cent was used for management expenses.

The enormous volume of the work accomplished by the I.O.F. during 1897 can be shown only by

comparison with the work done by the great insurance corporations of Canada. As I am not yet in possession of the official figures of these Companies for 1897, I cannot present, at this time, a full comparative table; but if the comparison be made with the figures for 1897 of two of the Companies which have already published their annual statements, we shall get some conception by the vastness of the work accomplished by the I.O.F. during the year just past.

TABLE No. 3.

BUSINESS DONE IN 1897 BY THE I.O.F. AND TWO OLD LINE COMPANIES.

Name of Company.	Number of new Insurers.	Amount of New Insurance Taken.
Temperance and General....	1,803	\$2,052,100
North American Life.....	2,621	3,556,024
Total.....	4,424	\$ 5,608,124
I. O. F.....	30,137	35,224,500

It will thus be seen that the I.O.F. secured practically seven-fold more members than did these two old line companies, and the new insurance taken from the I.O.F. during the year amounts to nearly thirty millions of dollars more than was taken from its two boastful rivals.

The following Table will show you the assets and liabilities of the I.O.F. on the 31st Dec., 1897 :

ASSETS.

December 31st, 1897.

Deposit with Dominion Insurance Department of Canada.....	\$ 100,000 00
Deposit, Great Britain and Ireland..	97,333 33
“ United States (4% bonds)...	56,758 36
Loan to the Province of New Brunswick.....	20,000 00
Real Estate and 1st Mortgages on Real Estate.....	1,611,763 00
Temple Building.....	233,062 93
Deposit Receipts.....	540 79
Debentures.....	138,426 41
Cash on Deposit in Banks.....	298,950 79
Interest due and Accrued.....	38,088 45
Capitation Tax due.....	6,846 50
Amount due for Supplies.....	44,608 93
Saleable Supplies on hand.....	22,034 44
Office Furniture (after deducting 10%)	12,011 06
	<u>\$2,680,424 99</u>

LIABILITIES.

Sundry Accounts.....	\$ 1,825 42
*Mortuary Claims unpaid.....	30,212 94
Total and Permanent Claims unpaid.	2,000 00
Present Value Old Age Annuities....	12,137 88
Sick and Funeral Claims unpaid....	2,118 99
Balance of Assets.....	2,632,099 76
	<u>\$2,680,424 99</u>

* Of the \$80,242.94 of Mortuary Claims standing unpaid, \$14,859.61 were paid during the month of January, 1898.

Fraternally submitted in L. B. and C.,

ORONHYATEKHA,
Supreme Chief Ranger.

Notes of a Trip.

BROTHER LAWLESS TELLS SOME OF HIS OBSERVATIONS AND EXPERIENCES IN THE OLD LAND.

After a year of constant work on behalf of the Independent Order of Foresters, the nature of which need not be here specially described, I persuaded myself that I needed "rest." Then I consulted the Supreme Chief Ranger, who, with that genial heartiness which is one of his many charms, said I should have rest, a good long rest. Where, how and when I should go in search of "rest," and what I should do while resting, were details duly canvassed and arranged. Then came the handshakes, the good-byes, the God-bless-yous, and I turned my back on the Temple Building with its army of busy brains, and nimble, nervous toilers—to "rest."

A typical morning was that of the 27th of last November. Rain had fallen at intervals during the previous day and night, and a gray mist (not fog) hung heavily over New York harbor to cheer on his way the pilgrim to the shrine of "rest." There were sounds of hurried, though orderly, preparation on the dock of the Cunard Steamship Company, where that magnificent ocean greyhound, the "Lucania," was receiving into her palatial cabins the few late passengers who had failed to get on board the night before. At exactly forty-eight minutes after seven o'clock gongs sounded sharply in the capacious engine rooms of the great ship, the mighty engines began to move, the mooring cables were slipped from their fastenings, and the pace-setter of the oceans had commenced her journey across the waters dividing the new from the old world. At gray dawn on the morning of the third of December, the mail bags, which had been stored during the voyage in the steamer's mail room, were turned over to Her Britannic Majesty's post-office agents in Queenstown harbor, and early in the evening of the same day the ship glided alongside the landing-stage of the Alexandria docks at Liverpool. With just enough wind to add interest to the motion of the vessel, and to remind voyagers upon the main that Neptune still lives and reigns and upon occasions exacts tribute, a most enjoyable Atlantic trip was accomplished. The run from Sandy Hook Lightship to Daunt's Rock, a distance of 2,805 miles, was made in five days, thirteen hours and forty-eight minutes, while the passage from the dock in New York harbor to the landing-stage in Liverpool harbor occupied six days, three hours and thirty-two minutes, including a delay of an hour caused by a fog dropping suddenly down before the Liverpool bar had been cleared. An hour after the arrival of the ship at the dock every passenger had been landed, the luggage inspected by the courteous Customs officers, and the railway train carrying those London-bound was pulling out of the Riverside Station, so rapidly yet without unnecessary noise or excitement had the small army of porters and inspectors, always present on such an occasion, done their work.

Conspicuous among those waiting upon the dock at Liverpool to welcome incoming friends was the tall figure of Bro. James Marshall, General Manager for Great Britain and Ireland, who had travelled down from London to attend a conference under the auspices of the High Court of Central England for the Liverpool district convened for that evening, and the waiting hour was devoted to welcoming at the ship's side the visitor from the

Head Office. His genial smile, kindly words and hearty hand-shake were at once a welcome and a benediction to the traveller, for whose comfort during the stay in the city he had, with characteristic thoughtfulness, amply prepared.

Refreshed outwardly by a bath and a change of raiment, and inwardly by a delightful English steak, the rendezvous of the "conference" was sought and found, and after a brief delay the doors swung open and I was looking into the bright, intelligent countenances of half a hundred brother Foresters sent up to represent their several Courts, while the strong grip and hearty words of Past High Chief Ranger (now High Secretary) S. S. Chiswell, and the musical addition of the brethren, made a most complete welcome. A little later, High Chief Ranger Martin, whose train had been delayed, added his thoroughly English greeting, and the Canadian felt that whether in Great Britain, or in Greater Britain, or anywhere else in the broad domain over which Independent Forestry holds sway, the true Forester is ever a gentleman and has always a warm spot in his heart for his wayfaring brother. Nearly every member of the High Standing Committee was present and took part in the proceedings. The "conference" was designed to provide members an opportunity to discuss matters pertaining to the welfare of the Order with greater freedom than is possible during the more formal and official proceedings of High Court Session, and full scope was given to every brother who had a question to ask, a suggestion to offer, a difficulty to be removed, or even a grievance to be aired. The number, variety and character of the matters brought forward, and the manner in which these were discussed, very soon made clear to the observant visitor how keen and broad and earnest and intelligent is the interest taken by the British Foresters in everything relating to or affecting the welfare of our beloved Order. How best to meet the attacks upon the Order, and how most effectively to extend the membership and increase the influence of the I.O.F. in Great Britain, were the dominant issues; and the manner in which they were dealt with by even very young members was most gratifying. Notable was the complete absence of complaint concerning the management and internal economy of the Order, and a very pleasant incident was the presentation of a handsome jewel to Past High Chief Ranger Chiswell.

At intervals of about a week apart similar conferences were held at Manchester and at Leeds, in the same High Court jurisdiction, which were duly attended and furnished an excellent opportunity for judging of the material of which the Order in Great Britain is being built up. Each meeting brought me face to face with a new set of men, new questions and new ideas, and also with a wonderful unanimity of confidence in the soundness of the principles and the integrity of the management of the Independent Order of Foresters. The High Standing Committee was fully represented at all of the "conferences"; nearly every Subordinate Court in the jurisdiction sent a full quota of members, and the gratifying fact was brought out that a very substantial increase in membership had taken place during the first half of the High Court year, and that indications of a still larger increase during the second half were abundant. Bro. A. A. Campbell, D.S.C.R., of the organizing staff, was present at the Liverpool and Manchester conferences, and the hearty greetings given him at both

show that he has won an enviable place in the affections of his brethren. The organizing interests were represented at Leeds by Bros. Walter Batty and Ronald McDougall, both veterans whose records have won for them many tokens of esteem.

Another opportunity to study the conditions under which the Order has to win its way in Great Britain was afforded by a kind invitation from Bro. James Boddy, D.S.C.R., to attend with Bro. James Marshall and officiate at the institution of a new court at Lowestoft, in Suffolk county, on the east coast, some seventy miles north of London. The route to Lowestoft was through one of the most charming, albeit one of the oldest and least changed, portions of England, where even the old windmills of past generations still keep time with the swing of their great wings to the hum of the machinery below. There is nothing fancy about these ancient structures, outwardly at least, but the movement of their wings never fails to suggest the stubborn indifference of the Englishman as to whether his pace is pleasing or otherwise to his neighbor; and they not unfrequently remind one of the fabled mill of the gods, which, while grinding slowly, is reputed for turning out very fine goods. Bro. Boddy presented for inspection a full charter list, and when, in the evening, we met face to face the material which it represented, any shadow of a doubt that may have lingered in our minds about the success of the Order in Great Britain vanished. After an admirable address by Bro. Marshall additional applications were secured; then Court Suffolk Pioneer was duly instituted, Bros. James Marshall, James Boddy, and A. H. Hitchman, D.S.C.R., taking part with the writer in the ceremonies. This court, which has a promising outlook, is one of a number being organized with a view to the establishment of a High Court for the east of England.

One of the most pleasant functions in which an enthusiastic Forester could desire to participate was the joint installation of the officers of the three courts located in the city of Bristol. This quaint, ancient and picturesque city, nestling among the hills near where the Avon joins the Severn, is indissolubly linked to Canada by the ties of Cabot's discoveries, as well as by generations of profitable commerce; and it is linked also to the Foresteric world by three strong and progressive courts, with others in sight. The new Cabot monument, towering far skyward from the top of the most prominent of Bristol's many hills, and visible for miles at sea, will keep alive the patriotic sentiment, while the monument of good work well done, which the I.O.F. courts are erecting, will mark Bristol as a city of renown in the great realm of Fraternity. A visit to the meeting of the High Standing Committee of the High Court of the South of England, at 5 o'clock, furnished the opportunity for a handshake and consultation with High Chief Ranger Price and High Secretary Blamey, as well as the other members of the body, as also with two officers of the High Court of Wales, who, like myself and Bro. Marshall, were admitted to the chamber. The fact came out at the High Standing Committee meeting that the increase in members during the first half of the present High Court year exceeds by twenty-five per cent. the increase of the whole of the previous year. The installation ceremony followed in due course; then came a sumptuous repast, partaken of by upward of seventy as bright, intelligent, respectable Foresters as one could well desire to look upon, presided over by

Rev. Henry Denning, a prominent Church of England clergyman, who is High Chaplain as well as Chaplain of the court of which he is an active member. A similar function at the ancient city of Bath, twelve miles from Bristol, on the following evening, though on a less extensive scale, added to the already excellent opinion formed of the personnel of the I.O.F. in the old land, while a ramble through the place earlier in the day gave me a chance to glance at the famous old abbey established five centuries ago, and the site of which has been occupied as a place of worship for more than a thousand years, and at the extensive hot baths which abound in the city, including the old Roman bath, apparently established during the occupation of Britain by the Romans, but subsequently buried beneath ruins for many centuries. The evening following the Bath meeting found Bro. Marshall and myself at the bustling city of Dover, where there was also the installation of officers to be performed, new experiences to be gained, fresh acquaintances to be formed and favorable impressions to be strengthened. Dover is in the jurisdiction of the High Court of London, and the genial High Secretary, Bro. Wm. Stott, acted as our official escort, and made it very pleasant for us; as he did also on the following evening when the officers of Court Streatham (as fine a body of men as it has ever been my privilege to meet with in any society) were installed in due form.

The average Englishman is very conservative in his methods and manners, even where most democratic. He is not often moved by either sentiment or impulse or glittering promise to take up a new idea, or to part with his gold without a certainty of profitable return. He takes no man's word for the correctness of the idea or the safety of the investment, but insists upon investigating the theory or figuring out the transaction for himself; and when he has completed the process, he knows about all there is to know of the matter, and accepts or rejects according as he may be convinced of its worthiness or unworthiness. His prejudices are strong, but he is not unreasonable; he will listen to what one has to say about any matter, reason it out with himself first and with his opponent afterwards, or vice versa, as circumstances may dictate. If convinced, he as frankly accepts as he formerly firmly opposed; and there is no half-heartedness in the Englishman's acceptance of whatever he believes to be worthy of his confidence. Independent Forestry has been under the Englishman's searching investigation for about five years. During that time he has learned nearly all there is worth knowing concerning it; indeed, he knows more about it than the average Canadian or American who has been alongside, or even in the midst of it, for twice the length of time; and the educational process has brought him almost to the point at which unreserved acceptance takes place, and which will undoubtedly be reached in the near future. The English Independent Forester is an intelligent Forester, because he has studied out every principle involved in the system. His membership has been secured by appeal to reason rather than to impulse; it is the result of conviction rather than of sentiment, the outcome of positive knowledge rather than of blind acceptance of a popular theory, and is therefore all the more substantial in its staying qualities, and genuine in its heartiness. It is safe to assume that the average member of the I.O.F. in Great Britain knows more about the fundamental principles of

life insurance, and the differences between the several systems of such insurance, than the majority of the agents employed and paid by the old line companies to solicit business for them; and it is now only a question of time, and a short time, when Great Britain will be found contesting with Canada and the United States for the honor of premiership on the I.O.F. membership roll. The gains during 1897 far exceeded those of any previous year, and the start made in 1898 promises a record of unusual brilliance. Independent Forestry in Great Britain is all right!

After the conspicuously excellent class of material to be found in the British Courts of the I.O.F., the feature that chiefly claims the attention of the visitor is the prominence given to the fraternal and social elements. Notwithstanding the popular idea that the average Englishman is cold, reserved and distant, he is nevertheless in reality a very social being, whose large heart and active sympathies fit him in a high degree to undertake the duties and responsibilities of fraternity. Hence, as soon as he has explored the recesses of the "Forest Home," and made himself acquainted with its social and fraternal, as well as financial resources, he is found giving expression to the social side of his character with a heartiness to which we on the western side of the Atlantic are not so extensively accustomed as we might, with advantage to ourselves, become. "Good and welfare," therefore, finds its proper place alike in private and public gatherings, and is looked forward to as an important feature of the proceedings, while the dignified manner in which business, whether formal or social, is conducted, adds a charm that is not without its influence in attracting and holding the interest of members. On special occasions the wives, mothers, sisters and sweethearts of members are admitted to the social functions of the courts, and these events, while they never fail to secure the good-will and co-operation of the gentler sex, not infrequently enable members to capture candidates. In the cultivation of the social and fraternal elements of Independent Forestry, the courts in Great Britain are taking a position that will greatly strengthen the Order there; and their example in that respect is one that it would be greatly to the benefit of Courts elsewhere to extensively copy.

Grand Celebration during the Meeting of the Supreme Court.

During the meeting of the Supreme Court next August it is the intention to hold, in honor of the dedication of the Temple, the largest demonstration of the members of the Independent Order of Foresters that has ever been held. In addition to the very impressive ceremonies of the dedication there will be a monster procession, the largest perhaps that was ever witnessed in the city of Toronto, when it is expected that several thousand Independent Foresters, with a number of bands of music, will be in line. Invitations are to be sent to all encampments of Royal Foresters, a large number of whom no doubt will accept. A number of prizes and trophies will be offered, viz., for the best drilled encampment; the largest upon parade; the one coming the longest distance, etc. Similar prizes will also be offered for the largest court in regalia; the court coming the longest distance, etc. Programmes will be issued shortly

stating the numerous events. Arrangements are now in progress in regard to railway rates, etc., for excursions from California, all points in Canada, New York, Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, and other States; so keep yourself disengaged. Besides, now is the time to strengthen your courts by securing new members, in order to make a good showing with us in August.

Royal Foresters.

Temple Encampment, No. 60, Toronto, has more than a name to live. The encampment is nearly 100 strong, and the drill corps is doing hard, regular work by way of frequent drills. Bro. Capt. C. A. Stone is devoting a great deal of time to this branch of the work. On January 12th, the encampment gave its first entertainment. There was a good attendance. Among the visiting brethren were A. H. Backus, H.C.R. of Ontario; G. L. Dickinson, ex-M.P., High Secretary of Eastern Ontario, and E. J. Hearn, H.C. of Central Ontario. A very pleasant feature of the evening's proceedings was the presentation by Bro. Sir Knight Luke, on behalf of the drill corps, of a handsome gold ring, set with a garnet, to Bro. Capt. C. A. Stone. The ring was accompanied with an illuminated address, that spoke in terms of well deserved praise of Sir Knight Stone's many and valuable services on behalf of the encampment.

Suicides

Important Decision by the United States Supreme Court.

COMPANIES NEED NOT PAY CLAIMS WHERE A PERSON HAS COMMITTED SUICIDE WHEN IN SOUND MIND.

Washington, Jan. 18.—In the United States Supreme Court yesterday, Justice Harlan handed down an opinion in the case of A. Howard Ritter, executor of Wm. M. Runk, vs the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, involving the question of whether the heirs of a man who commits suicide when in sound mind can recover an insurance policy.

The court held that they could not. The sum of \$75,000 was involved.

In deciding the case, Justice Harlan said that when an insurance company entered into a contract to insure a man's life, neither party to the contract could be supposed to have suicide in contemplation, and it was not intended in entering into such a contract that the life of the person insured should be at the option of either the parties. In fixing the premium, the company would naturally take into consideration the circumstances bearing upon the duration of life, and no company would undertake to insure against suicide.

If any should make such an attempt it would, he said, be against public policy and would not be allowed.

Concluding, he said explicitly that no insured person committing suicide and found to be of sound mind, could recover upon his policy.

The case came to the Supreme Court from the Circuit Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and that court's opinion was affirmed.—*Exchange*.

A Character Sketch of the "Chief."

By "SENATOR" in *Galt Daily Reporter*.

"As I write I have before me the photograph of one of the greatest leaders of men this country has ever produced; a man yet in his prime; a man who is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from New York to San Francisco, from Winnipeg to the northern border line of the Southern States. If I am not greatly mistaken, this Canadian has a larger American acquaintance than any other man now resident here. His reputation extends to the orange groves of California, as well as to the wheat fields of Minnesota. His personality is known to workers in the shops and mines of Illinois, Pennsylvania and Ohio, as well as to the growers of corn on the Iowa prairies and the bushrangers in the Wisconsin pineries. Out in Oregon and Washington they have heard of him and hold him in high respect. A staunch Protestant, he has been welcomed within the lines of Roman Catholicism and given a lifting hand in his mission among the men of this continent. A Canadian, he has attracted and attached to himself in the pursuit of his work thousands of Americans of the sort that, at the drop of the hat, would to-morrow take the field if called upon to do so by the Government at Washington. I have heard him address an audience that completely filled one of Chicago's largest halls, with the skill of a Master of debate, pleading his cause so as to arouse sympathy and unbounded admiration for his genius and talents. I have seen hundreds of Americans, after one of these efforts, surround him upon the platform and pour their congratulations into his ears. This man, who has surmounted political, religious and national prejudices and become during the past ten years a continental character, has an ancestry older than this Dominion of ours. No Canadian was ever more to the manor born. His face, a composite picture of the elder Booth, John B. McCullough and Daniel Webster, is that of a leader of men. Such he has proved himself to be: a constructive genius of marvellous capacity and tireless energy. The man I speak of is known to fame in Canada, the United States, England and Ireland as "Oronhyatekha, M.D., Supreme Chief Ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters"—a son of Canada of whom the country has reason to be proud; the executive head of an organization to which sixty thousand Americans render loyal allegiance as they join hands with citizens of four other countries in the spread of the Gospel of Independent Forestry."

The Book of the Day.

No book ever issued in Canada was awaited with as much interest as "THE KLONDIKE OFFICIAL GUIDE," prepared by Wm. Ogilvie, D.L.S., and published by the Hunter, Rose Co., Limited.

The book comprises 154 pages, written in a clear, concise and interesting style; it contains a great mass of valuable information. It has a fine map of the whole country described, and many illustrations from photographs taken by Mr. Ogilvie. The demand for the book is enormous. It is by far the most comprehensive and authentic account of this new gold country yet given, and will be eagerly read by tens, we may say hundreds, of thousands. We hope our publishers will find it as profitable as their enterprise deserves.

Personal Mention.

Bro. Archie McFarlane, F.S. of Court Eldon Station, No. 1903, has been elected reeve of Eldon, for 1898.

Bro. W. H. Morgan, P.C.R. of Court East Toronto, was recently elected to the Public School Board, by the handsome majority of 400.

Bro. Frank Wilson, H. S. of Indiana, recently secured 12 members for Court Frankton, No. 1720. Any other High Secretary who has done better, or as well, or nearly as well, may speak now.

Bro. Frank Wagner, P.C.R. of Court Elizabeth, No. 1, New Jersey, has the sympathy, not only of the members of his court, but of the whole Order, in his great affliction through the accidental death of his son on Christmas day.

Bro. Henry Carscallen, Q.C., of Court Oronhyatekha, Hamilton, is one of the candidates for the representation of the "Ambitious City" in the Provincial Legislature. Bro. Carscallen is an able lawyer and a brilliant speaker.

Bro. Robert Tinck, G.D.H.C.R., who is working in Central Ontario, has made for himself a record of which any organizer might be proud. For the months of Dec. and Jany. he has secured over 200 applications. Who has done better?

Bro. T. G. Davey, P.S.T., has been doing excellent work in London and vicinity, organizing courts and securing members for existing courts. Bro. Davey is bound to see that the "Forest City" does not come short in the good work.

Bro. Dr. Ryerson, who represented East Toronto in the Ontario Legislature for the past four years, declines, notwithstanding the earnest solicitations of his friends, to stand for re-election. Dr. Ryerson, who is an eminent specialist, purposes devoting his time to his profession.

Bro. Mos. Lawless, A.S.C.R., after several weeks absence in Great Britain in quest of "rest" and on the business of the Order, has returned to headquarters, where he was warmly welcomed by the staff. Bro. Lawless is a great worker and a general favorite. His travelling notes, found in another column, will be read with interest.

Bro. W. D. Pettigrew, the efficient High Sec'y. of Manitoba, paid our sanctum a visit the other day. We were pleased to see our brother looking hale and vigorous and to hear from him of the growth of the Order in the great West. We know how the FORESTER is appreciated in Manitoba by the remarks we hear when it reaches them a day or two later.

We regret having to announce the death of Bro. G. M. Rose, senior member of the Hunter, Rose Co. The venerable gentleman had been ailing for some time. Bro. Rose, was an honorary member of our Order, and widely and favorably known as a successful business man and a life-long temperance worker. We extend our sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

Bro. J. Brady, of Court Collingwood, has left the town on the Georgian Bay, having purchased a half interest in the Walkerville Herald Printing Co. Collingwood without Bro. Brady will not be the same place to us. The citizens met and presented our brother Editor with an address and a purse of gold. Even in this life the Editor has at times more than virtue for his reward. May success attend J. W.

No. of Members	Name of Court	No. of Court	Mort. R. Assmt.	S. and F. Benefit	General Fund.
INDIANA					
131	Manhattan	420	160 87		118 50
27	Lake City	520	42 34		6 75
11	Miami	661	164 70		5 00
21	Lagere	961	32 65		5 25
154	Noble	975	255 37		10 00
15	Muncie	1004	30 34	48	8 75
62	White River	1064	51 33	2 38	5 50
94	Elwood	1097	96 09		2 00
24	Gem City	1107	37 85		
65	Puritan	1125	92 39	53	
39	Oak	1149	52 28		
18	Union City	1188	10 41	1 37	4 00
17	Delphi	1207	25 53		
33	Shattuck	1234	26 50		2 00
103	Rose	1240	112 84		15 00
18	Vincennes	1248	27 89		
13	Wabash City	1421	12 70		25
31	Huntington	1437	32 56		2 00
14	Indiana	1451			
69	Meshaugher	1477	61 66		1 75
29	Plymouth	1489	80 87		9 25
112	Gen. Milroy	1583	12 84	68	
75	Kellogg	1539	84 52	94	50
83	St. Joseph	1576	81 59		18 00
43	Elmore	1593	33 90		2 00
32	Alexandria	1577	87 72		3 00
12	Monticello	1617	61 64		2 00
19	Jasper	1703	20 48		4 75
10	Kentland	1710	7 46		
16	Frankton	1720	15 87		4 01
21	Fountain	1739	28 77		7 00
18	Education	1763	18 67		4 00
23	Indianapolis	1839	9 44	44	
19	Good Will	1840	19 83	53	
20	Maybee	1849	20 29	1 53	6 50
29	Earl	1937	41 21		
70	Anderson	3110	65 71		19 25
49	Lamasco	3194	87 82		17 00
13	Vanderburg	3219	3 9		3 50
12	Rising Star	3413	6 45		
16	Tuscaro	3734	16 89		50

IOWA					
5	Greene County	733	4 18		1 00
44	Des Moines	1059	09 50		
5	Sioux City	1101	7 19		
45	Veritas	1304	54 75		10
8	Eagle Grove	1307	6 77		
14	Hawkeye	1314	24 99		2 60
31	Hawkeye	1314	34 14		
189	Julesburg	1511	221 50		50 75
6	Ventnor	1517			
8	Venus	1559	12 59	40	2 00
19	Irving	1566	22 28	56	
23	Tri City	1609	25 40	46	5 75
23	Folk	1737	31 41		
8	Boonboro	1832	8 32		
12	Mapello	1831	8 15		
10	Webster City	1864	15 30		2 50
33	Flint City	1924	62 10		
12	Le Mars	1951	17 14		2 00
15	Chancellor	3166	16 36		3 75
10	Wapsie	3182	14 14		5 50
22	Charle City	3260	80 38		
18	Creston	3479	18 46		4 50
16	Walnut	3527	22 75		
14	Pella	3727	14 54		

MAINE					
8	Chickawankie	766	9 28		
33	Mars	843	28 80	13 17	13 50
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57	Piscataquis	923	37 21	20 03	8 00
56	Ligonis	1151	42 07	22 04	4 00
29	Caribou	1265	20 04	6 56	
12	Washburn	1176	8 05	2 93	3 50
171	Panobscot	1188	156 52	5 38	43 75
35	Fort Fairfield	1279	49 77	11 81	2 00
62	Attien	1308	62 06	28 45	
6	Aroostook	1327	4 05	96	
44	Orono	1330	32 50	4 00	2 00
82	DeFrance	1342	63 64	14 60	5 50
80	Oriental	1382	69 80	28 25	4 00
52	Jas. G. Blaine	1385	44 99	8 70	10 00
36	Kennebec	1399	40 73		
58	Amherst	1442	20 39		
13	Lewiston	1447	19 29		25
10	Auburn	1457	2 14		2 50
22	Moose Head	1463	15 93		5 50
40	Sobastacook	1495	53 49		
58	Wessersanett	1520	69 92		
30	Pine Tree	1537	22 07	3 53	
36	Industry	1538	24 26	6 23	
54	Messalonskee	1684	62 81	98	8 50
24	Shawmut	1704	25 54		6 00
76	Mechanic Falls	1728	22 50		
15	Rustfield	1776	12 57	1 03	
40	Katchin	1819	38 24	15 82	
103	Bumford Falls	1861	74 30	40 34	
38	Drage	1836	24 26	7 37	
23	Lakewood	1852	16 15	7 98	5 75
18	Dobbs	1853	13 29	2 32	4 50
18	Quaddy	1882	13 31	1 63	
19	East Machias	3010	12 83	5 22	7 00
27	Kagorrawanka	3013	35 05	2 68	
16	Molunucus	3032	13 87		
27	Nashobee	3033	13 87	4 59	10 75
22	Cobocook	3938	9 01	3 78	
64	Sylvan Dale	3087	73 75	1 46	8 00

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16	Sylvan Lake	3087	113 34	5 96	8 75
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60	Lewelltown	3114	63 12	80 91	11 00
64	Adria	3139	49 67	29 73	31 25
19	Alamogook	3159	23 42		
33	Baron De Castin	3221	23 73		10 00
38	Enfield	3223			
35	Waukeag	3254	18 20	15 00	
52	Tugwasah	3255	20 66	28 48	6 50
6	Lincons	3259	1 33		
29	Eden	3257	23 19	3 28	
8	Philos	3258	4 76		
47	Bombzoer	3271	23 29	20 70	4 00
35	Little River	3285	27 17	14 18	10 00
18	Moosa Hill	3307	14 83	7 65	4 00
5	Winthroy	3309	33 19	6 48	
22	Silver Ash	3331	15 20	4 65	5 50
45	Plymouth Spray	3338	21 45	2 91	2 50
45	Meduxnekeag	3381	42 69	8 02	13 75
24	Hesboro	3437	18 74	7 07	6 00
51	Cody	3454	31 40	5 23	17 00
17	Mattawamkeag	3478	11 81	4 45	2 25
19	Bugaduc	3522	11 78	3 55	8 00
43	Passadumkeag	3530	35 98	18 44	10 75
24	Escutarsis	3560	15 23	11 04	6 00
26	New Limerick	3571	25 58		10 50
17	Munsungun	3594	18 89	5 36	4 25
37	Unculus	3618	50 06	11 26	13 00
16	Vnn Baron	3635	23 55	1 82	6 75
10	Whitney	3660	15 49	1 27	10 25
37	Patten	3692	14 12	16 10	10 00
16	Hodgdon Mills	3695	3 95		
33	Pleasant River	3704	27 75	14 03	7 25

MANITOWA					
59	Winipeg	13 17	12	12	68
99	Kewatin	19 10	11	13	20
70	Delta	17 51	22	44	10 00
158	Manitou	155 153	74	167	18 00
115	Hudson	409 220	01	6 20	
13	Brandon	427 23	30	3 10	
87	Marquette	443 185	99	46 74	
22	Kildonan	469 20	33	3 94	5 50
23	Glendon	465 19	76	4 71	11 00
43	Douglas	665 30	64		
23	Forest	753 23	03	3 88	10 00
60	Bolesvain	773 50	60	13 47	13 75
19	Morden Valley	894 165	02	5 42	15 50
31	Carman	918 39	95	2 28	
30	Balmoral West	948 32	53		6 25
31	High Cliff	955 07	11	4 41	5 00
69	North Star	989 107	58		
55	Pt. Douglas	1015 46	38	14 64	40 00
67	Isafold	1048 55	67	8 51	8 50
80	Chater	1056 42	15		
21	Stonewall	1068 24	50	4 2	
19	Portage	1092 48	75		2 60
27	West Selkirk	1128 43	67	17 13	00
27	Erismore	1178 18	46	5 51	12 50
61	Pinn Creek	1192 61	44	23 64	6 50
83	Gretna	1217 78	43	2 39	
61	Carberry	1218 68	73	6 65	
44	Marquette	1233 75	55	3 82	6 00
42	Maple	1255 75	55		
11	Gemil	1488 10	60	5 3	
43	Green Rapids	1528 126	58	4 75	25
15	Dominion City	1634 15	19	2 40	3 75
63	Emerson	1657 79	17	2 74	16 25
26	Brandon Hills	1940 16	99		50
33	Dolans	3202 13	58		6 75
19	Killarney	3840 13	60	5 19	4 50
9	Winkler	3650 10	10		
31	Neepawa	3051 34	65	43	2 00
30	McDonald	3059 33	94	5 05	4 00
35	Rhoal Lake	3115 35	15	1 41	2 00
17	Hayfield	3172 38	00		
30	Nesbit	3175 39	91	4 66	11 50
36	Reaton	3181 28	81	94	
28	Pipestone	3201 60	89	9 76	8 50
14	Stockton	3164 15	26	2 32	4 00
16	Carroll	3446 6	84		
11	Rounthwaite	3161 37	74		3 25
20	Motta	3457 33	07		5 50
8	Dauphin	3463 8	76		
20	Darlington	3674 12	97	6 01	5 00
22	Arden Vale	3732 17	85	3 12	1 00
22	Winnipegosis	3740 26	90		
12	Schultz	3747 24	71		

MICHIGAN					
87	Bad Axe	117 81	91	15 88	
55	Tunnel	159 72	51	89	2 50
280	Desmond	187 375	05	8 73	4 00
32	Claro	210 33	64	86	
34					

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91	Granton	986	416 56	8 46	4 50	11	Northfield	584	192 40	3 75	5 00	12	Pellucidac	94114	64	28 89	
102	Maurice	996	86 10	8 20	4 50	50	Lo Heart	593	60 81	.....	10	Gordon Falls	101	31 99	75	.....	
89	Mable Rapid	1007	87 03	14 43	5 00	60	Volney	604	40 73	14 00	10	Wales Took	103	85 69	27 24	.....	
28	Frome	1020	38 77	4 27	2 00	43	Capital City	614	81 95	49 30	7	Lockeay	118	09 49	2 76	6 00		
65	Rim	1021	95 74	.....	.....	245	Duluth	724	267 10	467 30	13 60	207	Loyalist	121	21 08	18 40	.....
97	Star Light	1024	106 77	1 40	5 50	44	West Duluth	797	42 16	9 04	1 00	140	La Tour	125	168 05	18 92	.....
11	Boynolds	1029	9 73	.....	2 75	84	Minneapolis	865	106 43	.....	21 00	36	Progress	134	52 11	.....	04
20	Benton	1044	52 81	1 16	.....	116	Rosemont	930	114 71	.....	85	140	Milicota	139	226 03	24 74	7 00
53	Kirby	1046	47 90	12 03	4 50	11	Fraubault	990	9 40	.....	.....	80	Alexandra	141	77 10	.....	.....
99	Lake Orion	1057	64 97	.....	2 25	152	Hillwater	1035	185 85	1 01	.....	132	St. Mary's	145	144 20	18 23	1 00
43	Wawamus	1060	47 35	.....	.....	57	Lone Star	1036	39 14	4 00	.....	65	Happy Hotseat	150	75 86	6 85	.....
20	Balloy	1064	21 89	4 63	8 00	51	Lake Popin	1068	48 25	92	.....	69	Carlton	162	87 29	10 35	18 00
68	Adrian	1078	75 55	8 17	10 00	35	Delhi	1108	47 35	51	.....	63	Miramichi	165	61 67	41	.....
26	Hitch	1168	28 30	.....	.....	43	Convention City	1127	39 56	.....	.....	42	Butternut Ridge	164	34 41	1 84	.....
42	Vicia	1190	52 04	.....	.....	116	Wing	1139	114 35	85	.....	40	Salisbury	190	41 68	.....	.....
13	Ypanti	1100	16 19	.....	.....	63	St. Anthony	1136	61 93	.....	20 00	28	Winons	221	48 04	.....	.....
27	West Bay City	1102	38 82	52	0 75	68	Five Points	1153	98 50	98	11 00	31	Benevolence	263	29 43	7 45	.....
43	Mendon	1121	45 74	44	.....	61	Ramsay	1154	77 50	3 25	7	7	Albion	274	6 68	41	.....
38	Uncle Sam	1142	34 10	.....	9 60	62	Calhoun	1165	61 35	6 00	40	40	Kings	356	37 68	1 87	.....
21	Carson	1157	20 94	.....	1 00	140	Hilldale	1238	127 07	46	10 80	53	Frederick	368	54 30	12 60	2 00
7	Hemlock	1171	5 42	93	.....	25	Owatone	1239	34 10	.....	8 25	23	Upham	385	.....	.....	.....
14	Elk Rapids	1173	14 51	.....	.....	79	Century	1237	111 35	85	.....	78	Shediac	394	30 63	5 81	23 00
117	Mononeline	1191	106 03	40	77 25	37	Hendrum	1232	45 65	2 00	78	Hampton	429	170 10	38 18	.....	
36	Lowell	1213	35 05	.....	25	42	Nicollet	1232	49 70	8 51	.....	24	Buctochow	449	26 80	4 10	6 00
21	Lindenwood	1220	21 80	.....	.....	39	Campus	1244	29 38	.....	.....	47	City Camp	462	37 07	14 06	2 00
61	Village	1254	67 11	61	10 43	88	Adelphi	1506	87 52	8 00	.....	45	Mistotee	485	39 64	17 02	4 00
33	Dollarville	1285	28 40	2 94	8 25	99	Tranfer	1577	43 47	.....	2 00	62	St. Andrews	508	12 95	11 97	.....
109	Armada	1325	38 30	44	14 00	53	Bella Plana	1605	42 50	.....	.....	16	Eastern Light	553	19 76	.....	.....
54	Bowling	1333	10 63	6 00	59	Century	1627	111 35	85	2 37	10 00	18	St. Paul	574	31 46	14 31	4 00
6	Bonzonia	1361	3 19	43	.....	66	Central Duluth	1737	38 50	12 24	2 00	28	Scodilo	587	37 28	12 34	.....
11	Sparta	1474	12 45	.....	.....	59	St. Vincent	1738	88 08	43	20 00	67	Andover	628	15 42	24 69	6 01
40	Geo. Washington	1408	31 01	1 11	10 00	72	Flower City	1760	74 38	.....	20 00	65	Bestigouche	641	90 58	10 19	.....
75	Alger	1414	53 23	9 99	9 00	39	Minnehaha	1822	30 62	.....	2 00	28	Starling	642	21 98	9 32	6 50
10	Allegan	1428	21 56	.....	4 60	50	Jordan	1826	54 77	11 50	.....	15	Regina	652	147 71	25 10	2 25
23	Bingham	1435	20 37	.....	4 00	31	Greenwood Prairie	1838	68 75	.....	8 00	53	Hillville	633	38 93	9 40	.....
20	Hiland	1439	20 94	.....	.....	131	Leander Heights	1963	99 85	41	3 50	41	Staley Banner	721	37 18	16 62	.....
19	Hillsdale	1462	24 77	40	.....	35	New Brighton	2053	29 23	.....	.....	16	Arthurite	747	29 84	15 01	6 60
113	Gibraltar	1489	112 94	.....	29 75	15	Lakewood	2122	15 20	3 75	4 00	44	Green Bay	776	43 89	10 63	.....
20	Kalamazoo	1531	23 97	.....	.....	35	Gardner	2149	39 62	3 01	10	Newton	801	14 38	.....	2 60	
10	Cedar Springs	1538	8 44	.....	.....	20	Hugo	2154	17 91	.....	.....	112	Tantramar	803	12 69	13 88	25
15	Northville	1543	21 23	89	3 16	21	Kilkenny	2171	51 59	.....	4 00	92	Lanester	836	78 56	3 30	3 00
11	Kennethworth	1545	11 20	1 88	.....	29	East Grand Forks	2323	29 32	2 59	5 00	44	Boltonville	816	11 49	12 00	.....
33	Ann Arbor	1554	54 24	.....	.....	8	Spirit Lake	2410	5 17	.....	.....	38	Pequot	1274	33 83	5 67	.....
13	Oceanica	1561	17 61	.....	.....	90	Commerce	2323	128 67	12	0 00	35	Bunbury	1289	33 60	7 63	.....
35	Motomare	1563	38 13	48	.....	51	East Duluth	2318	8 32	4 81	.....	19	Albert Mines	1290	13 51	5 12	8 75
15	Indian Village	1574	17 78	2 10	.....	20	Robensdale	2368	23 15	.....	50	64	Pasamquaddy	1293	40 63	23 93	7 00
11	Ben Franklin	1591	10 87	.....	2 00	40	Fourth Side	2396	61 06	.....	27 50	60	Glassville	1309	23 21	3 59	1 00
49	Chelsea	1612	40 03	.....	.....	56	Loyal	2417	74 87	.....	14 00	27	Harvey Glen	1314	24 60	9 56	.....
14	Manchester	1616	14 06	.....	.....	29	Richford	2423	29 32	2 59	5 00	51	Boltonville	1316	31 60	2 16	8 00
29	Pollawatamio	1681	49 50	44	.....	8	Spirit Lake	2410	5 17	.....	.....	33	Washadmoak	1394	24 11	5 72	8 00
11	Dundee	1708	13 53	.....	.....	91	Menasha	2489	181 29	15 75	.....	17	Pogouick	1400	13 09	5 64	4 25
34	Verona	1713	29 79	2 30	.....	19	Agate	2498	29 71	.....	.....	25	Chalour	1411	24 10	2 66	4 00
89	Morance	1718	37 07	9 75	.....	14	Moose Lake	2542	16 09	.....	.....	37	Rockwood	1470	31 65	6 45	9 25
30	Stone Mills	1725	32 88	7 10	.....	15	Arken	2543	14 54	.....	.....	22	Bonds	1486	134 78	14 78	8 10
27	Easton Rapids	1740	31 15	.....	.....	44	Coto Brilliant	2635	64 24	2 80	3 60	10	Bonsfield	1498	20 84	8 83	.....
23	Easton	1745	20 82	10 00	.....	46	West St. Louis	1160	55 90	92	.....	48	Marracott	1501	35 22	7 49	12 00
41	Lenowa	1764	45 38	.....	.....	55	El	1221	61 62	16 75	.....	39	Dorchester	1527	45 91	2 85	2 00
17	Grand Rapids	1765	110 72	9 91	.....	72	Remember	696	46 44	.....	.....	26	De Mosselle	1546	45 95	87	.....
87	Ingham	1777	49 68	.....	.....	13	Kiowa	735	18 10	.....	.....	20	Harvey	1560	22 17	.....	5 00
12	Three Rivers	1797	11 47	3 00	.....	87	East Side	874	92 16	48	31 00	53	Squatick	1570	53 46	22 30	2 00
16	Charloto	1827	19 75	.....	.....	44	Coto Brilliant	2635	64 24	2 80	3 60	60	Onaugony	1572	49 34	1 09	.....
51	Business	1829	45 18	.....	.....	46	West St. Louis	1160	55 90	92	.....	25	Clearview	1576	29 85	15 04	4 00
8	Aurulus	1848	6 36	.....	.....	65	El	1221	61 62	16 75	.....	25	Harris Mills	1578	29 85	15 04	4 00
24	Gayland	1852	26 91	.....	.....	163	Pocahontas	1474	178 64	2 33	33 00	11	Rindley	1623	16 71	.....	.....
75	Bay Mills	1865	75 05	18 16	76 10	8	Boone	1497	15 22	.....	.....	37	Favrite	1630	42 48	68	8 00
32	Nashville	1908	85 86	50	21	16	Boonsville	1571	22 82	.....	.....	28	Dooktown	1633	38 64	1 88	5 75
13	Litchfield	1929	11 82	.....	.....	12	Tipton	1621	22 77	.....	.....	7	Lilloet	1652	4 99	8 14	.....
24	Fairgrieve	1969	19 02	1 45	.....	14	Windsor	1626	23 93	.....	.....	20	Rashwaak	1664	21 21	5 94	.....
25	Path Finder	1979	21 10	44	.....	14	Solverville	1633	18 15	.....	.....	21	Wilsford	1665	16 01	2 21	.....
51	Freepost	1987	65 86	14 10	.....	47	Rat Portage	1630	64 35	4 60	.....	102	Log Cabin	1759	11 75	4 61	8 75
21	Dowdick	2018	21 73	5	Utility	1910	4 98	11	Greenwich	1762	8 33	7 01	
29	Two City	2046	42 30	90	2 5													

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25 Wygodny	8012	80	23	21
26 Oharlo	8092	5	57	6	6 00
27 Bathurst	8045	12	35	5
28 Golden Crown	8048	24	33	12	6 00
29 King Richard	8005	27	73	14	66
30 Waterford	8068	7	51	.....	.....
12 Tayville	8080	13	14	.....	.....
14 Lepreau	8088	6	55	0 15	.....
9 Louison	8185	6	39	84	2 00
26 Monaghan	8190	22	41	9 51	.....
13 Rocky Glen	8223	5	33	.....	8 00
15 May	8242	10	12	17	.....
11 Colenan	8280	12	57	4	2 75
18 Grand Falls	8291	15	10	6 98	8 50
12 Glen Aris	8297	10	91	.....	3 00
27 Chigmetto	8312	28	30	3 70	10 50
14 Day Du Vin	8320	9	47	.....	5 50
10 Palfrand	8359	5	50	.....	2 50
7 Douglstown	8379	5	08	1 57	.....
21 Bethel	8397	15	76	.....	0 00
13 Hazelhurst	8403	15	04	.....	3 25
11 Oromocto	8407	7	73	2 67	2 75
28 Dright	8418	9	23	4 03	6 25
12 Missis	8420	9	47	7 77	7 50
28 Bala Verie	8569	81	24	7 68	.....
11 Port Cumberland	8575	8	70	6 8	2 75
18 Alnwick	8505	17	97	.....	3 25
16 South Esk	8539	7	10	.....	.....
11 Fair Haven	8542	7	25	.....	92
9 Verdalo	8543	5	16	.....	.....
10 Migie	8545	7	23	1 13	3 50
8 Bay Side	8566	6	11	3 16	.....
24 Fish River Rapid	8708	16	28	2 72	.....
10 Youngs Cove	8743	7	70	2 51	4 50

NEW ENGLAND.

47 Inland Pond	423	42	38	17	87
45 Woodsville	911	10	77	7	23
16 Granite State	932	13	94	18	19 00
40 West Pawlet	1173	42	38	20	39 4 00
7 Honor	1234	64	38	30	47
45 Essex	1249	7	37	41	44
33 Nutmeg	1404	34	63	14	.....
83 Mt. Washington	1448	73	40	147	10 00
34 Maynestoro	1468	93	39	62	89 8 00
41 St. Albans	1589	59	75	34	40 12 00
45 Vermont	1649	50	98	12	28 1 00
38 Agassiz	1657	24	33	16	4 50
35 Boston	1669	38	63	4 52	8 25
19 Colebrook	1850	7	57	3 18	.....
11 Tohant	1897	7	95	90	4 65
60 Whitefield	1914	47	70	14	63 7 00
44 Connecticut River	1945	43	58	.....	3 00
40 Pilot	1956	17	43	14	11 32 50
25 Uncabonue	1969	38	63	1 04	50
61 Ammonoosuc	1995	62	61	20	3 1 50
6 Wankers	8020	.....	.....	.....	.....
34 Bartlett	8073	83	17	19	61
18 Parker	8074	19	67	8	93
35 Squantum	8092	15	82	1	24
12 Piscataqua	8113	13	00	.....	10 00
40 Orleans	8117	8	31	27	61
41 Ponhkin	8118	34	24	1	31 10 00
31 Merrimack	8189	30	95	5	71
39 New Hampshire	8241	27	95	14	29 00
16 Gaynor	8283	.....	.....	.....	.....
25 Stamford	8315	48	22	.....	10 00
11 Twin Mountain	8456	10	3	59	13 25
7 Housatonic	8459	8	70	.....	8 00
6 Pomegowasset	8191	13	88	4	55 75
39 Fabre	8195	34	50	14	30 29 60
45 Roger Williams	8339	55	18	10	61 41 00
31 Waterbury	8378	67	60	.....	22 00
16 Rochambeau	8597	13	90	.....	8 03
17 Enosberg Falls	8594	27	10	.....	.....
23 Worland	8723	43	74	20	02 4 00
8 Wiat. Cheer	3737	5	87	.....	.....

NEW JERSEY.

810 Elizabeth	1 299	85	.....	12	50
201 Washington	44	178	77	.....	50
162 Richmond	254	154	41	.....	60 69
98 Progressive	254	100	21	.....	6 70
126 Lafayette	344	118	43	.....	8 50
49 Onward	653	44	53	.....	.....
63 Delaware	693	58	41	24	84
28 Taylor	798	31	02	.....	8 50
201 Columbus	920	394	64	.....	18 60
8 Somerset	938	139	69	.....	3 00
19 Jersey	939	83	27	.....	2 00
43 Eldorado	1038	57	16	.....	13 25
10 Blydenown	1059	.....	.....	.....	.....
62 Burlington	1084	74	13	4 13	1 00
21 Camden	1129	37	71	.....	.....
57 Dunellen	1138	39	28	.....	2 00
11 Plainfield	1204	27	04	.....	2 00
15 Napoleon	1252	64	88	.....	1 00
45 DeKalb	1276	50	91	.....	.....
25 Tronton	1317	59	91	3 87	.....
388 Hancock	1371	172	64	.....	4 00
24 Glace	1374	29	29	6	.....
20 Hunterdon	1412	71	04	.....	.....
45 Metuchen	1428	71	04	.....	.....
148 Geo. W. Childs	1476	248	62	.....	7 00
139 Hoboken	1487	32	15	15 27	.....
155 South End	1552	98	48	.....	4 03
112 Ridgedale	1554	150	87	.....	11 70
40 Newark	1592	87	44	.....	14 70
41 Roselle	1612	88	13	.....	2 70
28 Camford	1651	77	55	.....	9 50

37 Bedford	1668	30	15	.....	8 25
37 Frulinghuyson	1668	56	19	.....	9 75
40 Palisade	1772	60	70	.....	16 75
34 St. Brighon	1790	81	34	.....	38 00
55 Bergen	1839	31	35	.....	12 25
31 Jersey City	1838	31	35	.....	.....
127 Fairmont	1851	118	46	.....	9 00
37 Bayonne	1888	64	48	.....	.....
38 Morcer	1911	67	90	.....	.....
29 St. Plainfield	1922	24	69	.....	2 00
15 Pavonia	1971	10	63	.....	2 50
25 Passaic	1974	18	91	.....	4 00
23 Amboy	5043	23	49	.....	.....
19 Winfield S. Scott	3052	40	07	.....	2 00
20 Provident	3130	33	25	.....	4 50
61 Bloomfield Centre	3220	48	80	.....	.....
25 Morris	3229	56	57	.....	6 25
13 Daly	3231	19	55	.....	3 25
28 Robt. E. Green	3244	07	.....	.....	7 00
26 Monmouth	3321	84	11	.....	.....
23 Hudson County	3342	54	36	.....	3 60
37 Lathrop	3347	52	12	.....	.....
26 Barlon	3466	23	45	.....	6 59
48 Summit	3466	20	23	.....	.....
45 South River	3503	.....	.....	.....	.....
14 Summit	3644	28	74	.....	.....
14 Geo. A. Halsay	3689	12	98	.....	8 25

NEW YORK.

27 West End	54	23	51	8	23	28 50
41 Woodside	110	20	63	6	49	6 50
40 Charlesford	120	32	4	.....	.....	.....
141 Clayton	171	160	88	88	.....	.....
19 Anoka	213	14	50	2	27	.....
106 Niagara	227	122	21	1	88	.....
213 Flower City	336	203	09	53	00	6 00
273 Genesee	387	282	18	79	83	12 50
138 Fort	393	37	13	9	73	10 50
12 Fort Blain	455	81	58	.....	.....	.....
88 Buffalo	459	79	37	1	62	.....
333 Watertown	465	646	75	20	03	2 00
8 Ne-ha-sa-no	471	7	58	.....	.....	.....
20 Cape Vincent	480	18	17	58	.....	.....
17 Dexter	496	65	14	3	84	.....
37 Lyme	498	81	13	3	85	7 00
45 Americus	499	49	08	3	15	18 00
69 Theresa	501	70	38	.....	6 03	.....
95 Philadelphia	502	113	17	51	50	.....
17 Ogdensburg	512	39	08	2	76	2 00
29 Iona	514	24	38	8	91	.....
111 Morristown	542	26	38	.....	.....	.....
128 Hammond	545	146	33	1	18	.....
145 Oswego	549	163	06	3	18	18 25
100 1000 Isles	550	123	33	.....	10 50	.....
103 Brownville	561	82	87	5	73	.....
26 Antwerp	573	23	87	.....	13 75	.....
68 Seneca	585	80	94	88	15	00
21 Batavia	589	21	13	.....	.....	.....
16 Lockport	608	25	77	.....	.....	.....
153 Gouverneur	620	179	17	.....	47 70	.....
75 Tonawanda	624	80	65	2	59	2 09
189 Vershied	638	197	94	28	37	21 00
87 Massena	653	119	95	1	07	4 00
95 Westfield	718	49	73	6	47	.....
44 Silver Springs	719	41	70	18	23	.....
87 Lehigh	741	118	38	24	20	6 00
79 Sheridan	761	110	14	5	29	2 70
24 Chateaugay	772	21	11	.....	4 50	.....
56 Attica	793	50	76	18	90	.....
200 Carlisle City	809	125	27	86	84	50
9 Otisville	828	103	20	51	10	.....
24 Sherwood Hall	855	29	40	46	13	00
38 Charming	895	95	24	1	59	17 00
76 Rouses Point	1028	81	92	64	77	.....
84 Warners	1039	81	78	5	48	4 00
60 Vineyard	1044	33	81	6	00	.....
72 United States	1050	92	81	8	60	.....
15 Cazenovia	1063	15	40	.....	.....	.....
13 Euclid	1071	7	65	2	55	10 00
27 Cortland	1077	37	40	.....	.....	.....
49 Pinnacle	1081	47	10	5	29	6 70
76 Redwood	1104	72	00	.....	2 75	.....
51 Seneca	1111	45	95	8	00	.....
65 Long Lake	1119	51	06	30	39	15 50
19 Black Rock	1124	29	88	2	31	.....
16 Chittenango Statu	1145	14	13	.....	8 00	.....
41 Hennipen	1162	93	51	9	20	.....
13 Mt. Ellis	1165	03	.....	.....	3 25	.....
83 Barker	1168	89	33	.....	8 00	.....
84 Pomeroy	1182	71	80	.....	2 00	.....
130 East Buffalo	1184	121	39	2	69	8 00
64 Medina	1188	43	44	41	.....	.....
66 Mt. Vernon	1201	72	53	8	41	3 00
308 Lake Erie	1205	349	14	13	94	88 00
55 Popps Mills	1207	47	85	.....	.....	.....
24 Tupper	1210	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
75 Du Fayster	1223	65	40	48	.....	.....
55 Helvelton	1228	48	15	46	8 00	.....
57 Herman	1241	73	34	.....	23 25	.....
71 Tuscorora	1255	72	10	2	70	18 50
9 Yates	1259	14	49	.....	2 25	.....
14 Adirondack	1262	117	31	.....	4 70	.....
53 Barker	1296	70	71	.....	3 00	.....
17 Tupper Lake	1301	74	72	38	40	12 00
19 West Side	1306	238	01	9	12	34 00
83 Rochello	1332	33	83	.....	50	.....
65 Lacawanna	1335	81	11	13	22	10 00
19 Potsdam	1388	53	52	4	93	4 00
43 Canton	1397	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
43 Astoranga	1384	43	75	1	33	4 00

65 Elias Wright	1388	555	08	4	70	4 40
15 Porter	1398	11	20	.....	.....	.....
73 Empire City	1402	97	59	4	26	14 00
34 Manhattan	1414	25	43	.....	.....	.....

Table listing members and financial data for various courts in the first section, including names like 'Lisbon Valley', 'St. Regis Valley', and 'Cokoso'.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Table listing members and financial data for various courts in North Dakota, including names like 'Langdon', 'Bonanza', 'Minto', and 'Drayton'.

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Table listing members and financial data for various courts in North-West Territories, including names like 'Calgary', 'Moose Jaw', 'Qu'Appelle', and 'Alberta'.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Table listing members and financial data for various courts in Nova Scotia, including names like 'Hopewell', 'Acadia', and 'Lisbon'.

ONTO.

Table listing members and financial data for various courts in Ontario, including names like 'Columbia', 'Harvard', 'Garfield', and 'Buckeye'.

ONTARIO.

Table listing members and financial data for various courts in Ontario, including names like 'Hope', 'Dufferin', 'McGregor', and 'Forest City'.

No. of Members.	Name of Court.	No. of Court.	Mont. R. Assn. B. and F. Benefit.	General Fund.	No. of Members.	Name of Court.	No. of Court.	Mont. R. Assn. B. and F. Benefit.	General Fund.
43	Maple Grove	653	113 37	8 61	19	Mariposa	1900	420 20	
44	Evening Star	662	41 32		5	Cullander	1917	4 88	96 1 50
45	Green Bank	664	90 26	84 8 00	15	Manvera	1921	17 07	60 5 23
46	Prosperity	668	122 14	17 23 61	14	Hopeville	1931	9 46	1 30 0 00
47	Sunderly	671	23 57	9 04 6 50	17	Rowan Tree	1938	12 31	6 03
48	North	673	42 14	16 77	24	Little Britain	1938	14 50	4 04 8 00
49	Orlando	686	40 38	17 08	21	Pillsbury	1942	32 41	47 4 00
50	Himaworth	688	40 38	17 08	21	Mckellar	1967	9 09	4 28 3 00
51	Kilmour	703	31 12	4 68	31	Crystal	1972	23 08	13 61 11 00
52	Golden Rule	704	14 26	4 44 8 60	10	Parkdale	1987	46 43	
53	Simpson	709	32 17	2 56	18	Moonsstone	2004	16 20	7 08 3 00
54	Alendale	727	29 31	8 22 7 50	07	Noric	2009	43 03	
55	Bainng Sun	704	18 03	80	17	Lithos	3329	27 52	50
56	Lornaville	811	26 30		13	Nelsonville	3047		
57	Queensville	834	14 03	2 59	13	Melodonta	3049	16 03	10 92 7 09
58	Bradford	835	88 18	9 56	15	Agincourt	3079	13 17	
59	Coonville	852	15 87	4 77 3 00	27	Welceley	3103	29 37	1 85 8 00
60	Shorwood	868	22 28	3 65	158	Sherwood Forest	3105	413 36	18 89 13 50
61	Bobayrean	870	14 20		10	Kakuhaka	3107	20 35	3 39 2 50
62	Sprucefield	882	18 07	4 29	23	Military	3110	40 08	8 01 4 50
63	Beaton	882	27		13	Kirkfield	3131	10 94	85
64	Ookotown	914	68 32	11 62	16	Foresters Temple	3165	85 18	59
65	Edinvalo	916	36 11	8 37 11 50	9	Scugor	3173	10 26	
66	Willow	919	70 27	58 4 50	56	Meowash	3213	42 34	6 04 2 25
67	Kinnou	926	49 08	2 98	17	High Park	3237	22 92	1 54
68	Equal Right	934	19 60		18	McCaull	3390	19 29	3 16 4 75
69	Bowmore	941	25 09	5 60	23	Toront	3397	8 51	4 8 00
70	Blue Mountain	956	43 50	3 48 7 00	22	New Temple	3392	29 02	5 50
71	Bognor	957	18 89	1 53 5 25	93	Israelto	3529	63 57	2 47 21 00
72	Clover Leaf	959	25 21	4 79	41	Singhampton	3532	25 16	2 31 38 23
73	Angus	968	25 60	8 01	6	Crossland	3904		
74	Gladstone	969	24 18	1 36 4 70	2	Lake Simcoe	3418	14 17	5 00
75	Meaford	976	60 66	7 20 3 75	48	Picton	3435	19 29	11 01 8 10
76	Hartley	976	60 66	7 20 3 75	48	Toront	3435	19 29	11 01 8 10
77	Sunnisdale	985	141 32	7 84 89 25	18	L. B. C.	3519	11 09	92 2 75
78	Markdale	991	36 45	9 4	15	Medhurst	3520	13 82	48 8 75
79	Flesherton	995	14 21	4 59 7 75	13	Netawan	3535	15 49	2 52
80	Kermine	1005	35 98	9 3 7 23	15	Keppel Vale	3581	9 90	4 80 9 60
81	Vespra	1008	8 44		11	Batocho	3585	7 04	44 4 75
82	Clear Grove	1019	15 21	9 8 4 50	23	Pride of North	3600	8 48	4 8 00
83	Scud Hosal	1025	40 22		23	Emo	3627	23 28	2 89 13 00
84	Oro	1034	80 96	2 50 10 25	10	Rose of Victoria	3628	23 28	
85	Fenelon	1045	16 67	4 0	14	Wabigoon	3641	25 89	3 50
86	Etobicoke	1052	4 20		20	Ophir	3670	22 75	61 20 00
87	Hilghand Creek	1089	37 28	4 89	15	Queens Valley	3702	14 05	6 04
88	Trafalgar	1099	28 19	2 69	13	Brochin	3707	33 21	2 00
89	Rossau	1116	23 39	2 76 4 00	10		3748		
90	Lilly	1129	23 21	4 15	EASTERN ONTARIO.				
91	Mildora	1132	20 22	8 07	169	Stormont	3 1869	91 84	11 51
92	Whitstone	1139	13 80	8 69 50	61	Cobourg	15 108 31	24 25	21 50
93	Cataract	1147	38 07	14 93 50	57	Pitzroy	16 46 32	84	91
94	Sempella	1164	37 53	2 65 2 00	46	Napanoo	50 15	1 01	4 00
95	Stawell	1167	19 49	3 60	60	Rideau	81 61	45	50
96	Castworth	1174	47 88	1 69 3 00	87	Mount Sherwood	82 99 76	50	50
97	Dromera	1180	40 46	3 14 10 75	60	Moira	83 80 41	3 87	50
98	Thornton	1200	12 39		60	Springbrook	88 63 52	1 96	20
99	Chris. Columbus	1202	35 93	1 44	59	Ottawa	41 612 43	38 59	10 25
100	Utterson	1213	8 53	4 88	74	Russell	49 76 78	45	
101	Straterville	1213	35 78	5 02 2 00	32	Frontenac	59 874 68	54 20	17 00
102	Sault Ste. Marie	1222	66 72	16 41 2 00	183	Mississippi	75 192 68	69 10	75
103	Toronto Junction	1263	38 23	13 71	97	Excalior	79		
104	Bannockburn	1265	10 81	1 84 5 50	68	Beaconsfield	80 56 66		15 25
105	Novacasto	1273	18 65	1 58	77	Madawaska	81 76 47	2 29	
106	Balinton	1282	19 02	6 98 24 00	72	Bidney	83 82 30	1 48	
107	North Star	1310	10 56		89	Boncheore	89 53 69	92	50
108	Kebe	1316	41 14	1 35 8 59	116	Deseronto	89 74 83	94 29	75
109	Dovercourt	1329	20 44	1 18 11 60	117	Carp	142 95 18		26 00
110	Sir Oliver	1337	41 32	43	1 3	Manotick	144 114 43		
111	Burns	1368	28 26	54	245	Picton	177 330 45	85 04	
112	Sunderland	1373	40 75		41	Kara	209 41 45	5 93	
113	Hypatia	1387	37 39	6 61 7 00	193	Kemptville	214 129 47	7 27	6 00
114	Dorset	1403	13 68	8 27 5 75	60	Gowar	217 43 55	45	
115	Robeson	1407	19 59	2 55 5 00	116	Laurent	224 183 22		
116	Kendall	1416	18 84	4 71 5 50	61	Tamarac Grove	245 41 78	14 61	
117	Vassay	1424	14 24	2 84	163	Pembroke	265 181 10	2 81 8 01	
118	McLean	1443	19 77	8 26 6 25	27	Prospect	270 23 10	40	
119	Orchard	1445	5 52	15 59	39	Eganville	279 37 89	1 03	
120	Keslyth	1488	21 61		62	Brookdale	291 69 72	4 49	59
121	Bon Accord	1497	17 56	5 81	69	Ishamus	320 06 77	62	15 10
122	Bro Station	1493	21 84	1 71	79	Trent	333 90 96	4 71	23 75
123	Senefield	1500	69 40	1 2 2 59	54	Warkworth	354 76 06		
124	Wa-Wa-Nols	1503	43 70	4 63 24 25	37	Osgoode	362 33 42	4 80	18 00
125	Notawae	1518	5 21	1 69 4 00	55	Oakwood	364 62 81		
126	Thorne	1522	24 18	2 35 5 60	85	Gananoque	371 96 65	1 94	
127	Evanville	1525	56 20	2 13	24	Glen Payne	375 16 94	2 01	
128	Loebro	1530	20 31	2 40 14 00	67	Avon	372 35 35	16 47	17 25
129	Dunchurch	1538	22 21	5 77 8 01	121	Island City	375 165 40	5 01	
130	Saultier	1565	41 88	9 80 12 60	23	Madoc	377 34 23	1 90	
131	Sprage	1582	11 85	3 67 3 75	41	Rapids	381 44 24		60
132	Home Office	1590	81 99	10 09	79	Perth	384 105 88	2 72	19 75
133	Severn	1598	17 43	5 74	117	Elemsley	388 145 08	8 60	60
134	Albany	1613	56 10	3 75	49	Tamworth	392 67 43	7 53	
135	Katine	1622	9 15	3 93 2 25	13	Cross-John	437 18 42	86	8 60
136	Arzby	1643	10 74		25	Lord Stanley	398 21 19	5 46	6 25
137	Honora	1648	12 06	2 83 5 50	20	Brighton	404 69 28	1 88	5 00
138	Metropolitian	1659	85 13	84	17	Wolfe	406		
139	Kerpenfeldt	1661	58 28	4 92	59	Newburgh	417 66 99	7 71	
140	Cameron	1674	20 39		63	Oleosa	424 48 25	7 09	
141	Dwight	1679	43 10	5 70 27 50	54	Wesley	424 67 43	7 53	
142	Arthur	1682	9 15	6 4 27 50	13	Cross-John	437 18 42	86	8 60
143	North Verulum	1744	9 04	5 3	37	Little John	443 24 32	7 92	25
144	Maple Lake	1766	6 72	1 86	60	Milford	466 68 61	4 81	
145	Newtownville	1769	34 28	11 09	27	Goodwood	469 25 36	1 16	
146	Rox-Grove	1794	7 13	1 95 2 59	31	Poniar	495 71 56	2 20	
147	Udora	1796	16 59	41	46	Hazeldean	507 48 63	8 60	
148	Lord Abderdon	1822	37 44		125	Winchester	524 124 71	1 43	
149	Trinity	1822	85 16	12 50 10 00	53	Chesney	527 65 63	1 08	4 00
150	Reach	1829	11 88	3 75	89	Oranburg	530 122 66	11 70	3 00
151	North Victoria	1874	9 39	1 38 3 00	34	Vars	535 62 26	3 62	10 50
152	Awning	1878	28 21	7 13	41	Merrivale	541 103 68		10 25
153	Willing Workers	1881	8 72	93 3 50	48	Red Pine	548 65 48	20 54	19 75
154	Ridon Station	1903	6 14	1 00	61	Leamark	562 121 23	16 84	17 50
101	Wooler	567	450 04	5 70	57	Wooler	567	450 04	5 70
102	Yankloak Hill	571			104	Yankloak Hill	571		
103	Brucos	588	22 47	5 25	15	Manvera	1921	17 07	60 5 23
104	Mattawa	591	24 23	1 69	14	Hopeville	1931	9 46	1 30 0 00
105	Metcalf	599	68 27	4 88	17	Rowan Tree	1938	12 31	6 03
106	Osmanbruck	610	85 67	47 4 00	24	Little Britain	1938	14 50	4 04 8 00
107	Leuzon	651	16 66	2 40	21	Pillsbury	1942	32 41	47 4 00
108	Ganito	651	16 66	2 40	31	Crystal	1972	23 08	13 61 11 00
109	Billings Bridge	670	59 00	16 8 00	10	Parkdale	1987	46 43	
110	Cambridge	676	28 80	5 87	18	Moonsstone	2004	16 20	7 08 3 00
111	Quinto	691	88 60	3 35 7 50	07	Noric	2009	43 03	
112	McGee	696	52 84	2 59	17	Lithos	3329	27 52	50
113	Ottawa West	702	51 81	44 5 50	13	Nelsonville	3047		
114	Harwood	720	43 80	11 47 12 25	13	Melodonta	3049	16 03	10 92 7 09
115	Martin Town	725	25 74	5 3 7 75	15	Agincourt	3079	13 17	
116	Athens	784	48 09	8 62 13 50	27	Welceley	3103	29 37	1 85 8 00
117	St. Surrnder	791	28 18	8 5 2 00	158	Sherwood Forest	3105	413 36	18 89 13 50
118	Westwood	793	50 12	8 3 2 00	10	Kakuhaka	3107	20 35	3 39 2 50
119	Lyndhurst	785	83 60	1 118	23	Military	3110	40 08	8 01 4 50
120	Matilda	805	31 58	1 31 8 00	13	Kirkfield	3131	10 94	85

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34	Prince of Wales	3602	\$1.86	89	\$28.50	
15	Orlando	3607	1.69	89	4.50	
21	Antonia's	3620	1.00	11.00		
16	Mountain Grove	3626	29.62	1.56	0.00	
16	Carrying Place	3679	20.80			
18	Consocon	3687	9.18		3.25	

PENNSYLVANIA.

77	Pennsylvania	768	118.30	4.01	3.00	
34	Petroleum	702	40.94		5.25	
39	North East	916	45.80	63		
60	South Erie	1123	66.81	2.17		
38	Pittsburg	1223	67.63	50	4.00	
35	Du Pels	1425	35.11	44	12.50	
29	Camalota	1717	29.79			
12	Levistown	1808	10.02			
80	Mountain City	1879	114.19	1.05	10.00	
16	McKean	1916	17.48	45	14.25	
14	Penland	1928	43.11	84		
17	McA	1938	15.63		3.50	
30	Quaker City	1980	92.04			
69	Juniata	1988	48.20	12.24		
23	Eik	3015	38.33			
14	Red Bank	3066	18.27			
17	Susquehanna	3096	22.08	1.29	4.25	
10	Big Run	3140	19.17	44		
12	Claron	3162	15.63			
83	Kittanning	3160	62.63		9.50	
14	Conoquessing	3196	15.41			
43	Union Traction	3209	36.70		2.00	
23	Titusville	3250	38.36		5.75	
13	Cornplanter	3289	16.68			
21	Kensington	3301	39.67			
19	William Penn	3321	58.73		4.75	
99	French Creek	3322	67.83		9.00	
19	Corry	3340	24.12	66	4.75	
20	Pride of Oakdale	3348	40.93		7.00	
10	West Philadelphia	3349	13.84			
22	Vahant	3351	24.62		7.00	
22	Greenville	3393	20.26		2.00	
27	Sharon	3411	45.54		8.50	
36	Leisuro	3440	62.84			
22	Diamond	3449	46.20	45	3.00	
10	Anthony Wayne	3480	8.13	52		
42	Pitt	3483	41.61		10.50	
16	Waupum	3494	22.07			
17	Edkinton	3513	16.19	1.40		
17	Yancona	3549	35.33		23.50	
19	Oliver	3613	16.60			
38	Carbon	3669	37.59		15.00	
21	Holiday	3717	34.17		4.75	
17	Inden	3721	33.83	43		
20	Roaring Spring	3745	22.99			

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

104	Onauatqua	202	219.66		4.00	
91	Onaway	206	47.84	1.46	2.00	
65	Minnewawa	215	62.61	1.86	1.00	
69	Sylvan	216	56.64	1.52		
61	St. John	223	139.16	5.16		
77	Wanda	1042	98.42		12.00	
20	Ferrdale	1055	23.67	3.45		
32	Murray Harbor	1058	29.42	1.93	10.00	
31	Albino	1070	29.43	9.11		
42	Mazoppa	1088	33.13			
56	Prince Edward	1098	55.49	7.5	2.00	
45	Westmoreland	1105	47.70		2.00	
10	Nonparal	1109	7.83	3.64	2.00	
63	New London	1158	44.39	3.43	27.00	
21	Abegweit	1168	33.75		12.25	
20	Whiteire	1189	28.03			
27	Northumberland	1204	28.12			
73	Aberdeen	1215	24.69			
51	Besaouit	1257	44.78		36.10	
25	Bunhill	1259	48.83			
19	Freestone	1780	17.27	2.64		
17	Wallace	1960	16.07			
8	Zillott	3060	7.44		2.00	
18	Lennox	3093	12.62			
20	Queens	3150	15.46	2.84	2.00	
20	Bainngowan	3195	14.57			
26	Patrol	3394	14.98	9.2		
10	Dundas	3547	9.78		25	
21	Strathcona	3730	10.48			
18	Mount Stephen	3741	16.72			

QUEBEC.

71	Beaver	2	76.75	25.19	17.75	
159	Mirle	5	134.55	88.29		
113	Mount Royal	7	107.85	11.36		
103	Lockland	12	63.27	8.29		
100	Pulford	147	121.02	88.39	50	
158	Prince Albert	149	149.63	51.82		
83	Cookshire	176	34.50	11.94		
79	St. Lawrence	219	33.49	10.16		
24	Stadacona	224	299.99	12.66	43.00	
187	Stamoral	229	283.51	64.06		
78	Shawville	232	63.27	45.10		
23	Bryson	277	27.75			
27	Lachute	280	28.76	6.28		
124	Windsor Mills	286	114.23	57.99	1.25	
148	Shofford	290	136.95	50.57		
105	Yamaska	292	133.94	45.23		
13	Fortune	297	128.62	48.23		
56	Cold Brook	298	113.25	38.39		
24	Missisquoi	299	24.37	5.65		
71	Bedford	303	77.27	11.84		
28	Burton	304				
47	Eastman	317	28.64	18.24		
67	International	323	74.87	4.94		
23	Mansonville	324	29.30	4.74		

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92	Buckingham	830	\$87.00			
41	Thurso	851	17.18			
39	Danville	852	25.45			
71	Coastcook	851	71.10	21.90	19.50	
61	Actonville	851	68.08	25.18	4.00	
98	Carnival	876	97.35	23.87	23.25	
28	Pleiss	401	31.38	10.61		
109	Desery	421	132.13	50.84	5.00	
159	Valleyfield	523	118.60	39.39	29.00	
65	Oraland	542	64.33	12.24	3.00	
146	Lachne	544	123.73	64.11	46.00	
60	Lake Megantic	558	61.07	27.93		
34	Loods	574	62.62	2.64	2.50	
34	Inverness	579	41.75	88		
105	St. Hyacinthe	588	141.80	30.19	38.25	
54	Sawyerville	590	45.04	23.53	14.00	
49	Island Brook	605	39.35	16.73	16.25	
27	Friendship	612	20.03	4.42		
70	Xenophon	618	64.59	29.88	34.00	
41	Famous	621	31.19	14.80	4.50	
54	St. Louis	653	69.47	8.28		
445	Champlain	663	67.40	169.42	32.00	
151	St. Hubert	687	248.73	41.63		
107	Rock	690	19.12	9.44	18.00	
83	Wakefield	719	29.48	1.10	8.50	
145	St. Catharine	729	183.78	50.24	10.00	
77	St. Denis	731	84.87	32.99	4.00	
79	Montreal	741	171.44	1.96		
119	Good Cheer	746	110.29	18.17	29.75	
30	Gatineau Valley	789	28.69	1.35	3.00	
42	Labadie	809	49.54	10.50		
51	Lavolette	885	62.38	13.96		
72	Montclair	888	83.68	22.54	12.15	
91	Malsouneuve	901	98.66	28.25	8.00	
83	Memphremagog	902	33.86	1.43		
171	Fullum	921	189.03	82.07	26.10	
64	Bois de England	932	51.17	23.13		
45	Goodard	940	8.52	2.32	14.50	
34	Rolle River	942	38.29	2.83	4.00	
62	DeSalaberry	945	64.53	25.84		
24	St. Charles	954	27.47	11.14	4.50	
107	Willow Brook	964	88.75	36.25	27.00	
38	Jacques Cartier	970	135.34	30.10	1.00	
32	St. Francis	1009	30.40	6.65	5.50	
23	Goodard	1018	89.54	23.25		
176	St. Helene	1019	195.00	82.61	13.60	
152	Bell	1023	178.22	55.92	16.60	
147	Ville-Marie	1031	163.95	62.62	5.00	
80	St. George	1065	23.31			
110	Notre Dame	1076	127.81	43.22		
89	Aux Noir	1080	27.10	3.69	9.25	
24	St. Joseph	1086	29.23	1.87		
37	New Glasgow	1180	45.81	1.86		
38	St. Alphonse	1141	33.28	6.38	6.01	
60	Eveline	1169	86.13	10.90	15.01	
35	Tennyson	1161	33.63	4.38		
62	Ulverson	1169	44.14	3.61		
139	Tomsonata	1170	180.63	45.85		
82	Chamagne	1181	124.73	19.49	23.60	
33	Matane	1180	35.63	7.43	3.60	
171	St. Michel	1183	171.54	67.68	91.75	
31	Radnor	1196	28.99	10.40		
51	O. P. E.	1197	47.11	21.87	16.25	
57	Phillipsburg	1199	44.64	11.37	16.25	
29	Band-in-Hand	1203	40.45	9.80		
43	Doux Montagne	1204	61.63	12.95	15.60	
27	Magog	1216	64.20	25.51	6.00	
97	St. Ferdinand	1220	42.46	58.75		
33	St. Anne DeBeaupre	1231	80.81	14.91	8.25	
90	Victoriaville	1238	105.50	43.61		
19	Lawrenceville	1238	16.80	4.76		
60	Provenoy	1251	82.75	10.85		
83	Outremont	1251	41.63	12.95		
69	Cote St. Paul	1281	55.26	26.73	2.90	
73	Laval	1291</				

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82	Kaukauna	949	435	62	
87	Gateway	963	47	87	
19	Jamoville	977	10	1 86	
5	Fort Howard	978	7	62	\$ 1 25
13	Southport	981	31	53	
83	Marquette	984	72	26	1 32
67	Badger	1042	96	62	96 8 85
23	Charl City	1185	27	69	
26	Maugs	1194	38	33	6 50
46	Frota	1450	42	95	75
63	Milwaukee	1481	65	40	2 00
60	Jenovio	1508	89	28	3 00
49	Beclm	1523	41	32	
8	Oak Ridge	1683	15	22	
16	New Richmond	1824	15	89	4 00
17	Chippewa Falls	1841	15	10	
27	Prospect Hill	1884	27	79	1 10 9 50
6	Red Cedar	1912	11	75	4 25
35	Tomahawk	1925	25	61	10 75
17	North Milwaukee	1943	17	44	
23	Arnold	1947	29	79	8 25
8	Kilbourn Park	1954	10	93	2 00
24	Chippewa	1961	29	21	
22	Juinita	1976	34	46	1 50
10	Geo. H. Shaw	1983	10	21	
17	Ashland	1992	23	22	
17	Sycamore	3001	35	65	11 00
20	Four Leaf	3023	22	21	
21	South Milwaukee	3038	15	71	
42	Chequamegon	3054	56	29	46 75 50
16	Whitefish Bay	3067	28	97	
11	Live Oak	3079	11	12	
17	Rambo Village	3092	23	22	
7	Nellsonville	3244	9	72	
18	Best	3299	32	94	4 50
37	Cream City	3401	35	23	
13	Wauwano	3423	18	60	4 00
84	Jerry Rusk	3438	84	68	1 45 5 00
13	River Falls	3449	12	34	
28	Wauwatosa	3476	28	63	
26	Fond-du-lac	3479	28	47	2 00
18	Pine River	3512	21	40	2 00
15	Antigo	3525	12	29	
23	Marshfield	3528	25	21	5 75
14	Jackson	3527	11	10	10 50
9	Latus	3549	12	10	52
8	Ono	3544	11	06	
28	Mineral Point	3560	32	25	80 8 75
31	Dewey	3564	33	27	19 00
7	Rush River	3550	8	19	
15	Marinika	3557	11	31	
6	Thorp	3551	6	71	47 2 00
20	Rocky Point	3573	17	83	4 75
11	Sunach	3591	17	71	41 2 25
10	Shell Lake	3620			

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12	Dodgeville	3735	18	93	
SUPREME COURT JURISDICTION.					
8	Potomac	315	10	17	
80	Black Eagle	1106	102	44	5 53 110 00
35	Montana	1110	48	45	23 00
13	Pacific	1257	187	59	
12	Borzani	1358	17	1 78	
42	Williamette	1453	63	10	1 34
103	Messoula	1549	165	15	6 09 63 50
7	Beadlo	1569	68	64	3 50
14	Dillon	1658	13	89	7 00
12	Calapoozie	3617	19	02	
16	Yellowstone Park	3023	24	50	5 00
51	Silver Seal	3061	91	02	40 00
13	Blue Timber	3084	7	09	8 50
36	Copper Seal	3143	61	99	42 5 00
13	Glendev	3326	17	67	3 25
7	Navajo	3374	10	57	3 50
19	Havallt	3352	30	19	12 50
17	Fumarc	3067			
14	Boulder	3399	18	32	
RECEIPTS, FEBRUARY, 1898.					
No. of Members.	Jurisdic- tion.	Mortuary Benefit Assn't.	S. and F. Benefit.	General Fund.	
995	E. Columbia	\$ 1189 80	\$ 69 17	\$ 346 00	
7809	California	10432 77	192 84	1037 00	
252	Colorado with Utah anex'd	415 03	9 96	27 00	
4220	Indian	4670 63	51 53	895 50	
1771	Indiana	2069 69	8 91	16 75	
569	Iowa	729 59	1 48	89 25	
2712	Maine	2120 90	677 29	421 00	
2041	Manitoba	2723 70	288 58	284 75	
12210	Michigan	12357 68	1010 58	1257 50	
3473	Minnesota	3027	4 70 65	111 40	
1032	Missouri with Kansas and	1252 56	9 90	181 59	
352	Nebraska	438 81	2 44	55 25	
1474	N. Brunswick	5467 57	955 68	399 75	
1600	N. England	1442 41	487 45	310 90	
3776	New Jersey	3887 82	49 11	520 50	
11179	New York	11823 74	802 61	129 25	
1919	N. Dakota	3305 23	113 23	311 00	
760	N.W. Territo's	953 17	69 25	84 25	
2972	Nova Scotia	3552 23	290 80	581 00	
6209	Ohio	6481 43	102 18	643 50	
12817	Ontario	18002 99	2562 72	1026 00	
5717	Central	10503 78	1321 55	1094 50	
10385	Eastern	9249 18	898 50	632 50	

No. of Members.	Jurisdic- tion.	Mortuary Benefit Assn't.	S. and F. Benefit.	General Fund.
1257	Pennsylvania	\$ 1708 60	\$ 27 40	\$ 179 75
1070	P. E. Island	1220 31	31 30	115 00
12340	Quebec	13555 60	3917 04	1687 00
698	Washington	394 04	16 14	159 25
1978	Wisconsin	3539 37	19 06	231 85
592	S. O. Jurisd'n	896 06	17 91	144 75
862	Gt. B. & Irid.	5660 61	25 23	467 27
124685				
Received on account of Fire Insurance \$ 70 00				
Received on acct. of organizing and other accounts				
				1891 08
Grand Totals \$139633 45 \$14119 28 \$16789 8				
RECAPITULATION.—RECEIPTS.				
For Mortuary Benefit Fund \$189633 45				
" Sick and Funeral Benefit Fund..... 14119 28				
General Funds 16789 55				
Total.....\$170542 68				
CONTRA. GR.				
By cash remitted Sup. Treas.....\$170542 68				
SUPPLY ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.				
Received on Account of Supplies.....\$ 1986 09				
CONTRA. CR.				
Remitted same to Sup. Treas.....\$ 1986 09				
INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.—RECEIPTS.				
Rec'd on acct. principal on Loans.....\$ 4084 50				
CONTRA.—CR.				
Remitted same to Sup. Treas.....\$ 4084 50				
Submitted in L. E. and C.,				
JOHN A. McGILLIVRAY,				
Supreme Secretary.				

Mortuary Statement for the Month of January, 1898.

No. 3021. Brother Eugene Anderson, aged 22 years, of Court Carquinez, No. 1001, located at Crockett, Cal., died of Injuries Resulting from R.R. Accident, on the 1st December, 1897. Initiated 11th December, 1894. Beneficiary, Mary Anderson, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3022. Brother Jas. H. Burns, M.D., aged 52 years, of Court Queen City, No. 65, located at Toronto, Ont., died of Paralysis of Heart on the 30th December, 1897. Initiated 14th June, 1895. Beneficiary, Edith Burns, wife. \$3,000.

No. 3023. Brother George E. Rhine, aged 30 years, of Court Kekionga, No. 1539, located at Fort Wayne, Ind., died of Consumption on the 25th December, 1897. Initiated 23th December, 1894. Beneficiary, Lovina Rhine, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3024. Brother Albert Teatz, aged 53 years, of Court Haldimand, No. 106, located at Hagersville, Ont., died of Effects of Chloroform during an operation on the 14th December, 1897. Initiated 2nd August, 1887. Beneficiary, Amelia Teatz, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3025. Brother Wm. C. Kirkby, aged 34 years, of Court Valley City, No. 73, located at Guclph, Ont., died of Tuberculosis on the 13th December, 1897. Initiated 14th January 1890. Beneficiary, Margaret Kirkby, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3026. Brother Fred. S. Gumberts, aged 31 years, of Court Manhattan, No. 420, located at Evansville, Ind., died of Cirrhosis of the Liver on the 25th December, 1897. Initiated 1st March, 1893. Beneficiary, Anna Gumberts, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3027. Brother T. H. Londo, aged 32 years, of Court Miranda, No. 326, located at West Bay City, Mich., was Accidentally Killed on R.R. on the 20th December, 1897. Initiated 4th April, 1895. Beneficiary, Charlotte Londo, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3028. Brother Robert D. Prest, aged 42 years, of Court Signet, No. 358, located at Newmarket, Ont., died of Consumption on the 20th December, 1897. In-

itiated 26th February, 1892. Beneficiary, May Prest, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3029. Brother G. W. Powers, M.D., aged 67 years, of Court Waterville, No. 134, located at Waterville, Ont., died of Cystitis on the 30th December, 1897. Initiated 16th September, 1885. Beneficiaries, Executors or Administrators. \$1,000.

No. 3030. Brother W. H. Hunt, aged 41 years, of Court Nebo, No. 1316, located at Omemece, Ont., died of Cerebro Spinal Meningitis on the 22nd December, 1897. Initiated 8th May, 1896. Beneficiary, Alice Hunt, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3031. Brother John W. Maison, aged 35 years, of Court Galion, No. 1369, located at Galion, Ohio, died of Peritonitis on the 2nd of January, 1898. Initiated 23rd March, 1897. Beneficiary, Maria Jane Maison, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3032. Brother Robert R. Cook, aged 29 years, of Court Maryland, No. 1931, located at Buffalo, N. Y., was Accidentally Killed by Electric Wire on the 30th December, 1897. Initiated 13th July, 1897. Beneficiary, Amelia Cook, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3033. Brother Jos. A. Sidenfaden, aged 28 years, of Court Pocahontas, No. 1474, located at St. Joseph, Mo., died of Diphtheria on the 26th December, 1897. Initiated 13th November, 1891. Beneficiary, William Sidenfaden, father. \$1,000.

No. 3034. Brother George Nichol, aged 32 years, of Court Dominion, No. 25, located at Highgate, Ont., died of Consumption on the 18th December, 1897. Initiated 24th February, 1892. Beneficiary, Wm. Nichol, brother. \$500 prepaid on Total and Permanent Disability. \$500.

No. 3035. Brother J. R. E. Desy, aged 37 years, of Court Laviolette, No. 885, located at Three Rivers, Que., died of Diabetes on the 15th October, 1897. Initiated 15th March, 1894. Beneficiary, Bella Desy, daughter. \$1,000.

No. 3036. Brother Ephraim W. Reid, aged 22 years, of Court Brookdale, No. 291, located at Clayton, Ont., died of Phthisis on the 23rd December, 1897. Initiated 17th April, 1895. Beneficiary, Marion Reid, mother. \$1,000

No. 3037. Brother Ralph S. Leigh, aged 51 years, of Court Victoria, No. 10, located at London, Ont., was Accidentally Killed by Collapse of Floor of City Hall on the 3rd January, 1898. Initiated 8th January, 1887. Beneficiaries, Florence Annie Leigh, daughter; Frederick Harold Leigh, son. \$1,000.

No. 3038. Brother Wm. O'Meara, aged 33 years, of Court McClellan, No. 3173, located at Chicago, Ill., died of Fractured Skull by Falling from Street Car on the 2nd January, 1898. Initiated 21st July, 1897. Beneficiary, Bridget O'Meara, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3039. Brother Charles Hoffman, aged 40 years, of Court Pittsburg, No. 1224, located at Pittsburg, Pa., died of Tuberculosis on the 1st January, 1898. Initiated 15th March, 1894. Beneficiary, Louise Hoffman, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3040. Brother Jas. Chisholm, Sr., aged 55 years, of Court Palisade, No. 1772, located at Jersey City Heights, N.J., died of Apoplexy on the 8th January, 1898. Initiated 19th February, 1895. Beneficiary, Elizabeth Chisholm, wife. \$500.

No. 3041. Brother M. Cashin, aged 40 years, of Court Valley, No. 232, located at Saginaw, Mich., died of Paralysis on the 26th December, 1897. Initiated 13th April, 1892. Beneficiary, Maggie Cashin, wife. \$500.

No. 3042. Brother W. E. Milner, aged 29 years, of Court Harwood, No. 720, located at Harwood, Ont., died of Phthisis on the 22nd December, 1897. Initiated 6th April, 1894. Beneficiary, Maud E. Milner, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3043. Brother Wm. J. Tremmer, aged 45 years, of Court Creswell, No. 1643, located at Creswell, Ont., Committed Suicide while Insane on the 28th September, 1897. Initiated 22nd October, 1895. Beneficiary, Elizabeth A. Tremmer, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3044. Brother Phillip Klapper, aged 47 years, of Court Fort Hamilton, No. 1749, located at Hamilton, Ohio, died of Acute Rheumatism on the 4th January, 1898. Initiated 25th June, 1896. Beneficiary, Christ. Klapper, son. \$1,000.

No. 3045. Brother Robert Robinson, aged 32 years, of Court West Huntingdon, No. 3536, located at West Huntingdon, Ont., died of Obstruction of Bowels on the 13th December, 1897. Initiated 21st June, 1897. Beneficiary, Nina May Robinson, wife. \$500.

No. 3046. Brother W. W. Wood, aged 27 years, of Court Walkerton, No. 521, located at Walkerton, Ont., died of Gastro-Enteritis on the 8th January, 1898. Initiated 30th January, 1897. Beneficiary, Mary Wood, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3047. Brother Patrick Mulligan, aged 34 years, of Court Richmond, No. 234, located at Port Richmond, N.Y., died of Laryngitis on the 7th January, 1898. Initiated 4th March, 1893. Beneficiary, Mary A. Milligan, sister. \$1,000.

No. 3048. Bro. Jno. G. Stewart, aged 61 years, of Court Waverly, No. 245, located at Fletcher, Ont., died of Nervous Prostration on the 28th December, 1897. Initiated 30th June, 1888. Beneficiary, Elizabeth R. Stewart, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3049. Brother Elijah W. Boyd, aged 20 years, of Court Kankakee, No. 3039, located at Kankakee, Ill., died of Pneumonia on the 12th January, 1898. Initiated 23rd December, 1897. Beneficiary, Elizabeth Girard, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3050. Brother Will Shaw, aged 33 years, of Court Owasso, No. 669, located at Owasso, Mich., died of Pulmonary Hemorrhage on the 28th December, 1897. Initiated 16th March, 1894. Beneficiary, Ellen Shaw, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3051. Bro. James Hamilton, aged 35 years, of Court Carp, No. 142, located at Carp, Ont., was Accidentally Killed by a falling tree on the 13th January, 1898. Initiated 26th June, 1893. Beneficiary, Bella Hamilton, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3052. Brother Edward E. Millard, aged 38 years, of Court Lehigh, No. 744, located at Buffalo, N.Y., died of Cancer of Stomach on the 14th January, 1898. Initiated 27th June, 1895. Beneficiary, Christina Millard, wife. \$500 pre-paid on Total and Permanent Disability. \$500.

No. 3053. Brother W. Hodgkinson, aged 45 years, of Court Widnes, No. 2126, located at Widnes, Eng., died of Pneumonia on the 4th January, 1898. Initiated 5th August, 1894. Beneficiary, Hannah Hodgkinson, wife. \$200.

No. 3054. Brother L. T. Rochon, aged 49 years, of Court Guignac, No. 1515, located at Ottawa, Ont., died of Bulbar Paralysis on the 21st December, 1897. Initiated 2nd April, 1894. Beneficiary, Mary Catherine Rochon, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3055. Brother Alexander John Ely, aged 50 years, of Court Frontenac, No. 59, located at Kingston, Ont., died of Pneumonia on the 30th December, 1897. Initiated

24th October, 1888. Beneficiaries, Annie Ely, wife, et al. \$1,000.

No. 3056. Brother James Menzies, aged 43 years, of Court Ethel, No. 175, located at Ethel, Ont., died of Phthisis on the 10th January, 1898. Initiated 10th January, 1896. Beneficiary, Julia Ann Menzies, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3057. Brother Martin Parks, aged 52 years, of Court Wolverine, No. 636, located at Bay City, Mich., died of Heart Disease on the 10th January, 1898. Initiated 22nd October, 1890. Beneficiary, Saphrona Parks, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3058. Brother James Norton, aged 50 years, of Court Glen, No. 40, located at Glen Williams, Ont., died of Blood Poisoning from Injury on the 17th January, 1898. Initiated 28th March, 1893. Beneficiary, Mary Jane Norton, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3059. Brother Wm. Jacob Broenen, aged 39 years, of Court Ramsey, No. 1151, located at St. Paul, Minn., died of Obstruction of Bowels on the 14th January, 1898. Initiated 26th June, 1893. Beneficiary, Josephine Broenen, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3060. Brother Frank Ayer, aged 30 years, of Court Demoiselle, No. 1546, located at Hopewell Cape, N.B., died of Phthisis on the 11th January, 1898. Initiated 25th April, 1894. Beneficiary, Elta M. Ayer, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3061. Brother W. L. Weber, aged 28 years, of Court Manhattan, No. 420, located at Evansville, Ind., was Accidentally Killed on R.R. on the 2nd January, 1898. Initiated 15th May, 1896. Beneficiary, Sarah Weber, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3062. Brother Wm. J. Clark, aged 31 years, of Court Bognor, No. 957, located at Bognor, Ont., was Accidentally Killed by Machinery on the 8th January, 1898. Initiated 1st January, 1892. Beneficiary, Barbara A. Clark, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3063. Brother L. Belleville, aged 43 years, of Court Whittemore, No. 647, located at Whittemore, Mich., died of Pneumonia on the 17th January, 1898. Initiated 17th February, 1892. Beneficiary, Mary D. Belleville, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3064. Brother Wm. A. Cardwell, aged 52 years, of Court Cobourg, No. 15, located at Cobourg, Ont., died of Disease of Stomach and Liver on the 20th December, 1897. Initiated 3rd February, 1891. Beneficiary, Ann Christena Cardwell, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3065. Brother George A. Clark, aged 41 years, of Court Fargo, No. 886, located at Fargo, N.D., was Accidentally Shot on the 30th November, 1897. Initiated 22nd August, 1895. Beneficiary, Effie M. Clark, wife. \$3,000.

No. 3066. Brother John Chamberlain, aged 60 years, of Court Loyalist, No. 121, located at St. John, N.B., died of Asthma on the 11th January, 1898. Initiated 2nd September, 1886. Beneficiary, Marion Chamberlain, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3067. Brother Thomas Petry, aged 42 years, of Court Deauchene, No. 1312, located at Aylmer, Que., died of Endocarditis on the 6th January, 1898. Initiated 2nd June, 1893. Beneficiary, Mary A. Petry, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3068. Brother Wm. S. A. Lucas, aged 52 years, of Court Elizabeth, No. 1, located at Elizabeth, N.J., died of Pneumonia on the 24th January, 1898. Initiated 18th March, 1892. Beneficiary, Lydia Lucas, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3069. Brother Ed. J. Madden, aged 50 years, of Court Newburgh, No. 417, located at Newburgh, Ont., died of Disease of Liver and Kidneys on the 17th January, 1898. Initiated 1st June, 1889. Beneficiary, Alice Madden, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3070. Brother C. W. Hendershot, aged 47 years, of Court Licking, No. 1318, located at Newark, Ohio, died of Paralysis of Heart on the 18th January, 1898. Initiated 7th June, 1893. Beneficiary, Annie Hendershot, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3071. Brother David S. Griffith, aged 48 years, of Court Kekionga, No. 1539, located at Fort Wayne, Ind., died of Typhoid Pneumonia on the 13th January, 1898. Initiated 25th January, 1895. Beneficiary, Elizabeth Selina Griffith, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3072. Brother John Jas. Warburton, aged 37 years, of Court Carnival, No. 376, located at Montreal, Que., died of Bronchial Asthma on the 15th January, 1898. Initiated 17th September, 1895. Beneficiary, Rose H. C. Warburton, wife. \$3,000.

No. 3073. Brother Bernard Preston, aged 33 years, of Court Mineral City, No. 3269, located at Mt. Clemens, Mich., died of Malarial Fever on the 21st of January, 1898. Initiated 15th May, 1897. Beneficiary, Frances Preston, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3074. Brother Edward Hambly, aged 36 years, of Court Hillside, No. 1233, located at Minneapolis, Minn., died of Appendicitis on the 28th December, 1897. Initiated

ated 9th January, 1893. Beneficiary, Lyda Hambly, wife. \$2,000.
 No. 3075. Brother Harris Cohen, aged 36 years, of Court Los Angeles, No. 422, located at Los Angeles, Cal., died of Obstruction of Bowels on the 20th December, 1897. Initiated 10th June, 1897. Beneficiary, Anna Cohen, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3076. Brother D. Murphy, aged 32 years, of Court Chemung Valley, No. 1853, located at Elmira, N.Y., died of Cancer of Bowels on the 22nd January, 1898. Initiated 21st December, 1896. Beneficiary, Ellen Murphy, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3077. Brother James Swift, aged 40 years, of Court St. Mark, No. 282, located at Toronto, Ont., died of Pneumonia and Acute Mania on the 3rd January, 1898. Initiated 25th June, 1895. Beneficiaries, Executors or Administrators. \$1,000.

No. 3078. Brother Chas. N. Beale, aged 36 years, of Court Alamoosook, No. 3011, located at Bucksport, Me., died of Typhoid Fever on the 12th January, 1898. Initiated 19th February, 1896. Beneficiary, Lena A. Beale, wife. \$3,000.

Report of the Medical Board for the Month of January, 1898.

During the month of January the Medical Board reviewed 2,378 medical examination papers, of which 2,105 were accepted and 273 rejected. The subjoined table will show the jurisdictions whence the papers emanated:—

Jurisdiction.	Accepted	Rejected	Jurisdiction.	Accepted	Rejected
	British Columbia.	52		7	Nova Scotia .....	42	4
California.....	117	21	Ohio	88	13
Colorado.....	.....	2	Ontario (Centre)	124	15
Illinois.....	110	13	Ontario (East)	90	9
Indiana.....	46	10	Ontario (West)	133	19
Iowa.....	24	1	Oregon.....	1	.....
Kansas.....	2	.....	Pennsylvania.....	19	3
Maine.....	49	6	P. E. Island	37	3
Manitoba.....	35	5	Quebec.....	186	22
Massachusetts.....	.....	2	Rhode Island	11	2
Michigan.....	162	20	Utah.....	2	.....
Minnesota.....	105	13	Vermont.....	.....	.....
Missouri.....	22	2	Washington.....	18	2
Montana.....	17	3	Wisconsin.....	99	14
Nebraska.....	3	.....	England.....	65	8
New Brunswick.....	36	10	Ireland.....	21	2
New Hampshire.....	30	1	Scotland.....	8	.....
New Jersey.....	68	8	Wales.....	10	1
New York.....	182	19	Total.....	2105	273
North Dakota.....	55	8			
N. W. Territories.....	24	3			

Yours in L., B. and C.,
 T. MILLMAN, M.D.,
 Sec. of Medical Board.

Supreme Treasurer's Statement for January, 1898.

Mortuary Statement.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance as per last Statement.....	\$2,438,491 91
" Supreme Secretary.....	139,563 45
" Cheque No. 3376, cancelled.....	441 37
" Received on account of Fire Assurance.....	70 00
	\$2,578,569 76

CONTRA—CR.

Paid to Beneficiaries of late Brothers—

George E. Rhine..... Court Kekionga, 1539.....	\$1,000 00
Albert Teatz..... " Haldimand, 106.....	2,000 00
William C. Kirkby..... " Valley City, 73.....	1,000 00
James H. Burns, M.D..... " Queen City, 66.....	3,000 00
Eugene Anderson..... " Carquinez, 1001.....	1,000 00
Fred. S. Gumberts..... " Manhattan, 420.....	1,000 00
T. H. Londo..... " Moranda, 326.....	1,000 00
Robert D. Prest..... " Signet, 353.....	1,000 00
Voll. M. Lilly..... " Vineyard, 1044.....	1,000 00
F. M. Owen..... " Butte City, 1793.....	2,000 00
William O'Meara..... " McClellan, 3473.....	1,000 00
Robert R. Cook..... " Marylands, 1991.....	2,000 00
Joseph A. Sidenfaden..... " Pocahontas, 1474.....	1,000 00

George Nichol..... Court Dominion, 25.....	\$ 500 00
I. R. E. Desy..... " Laviolette, 885.....	1,000 00
Ephraim W. Reid..... " Brookdale, 291.....	1,000 00
W. H. Hunt..... " Noho, 1316.....	1,000 00
John W. Maison..... " Galton, 1360.....	1,000 00
Frank Dore..... " Fall City, 765.....	153 61
Ralph Leigh..... " Victoria, 10.....	1,000 00
James Cunningham..... " Royal, 212.....	2,000 00
G. W. Reader..... " Miranda, 326.....	500 00
T. William Evans..... " Ottawa, 41.....	200 00
James Chisholm, Sr..... " Palisade, 1772.....	500 00
William J. Tremor..... " Cresswell, 1643.....	1,000 00
Charles Hoffman..... " Pittsburg, 1223.....	2,000 00
W. E. Milner..... " Harwood, 720.....	1,000 00
Michael Cashin..... " Valley, 232.....	500 00
Frank J. Beringer..... " Pictou, 177.....	2,000 00
William W. Wood..... " Walkerton, 521.....	1,000 00
Robert Robinson..... " W. Hunt'gon, 3566.....	500 00
Patrick Mulligan..... " Richmond, 231.....	1,000 00
John G. Stewart..... " Waverley, 345.....	1,000 00
Elijah W. Boyd..... " Kankakee, 3039.....	1,000 00
Will Shaw..... " Owasso, 669.....	1,000 00
James Hamilton..... " Carp, 142.....	1,000 00
Frank A. Bailey..... " Penigewasset, 3481.....	1,000 00
Edward E. Millard..... " Lehigh, 744.....	500 00
William Hodgkinson..... " Windres, 2126.....	973 33
L. T. Rochon..... " Guignes, 1515.....	100 00
John Ely..... " Frontenac, 59.....	1,000 00
James Menzies..... " Elhel, 175.....	2,000 00
Martin Parks..... " Woolverine, 666.....	1,000 00
James Norton..... " Glen, 40.....	1,000 00
Wm. Jacob Broenen..... " Ramsay, 1151.....	1,000 00
Frank Byer..... " Doorniselle, 1546.....	1,000 00
William L. Weber..... " Manhattan, 420.....	1,775 28
William J. Clark..... " Bognor, 957.....	1,000 00
Leander Belleville..... " Whittmore, 647.....	1,000 00
William A. Cardwell..... " Cobourg, 15.....	2,000 00
Philip Klapper..... " Fort Hamilton, 1743.....	1,000 00
H. St. Germain, M.D..... " Dessaulles, 1732.....	1,000 00
Alphonso Duhamel..... " Desert, 1593.....	1,000 00
George A. Clark..... " Fargo, 886.....	3,000 00
Thomas Petry..... " Duchesne, 1312.....	1,000 00
John Chamberlain..... " Loyalist, 121.....	1,000 00
James Swift..... " St. Marks, 282.....	1,000 00
Bernard H. Preston..... " Mineral City, 3269.....	1,000 00
Charles N. Beale..... " Alamoosook, 3141.....	3,000 00
Daniel Murphy..... " Chemung Val., 1853.....	1,000 00
John Jas. Warburton..... " Carnival, 376.....	3,000 00
David S. Griffith..... " Kekionga, 1539.....	2,000 00
Curtis W. Hendershott..... " Laking, 1318.....	1,000 00
Edward Hambly..... " Hillside, 1236.....	2,000 00
Harris Cohen..... " Los Angeles, 422.....	1,000 00
Ed. Jones Madden..... " Newboro, 417.....	1,000 00
William S. A. Lucas..... " Elizabeth, 1.....	1,000 00

Old Age Disability—		
Richard Butler, Ct. Hope, 1.....	\$ 300 00	
Total and Permanent Disability—		
N. E. Fullington, Ct. Silver Sp'ngs, 718.....	500 00	
Chas. G. Hall, Ct. Prince Albert, 119.....	1,000 00	
Doctors' Fees.....	80 00	1,830 00
Legal Fees.....	490 32	
Premium on Accident and Guarantee Policy.....	225 00	
Travelling Expenses.....	102 10	
Taxes.....	90 29	
Insurance Inspection.....	500 00	
Refund of Assessments.....	85 63	
Valuators' Expenses.....	75 00	
Expenses re Loans.....	741 16	
		2,209 55
Five per cent. to General Fund.....		6,978 17
Balance.....		2,487,293 82

Sick and Funeral Claims.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance per last Statement.....	\$120,337 81
" Supreme Secretary.....	14,119 28
" Cheque No. 30739, cancelled.....	11 72
	\$134,468 81

CONTRA—CR.

By Sick Claims.....	\$ 9,366 46
" Funeral Claims.....	535 00
Five per cent. to General Fund.....	705 96
Balance.....	123,861 42
	\$134,468 81

Among the Courts.

High Court of Ontario.

Score one—first among the Ontarios for Jan., with 138 applications. Keep it up.

High Counsellor C. St. Clair Leitch publicly installed the officers of Court Cowal and addressed a very large meeting there. The entertainment was eminently successful.

The Rev. Evans Davis, H.T., addressed an open meeting at Maidstone recently. Jason M. Woodiwiss assisted and a number of names were handed in for initiation at the close of the meeting.

The Foresters of Hensall held a most successful concert, and the Foresteric addresses were made by the H. C. Ranger and Messrs. Dauncey and Mills, of Exeter. This court is well worthy of the high reputation it enjoys.

Court Braemar Star, at Braemar, is forging ahead. High Treasurer Rev. Evans Davis attended an entertainment there last week and at the close of the meeting 10 persons applied for membership. Well done, Court Braemar Star.

The best of feeling prevails throughout the jurisdiction and the work moves along surely. The High Standing Committee will meet at Aylmer on the 11th instant, when arrangements may be made for some paid organizing. So far during the year the work has been done without the assistance of a paid organizer.

The brethren at Cotton recently entertained their friends to a fine oyster supper and public meeting which was most successful. The H. C. Ranger was on hand and gave an address. Other speakers were Dr. Brian, Martin J. Wigle, Esq., and Jason M. Woodiwiss, Esq. The court is in a flourishing condition and well understands the true principles of the Order.

High Secretary Bro. McCormick addressed a large meeting at Walsingham Centre on the occasion of their annual festivities. This court begins a long time ahead to prepare for their annual reunion, and it results in all parts of the county being represented. Court West. Star is certainly a bright light in the Order and is always progressing.

The court at Niagara Falls south gave their first public entertainment in the way of an "At Home" and public installation. H. C. Ranger Backus, assisted by Bros. Wilkinson and Hector Simpson, of Niagara Falls, attended to the installation and made addresses. The meeting was largely attended, and many in the audience and a number of those taking part in the programme were our American cousins. In every respect those not present have cause to regret that they were absent.

One of the finest courts in the jurisdiction is the new court at Chatham. "Court Chatham," organized by our old friend T. G. Davey. Court McGregor there is also one of our well tried and true courts. Court Chatham recently held a large meeting and invited a number of neighbors; half-a-dozen adjoining courts responded. After the affairs of the evening had been disposed of all were invited to an oyster supper, and a most delightful time spent. Bro. Sinclair occupied the chair and the H. C. Ranger and Rev. Dr. McCosh and others delivered some most practical addresses upon the

benefits of the Order. This court will make a fine showing by the time High Court meets at Chatham.

The court at Blytheswood was organized in August last. Bro. Jason M. Woodiwiss organized the court and the work was never done better. At the entertainment and supper, M. Cowan, M.P., presided as chairman, and was truly in fine fettle and kept the audience in roars of laughter. Speeches were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Radford, D. Hughes, Esq., of Leamington, and Arthur Scratch, the latter making an exceptionally strong address. Want of space prevents our giving fuller particulars of these most interesting entertainments.

The Sarnia Foresters kept open house one evening in the month of January, and although the hall was large many were necessarily turned away. P. H. C. R. Proctor occupied the chair, and years of experience has only increased his interest in the Order. So many assisted so well, it would not do to ask for sufficient space to describe the efforts of our Sarnia brethren. The officers were publicly installed by the H. C. Ranger, and the eight hundred citizens assembled thoroughly enjoyed the proceedings of the evening. The occasion will long be remembered with pleasure by all present. Success to you, Sarnia.

Central Ontario.

Applications for January 124.

Second place for January among the Ontarios.

The Centre has been so much in the habit of leading that the altered position for Jan. came as a mild surprise.

Bro. Hearn, H.C., is an energetic worker. He has been busy of late visiting courts, installing officers and giving public addresses.

Bro. R. Tinck, G. D. H. C. R., dropped into our sanctum with 26 applications taken in four days at Cooksville. Crown him King Robert I. among organizers! See what can be done.

Bro. H. Collins, S.T., has rendered valuable service to a large number of Toronto courts by installing their officers and instructing them in the unwritten work. The genial Supreme Treasure is a prime favorite among the courts.

The first Juvenile Court in Toronto was recently established by Bro. Robt. Abbs, G.D.H.C.R. It will be known as Court Queen City and is officered by as likely a lot of lads as one could wish to see. They will graduate among the seniors one of these days.

The storm of the season frowned on the proposed concert of Court Cooksville. The High Chief, Bro. Sanders, accompanied by some popular Toronto artistes, braved the elements and were at the town-hall on time, but alas! an audience was wanting. To the few who came a choice though brief programme was rendered. Try again.

Bro. Rev. A. Macgillivray spent a pleasant evening with the brethren of Court Gravenhurst on the 28th. He presided at the election and installation of the officers. The court has splendid material, fine location and great chances for growth. The brethren are enthusiastic over a Foresters' cottage in connection with the Sanatorium for Consumptives in their town.

The High Chief Ranger drove into a storm zone the other day, and he enjoyed a couple of days well earned rest at a hospitable farm-house somewhere

in the County of Dufferin. The storm is over, and the H.C.R. having dug himself out of the drift is again on the war-path. Singhampton, Shelburne and Rosemont are experiencing a Forestric boom as the result of his visit.

Bro. J. H. Dunlop, the famous florist of Toronto, was awarded a first-class certificate while on a visit last month to New York, by the Horticultural Section of the American Institute, for the new rose, the Lady Dorothea, grown by him, and so named by the Countess of Aberdeen.

Court Seabright, No. 378, Kettleby, gave their 9th annual entertainment the 11th. inst. They always do things well at Kettleby. The audience was large, the supper excellent, the programme entertaining. Bro. Jas. Morgan, B.A., H.V.C.R., was present and has made the way difficult for the next man that follows. Bro. Morgan is a programme of speech, recitation, and song in himself.

The annual function of Court Northern Light, Owen Sound, was a great affair. The town-hall was filled to its utmost capacity. Addresses were given by Bro. Sanders, H.C.R., and Bro. Collins, S.T. In the course of the evening a beautiful jewel was presented Bro. R. McMurchy for distinguished service, by the Supreme Treasurer, in the unavoidable absence of the Supreme Chief. Court Northern Light is the banner court of the jurisdiction. Bro. Pointon, D.S.C.R., is of opinion that 50 members will be secured as a result of the meeting.



BRO. A. B. THOMSON.

Above we give a portrait of Bro. A. B. Thomson, harrister. Penetanguishene. A brother who has done valuable service for his court and for the Order in north-western Simcoe. Bro. Thomson is an able lawyer and speaker, and we bespeak for him a successful career.

Never a day but one may find something to worry about, if he seeks it. But—comforting thought!—never a day but one may find something to be glad about if he looks for that.

Eastern Ontario.

INFORMATION WANTED.



BRO. ROBERT BAIRD.

Above we give a cut of Bro. Robert Baird, of Court Frontenac, Kingston. He left his home last May and has not been heard from since. It is said he was seen in Toronto some time in June last. Any Forester knowing anything of Bro. Baird will kindly communicate at once with Mrs. Robt. Baird, care of Bro. I. S. R. McCann, R.S., Kingston.

Court Tamworth has increased its membership by 80 per cent. during the last nine months.

The High Chief Ranger made "A Forester at Sight" of a very Juvenile member on January 2nd.

Bro. Dr. Crain, the High Physician, attended a public meeting held by Court Mountain and delivered an interesting address.

Bro. Dickinson, the High Secretary, has visited a number of courts at their public meetings lately and given addresses; the last was Court Kenmore.

We have been very sorry to hear that our High Treasurer, Bro. Dr. Mallory, has been ill for some time, but we are glad to be able to state that he is now about again.

Court Selby has had two public meetings in the last few weeks, at the last of which the High Chief Ranger installed the officers for the present term. This court is always up and doing.

Bro. G. W. Potts secured 30 new members for Court Frankford in ten days canvassing. As this is the first court the brother has ever visited as a canvasser he may justly be proud of his work.

Bro. Spence, the High Vice-Chief Ranger, with a number of brethren from Court Cobourg, drove the H.C.R. to a public meeting at Court Justice, and delivered a most interesting address. Bro. Spence is pushing the work in his part of the jurisdiction; we look for a new court in the near future.

Bro. C. C. Whole, the always genial, always popular Charlie, has been making Kingston the centre of a most successful campaign, and has held meetings at Clessa, Wolfe Island, Atkinson, Inverary and Collins Bay. The result has been the securing of over 60 new members. We wish we could keep "Charlie" with us.

The High Chief Ranger attended an oyster supper and concert held by Court Roslyn on the evening of December 19th. An excellent supper was furnished by the court, after which a fine programme and addresses by the High Chief Ranger and Bro.

Glendenning closed a very successful entertainment. Court Roslyn has one of the finest halls it has been our pleasure to see in the jurisdiction.

Court Frontenac, No. 59, Kingston, held a most successful public installation on the evening of Jan. 7th, when the officers of the following courts were installed by Bro. J. A. McGillivray, the Supreme Secretary: Court Frontenac, Court Cataraqui, Court Odessa, Court Collins Bay, Court Inverary, Court Wolfe. The City Hall, which is perhaps the finest and largest in Eastern Ontario, was filled to the utmost. Addresses were delivered by Bro. McGillivray, the Supreme Secretary; Bro. Dr. Clark, the High Chief Ranger. Bro. W. M. Drennen, the City Clerk, acted as chairman in his usually happy manner, and a most interesting and profitable evening was closed by the serving of refreshments, after which the younger members of the company enjoyed themselves by tripping to the sweet strains of music.

Quebec.

Court Sir George Etienne Cartier, No. 1694.—General Deputy Idor La Riviere, under instructions from the High Chief Ranger, visited this court on Monday, the 10th January, and installed the officers for the coming year. After the imposing ceremony of installing officers was over, the brother Deputy addressed the court. The brother, Idor La Riviere, was well received, the members being delighted at having a visit from a qualified officer. After a hearty vote of thanks had been extended, the brethren expressed pleasure at meeting with the General Deputy, and assured him that every effort would be put forth by them to increase the membership of Court Sir George Etienne Cartier. The elected officers for this year are first-class men, and no doubt the court will continue to prosper.

Court Valleyfield, No. 523, held a public installation on the 12th ult., the High Chief Ranger, Bro. Strathearn, being present, along with Bro. D. J. McArthur and Bro. LaRiviere. After the installation, the H.C.R. addressed the audience upon the main objects and principles of Forestry; he was followed by Bros. LaRiviere and McArthur. After a very successful installation and public gathering, presided over by General Deputy D. A. Smith, one of Valleyfield's leading citizens, the meeting closed, after which the members and their friends, over 150 in number, were entertained at the Windsor Hotel, Mayor Loy and all the leading men of the town of Valleyfield being present. After partaking of a most sumptuous supper, speech and song were in order until the wee sma' hours. Quebec feels proud of having such a court of Foresters, and the members of Court Valleyfield can rest assured that they are more than pleased to have a court with such a membership. Long may they continue to retain their present position, and we feel assured with such men as leaders as Bros. Smith, Joron, Duclos and others, they may have no fear.

Court Lachine, I.O.F., No. 544, had one of the grandest installations of officers that has occurred in Forestry since the inception of the Order in the Province of Quebec. Bro. Strathearn, H.C.R., and a very large staff of officers accompanied him to Lachine on the 11th inst., for the purpose of installation of the officers of the Court there. A very handsome four-horse sleigh was engaged to take the brothers. A start was made about 8 p.m.,

and Lachine was reached about 9 p.m. Some ninety or one hundred of the brothers were in waiting for the H.C.R. and staff, and proceedings were immediately commenced.

Three initiations took place after installation; the rough road was crossed and the journey through the forest was effected in right royal style, affording the highest amusement and instruction to the brothers and the candidates.

A very liberal spread was given the visitors by the court, after which an impromptu concert was commenced in which the visiting brothers, as well as many brethren of Court Lachine, rendered effective aid. In connection with this court are some fifty Indians of the Caughnawaga Reservation, and they make excellent Foresters, and are exceedingly happy to be associated with the rank and file of Forestry. They gave an Indian dance, and one of them sang one of the most laughable songs of the day, literally bringing down the house. The court broke up about midnight, and the visitors resumed their journey to Montreal, feeling that they had passed one of the most pleasant evenings that it is possible to enjoy.

Court Balmoral, No. 269, installed their officers at the last regular meeting. The installation was conducted by Bro. Strathearn, H.C.R., assisted by Deputy La Riviere, Bro. Marriott, and several others. After installation of officers, the H.C. addressed the court. In his address he related the many changes that had taken place since he had instituted the court 11 years ago, with 17 charter members. He was proud to be able to state that they were now drawing near the 200 mark; the seven members just being initiated brought them up to 194, and still gave them claim to be the banner English-speaking court of the Province. Many of the old faces have been missed, but he was pleased to state, though some of them were absent, there were still to be found amongst their members those who continued to do good work for the court, and for the Order, amongst whom was to be found Past High Counsellor Bro. Colin McArthur, who had been instrumental in bringing many good men into our Order, and was always to be found whenever an opportunity presented itself ready to assist towards the interest of Forestry.

Addresses were also delivered by Bro. Smith, Chief Ranger-elect of Court Mount Royal; Major Connolly, Prof. Houle, and old warrior Lane, the spiritual adviser of the court, also made a few timely remarks. After partaking of some refreshments, the brethren quietly dispersed to their respective homes, feeling quite satisfied that Old Balmoral still continued in the front, strong and truly liberal in all its actions pertaining to Forestry.

New Brunswick.

We have observed by the local newspapers that the I.O.F. is electing officers and carrying on the winter campaign with energy in this flourishing jurisdiction. We have already published the names of the C.R.'s and C.D.H.C.R.'s, so far as we have been able to do so, and continue our notices to-day. It would be quite impossible to publish the lists of officers in full, but we are glad to be informed that the officers chosen in the different courts are energetic and up-to-date Foresters. The following items reached us too late for our January number:

Court Greenwich, No. 1762, A. B. McKeil, C.R.
Court Log Cabin, St. John, elected James Scaton, C.R., and E. W. Paul, C.D.

Court Schoodic, St. Stephens, George J. Clark, C.R., and Andrew DeWolfe, C.D.

Court Gordon Falls, Elgin, elected Dr. B. F. Steeves, C.R., and R. A. Smith, C.D.

Court Sembury, No. 1289, W. Dell Smith, C.R., and Archelaus H. Worden, C.D.H.C.R.

Court Benevolence, No. 203, Sussex, elected Geo. N. Erb, C.R., and Hugh R. McMonagle, C.D.

Court Woodville, No. 1842, Queens County, elected Fred. C. Stultz, C.R., and I. E. Vanwort, C.D.H.C.R.

Court Lancaster: William Ince, C.R., and C. E. V. Cowan, C.D. After installation the members adjourned to Smith's Hotel, where a fine supper and two hours' social intercourse were enjoyed.

St. John Encampment, No. 53, Royal Foresters, St. John, installed F. Z. Fowler, Ill. Com. The Encampment is in a flourishing condition, and promises to be one of the best in the Grand Army.

Court Latour's officers were installed by Bro. E. J. Todd, P.V.C.R.; A. A. Wilson, C.R. The name of the C.D. is not published. The St. John *Sun* says this court starts the year with very bright prospects.

Court Shepody, Albert, elected T. S. Atkinson, C.R. The local newspaper reports "the court in a prosperous condition, has a large amount in the treasury, and is receiving considerable additions to its membership."

Court Ouangondy, I.O.F., installed W. F. Cronk, C.R.; D. G. Lingley, C.D.H.C.R. The installing officer was LeB. Coleman, P.H.C.R. After the installation, speeches were made by Messrs. Cronk and Bradley and the High Court officers present, interspersed by vocal and instrumental selections. At the conclusion of the programme light refreshments were served.

The funeral of the late Brother John Chamberlain took place from his residence, Mill street. The cortege was one of the longest ever seen in this city, and Main street, North End, was lined with thousands of people who witnessed the procession as it slowly wended its way from the late residence of the deceased.

Brother Chamberlain was a member of many of the societies, and many representatives of each of these attended the funeral in regalia.

The casket was heavily draped and covered with floral tributes sent by the societies and friends of the deceased, who was very popular all over the city, including a very beautiful maltese cross of lilies, roses, carnations, azalias, hyacinths and ferns, with the letters I.O.F. in purple across the centre, sent by Court Loyalist.

In the death of Brother Chamberlain, the I.O.F. will feel the loss of an exemplary member, and the city that of a spirited and respected citizen.

The funeral of the late Brother Frank Ayer was under the auspices of Court Demoisells, I.O.F., Albert County. The burial service was read by Capt. Arlington G. Dickson, C.R. A number of members from other courts were in the procession. Pastor I. B. Colwell, of the Baptist Church, conducted a service in the church. The deceased was a universal favorite among his fellows. He leaves a widow, four small children, an aged mother, two brothers and three sisters.

The new hall of the I.O.F., Debec, was dedicated on Saturday night, says the Woodstock *Dispatch*. This building is a very fine one and a credit to Debec and the Order. It is 30x50 feet in size. The lower part is used for the purposes of the Agricultural Society. Upstairs the room used by the Foresters is ceiled with poplar and bass. The ceiling, an arch, is painted dark blue and the walls a dark buff. The trimmings are a cherry color. The platform runs the whole width of the hall and is 10 feet deep.

Court Millicet, No. 129, Frederickton, is up to date in every respect. The membership on the 1st Jany. was 102.

The other day Bro. Rev. A. Macgillivray, Sec'y. of the "Statue Fund" of the Chief, received \$10.20 from this court, with the words: "Hope you are having great success."

There are just a few courts in the spirited jurisdiction of New Brunswick yet to be heard from.

Prince Edward Island.

Court Strathcona, organized on the 8th December at Bradalbane, is doing nicely.

Never in the history of the Order in this little Province have there been such additions of new members as during the closing months of the year ninety-seven.

A delegation waited upon Bro. Dr. Warburton, requesting him to consent to be nominated for Mayor. If he consents, there is no doubt that he will be elected.

The second court has been established in Charlottetown, the date of organization being Dec. 21. This court has been named Mount Stephen, No. 3741. The charter list contained some of the leading men of the city, R. C. Goff, Mark Wright, Professor Jorden, Arthur Gates (of Stewart and Gates, grocers) and others.

Court Tignish was organized at Tignish, on the 13th Jan. An effort was made four years ago to establish a court there, so that the officers of the High Court are more than pleased with what has been accomplished now. The credit is due Bro. J. F. Stewart, P.H.C. Ranger, and B. D. McLellan, ex-M.P.P., a member of Court Mazepa.

Court Westmorland held their annual supper at the new hotel of Bro. R. R. Reid, on Dec. 29th. Over two hundred sat down to supper. Rev. D. Price, Chief Templar and High Chaplain, acted as chairman. A number of invited guests were present, including Rev. T. Hicks, E. Boswell, Principal Carruthers, and others. A very pleasant time was spent.

At the first regular meeting of this court, held on the 4th January, the Chief Ranger, Bro. R. M. Johnson, the junior member of the popular firm of Johnson and Johnson, druggists, escorted the members at the close of the meeting to W. F. Carter's restaurant, where lunch was served. The usual toasts were responded to by the Chief Ranger, Bro. Fowler, High Secy., J. W. Sutherland, V.C.R., H. J. Peake, Arthur Gates, E. M. Duchemin, and Dr. Warburton and George Robertson of Court Avondale. Speaking of grocers reminds us that all the leading grocers of Charlottetown are members of the I.O.F.—Stewart and Gates, E. Toombs jr., T. W. Morris, Geo. D. Davison, D. L. Hooper and E. Leard.

Court Queen's, of Mt. Stewart, held their annual supper at Mrs. Clarke's hotel, on Thursday evening, the 6th Jan. The menu was extensive and varied, all things being abundantly supplied. The health of all present seemed to be exceptionally good, as was evident by the ample justice which they did to the different courses set before them.

Satisfaction seemed stamped upon every countenance. The toasts were proposed and drunk in cold water.

The toast of our Supreme Chief Ranger was responded to by Dr. J. G. Toombs, H.C.

The speeches were good, the songs inspiring, and the fellowship all that could be desired.

Court Queen's is going to do royal work this winter.

The Foresters held a social in Freetown hall early in January. Mr. David Rogers presided. A well-rendered programme was given, consisting of addresses by Rev. David Price, of Tryon, and Mr. R. H. McDonald, of St. Eleanors, both of whom set forth clearly the advantages of membership in such a widespread Order. Music was rendered by the choir, and also a number of musical and literary selections by ladies and gentlemen of the locality. A solo in the Welsh language, by Rev. D. Price, was also well received. After singing the closing ode of the Order, a vote of thanks was tendered Rev. Mr. Price for his having driven so far in order to attend. A number of baskets were afterwards auctioned by Mr. David Arbing, by which \$40 was realized. This amount will be devoted to the hall fund. The Foresters of Freetown are to be congratulated upon the success which attended their effort.

Manitoba.

Our H.C.R., Robert Muir, has been elected by acclamation as President of the Manitoba Grain Exchange.

The High Standing Committee wish every member in the jurisdiction a very happy and prosperous New Year.

H.S. W. D. Pettigrew had the pleasure of calling on the Supreme officers in Toronto during January and of inspecting the Temple.

Court Oakland is the latest addition to our list. This court was organized by Thos Waddell, P.H.C.R., on 30th Dec. and starts with a good membership.

Court Marquette, No. 443.—The ceremony of installing officers-elect of Court Marquette was very ably performed by Bro. Thos. Scott, H.V.C.R., assisted by Bro. Macmorine as acting H.S., and Bro. Sullivan as High Marshal.

The High Standing Committee would call the special attention of all courts to the Official Circulars, Nos. 10 and 11, of the Supreme Court. There are items for the careful consideration of every member contained in these circulars.

D.S.C.R. Thomas Waddell has been busy in the north-western part of our Province. He has organized two strong courts, Ardenview and Winnipegosis, with thirty-eight and twenty-four members respectively. He has several other courts to institute in the near future.

A union installation of all the courts in Winnipeg was held on 6th Jan. High Chief Ranger R. Muir Esq., conducting same. A pleasant time was spent by the members renewing acquaintance, &c.

P.H.C.R. Thos. Waddell delivered an address on the principles and benefits of the Order.

To the members who have not taken an active interest in their courts during the past year, we would say, start fresh in January, determined that you at least will be as regular as possible in attendance. Help the officers elected, and, above all, spread the "golden blessings" of the I. O. F. by bringing in at least one new member.

Court Charter, No. 1092, held a very successful oyster supper and concert on 7th December. The church was filled to overflowing and everyone voted the meeting a huge success. The night was beautiful, bright, moonlight and mild, just right for sleighing, and it was well taken advantage of by old and young. W. D. Pettigrew, H. S., gave a short address. This court has always held a good record and has no intention of going back on it either. May success always attend their efforts.

A brother from Court Manitou writes: "Our present C. R., J. H. Anderson, has had good success. While he has been in the chair we have had 20 initiated from January 1st, 1897, up to the present date, with nine more to be initiated, making a total of 145 members, and more coming in every night. We are proud of our noble court in Manitou.

"Our court held a concert of local talent on evening of Thanksgiving day to a packed house, and the entertainment went off in good style. The receipts of the evening were \$35.65 after all expenses were paid. The proceeds are to form a fund to assist the sick and unfortunate of our own court."

Court Bertle, No. 129.—This is one of the oldest courts in this jurisdiction. During the past year it has thrown off its lethargy and has looked the question of Forestry in the face with a result that from being one of our smallest courts in numbers, it now stands so very near the front rank as to make some of our larger courts "stand to their guns" if they would retain their position. What this court has attained in one year can be done by any court if they will only rouse themselves up to a sense of their privileges. This court has now a membership of 14 members; a year ago it was 20.

A social was held on 17th Jan. The H.C.R. was present, installed the officers, and assisted at the initiation of 3 candidates.

Michigan.

High Court this month, February 22nd and 23rd.

Two new courts for December and two more for January.

For good-natured, vigorous electioneering, Michigan takes the blue ribbon.

For January the applications were 162, and the rank among High Courts is third.

A good second was Michigan for December, 470. New York held first place with 491.

Court Valley, with 340 members, wins the prize, Chief Ranger's sash, as the banner court.

High Chief Callaghan did good service during the year. If "second terms" are going, he should have one.

Splendid public meetings were held by the High Chief Ranger at St. John's and Nashville, February 9th and 10th, respectively.

THE INDEPENDENT FORESTER with its new dress has been received with greater pleasure than ever. Congratulations, Bro. Macgillivray.

The brethren in Detroit have made great preparation for the High Court meeting and it promises to be the most successful in our history.

The public meetings held by the High Chief Ranger in November, December and January have counted, as the applications for this month show.

Owing to circumstances entirely beyond our control we have had to postpone the date of taking first place, and we have fixed the date at June 30th, 1898.

1897 was a banner year in Forestry in Michigan and by the time the Supreme Court meets we will be able to say, "We are coming, Chief Oronhyatekha, 15,000 strong."

250 representatives at the High Court meeting in Detroit. A most imposing army representing 12,000 members. We extend fraternal greetings to the Foresters of the world, and may the blessings of the Supreme Ruler of the Universe descend upon them, may success, happiness and prosperity be with them, and may the banner of "Liberty, Benevolence and Concord" be landed on the pinnacle.

The court at Portland initiated eight members on the 12th ult. The officers were publicly installed by M. M. Callaghan, H.C.R., and A. A. Weeks, State Organizer. Good fortune did not come singly to one of the newly-initiated members. The day following his initiation a son came to gladden his home. The boy is to be named "Forester." May he live to be High Chief Ranger of Michigan.

Court Freeport, No. 1986, held a public installation of officers on the evening of January 14th. Bro. M. M. Callaghan, H.C.R., assisted by A. A. Weeks, D.S.C.R., performed the interesting ceremony. Both the distinguished visitors gave addresses. A short musical and literary programme filled in a very pleasant evening. Supper followed. Court Freeport initiated 15 members within the last six weeks. More are to follow. The court is determined to be one of the best in the State.

Maine.

Maine sends her New Year's Greeting to all Foresters.

Forestric matters are again working smoothly and vigorously in the Pine Tree State.

The outlook for the year is very bright, notwithstanding the set-backs of the past few weeks.

Court Patten, No. 3672, by unanimous standing vote, conveyed the thanks of the brethren to Bro. Thos. Clarke, D.S.C.R., for valuable services rendered the court in bringing in members, and by instructing the officers in their work.

Court Silver Ash, No. 3331, Hagnesville, has received the cordial thanks of Bro. L. L. Wiers for many acts of kindness shown him during a long illness, and court and brother thank the Supreme Court for the prompt payment of his sick benefit of \$92.00.

The High Chief is determined that 1898 shall mark a decided increase in growth of Independent Forestry in Maine, and has been heard to remark, that those follows in the other jurisdictions who are fighting for first place want to look out, for he is after their scalps.

Bro. M. L. Rosen of Court Penabrent began the new year by taking unto himself a wife. The bride was Miss Kamnisky, of Bangor. The wedding was on January 2nd, at the Synagogue in Bangor, and was largely attended by the many friends of both parties, who wish them happiness and prosperity.

Since the return of the H.C.R., Bro. Scott, from his visit to the beautiful home of the Supreme Court at Toronto he has been kept exceedingly busy in disposing of a half month's accumulation of business and in attending the installations of officers of many of the courts.

The first staff of officers installed by the High Chief in the new year was that of Court James G. Blaine, of Bangor. He was assisted by the H.T., Bro. Spaulding, who acted as H. Marshal. Many friends of the members of the Court were present and witnessed the installation and listened to remarks by Bros. Scott and Spaulding. A very pleasant musical programme was carried out, after which all partook of an oyster supper which had been prepared by some of the brothers in their upper hall.

On Jan. 6th, accompanied by Bro. C. E. Rackliff, of Old Town, the High Chief, proceeded to Kingman, where he installed officers of Court Sylvan Dale and addressed a large and enthusiastic meeting of Foresters and their friends, of which both were numerous. Other courts would do well to pattern after Court Sylvan Dale. Remarks were also made by Bro. Rev. H. Hudson, C.R.-elect, and Bro. Somerville, Phys., also by the Rev. J. D. Thomas, a visiting brother from Court Maguerrawauk, at Calais.

The next evening, Jan. 7th, the High Chief, assisted by Bro. Spaulding, installed the officers of Court Industry at So. Brewer.

Bro. Frank B. Dole, H.J.W., occupies the chair for the ensuing term, which is a sufficient guarantee that the Court's affairs will be well and ably administered.

The following Tuesday, Jan. 11th, the officers of Court Passacumkeag were installed, and on the 14th the officers of Court Orono.

The High Chief is also booked for several other installations and public meetings, and altogether it would seem that Independent Forestry is moving along very briskly.

Illinois.

To the Editor this jurisdiction is very much like a sealed book.

We have just received our first copy of *The Foresters' Gazette*. Thanks.

From official reports we glean that for January the applications number 110.

A member of Court Independence sends us an interesting communication, the substance of which is: "Honor the fraternal principle; help the unemployed to employment; the destitute relieve; for the penniless, pay their assessments; be a brother to your brother." So mote it be.

From Peoria, where we have three courts (possibly more), we learn that Bro. A. E. Stevenson, H.C.R., was entertained by the ladies of Court Peoria. They very hospitably invited the brethren of Courts Glen Oak and Ford. A very select programme was rendered and a very enjoyable evening spent.

New York.

Court Bold Forester has shown unusual activity during the past year. Just one year ago they had only 24 members and now they number 79. An increase of 55, fifteen of whom were initiated in December.

Court Hennipen, organized in 1892, has to record the fact that they have experienced their first loss in the death of the late Bro. William Kilpatrick, and the widow of the deceased gratefully acknowledges her appreciation of the prompt payment of the claim.

Court Rochester, one of the most progressive courts in the State, initiated 25 new members during December. Bro. Geo. E. Cripps, Superintendent of Construction in the Water Works Department of the Bureau of Public Works of Rochester, is the new Court Deputy, succeeding High Court Auditor, Bro. Thomas Baker.

We are not only pleased to note, after two years' faithful services as C. D. H. C. R. of Court Watertown, Bro. D. E. Sweet retires with the good-will and hearty endorsement of the membership, but that he is succeeded by Bro. Jno. E. Folsom, the popular Alderman, who is equally proficient and deserves the well-earned preferment.

The High Secretary desires to return his thanks to the many courts which have invited him to be present at public installations, hops, oyster parties, candy pulls, smokers, musicales, entertainments, soirees, balls, etc., etc., and to say that he appreciates all such kindly feelings and wishes he might have the time to indulge in such an abundance of pleasures.

The re-election of Bro. Samuel Gompers as President of the American Federation of Labor recently, at Nashville, Tenn., reminds us that under the regime of the early days of the I. O. F., he served two terms as Supreme Marshal under appointment by the then Supreme Chief Ranger, Col. A. B. Caldwell. Bro. Gompers continues his faith in the I. O. F. as being "the safest and best insurance or

Bro. G. P. Martin, D. D. H. C. R., is to be complimented upon the selection of his staff, and for the excellent work done by them. We doubt if Buffalo, or any other city, has ever before seen such efficient work as done by this staff. With a new and brilliant regalia, when they file in to install the officers of any court, we doubt if there is a better looking D. D.'s staff in the I. O. F.

The staff is comprised of the following brothers: P. H. C. R., C. A. Kendall; H. M., F. Sehl, P. C. R. of Court East Buffalo, and is now serving his second term as its R. S.; H. V. C. R., Bro. Wiseletter, V. C. R. of Court Walden; H. T., E. Ess, the C. R. elect of Court Confident; H. Cond., R. H. Connor; H. R. S., W. W. Mitchell, the R. S. elect of Court Confident and H. Chaplain, F. L. Ende, C. D. and C. R. elect of Court Columbian.—*The N. Y. Ind. Forester, Buffalo.*

Court East Buffalo has indeed suffered a loss in the death of our personal friend, Bro. John J. Lund, who so efficiently filled the chairs of Fin. Secy. and Chief Ranger, and was, to a great extent, the main support of the court in its early days. We are in receipt of a letter of thanks from his bereaved widow, expressing her many thanks for the prompt payment of her policy, to the officers and members for many kind attentions and acts of

sympathy in her bereavement, and desires also to extend her gratitude and personal thanks to C. J. Reynolds, M. D., the Court Physician, for his increasing attention and faithfulness.

Alas! after 14 months of continued successful leadership in the great race of High Courts, the State of New York gracefully droops her flag in respectful recognition to the High Court of Quebec and its popular High Chief Ranger, Bro. Peter Strathearn. It is true it is but a matter of four points (Quebec 186, New York 182), nevertheless it proves the rule we are fallible. Let us gird on our armor and work the harder to convince other High Courts they have no easy thing of it to beat us. Let our war-cry be "Excelsior," and everyone secure a new member. Now, Peter, don't let this thing occur again.

Court Genesee, with its usual enterprise, held their annual Reception and Ball at Royal Arcanum Hall, Rochester, January 20th. The decorations were appropriate and of beautiful design, the music exquisite, the refreshments the best the caterer could produce. The participants in the Reception performed their parts excellently, the ladies looked and dressed their prettiest, and everything was enjoyably fine from beginning to end. We are indebted for all this information, as well as a complimentary invitation to attend, to our friend and brother J. Rawfisen, Secretary of the Committee of Arrangements, for which we feel truly grateful, and only regret we were unable to be present.

The increasing labors of the "Founder," Bro. Col. A. B. Caldwell, P. S. C. R., are bringing forth good fruit. He has under way two courts in Syracuse, and is about to institute one in Auburn. He has been suffering of late with an unruly foot, whether of the gout, or the result of the extermination of some canine, our despatches do not make clear. It is evident, however, he is in favor with the Lady Companions of Syracuse, yet it is quite apparent they intend making him live up to the law he entrusts them with, as a newly-installed Sister did the other evening after he had imparted the secret work, by calling him down for not giving the regulation salutation on addressing the Chief Companion, who evidenced especial ability, and who caught the "old boy" napping, creating unusual amusement. Colonel, beware of the "wimmin!"

Pennsylvania.

The Court reporter in Erie:—"It is seldom that you have a communication from this neck of the woods, and Court 768 has voted on me as a reporter. This oldest and largest court in the Keystone State was organized in March, 1891, and so far has never recorded a death. Our first court physician, Dr. J. R. Phillips, has been very ill since New Years, and Dr. J. T. Lawrence, our dentist, has been for several weeks in a Buffalo hospital.

Pennsylvania Court recently had an entertainment on which they realized \$30 profit.

About the last of January, No. 768 entertained the Foresters of North East Court, and on the 20th of this month it has invited South Erie and Oliver Courts to become its guests. These social greetings are proverbial with our Erie Foresters and the Order is in a healthy and prosperous condition, not only in Erie, but our High Court officers and deputies have given a decided impetus to Forestry in many cities of the Keystone State,

New Jersey.

BRO. HON. FOSTER M. VORHEES,
GOVERNOR OF NEW JERSEY.

The 127,000 members of the I.O.F. in Canada, Great Britain and the various jurisdictions in the United States join with their New Jersey brethren in extending greetings and congratulations to Bro. Foster M. Voorhees, of Elizabeth, who has just been elevated to the office of Governor of that great industrial State. These felicitations are peculiarly appropriate from the fact that in our grand Order there is no more loyal and enthusiastic Forester than New Jersey's new Governor.

Bro. Voorhees, who has for a long time been the leader of the Republican party in the State Legislature, and who, it has been conceded, would, at the State election next fall, be elected Governor, has reached that goal a year ahead of time by the



BRO. HON. FOSTER M. VORHEES.

appointment of Gov. John W. Griggs to the Cabinet position of United States Attorney-General by President McKinley; and, in accordance with the State constitution, Bro. Voorhees, as President of the Senate, became Governor, he taking the oath of office on February 1st. Foster Voorhees' life and character as a man and politician is contained in the following sketch condensed from the *New York Mail and Express* :—

“Foster M. Voorhees, whose recent election as President of the New Jersey Senate makes him executive of the State as successor to John W. Griggs, is a brilliant young orator, lawyer and statesman. He is a native New Jerseyman, and was born November 5, 1856, on a farm in Clinton township, Hunterdon county. At the age of 15 years he was admitted to Rutgers College. He graduated four years later the second honor man of his class, and won the prize for moral philosophy and Greek. In 1889 Voorhees had changed his residence to a dis-

trict that was Democratic by over 3,000; he consented to become his party's standard bearer, and attested his popularity by a triumphant election, over a strong and popular opponent.

“While in the House he was the leader of the minority, and served as such with great distinction. His courtesy and fairness won the admiration and respect of even his opponents.

“At the end of his service in the Assembly he resolved to withdraw from politics because it was encroaching too much on his time and interfering with his law practice. He declined to take the nomination for Senator in 1890 and for Congress in 1892.

“In 1893 there came a call that appealed to his sentiments of patriotism. Pernicious legislation had given over the State to the almost absolute control of trusts, gamblers and the like. A great moral crusade was inaugurated, and in Union county, where two race tracks were in operation, the furor was especially great. The importance of the selection of a strong man was appreciated, and the Republicans and Citizens' Anti-Gambling League turned to Voorhees, who could not resist this appeal of the people, and he accepted the nomination for Senator. He was triumphantly elected.

“His first year in the Senate was characterized by a series of political triumphs, and Senator Voorhees made for himself a record that will live as one of the brightest in the annals of the State. Nearly all the reform measures emanated from and bore the name of the Senator from Union.

“Office grabbing he abhorred, as was clearly evinced by the manner in which he declined to accept the offer of Circuit Court Judge, to which he was appointed for a term of seven years at a salary of \$7,500 a year, and likewise his refusal of the position of Clerk of the Court of Chancery.

“Senator Voorhees is popular with all men. He is courteous, warm-hearted and sympathetic. He has for years been one of the busiest men in New Jersey, but never too much occupied to give the most courteous reception to any one, without distinction as to whether his visitor be the highest in his State or its humblest citizen.”

Governor Voorhees became a beneficiary member of the I.O.F. three years ago, joining—as the 100th member—Court George W. Child, No. 1476, of Elizabeth. Despite the innumerable calls upon his time as a lawyer and prominent politician, Bro. Voorhees has always taken an active interest in Forestry work both in his Subordinate and High Courts, and recently remarked with satisfaction that he was pleased to learn that his decision, given as Chairman of the Committee on Appeals of the High Court, in a case brought before that body, had been sustained by the Supreme Chief Ranger.

It was Brother Voorhees' well-known enthusiasm for the Order, and the fear of his acknowledged influence in the State Legislature, that thwarted two years ago a contemplated attempt by jealous parties to secure legislation detrimental to the I.O.F.

Governor Voorhees' estimation of the I.O.F. is best conveyed in the following paragraph from a letter of introduction given to Bro. W. T. Bingham, D.S.C.R., addressed to the Governor's brother, urging the latter to assist in forming a court in their native village :

“You may recall our conversation with reference to the Independent Order of Foresters and my membership therein. It is a fraternal insur-

ance association whose scheme, as I have often told you, is the safest and most economical of any of those with which I am acquainted. I can very safely recommend you to join. Our courts here are made up of men who, while not millionaires, yet are self-respecting and law-abiding, and it is this class that we would like to interest. You are perfectly safe in joining the association.

It is a very cheap form of insurance and one easily carried, especially by those who are unable to pay the large premium required by the Old Line Companies.

Even your clergyman need not be ashamed to join.

In the court to which I belong there are three doctors of divinity and one lay preacher. You will notice that it is their purpose to get the best that they can."

Notwithstanding that Bro. Voorhees is both young and good-looking, as can be seen from the picture, he is a bachelor, and with apparently little intention of changing from a single to a double life of happiness.

In Bro. Voorhees New Jersey has acquired a genial, obliging and popular Governor, whose past life is a guarantee for an honest administration of the arduous duties of the office. Such is Bro. Voorhees, more familiarly known to his host of admirers as "Our Foster," and referred to in the newspapers as the "Young blonde Senator from Union (County); but known to all Foresters as a brother ready at all times, whether in his law office or in the chambers of the State's Executive, to extend a welcome both strong and hearty to all members of our Order seeking an interview.

May our distinguished brother be long spared to serve his State, the Union and the Order, and to enjoy the honors that have come to him by reason of his worth.

NOTES.

Read the interesting sketch of Bro. Voorhees, Governor of the State.

From month to month, and through the years, the Order makes steady progress in the State where it had its birth.

For the month of January 76 applications were received. The membership in the State at the first of the year was 3,750. Make it 5,000 by the time Supreme Court meets.

On Friday evening, January 7th, 1898, Court Elizabeth, No. 1, of Elizabeth, N.J., took possession of their new rooms in the Oddfellows new hall. One of the pleasing features of the occasion was the presentation to the court, by their physicians, Drs. W. A. Mack and R. Whitehead, of a life-sized crayon portrait of Dr. Thomas Millman. The picture, the work of the famous artist, Kranich, of New York, is a life-like likeness of our esteemed Supreme Physician. It was accepted with much enthusiasm by the members of the court, who placed it on the wall to the left of the Court's charter as a companion picture to that of the Supreme Chief, which occupies the post of honor on the right. Both portraits, handsomely framed, are highly prized by Elizabeth's 314 members.

Foresters in Hoboken, Jersey City, and Lyndhurst, unite in thanking the Executive for the promptness with which the mortuary benefit of their late Bro. Jas. Day, of Court Bergen, No. 1805, was paid to his widow. The action of the Executive has caused much favorable comment.

Indiana.

Official Circular.

LOGANSPOUT, IND., Feb. 4, 1898.

To the Subordinate Courts :

The High Court of Indiana will hold its Sixth Annual Session on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 24th and 25th, at the city of Terre-Haute. The meeting will be called to order at 2 p.m. of the 24th. Mileage and per diem will be allowed for one delegate from each court provided the delegate is present at roll-call and remains throughout the session. Reduced rates have been secured at the leading hotels. Visiting members may receive the H.C. Degree upon presenting a certificate of "Good Standing," signed by the Chief Ranger and Recording Secretary of their respective courts. A change from annual to biennial sessions will be considered at this meeting.

All Foresters are cordially invited to be present.

Yours in L., B. and C.,

W. W. WILSON, C. G. ROCHRIG,
H. Sec'y. H. C. R.

NOTES.

Come to the High Court Meeting.

Indiana is progressing slowly, but surely.

Delegates should present their credentials at the opening of the meeting.

The High Secretary recently secured twelve applications for Court Franklin, No. 1720.

Indiana made a net gain of over 400 during 1897, with but one Deputy in the field. If the Supreme Chief Ranger will send us one this year we will double this number.

Bro. Ennis assisted in the initiation of three candidates *via* the R. & R. R., and gave the unwritten work in a manner that demonstrated his ability along this line.

The "Hoosier" State needs some good Organizers. The High Standing Committee will pay a good commission to any worthy Forester who will engage in the work. Address the High Secretary, at Logansport.

Bro. C. W. Ennis, H. J. Sec. and C.D. of Union City, No. 1188, and Bro. Poffenbarger, F.S. of the same court, visited Court White River, No. 1094, of Anderson, on the evening of Jan. 22, and were tendered a grand reception.

The ladies of Union City met the members at the door of the court-room on Jan. 28th. Baskets well filled were in sight. Later on the contents were "out of sight." The ladies know how to please the members of No. 1188.

Bro. G. W. Goff, H.V.C.R., went gunning for members in his own city of Rensselaer the other day, and returned with six applications. We can testify that whatever "Geo." goes out for he gets. Whenever he comes for us our hands will go up.

Court Shattuck, No. 1234, of Brazil, held its first open meeting on the evening of Jan. 22, and notwithstanding a severe storm had the pleasure of greeting many friends. Brazil's best talent furnished a programme of music and recitations. Mr. Sullivan, a local orator, delivered a very pleasing address upon purposes and accomplishments of the I.O.F. After refreshments had been served those

present enjoyed a cake walk. Mr. Skelley and his lady "took the cake." The H. Sec. was present and acted as one of the judges. What he don't know about cake walks would "fill a book," and what he ate would fill any man except the Treasurer of this court.

Ohio.

Several new Courts are in process of organization. The field is fertile and all we need is workers.

By the way, Ohio never has a dull occasion at any of these ceremonies. They never seem to lose their interest for us Buckeyes.

Public installations were held by the Columbus brethren, who welcomed P.H.C.R. Clark and H. T. Prentiss. Bro. Prentiss also installed at Circleville and Bro. Clark at Toledo. Splendid results are anticipated from all of these exercises.

The third and last occasion was at Court Harvard, where, after a programme of song and recitations, the High Chief Ranger, assisted by the High Secretary and P.H.C.R. Philip, installed the officers. No more enthusiastic Court can be found than Court Harvard, and she promises great results for the present Forestric year.

We have cancelled our financial obligations to the Supreme Court, and at the present writing owe no man anything but good will of which we have an abundant supply. Let all in need of this latter item apply to our worthy High Secretary, who keeps it locked up for special occasions and deals it out on orders from our H.C.R.

In talking with Bro.—— the other day he expressed his conviction that he is sure to live through the present year. When we asked him the basis of his belief, he replied that he had observed during all the forty-eight years of his life that if he survived "ground-hog" day he invariably lived through the remainder of the year. So note it be.

We find ourselves looking forward to our next High Court session, to be held at Hamilton in September. It will no doubt be the best in our history. Every one has been up-to-date and we see no reason why the coming session may not keep the pace. Candidates for the various offices are announcing in their modest way a willingness to be dragged before the High Court for honors.

Cleveland had three "large" occasions last month. Court Fremont led off with a public installation at which the High Chief Ranger, the High Secretary, P. H. C. R. Philip and D. S. C. R. Gleason were present and took part. After the feast of reason and flow of eloquence was exhausted, the company tripped the light fantastic toe until the wee small hours, and left wishing to see many more such occasions.

The public gathering at Army and Navy Hall to welcome the Supreme Secretary and the H.C.R., Bro. Rogers, was next in point of time, and with a rousing address from Bro. McGillivray and the public installation of the officers of five different Courts, under his direction, a most enjoyable evening was spent. The Royals were at their best and created a favorable appearance, and were the recipients of many flattering remarks. Bro. Knight, our first High Chief Ranger, was with us and occupied a seat upon the platform with the other dignitaries.

High Court of Minnesota.

January, as is usually the case, has been a very busy month for both the courts and the members of the High Standing Committee on account of entertainments, balls and public installations.

Court Delhi, No. 1108, reports a very successful public installation and entertainment on Jan. 27th. The installation was conducted by H. L. Chadwick, D.S.C.R.

Court Jordan, No. 1826, had a public installation, followed by a ball, on Jan. 21st. About 300 people were present. The High Standing Committee was represented by J. C. O'Keeffe, P.H.C.R., F. C. Irwin, H.V.C.R., and E. N. Young, H. Treas.

The High Chief Ranger publicly installed the officers of Court Owatonna, No. 1238, on Jan. 14th. Addresses upon the features of the Order were made by Rev. Ellery, Court Chaplain, and the High Chief Ranger, a musical programme following.

Court Duluth, No. 724, has in Bro. A. R. McDonald a Chief Ranger that appreciates the responsibilities and duties of his office. He has addressed an admirable letter to his brethren of the court, and if great work is not done, it will not be the fault of the C.R. Every member will unite in helping him.

Court Century, No. 1257, held a public installation, followed by an entertainment and smoke social, on Jan. 5th. The members of the High Standing Committee were present and performed the work. E. N. Young, H. Treas., who has been Chief Ranger of this Court from its institution, retires and is succeeded by D. M. Sullivan.

On Jan. 12th, Court Stillwater, No. 1035, held a public installation which was conducted by O. H. O'Neill, H.C.R., A. E. Reuillard, H.S., and E. N. Young, H. Treas., assisted by members of the Court. The High Chief Ranger delivered an address on the principles and benefits of the Order. A dance and supper followed. Court Stillwater is aiming for first place in this jurisdiction and at present has a membership of 170.

Court Lumber Heights, No. 1963, had a most successful public installation and entertainment on Jan. 10th. Their magnificent hall, dedicated by the Supreme Chief Ranger a year ago, was packed to overflowing. In the absence of the High Chief Ranger the installation ceremonies were conducted by J. C. O'Keeffe, P.H.C.R., who also delivered a comprehensive address on "Forestry." H. H. Gilen, P.H.V.C.R., of Stillwater, made an eloquent oration on "Our Fraternity." A choice programme of instrumental and vocal music, readings and recitations was rendered by the members of the Court and their friends.

Court Belle Plaine, No. 1605, gave a public installation and dance on Wednesday night last which brought out one of the largest crowds ever seen in Weibeler's Hall, there being 215 couples present by invitation. Landlord Werrick, of the Belle Plaine Hotel, got up a most elaborate supper for the occasion which is deserving of special mention. The installation was conducted by O. H. O'Neill, High Chief Ranger, of St. Paul, assisted by A. E. Ruillard, H.S., A. C. Young, H.T., and J. Ranger, of Minneapolis, and F. C. Irwin, H.V.C.R., of Belle Plaine, and at the conclusion of which Mr. O'Neill spoke upon the many benefits to be derived by becoming a member of the Order and the necessity of carrying life insurance. He was followed

by a few remarks from Mr. Irwin. Many brother Foresters from the latter city and Montgomery were also present. The crowd that remained for the hop being so large Hallinan's Hall was also opened and the local orchestra engaged for the latter place.

New Hampshire.

Court Mt. Washington, No. 1448, Lancaster, N.H., begins the new year with an excellent staff of officers. After the installation ceremony, the members, with their friends, ladies and gentlemen, had a social evening. In the course of proceedings Bro. Rev. Mr. Eames presented Bro. Bartlett with a handsome clock from the court in token of his valuable services on behalf of the court.

The membership of the court is over 100.

Iowa.

Forestry in Iowa has had a hard struggle, and for several reasons has not prospered; but since the inauguration of our present High Chief Ranger, Bro. A. D. Fleu, of Davenport, who is working very hard to put the present courts in this State in a working and presentable condition, we are in hopes that the time will soon come that Iowa in Forestry will be represented in her proper place "as a leader and not a follower."

This city being a railroad centre we have the pleasure of seeing our High Chief Ranger more frequently than most of the courts. I can assure the members that while stopping over for railroad connections he is never idle. While on his way to and from Waterloo and Vinton he succeeded in obtaining us four applications, proving to us that he is not only enthusiastic for the Order, but his heart is in the work; and I think the courts Bro. Fleu has visited will bear me out when I say his visit and talk in the court-room puts new life and vigor in every member present, and as one of the High Standing Committee I am in hopes he will be able to visit every court in Iowa before the expiration of his office. Then look out for Forestry in Iowa. We have started, and its influence will be felt at our next High Court meeting in May, at Davenport. From now on the word will be "Excelsior."

Bro. Fleu installed the officers of Court Veritas, No. 1304, at our last regular meeting, and expressed himself as being well pleased with the attendance and work of this court. We now have 50 members in good standing, and expect to initiate quite a number in the near future.

Wisconsin.

We hear from Bro. Col. Parker, H.C.R. of this jurisdiction, all too seldom. In a recent letter he writes:

"The Independent Order of Foresters is doing very well, with prospects for an increased membership. We have gradually increased our membership. During the last three years the growth has been large, but with considerable impediments in the way it has been fairly satisfactory. We organized and forwarded returns for four courts in January; as many more will be organized in February, and we hope to continue it at that rate for several

months. Deputies C. A. Van Ness and J. S. Hall are at work in south-western Wisconsin; C. L. Grand and George A. Arnett in the eastern and central part of the state. Recently the Supreme Court sent Bro. Robert Kidney from Toronto to report to me for work. I have stationed him at La Crosse, the western part of the state, with directions to increase the membership of the two local courts, and furnished him with a number of towns and cities in that part of the state at which I expect he will plant our Order with new courts. He writes very encouragingly of the prospects. His appearance indicates that he will be a very valuable helper. I expect another organizer very soon and when he comes I shall divide the state in to about four districts, planting our organizers with headquarters at the centre of population. The Order in this state is thoroughly loyal to the Supreme Court. They have supreme faith in the Order for the purposes for which it was organized. Nearly all the courts are growing and give promise of increased growth and interest during the year, while we are nowhere near the banner courts and make no such predictions, but it will be well for those who are competing for high honors to keep their eye on Wisconsin during the ensuing months."

England.

Court Liverpool, No. 2007, thinks nothing of initiating 10 candidates at a time.

Courts in the Liverpool district continue to initiate candidates at every meeting.

Court Garston, No. 2122, has three applications in the order of business for next meeting.

Court Roby, No. 2137, initiated one candidate at their last meeting, and acted upon three new applications.

Court North Meols, No. 2071, at their December meeting, initiated one candidate and entertained eight new applications.

Court Birkenhead, No. 2116, initiated two candidates at last meeting, and, besides admitting one member by card, had two new applications.

Court Widnes, No. 2126, has sustained a heavy loss through the death of Bro. Wm. Hodgkinson, an influential citizen, and a prominent member of the court. The lamented brother was but 45 years of age. He was a successful business man, and a member for a number of years of the town council. The members of the court have by resolution expressed their sorrow for his death, their esteem for their late brother, and their sympathy with his widow.

The members of Court Garston, No. 2122, Garston, near Liverpool, have sent the following letter to Bro. H. Bawler, on the death of his wife:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—We the members of this court wish to express our deep sympathy with you and your family in the loss you have sustained through the death of your beloved wife, and we sincerely hope you will receive Divine comfort during your bereavement.

Yours fraternally in the bonds of L., B. & C.,

Signed on behalf of the court,

JOHN PITKETHLEY, C.R.,

STEPHEN SMART, V.C.R. & H.M.,

JOHN W. STOFFORD, F.S.,

JOHN JOHANNESON, R.S.

GARSTON, Jan. 4th, 1898.

THE INDEPENDENT FORESTER.

Ireland.

From the Green Isle, the land of castles, poets and wib, we hear, to our ears, but rarely.

For January good work was done. All applications were accepted.

We have received a very beautiful card, informing us of the Annual Social Meeting of the High Court of the North of Ireland, on March 31st. The function will be held in Exhibition Hall, Botanic Gardens. The Lord Mayor of Belfast will preside. Wouldn't we like to attend!

Scotland.

Sure, if slow; not always slow.

Bro. Rev. R. McNair, P.E.C.R., is working away, displaying that quality dear to the Scottish heart, perseverance, untiring and unswerving.

A good dozen members are expected as the result of the splendid concert given by Court Pioneer.

Bro. McNair reports three courts as well under way. Now that the great strike is over it is expected that it will be easier to do business.

Acknowledgments.

\$1,000.

Mrs. Hewitt, of Wyoming, thanks the Executive for the prompt payment of the mortuary benefit carried by her late husband, Bro. Hewitt. Also the members of Court Garner, No. 64, for kindness and sympathy shown in her great bereavement.

\$1,400.

Bro. J. C. Rich, H. of Indiana, writes on behalf of Court Fulton, No. 1125, Lafayette, and the widow of the late Bro. John Lisdal, thanking the Executive for the prompt payment of the claim.

\$1,000.

Mrs. Annie Boshentzka, D. Maine, Iowa, wishes to express her thanks for the prompt payment of the mortuary benefit of her late son, Bro. Henry P. Boshentzka, Court Park, 1737.

\$1,000.

Mrs. Ada C. Pambel, of Lancaster, N.H., thanks the members of the I.O.F. for kind sympathy, and the Executive for their prompt payment of the mortuary benefit of her late husband. The kindness of the members of Court Mt. Washington, No. 1244, she will never forget.

\$1,000.

Mrs. E. Gray, of Johnston, writes to Court McGregor, No. 1074, Durham, thanking them for their sympathy and kindness, and the Executive for the prompt payment of the claim of her late husband, Bro. E. Gray.

\$1,000.

Mrs. Annie McLaughlin, of Fox River, N.Y., thanks the Executive for the payment of the claim of her late son, Bro. Geo. J. McLaughlin, Court DeWitt, No. 1074. His widow for the I.O.F. and the members of the Court.

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