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The High Courts.

HIGH COURT OF CENTRAL ONTARIO.

(From our own Correspondent.)

The meetings of this body at Owen Sound on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 21st and 22nd, were of unusual interest owing to the presence of the Chief himself both at the public meeting in McLaughlin Park and as an active but impartial participant in the sessions of the High Court. When it was known that Oronhyatekha would be present to be seen and heard, numbers of the neighboring farmers hitched up and drove into Owen Sound, so that with these and the 300 delegates added to the citizens, Poulett street took on a decidedly metropolitan aspect. Owen Sound, while not a convenient central spot for this jurisdiction, well repaid our visit both by its attractions and its genial hospitality. We felt that we got more than we gave. The delegates investigated and admired in the Liverpool of Canada its harbour, its scenery and its parks. During the intervals of the business of the High Court they went hither and thither, according to temperament, some visiting Eaton Bros., up-to-date improvements where the genial and affable foreman explained the mysteries of malting; while others took a greater interest in what the address of the acting mayor termed the "excellent moral and educational institutions, administered by good and pious clergymen and a well-trained staff of High and Public school teachers."

The meeting house at McLaughlin Park unfortunately proved inadequate to contain the enormous crowds that two steamers kept pouring into that charming resort. The anxiety of the people to hear and see the Chief and the extraordinary hold he kept upon his audience though following orators very well known in Canada and the United States corroborated the popular estimate voiced by the mayor of Owen Sound when he said:

"I also recognize your Order has one great force that similar institutions have not had, and that great force is the man who for many years has been at its head. Canada has produced many great Canadians, but Oronhyatekha occupies a position in the field of fraternal insurance, the peer of them all, and is recognized as one of the great men that the Dominion of Canada has produced."

Nothing captivated the audience and especially the fair sex more than the way Oronhyatekha mingled serious information about our progress in all parts of the globe with the most inimitable drollery and the most delicate badinage.

Proceedings of First Day.

MORNING.

The following standing committees were appointed:—

State of the Order—Rev. W. J. Hewitt, Severn

Bridge; W. Hamsden, Eden Mills; W. J. Umphrey, Udera; W. J. Henry, Toronto; W. Bikley, Morristown.

New Business—J. F. Armstrong, Millbrook; James Constable, Toronto; C. C. Speight, Acton; J. A. Oliver, Fort William; W. J. Langworthy, Port Arthur.

Mileage and Per Diem—Thos. Doyle, Newmarket; E. Y. Parker, Toronto.

Memorials—John A. McGillivray, Uxbridge; Wm. Ritchie, Newcastle; Rev. G. J. Burns, Strathavon; R. L. Adolph, Owen Sound; W. Waites, East Toronto.

Credentials—Dr. R. J. Niddrie, Creemore; T. Bell, Toronto; J. F. Johnston, Owen Sound; A. E. Wilson, Garden Hill.

Pres.—R. L. Mortimer, Shelburne; A. T. Hunter, Toronto; Rev. Dr. Caswell, Meaford.

Distribution—E. S. Dummie, Toronto; P. E. Ritchie, Toronto; A. E. Talmor, Cooksville; M. Peal, Rockwood; J. E. Tovell, Guelph.

Finance—A. Steward, Toronto; W. J. Ard, South River; J. D. Evans, Islington; Rev. A. McGillivray, Toronto; J. D. Smith, Baysville.

Appeal and Petitions—H. J. Spence, Patterson; J. W. Kennely, Georgetown; Henry Roberts, Brampton; J. Adams, Elora; C. H. Collins, Toronto.

Constitution and Laws—D. Ormiston, Whitby; D. Urquhart, Toronto; W. J. Douglas, Eglinton; L. K. Murton, Oshawa; Chas. Kelly, Uxbridge.

The Report of the H.C.R. Bro. G. L. Wilson shows such a record of progress that we shall be pardoned for giving our readers a few extracts. He says:—

5. When you elected me to the highest office in your gift I determined to do my utmost to assist in securing the best results from the resources placed at our disposal. While past years of our High Court have been successful, one of my greatest pleasures to-day is to be able to present to you a report showing that success is still crowning our efforts, inasmuch as 1,646 new members were added to the roll during the year, being an increase of 158 over the previous year, while the Treasurer's Report shows \$2,549.36 on hand, being also an increase in the surplus of \$816.05 over last year's Report. The High Court is to be congratulated upon the substantial gains made in membership and finances.

6. It will also be noticed by the Secretary's Report that the same number of Courts are in arrears as last year, viz., 36, but I am pleased to add that the indebtedness is only \$177.57 as compared with \$362.82 last year, being a reduction of more than one half.

7. While the above excellent results have been obtained, you will note by the Treasurer's Report that the expenditures have been kept well within the appropriations made for the different depart-

ments of the work, and that the handsome surplus, with the addition of the appropriations to be made for organizing work for the coming year, will go far, I trust, in bringing still greater additions to our membership.

8. The following shows the number of applications received, accepted, and rejected during the High Court year ending June 30, 1900:

| Month. | Received. | Acc. | Rej |
|----------------|-----------|-------|-----|
| July..... | 55 | 44 | 11 |
| August..... | 89 | 81 | 8 |
| September..... | 100 | 90 | 10 |
| October..... | 111 | 101 | 10 |
| November..... | 305 | 275 | 28 |
| December..... | 298 | 268 | 30 |
| January..... | 122 | 112 | 10 |
| February..... | 90 | 72 | 18 |
| March..... | 67 | 53 | 14 |
| April..... | 106 | 93 | 13 |
| May..... | 185 | 157 | 28 |
| June..... | 352 | 300 | 52 |
| | 1,878 | 1,646 | 232 |

9. The above figures speak for themselves, and show the substantial increase before referred to, and it is pleasing to know that the High Court of Central Ontario is now beginning to contribute its proper quota to the whole membership of the Order, as during the year we have stood as high as third in all the jurisdictions of the world, and during six months led the Ontarios, and the other six months took second place.

GEORGE L. WILSON,
High Chief Ranger.

AFTERNOON.

AT M'LAUHLIN PARK.

In the afternoon the Order formed in procession at the Market square, and, marching down to the dock, boarded a little fleet of four steamers engaged for the purpose, and were conveyed to McLaughlin Park, four miles from the town, where the afternoon was spent. Over 3,000 people were present on the grounds, and addresses were delivered by Dr. Oronhyatekha, Hon. Dr. Montague, Rev. A. MacGillivray, of Toronto, High Chief Ranger Wilson, and Hon. E. J. Stevenson, of Detroit. H.C.R. Wilson was the first speaker and was welcomed with loud applause. He voiced again his gratitude to the people of Owen Sound for the welcome given the High Court. He dwelt briefly upon the great progress recently made, and modestly withdrew to make way for other speakers.

DR. MONTAGUE'S ADDRESS.

Hon. Dr. Montague was the next speaker. He was introduced by the chairman as a "baby Forester," though renowned throughout Canada as one of its most eloquent speakers. As he rose to address the audience he was loudly applauded. He congratulated the Central Ontario district upon the successful High Court meeting which was now being held in the splendid town of Owen Sound. The greeting of the town, kindly and enthusiastic as it had been, showed how popular Independent Forestry was in the community. He was somewhat at a disadvantage in following upon the platform the Supreme Chief of the Order, whom they had come, he was sure, principally to hear—the builder and successful guide of the organization. After some humorous allusions, which were received with great laughter, Dr. Montague said that anyone who saw the body gathered in Owen

Sound at the present time would be struck, first, with the good-fellowship existing in the Independent Order of Foresters. The social element in such societies was a most important one. As a result of it they ought to be better neighbours, friends, and citizens. (Cheers.) Secondly, he would be impressed with the class of men who were the representatives of the Subordinate Courts. A large number of the representatives were members of the learned profession, prominent business men, or leading agriculturists—in fact, among the most successful and trusted citizens who could be gathered together. (Cheers.) He was glad to say that a large number of the members of Parliament were also members of the Independent Order of Foresters, among them the honoured leader of the Government, and Sir Charles Tupper, the distinguished head of the Conservative party. (Loud cheers.) "I have, sir," said the speaker, "twice visited Owen Sound; the first time I accompanied that great Canadian, Sir John Thompson, who by his patriotism and ability climbed to the highest place in the gift of Canadians. (Cheers.) I am glad to be here to-day with a gentleman—Dr. Oronhyatekha—who has by his genius, worth and energy reached the highest position occupied by any Canadian in the field of fraternal insurance. (Applause.) You all remember doubtless the statement of Wolfe, when upon the St. Lawrence upon his way to Quebec he was handed a copy of Gray's great poem, 'An Elegy in a Country Churchyard.' He said: 'I would rather be the author of that poem than take Quebec to-morrow.'"

A RECORD TO BE PROUD OF.

"Sir, look at the work your Order has done. Your Order has paid thus far to the widows and fatherless, the enormous sum of nearly ten million dollars. (Loud cheers.) Looking at such a record, the Chief of the Order might well say that he was proud of it, and that he would rather have borne a principal part in such a work than to have received public honours." (Cheers.) Only the other day the speaker said he had met a lady, who, when the subject of fraternal insurance was talked of said that her family had been saved to her by the Foresters; her sons had, by means of their help, been placed in professions, and she would ever be grateful for the existence of such an institution. That was a sample only of the work which fraternal societies every day were doing for the home and for mankind. (Cheers.) The history of the Foresters was one which told of hard work and great achievements.

"See the work as told by the figures. I notice, sir, from the statistics that in 1881 you had 880 members, in 1900 you have 170,000. In 1881 you carried \$1,140,000 of insurance; to-day you carry \$194,792,500. In 1881 you had as a reserve fund \$4,568; in 1900 you have the sum of \$4,125,000. (Loud cheers.) That was a record of which any institution should be proud. It was a record of which Canadians should be proud. There was no doubt that much of that success had been due to the great head of the Order. (Cheers.) In its poor days he had been generous, refusing to accept emoluments. His great genius had always been at their disposal, and his upright course—and if the speaker read aright the history of the organization, it was founded in a determination to do rightly and generously by those depending upon it—had always maintained its high character. (Cheers.) Altogether, the Supreme Chief Ranger

was a Canadian of whom Canada should be proud. A great poet had said, 'To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.' Dr. Oronhyatekha would long live in the hearts of those who owed so much to the Order he had carried through dangers to such a successful place. (Cheers.) But he was sure that they wished him long to live and to carry on the work. (Cheers.) The work of fraternal insurance was only in its infancy, and, as far as Independent Forestry was concerned, there was no reason why it should not, since it was planted almost all over the world, yet reach a point of success in distant Australia and in European lands, equal to the point which it has reached in Canada and the United States of America."

He was glad to meet upon the platform the Hon. Mr. Stevenson, of Detroit. Mr. Stevenson was born a Canadian, and they were glad of his success. He was true to the country of which he was a citizen, and he was sure he was proud of the soil from which he sprang. A man who forgot the country where he was born was not apt to be a good citizen of his adopted country. Mr. Stevenson was proud of both, and the presence of such able Canadians among the citizens of the neighbouring country was a perpetual bond of good-will. (Cheers.)

"The Parliament of Canada had put its approval upon the Independent Foresters, upon their methods and system, by giving them a special Act of Incorporation, and they must remember that in every land where courts were being established—in the United States, in England, in France, in Sweden, and our sister colonies—the insurance departments all satisfied themselves as to the system and financial standing of the society before giving them licenses for operation. That they had always been licensed was the strongest testimony in that behalf. (Applause.) The national view of this society should not be forgotten—existing in the Colonies and the Mother Land, it was a strong influence in gathering the parts of the Empire closer together. Existing in foreign lands as well, it was bound to make for universal peace and concord among the nations." (Loud cheers.)

MR. MACGILLIVRAY SPEAKS.

Rev. Alex. MacGillivray, of Toronto, P.H.C.R. of Ontario, was introduced by the Chairman as a typical Forester—one that represented the physical, intellectual, and moral strength of the Order.

Mr. MacGillivray, in a short speech, dwelt on the fraternal aspects of the Order. In an Order that gave monetary benefits of high value, there was danger of overlooking the less material but valuable social and fraternal benefits. In a recent visit to the far West of our Dominion it was particularly gratifying to him to find members of the Order extending to brothers from the east, or from whatever direction they came, that fraternal greeting always welcome, but specially precious when one was far from home. In the past few weeks cases had come under his notice that showed conclusively how faithfully the principles of the Order were carried out. In Fort William he was privileged to call upon a brother that was on the disability list. During a long illness the brother received many tokens of the regard and sympathy of his brethren. The testimony of the wife of the afflicted brother, that 'the Foresters was the best friend she had in the world, the \$500 they

had received was to them a great blessing," was the best evidence of the good work done by the I.O.F. in Sault Ste Marie; at a meeting of the Court in that growing town, he heard read a letter from the widow of a deceased brother who was taken ill and died in Sault Ste. Marie, away from his family and home. The letter of the widow spoke in feeling and grateful terms of the kindness of the members to her loved one in his sickness, and their respect for him in death. In sickness their visits were frequent and helpful, and in death everything was done that regard could suggest. Benefits and deeds such as these touched their hearts, and appealed to the sympathies of all. Wives and mothers could not deny their support to an Order that did so much for husbands and sons. In several places that the speaker had visited he spoke of visits to afflicted brothers in hospitals, made at the suggestion of, and in company with members of the Order. The Order in its principles, aims, work, and management merited the high confidence it enjoyed.

AN OVATION FOR DR. ORONHYATEKHA.

Dr. Oronhyatekha, as he stepped to the front of the platform, was tendered an ovation which continued for some minutes, and which reached a climax when the entire audience arose to its feet and joined voices in singing "He's a Jolly Good Fellow." The Supreme Ranger several times essayed to speak, but each attempt was the signal for renewed applause. He had, therefore, to content himself with bowing his acknowledgments, until, after several minutes, order was restored. His address was characterized by his usual happy delivery, and was continually punctuated with applause. He said:

"Mr. Chairman, High Chief Ranger, ladies and gentleman, I am unfortunately on this occasion in a very different position from the worthy High Chief Ranger. He has told you that he is at a loss to know for what purpose he has been placed on the programme. I am in an altogether different position. I know why I am here—it is because of my good looks. The gentlemen who have preceded and are to follow are eloquent speakers in every sense of the term, as well as practical, earnest Foresters, who in the past have done noble work for Forestry. In Hon. Dr. Montague we have one of the most eloquent Canadian statesmen, and in the Hon. E. G. Stevenson, of Detroit, we have one of the most eminent and fluent public men in the United States. As I have said, I have been put on the programme for my good looks and my common sense. (Laughter and cheers.) The others are the orators. And now, as I have shown myself to you, I will detain you only for a few minutes, which I must do in order to carry out my reputation as a man of common sense. I cannot sit down, however, without telling you a little of the history of our noble Order. Some of the brethren here will recall my first visit to Owen Sound, sixteen years ago, when I came here to organize Court Northern Light. I well remember the visit. I required to bed about 4 o'clock in the morning, leaving instructions to be called immediately before train-time. The porter called me an hour in advance, and, after driving me to the station, left me to my own resources to wait till the departure of the train. I was tired, cold and cross, and the incident had ever served to keep me in fond remembrance of Owen Sound. Will you permit me now to briefly review the progress of Inde-

pendent Forestry since that visit? Sixteen years ago the membership of the whole Order was only 2,500, and the surplus was only a little over \$10,000. To-day I am confident I am speaking well within the figures when I announce the membership of the Independent Order of Foresters to be 170,000, distributed all over the world, and, in place of a diminutive \$25,000, the Order to-day has to its credit a magnificent surplus of \$4,200,000, which is growing with each year. To-day, Independent Forestry is paying \$5,000 a day to widows and orphans of its deceased members, and to its sick and disabled. The Order then was limited to Canada, with the exception of a few Courts in the United States. To-day we have a membership in the United States alone of over 90,000, and our Order is established in all parts of the United Kingdom, in Norway, France, Egypt, India, Australia, and New Zealand. It is not many years ago when our surplus was only \$50,000. We thought that a wonderful thing then, and some of you well remember we fixed in celebration of the event the pass-word, 'Fifty thousand,' in order that every Forester would be daily reminded of the prosperity of his Order. To-day, ladies and gentlemen, we are adding \$50,000 every month to our surplus, and the amount is growing. As many of you are aware, I have recently returned from a trip to Australia and New Zealand, where we have planted the banner of Independent Forestry under auspices which promise a growth and extension equally as rapid as in this banner jurisdiction of Ontario. I look forward to a time at no distant date when Courts in Australia will be as thickly scattered throughout the country as in Canada. Australia is not the only place where Independent Forestry is making progress and forging to the front ranks. Magnificent work is being done in France by Bro. Breton. Let me read you a cablegram just received from him, which announces that the Independent Order of Foresters which is taking part in the Paris Exposition, has been awarded the gold medal.

"I will now leave this matter, and will trespass on your time but a few moments longer. The presence of so many of the fair sex here this afternoon reminds me of the fact that in the early history of the Order we did not have the ladies with us as now. I understand that in this magnificent city we have no Companion Court. I promise you I shall at once take measures to have such a Court instituted in Owen Sound. I recall the early struggle we had to get the ladies into the Order. Many were the objections, but we have accomplished it at last, and we have thousands of ladies who are members of our Order, and they are doing a greater work than the Subordinate Courts which are controlled by the men. I desire to thank the ladies who are present in such numbers for their sympathy, for their appreciation of the work and efforts of Independent Forestry to lighten the burdens of mankind. It extends, as I have said, \$5,000 a day in the relief of widows and orphans. A work of such vast extent and far-reaching effect is deserving of the sympathy of every right-minded person. I shall now, ladies and gentlemen, give way to what I know will be a treat for you, and I am sure when you have heard them you will say that Independent Forestry is fortunate in having such able men in its ranks. I thank you again for your magnificent reception and the patient hearing you have given me." (Loud and continued cheering.)

Hon. E. G. Stevenson delivered an excellent speech, brim full of interesting information regarding the growth of the Order. He also pointed out the work it was doing in promoting a better feeling between the people of Canada and the United States.

— EVENING.

The evening session was specially marked by the ceremony of making Foresters at sight of Mayor Reid and Alderman Wilson, the operation being neatly and successfully performed by Dr. Oronhyatekha. The S.C.R. was also deputed by the meeting to reply to the fraternal address presented by Dr. Howie and Bro. Burgess, of the C.O.F., in doing which the Chief took occasion to express his pleasure at the disappearance of the very different feelings that once existed between the two great Orders.

— Proceedings of the Second Day.

— MORNING.

One of the most entertaining and useful of the addresses made in the morning session was that of Bro. C. H. E. Rea, the eminent actuary of London, England, who writes after his name the learned characters F.R.A.S., F.S.S. and A.I.A., signifying Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society, Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society, and Associate of the Institute of Actuaries of Great Britain. Mr. Rea is Actuary for the I.O.F. in Great Britain, and made the quinquennial inspection for the Board of Trade in London previous to the renewal of the charter of the I.O.F. last year. Mr. Rea began his task in doubt, but as the inspection went on he came to see the correctness of the position taken by the I.O.F. His report passed the Board of Trade without objection, and Mr. Rea himself subsequently became a member of the Order. His address was as follows:

"Since I left the Old Country I have met with many surprises. I was surprised at the high buildings, great institutions, inventions and rapid means of conveyance in this country. I was also surprised on being knocked down by a bicycle, which I thought was or the wrong side of the road, as in England we always keep to the left. But I find that over on this side at least the policy is always to keep to the right. I have met with great orators in your ranks, and the trepidation I feel in addressing you is only allayed by the knowledge that I can appeal to those fraternal interests with which you are all so thoroughly imbued.

"When I first undertook the valuation of your Order to meet the requirements of the Board of Trade of England I had many misgivings as to the future of the Order, but I thought that at the most the existence of the I.O.F. in England was only just within the bounds of possibility. As I proceeded with my work that possibility gradually developed into a probability. Now, I do not see why a great success should not develop in your course.

"Your business is entirely distinct from the business of an ordinary life insurance company, and I am very firmly of the opinion that there should be no competition or even sign of hostility between you. Your work lies in totally different directions, and I urge you to develop your own business without attempting to prejudice the societies which are established on commercial as distinct from fraternal lines,

"I have come to the conclusion that for insurance pure and simple there is nothing to compare favorably with the lodge system, where the expenses are all reduced to an absolute minimum and the initial expenses are paid by the members for the privilege of initiation, whereas, on the other hand, commercial companies must necessarily make allowances and reserves for surrender values, bonuses, dividends to shareholders, and pay a large army of professional representatives to engage in the work of competition for maintaining their business. With all these obligations to meet it stands to reason that the premium rate must be higher than is necessary to make the simple matter of insurance, and as these rates are considerably higher than the amounts required by the Order with their mortality risks, it does not follow as it has been attempted to be proved, that the latter are too low.

"I am not in favor of an assessment system, as understood in England, but I think that fraternal societies can and should work on a minimum level premium basis, which can best be determined by a thorough analysis of the experience of these institutions throughout the country.

"I have been somewhat surprised to find the kindred institutions sending delegates here to welcome you to the town, and to greet you in such a fraternal spirit. This proves to me how far-reaching is the spirit of fraternity in your country.

IMPORTANT COMPARISONS.

"A great deal has been said during the conference of the policies that are not taken up by members. I do not think that the number of these cases is very great, and I wonder what we would think if you had to experience, or rather if you had the experience, of most of the companies in England, where all the initial expenses, including the expense of medical examination, had to be borne by the company; it would be a very happy thing for those companies if they could only feel that they could get rid of those expenses without any loss in their case. I hope you will never be subjected to a system of competition that has held a considerable sway in England over a long period. The numerous small friendly societies and clubs, thinking of nothing but increasing their membership, are incessantly extending their benefits, to the prejudice of sound and legitimate institutions, and ultimate ruin to themselves. It would be a great thing if some State regulation would keep these bodies within proper limits, so that no irresponsible body again would be allowed to promise the impossible and bring disappointment to many happy homes. I think that with all your great successes, with all your promise, and with all your ability to assure those joining you, that the extension of the Order might through its own members and with the influence of those present be more rapidly developed.

"I have been paying a business visit to the chief office at Toronto, and all the investigation I have made and the work that has gone from my hands lead me to more thoroughly appreciate the great organization and the thoroughly systematic principles of your Order.

"I thank you, gentlemen, for the kind and generous hospitality with which I have been treated since I arrived in Owen Sound, and my only hope is that I may return some day to speak to

you once more when your numbers have increased beyond your grandest hopes. (Loud applause.) It has been an added pleasure for me to make my first speech since leaving England to Canadians, for I need not tell you how high your reputation stands in the Home Land for bravery and noble participation in England's warfare in South Africa." (Loud applause.)

Dr. Oronhyatekha himself replied to Mr. Rea's address in a forcible speech.

AFTERNOON.

The elections had for the most part an assured character. There was no unfraternal bitterness or hostility of feeling manifested and the results were eminently pleasing to the victors.

The following were elected:—H. C. R., G. L. Wilson (2nd term); H. V. C. R., E. J. Hearn; H. Sec., Dr. Niddrie (accl.); H. Treas., Atwell Fleming (accl.); H. Phys., Dr. Thompson (accl.); H. Couns., W. P. Bull (bred in the old county of Peel); H. Acls., Jas. Douglas and E. Tovell.

The following are the appointed officers:—H. Orator, Rev. G. I. Burns, Strathavon; H. Journal Sec., W. J. Hetherington, Toronto; H. Senior Woodward, W. J. Ard, South River; H. Junior Woodward, J. B. Smith, Baysville; H. Senior Beadle, Bro. Coombe, Bradford; H. Junior Beadle, W. Waites, Toronto; H. Marshal, H. J. Spence, Palmerston; H. Conductor, J. Fred. Morrison, Owen Sound; H. Messenger, J. A. Johnson, Arthur; H. Organist, W. R. Allan, Hampton; A. H. Messenger, W. Hampsten, Eden Mills.

EVENING.

In the evening Col. Paterson installed the officers and many complimentary resolutions and replies (notable among which was that of Rev. Dr. Caswell for the Press Committee) brought a very memorable and pleasant reunion to a close. But the proceedings indoors were nothing to the grand cooks' parade that made Owen Sound's head swim; and made the Liverpoolians wider awake for some hours than if they had heard of a grant to Collingwood Harbour.

NOTES OF THE MEETING.

Orillia is the next capital of Independent Forestry in the High Court of Central Ontario. Their neatly devised card of invitation carried the day.

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We noted that among the delegates the two who seemed most particularly tickled by the elections were Bro. C. H. Collins of Toronto, and Bro. Mark Hanna Seiler, familiarly known as the Polish banker. We wonder what they were up to.

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The P. H. C. R.'s were much in evidence. Besides the Chief himself, who was a P. H. C. R. when the Order was very small, there were Lt.-Col. Paterson, who worthily occupied the chair for a part of the session, and Rev. A. MacGillivray, who, at times showed decided traces of his old-time vigor. Nor were Bros. Saunders and Miller less formidable on the floor than when formerly in the chair.

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Among the most useful brethren in facilitating the business of the meetings by moving and seconding

necessary motions and in other ways, were Dr. Thompson, H. Phys and Bro. Stewart, President of the infant sister Order, the Reliance, and Bro. Dan Rozc, the veteran.

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The name of our late Bro. C. C. Whale was everywhere mentioned with many expressions of sorrow at his untimely cutting off. Nearly every member of the High Court had at sometime known "Charley" and was looking forward to meeting him at High Court.

PRESS COMMENTS.

(From *The Mail and Empire*.)

STRIKING EVIDENCE OF THE POPULARITY OF DR. ORONHYATEKHA.

OWEN SOUND, Aug. 22.—The speech made by Dr. Oronhyatekha at McLaughlin's Park yesterday afternoon was the universal topic of discourse among the Foresters and townspeople this morning, and all concurred in thinking that Dr. Oronhyatekha was fully justified in the proud gratification with which he reviewed the stupendous transformation he has wrought in the Foresteric Order during the past 19 years. Then the I. O. F. was on the brink of ruin, without a dollar in its treasury, and with an insignificant membership of 1,019. To-day, thanks mainly to the genius, the perseverance, the devoted ardour, the faith and patience of Dr. Oronhyatekha, the Order has a membership of 170,000, has paid benefits to the amount of \$7,710,193.17, and has a surplus in its treasury of \$3,778,543.58. No wonder Dr. Oronhyatekha waxed eloquent, waxed grandiloquent even, if such a term is appropriate in a case of the kind, as he surveyed the grand result of all his labour and of all his sacrifices, considered how many homes had been relieved from the dread shadow of poverty through his efforts, and contemplated the faces of the distinguished men by whom he was surrounded. The little bantling institution of 19 years ago has now become a giant, and spreads its arms about the world. The major portion of the United States, all of Canada, and Great Britain and Ireland are covered with thriving Courts, and the I. O. F. is making surprising progress in Norway, France, India and Australia. It was only last spring that Dr. Oronhyatekha invaded France and Australia, and introduced the Order into these countries. Mr. P. M. Breton, of Montreal, is in charge of the work in France, and has already telegraphed to his Chief that the I. O. F. has been awarded at the Paris Exposition a gold medal, open to the competition of all European fraternal orders. In Australia and New Zealand the I. O. F. is making rapid headway. Central offices have been established in Melbourne and Adelaide under the direction of two Canadians, the Rev. Robert McNair, of Ottawa, and Mr. James Gilmour, of Toronto, respectively. Twelve Courts have thus far been instituted, and Dr. Oronhyatekha may well be pardoned for the thrill of pride and pleasure with which he announced in his speech yesterday that Mr. Gilmour has reported that the railroad employes of Australia, who are compelled by law to carry insurance of £100 and upwards, according to salary, have petitioned the Government to put the I. O. F. in the list of companies available for that purpose. If the petition is granted, "every man

jack of them," according to Mr. Gilmour, will forsake the commercial companies for the I. O. F. The Society of Rechabites, too, Mr. Gilmour states, a society which is in a flourishing condition in Australia, have decided to relinquish their plan of buying annuities, and will institute a Court of Independent Forestry among themselves. Evidently Dr. Oronhyatekha and the great institution of which he is the head, are about to reap a golden harvest in Australasia. It is these achievements and this restoration of the Order from a state of decay to its present prominence among insurance organizations which have given Dr. Oronhyatekha his great and deserved reputation amongst Foresters and his countrymen at large.

THE CHIEF'S POPULARITY.

His popularity, however, rests upon another basis than even his vast services to the Order. His large and generous nature delights in the acknowledgment of merit in those about him. The most casual observer must be struck upon occasions of the meetings of the Supreme Court of the I. O. F. with the presence of so large a number of men distinguished in the various walks of life, men who have won the admiration of their fellows by their genius at the bar, in the Senate or exerted in important industrial and commercial enterprises. Even at meetings of a High Court such as that of the Central Ontario High Court, which is now in progress in this burgh of Owen Sound, men of light and leading in the different occupations of life throng the Court, and show by their presence and their participation in the Court business their keen interest in the welfare of the great Order. If a man's character and ability are to be measured by the character and abilities of the persons whom he gathers about him as friends and co-partners in his undertakings, Dr. Oronhyatekha can challenge criticism without fear. Perhaps the most striking feature of his complex intellectual organization is the almost infallible acumen he evinces in his selection of his fellow-workers in the Order. Besides several of the staff of admirable business men whom he has attracted to his side, and who give constant and careful supervision of the affairs of the I. O. F., there are present at his meetings several men who possess genuine distinction, and who, having been drawn by their admiration of Dr. Oronhyatekha, to investigate the standing of the Order, were so impressed by its stability and by the extraordinary benefits conferred by membership in it that they rested not till they had added their names to the roll and taken their places as Independent Foresters before the world.

HIGH COURT OF EASTERN ONTARIO.

Proceedings of the First Day.

BROCKVILLE, Ont., Aug. 21.

The High Court of Eastern Ontario opened its fourth annual session this morning in Brockville, over 200 delegates being in attendance. Geo. Spence, H. C. R., Cobourg, presided. After the formal opening, Mayor Buckman delivered an address of welcome on behalf of the town council, to which Robert Matheson, of Belleville, replied. The H. C. R. appointed the several standing committees. The reports of several minor committees were received and adopted.

The principal business of the morning session was the receipt of the reports of the high officers. That of the H.C.R. dealt extensively with matters pertaining to the jurisdiction. Mention was made of the High Court's handsome donation for the relief of the I.C.F. Ottawa fire sufferers. He recommended the representation of Companion Courts at High Courts. Patriotic reference was made to the South African war, and the ready response of Canada in helping to fight the Empire's battles. Twelve members of the Order of this jurisdiction volunteered for service and were accepted, and so far not one had been killed. Seventy-eight members died during the year. The H.C.R.'s reference to the brethren who had fought for the Queen was greeted with three hearty cheers and the singing of the National Anthem.

The report of the High Secretary, G. L. Dickinson, of Manotick, covered a number of important points. The amount paid into the Courts during the year 1899-1900 was \$5,887.82. The assets of the Order had improved during the year by \$1,065.51. During the year five new Courts were instituted and 948 new members initiated, contrasted with 489 last year. The total death list was 78. Bro. Dickinson paid a high tribute to the H.C.R. and to the High Treasurer, and congratulated the Order on the renewed health of the Supreme Chief Ranger, Dr. Oronhyatekha.

The report of the Finance Committee was most encouraging. The estimated revenue for the year was placed at \$6,714.73, and the disbursements \$5,326.24. A motion was taken from the chair calling together the Finance Committee one day before the meeting of the High Court, and the motion was carried. A discussion was opened by Bro. Fawcett, of Ottawa, which was answered at some length by the Supreme Secretary. This evening the local brethren tendered the delegates a complimentary excursion to Alexandria Bay.

Proceedings of the Second Day.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS—NEXT MEETING AT CORNWALL.

BROCKVILLE, Aug. 22.

The High Court of the I.O.F. of Eastern Ontario resumed its sessions at Victoria Hall this morning. Bro. H. A. Collins, Supreme Treasurer, read the following telegram from Dr. Oronhyatekha:

"Inform the High Court have just received letters saying fifteen Courts already instituted in Australia, and as many more under way, many of them nearly ready. The Hon. Sir Geo. Turner, ex-Premier of Colony of Victoria, is one of our Court Deputies. Have just received a cable that the I.O.F. was awarded a gold medal at the Paris Exposition, while Bro. Breton, the efficient Deputy of the Order, was awarded a silver medal for his admirable management in connection with our exhibit. I am happy to say that the outlook for the whole Order was never better than it is to-day. Express to High Court my great regret at my inability to be with them. I wish the High Court and its officers and members every prosperity."

Bro. Collins explained that the good work done in Australia was done by Rev. Bro. McNair, Past High Chief Ranger. A telegram of greeting was read from Grand Master Workman Cornett, of the A.O.U.W., and an appropriate reply was sent.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Order was presented by Bro. Eagleson. The

Committee approved of the recommendation of the H.C.R. with regard to continuing the work of District Deputies for another year. Rearrangement of some of the districts was also asked for. The Committee endorsed the action of the High Standing Committee in offering bonuses to those bringing in new members, and recommended another year's trial.

At the opening of the High Court this afternoon it was decided to pay the expenses of delegates' mileage at the rate of four cents per mile one way.

Cornwall was selected as the next place of meeting.

The report of the Committee on Constitution and Laws evoked a spirited discussion. The Committee endorsed the minority report of the Committee laid over from last year, giving salaried officers in the employ of the Court a voice and vote in its deliberations. The Committee recommended the continuance of the bonding of officers. The representation of Companion Courts at High Court meetings was recommended.

A resolution of condolence was passed to the widows of departed brethren and relatives of the deceased brethren of the Order who have given up their lives in South Africa. It was recommended that the High Court appoint a general decoration day on which to decorate the graves of the departed.

A supplementary report of the Finance Committee recommended the placing of \$300 in the estimates to cover the cash bonuses awarded to those bringing new candidates, also \$1,000 for the paying of mileage at the next meeting of the High Court. The next High Court meeting will be held in the month of August, 1901, the time to be fixed by the High Standing Committee.

The H.C.R. performed a very pleasing function on behalf of the High Standing Committee in the presentation of a handsome easy chair and smoker's table to Robt. Mathieson, the retiring P.H.C.R. The presentation was accompanied by an address. Bro. Mathieson made a happy reply.

The following officers were elected and the installation ceremony was conducted by the Supreme Secretary: H.C.R., A. W. Fraser, Ottawa; H.V.C.R., Dr. Herald, Kingston; H.S., G. L. Dickinson, Manotick; H.T., J. S. R. McCann, Kingston; H.P., Dr. Crain, Chrysler; H.C., H. Pratt, Ottawa; High Auditors, S. Lowe, Kingston, and W. Rowan, Ottawa; High Orator, Rev. Bro. W. H. A. French, Grafton; High Organizer, J. O. Simpson, Alexandria; H.J. Secretary, W. Miller, Brockville; H.S.W., Bro. Dion, Ottawa; H.J.W., Dr. Fulkner, Foxboro'; H.S.B., M. D. Cline, Cornwall; H.J.B., A. Cochrane, Carleton Place; H. Con., J. A. Beatty, Pembroke; H. Mess., Bro. Eagleson, Ottawa; H. Marshal, Dr. Greer, Peterborough.

The High Court closed a very satisfactory and harmonious session by singing the National Anthem.

HIGH COURT OF MISSOURI AND KANSAS.

On Tuesday morning, Sept. 18th, the High Court for Missouri and Kansas will convene in Foresters' Hall, 1,333 Grand Avenue, St. Louis, and will be in session two days. The High Court meets biennially for the purpose of revising laws, electing its officers and a representative to the Supreme Court.

HIGH COURT OF NEW JERSEY.

ELIZABETH, N.J., Aug. 25, 1900.

To the members of the High Court, Greeting:—

Whereas, a call having been made according to the requirements of Section 62, Sub-section 3, of the Constitution and Laws of the Order, in regard to holding a special meeting of the High Court of New Jersey, I do herewith call a special meeting of said High Court, to be held on Friday, September 28, 1900, to assemble in Isham Hall, 215 Broad St., Elizabeth, N.J., at the hour of 1 p.m. sharp, to consider the following:

First. To receive and act on the officers' reports of the work of the past year.

Second. That, inasmuch as there is at this time a substantial balance in the High Court treasury, with an annual income of over two thousand dollars, which is rapidly increasing each year, that we adopt some systematic plan of organizing work (that we so badly need) whereby the many weak and inactive Courts in our state may be given the necessary assistance to place them in first-class working condition, and further, that through this systematic plan we may take advantage of the excellent field offered in New Jersey for fraternity work, and push forward to the extent of our finances, the propagating work in the state, so that the I.O.F. in this jurisdiction will be second to no other Order in point of membership.

Trusting that each delegate will be present, and that our deliberations will be for the general welfare of our Order,

Yours in L., B. and C.,
A. W. SHARRET,
High Chief Ranger.

ATTESTED :
JOHN H. DRAVIS, High Secretary.

HIGH COURT OF NORTHWEST TERRITORIES.

Official Circular No. 3.

MEDICINE HAT, Aug. 4th, 1900.

To all Subordinate Courts, Greeting:

The High Standing Committee have decided to remit the amount of Cap. Tax on all members in this jurisdiction who may be serving in South Africa, for term July 1st, 1900. Financial Secretaries who have such members should at once send in their Form 48, accompanied by a statement of members so absent, and may deduct amount of 25 cents each from total. This concession is good only until Sept. 15th, so that all returns must be in by that date. Courts who are in arrears for January term and later will incur the penalty of suspension if not forwarded by above date. We regret to state that too much indifference to these returns is being shown by a number of Courts who will be made an example of if not at once attended to.

An appeal for assistance to Bro. C. Ryan, a member of Court Chipnook, is being made by that Court, which has our hearty approval, and we trust it will meet with the generous support it deserves at the hands of Subordinate Courts in this jurisdiction.

Submitted in L., B. and C.,
THOS. TWEED,
High Chief Ranger.

W. S. JATON,
High Secretary.

HIGH COURT OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Synopsis of Minutes.

Pursuant to a resolution passed at the session of 1898, the High Court of Nova Scotia was convened in Y.M.C.A. hall, Truro, N.S., at 8.10 o'clock in the evening of Wednesday, July 18th, 1900.

With two exceptions the officers of High Court were all present.

High Court was opened in due form by H.C.R. E. J. Hiseler, and with prayer by High Chaplain Rev. E. P. Crawford.

The Credential Committee reported the following entitled to seat and vote in the High Courts: 14 High Officers, 7 Past Officers, 145 Delegates.

Representatives and others entitled to the High Court degree were admitted and initiated in due form by the H.C.R. The unwritten work was exemplified by Bro. Thos. Clarke, P.H.V.C.R.

By unanimous resolution Companion Courts were accorded the right of representation in this High Court.

After the appointment of Standing Committees, the H.C.R., Bro. E. J. Hiseler, read his report for the biennial term, of which the following is an extract:

REPORT OF THE HIGH CHIEF RANGER.

DEAR BRETHREN,

In accordance with the established usage of our Order, and the rules of this High Court, it becomes again my duty to report as your H.C.R., on the condition of the Order generally throughout this province. The duty is a pleasant one, from the fact that the onward march of the I.O.F. in the seaside province of Nova Scotia has not been stayed, but we can again report progress all along the line, and for this progress we should return thanks to Him who ruleth all things, and in whose hands the affairs of men are helped or hindered, as best suits His all-wise purpose.

In opening this Fourteenth Session of our High Court, I am much encouraged by the knowledge that I will be surrounded by many old and tried comrades, men who have done much toward making this High Court representative, in the fullest sense, of our provincial Courts; these I again desire to welcome to their work and labor of love, and I also extend a cordial greeting to those who for the first time take part in our proceedings; assuring them that though they be young in the Order they are none the less welcome among us, and that we will gladly receive the aid and assistance which I know they will all cheerfully give.

The coming together of so many men, who, while their views on many other matters may be widely divergent, are all enlisted under the banner of Liberty, Benevolence and Concord and all imbued with a whole-hearted interest in our Institution, cannot be otherwise than productive of good, and I trust this session may be made a great factor in bringing added prosperity to our Order.

During the two years elapsed since our last session many changes have taken place, some of which would have a tendency to retard our growth, yet such is the confidence of the people in our Institution that our members increased from 132,664 to a total on 1st May last of 163,103, and between that date and July 1st the Medical Board accepted 8,017 applications, thus giving us on July 1st a grand total of 171,000 members, a gain of more than 38,000 in two years.

Our surplus funds also took a gigantic step. At our last session I was pleased to report \$2,786,364.11, a magnificent sum; what shall I then say of our funds to-day, when the treasury of the I.O.F. is swelling with \$4,124,094.29, a gain of nearly one and a half millions. Truly, we are a prosperous society.

Nova Scotia was no exception to the general advance, and we can again report an increase in membership which, though much smaller than for the previous term, is still in view of the changed conditions a very encouraging fact; our net gain of 300 is equal to that of other jurisdictions where the same conditions have obtained. The record of work performed by the membership is best shown by the applications received which numbered 1,037, of which the Medical Board accepted 876 and rejected 161, but the large addition which these figures would have given us was reduced by that enemy of all fraternal societies, "Suspension for non-payment," to the extent of more than 500.

In the matter of finances we have made greater gains and I am especially pleased that the necessity of borrowing money for the purposes of the High Court no longer exists, and we are to-day able to pay dollar for dollar of our liabilities and have a balance on the right side of the ledger. When you first honored me with the appointment of H.C.R., not only was the treasury depleted, but we were deeply in debt, and in order to pay the expenses of delegates and other necessary expenditures we were forced to borrow largely. I may congratulate you on the fact that these loans have all been repaid, and as we assemble here, at this time, to deliberate on our future movements, we do so with the welcome knowledge that we have over \$1,000, to our credit in the Merchants Bank of Halifax. The reports of the various financial officers will give you all items of receipts and disbursements in detail.

The above gratifying result has been largely brought about by the untiring labors of the membership in the various Courts, coupled with the zealous unremitting efforts of my colleagues on the High Standing Committee of the present and past term, to whom I desire to tender my sincere thanks for the cordial support so freely given by each and all of them.

E. J. HISLER, H.C.R.

Halifax, July, 1900.

The report was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The reports of High Secretary, High Treasurer and High Auditors showed the financial affairs of the High Court to be in a very satisfactory condition.

Minutes of meetings of H. S. Committee were duly read and approved.

The protest was referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Bro. F. M. Logan, H.V.C.R., read a report, of which the following is a synopsis:

After commenting on the work of the H.S. Committee he referred to the Legislation recently enacted by The Supreme Court, including "Raising of Rates," "Admission of Ladies," "Old Age Disability," etc. Then referring to life insurance he said:

"Some one has said that rum and life insurance are the curses of this country. When we consider the extortionate rate charged by old line life companies we realize that he might have said many things not half so true."

(After making many excellent and elaborate comparisons between Legal Reserve companies and

the I.O.F., giving figures and data to support his contentions, Bro. Logan concluded his very excellent report as follows:)

"In closing I would sum up the situation as follows. We can offer life insurance at a much lower cost than offered by the old line companies, and permit payments to be made in the most favorable way. We offer social and fraternal benefits which old line companies cannot give. We can give medical attendance at a reduced cost; a permanent disability, and a sick and funeral benefit. Surely these objects are worthy of our best efforts.

"And now, when our brothers and fellow-countrymen are out on torrid plains of South Africa fighting for the cause of Right, Liberty and Humanity, let us who have remained at home endeavor to alleviate the needs, and lighten the burdens of those who in some sad hour, whether by death upon the battlefield or in the quiet of the home, may be deprived of a tender husband, a loving brother or a kind father. Brother Foresters, there is an opportunity for us all, and may our united efforts be in the interests of Liberty, Benevolence and Concord."

Bro. John Suckling in a very felicitous manner referred to the fact that the High Court of N.S. was organized in Truro 17 years ago and that he observed several charter members present. He also made happy reference to the fact that the new era in Independent Forestry in N.S., marked by the admission of ladies to membership in the High Court, was inaugurated at Truro, and as a member of the first Truro Court, Hiawatha, No. 108, he desired to mark his appreciation of the ladies' presence by requesting them each to accept a beautiful bouquet. Bro. Suckling concluded his remarks amid applause.

Companion Baxter, C.D., on behalf of the ladies, made a suitable reply.

A motion that "The delegates of this High Court to Supreme Court be instructed to have the words 'Japanese and Negro' struck out of the report of The Supreme Court Committee on State of the Order" provoked much discussion; the general sentiment expressed was against legislation along racial lines and that Christian Japanese or our Canadian colored citizens were entirely worthy of membership in our Order. The fact that colored men were filling the positions of clergymen, physicians and members of the bar, was pointed out and the injustice to this worthy class severely commented upon. The motion was adopted.

The election of officers was the next order of business and resulted as follows: High Chief Ranger, F. M. Logan, Wolfville; Past High Chief Ranger, W. M. Read, Amherst; H.V.C.R., J. R. Bennett, Halifax; H. Secretary, E. J. Hisler, Halifax; H. Treasurer, S. E. Mack, Lunenburg; H. Physician, A. N. Andrews, M.D., Middleton; H. Counsellor, E. B. Cogswell, Kentville; H. Auditor, E. C. Bowers, Westport; H. Auditor, T. S. Howe, Lunenburg; H. J. Secretary, T. M. Seeley, Yarmouth; High Chaplain, Rev. E. P. Crawford, Halifax; H.S.W., Cyrus Hubley, Halifax; H. J. W., H. C. Palmer, Halifax; H.S.B., E. B. Eaton, Canning; H. J. B., F. H. Lowe, Aylesford; H. Marshal, Jas. T. Rhind, New Glasgow; H. Conductor, Rufus Hall, Antigonish; H. Messenger, J. J. McDonald, Amherst; H. Organist, Jos. A. Crocker, Freeport.

Representatives to Supreme Court: Frank Andrews, Middleton; H. W. Yuill, Truro; Wm. Read, Amherst.

Alternates: F. M. Logan, Wolfville; E. J. Hiseler, Halifax; J. W. Creighton, Halifax.

Next place of meeting, Bridgetown, 1902.

Bro. E. J. Hiseler, H.C.R., requested the H. V. C.R. to occupy the chair for a short time, and making a brief eulogy of the long service of Bro. Wm. Read, P.H.C.R., and as a mark of the esteem of this High Court and of its appreciation of Bro. Read's distinguished services to the Order, he moved that "We recommend the granting of the Grand Cross of Merit and Jewel to Bro. Wm. Read, P.H.C.R. of this High Court." The motion being duly seconded, was carried by a standing vote, unanimously, amid applause. The officers elect and appointed were installed by Bro. Wm. Read, P.H.C.R.

There being no further business, the High Court was closed in due form on Friday morning, 20th July, at 4.10 o'clock, to meet again at Bridgetown, N.S. on 3rd Tuesday in July, 1902.

E. J. HISELER, H.S.

HIGH COURT OF OHIO.

CLEVELAND, O., August 20th, 1900.

Total Subordinate and Companion Courts in this jurisdiction:

Greeting—This is to advise you that the High Court will convene in Pythian Castle, Toledo, Ohio, on Tuesday, September 18th, 1900, at 2 o'clock p.m.

Agreeable to resolution adopted at our last session in Hamilton, arrangements have been perfected with the Central Passenger Association for the transportation of delegates and visitors from all points in the State to Toledo, at special rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip, good for three days, in the certificate plan, provided 100 full fare tickets are used, which we have guaranteed in order to get the special rate referred to. Those who expect to attend, will purchase full fare ticket from starting point to Toledo, and on presentation of certificate of attendance, which will be issued by special agent of the Central Passenger Association at Toledo (the second day of our session) it will entitle the holder of such certificate to a return ticket, via the route originally travelled, at one-third the regular fare. It must be understood that when procuring tickets, care must be exercised to obtain proper certificate from agent at starting point (to show that ticket is purchased on account of attending meeting of the High Court) to be presented to special agent, on which he will issue certificate of attendance, entitling the holder to reduced rate for return. Unless this certificate from agent, when purchasing ticket is obtained, order for return at reduced fare cannot be secured.

Hotel accommodations have been arranged for as follows, viz.:

Boody House, \$2.00 per day (double); \$2.50 per day (single); \$4.00 per day (special—first floor).

Burnett House (where the Royal Foresters will make their headquarters) \$1.25 per day.

De Veaux House, Jefferson street, \$1.50 per day.

In addition to these hotel accommodations, there are numerous first-class restaurants, as well as places where good lodgings can be obtained. Full information in this regard will be shown in the "Souvenir" that is being gotten up and will be distributed among those in attendance.

Headquarters of the High Standing Committee will be at the Boody House.

"Memorial Services" for our brethren that have passed to the great beyond during the past two years, will be held at the Eleventh Church of Christ (three squares from Pythian Castle) on the second evening of our session.

Your attention is called to Section No. 88, Sub-section 4 of the Constitution and Laws, requiring all Courts to be clear on the books, so that no question can be raised as to the legality of the vote of your representative. If your Court is indebted to the High Court, remittance should be made at once.

The credentials of your delegates (on Form 49) should be filled out at once, and sent to the High Secretary as soon as possible, if not already forwarded.

If there is any further information desired, pertaining to transportation, hotel accommodations, etc., it will be cheerfully and promptly furnished by the undersigned.

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

Approved:

CHAS. H. SORG,
H.C.R.

L. ROBECKEK

High Secretary.

HIGH COURT OF ONTARIO.

Dr. Cameron, of Galt, elected High Chief Ranger at Goderich.

GODERICH, Ont., Aug. 29.—The election of officers was the principal item of business before the I.O.F. High Court for [Western] Ontario to-day.

Dr. Cameron, of Galt, was elected High Chief Ranger; Mr. Kerr, of Hamilton, and Dr. McGarry, of Niagara Falls, disputing the honor with him.

The other officers elected were: Bro. Porter, Simcoe, Vice-Chief Ranger; Frank McCormick, St. Thomas, High Secretary; Archdeacon Davis, London, High Treasurer; Dr. Piper, London, High Physician; Bro. Proudfoot, Goderich, High Counsellor; Bros. C. H. Merrifield, Monkton, and R. D. Cameron, Lucknow, High Auditors.

The High Chief Ranger made the following appointments: High Chaplain, Rev. Ed. Hughes, Tilsonburg; H.J.S., R. A. Harrington; H.S.W., H. Eilber, M.P.P.; H.J.W., E. F. Davis, Mitchell; H.S.B., James Fry, Sarnia; H.J.B., H. Maloney, Listowel; H. War., J. Dauncy, Ailsa Craig; H. Con., A. K. Goodman, Cayuga; H. Mess., Dr. D. Nash, Tara; H. Organist, Miss Terrey, Grimsby.

HIGH COURT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The seventh annual session of the High Court of P.E.I. was held in the B.I.S. hall at Souris, on Aug. 15th and 16th.

The *Morning Guardian* contained a full report of each session, the same being supplied by the city editor of that paper, D. K. Dobbie, who was in attendance as one of the representatives from Court Avondale. From the *Guardian* report, and from some notes sent us by the High Secretary, we take the following:—

About seventy-five officers and delegates reached Souris by the special train at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon to attend the seventh session of the High Court of Independent Order of Foresters. The officers and delegates were met at the station by some fifty members of Court St. John, of Souris. After detrainning, a mammoth procession was form-

ed, headed by the Souris band, and marched to the hall.

Mr. J. H. Bell, of Court Avondale, and Illustrious Commander of Prince George Encampment, acted as Marshal, carrying the sword of the Royal Encampment. The High Chief Ranger and Deputy McKie were conveyed to the hall in a carriage drawn by a matched span. The High Orators, Revs. J. M. Withycombe, and E. Gillies were also in the carriage.

The first session opened in the B.I.S. hall at 4.30, Dr. Robertson, High Chief Ranger, in the chair.

The following officers were present :

P.H.C.R., John M. Clark ; H.C.R., Dr. H. W. Robertson ; H.V.C.R., Kenneth McKay ; H. Sec., L. U. Fowler ; H. Treas., John H. Bell ; H. Phys., Dr. A. E. Douglas ; H. Coun., Charles Murphy ; H. Auditors, H. D. McEwan and A. D. Fraser ; H. Orator, Rev. E. Gillies ; H.S.W., H. B. Huestis ; H.J.R., J. A. McCormac ; H.J.S., Jno Mollison ; H. Organist, J. W. Sutherland ; H.M., M. Whitehead ; H.C., J. H. Gill ; H.S.B.I., I. T. Reid.

The following officers were appointed *pro tem.*—

H. Mess., J. H. McLean ; H.J.B., R. B. Auld. The officers absent were W. A. Johnstone, H. Mess. ; Geo. McKenzie, H.J.B.

The following members were appointed Committee on Credentials :—

L. U. Fowler, B. B. Stevenson, Chas. Beairsto, Jno. J. Ryan, Jno. J. McDonald.

After conferring of the High Court Degree upon upwards of fifty delegates, the High Court was reduced to the Subordinate Court Degree in order that all members of the Order might take a seat.

The following Standing Committees were appointed :—

Distribution.—Dr. J. G. Toombs, Arch. Currie, W. H. Beers, Frank Gallant, T. H. Smith.

Finance.—E. S. McPhail, T. C. Baker, R. A. Elliott, R. T. Moase, and Dr. Wm. H. Dogherty.

Appeals and Petitions.—John H. McLean, Dr. D. T. McKay, A. J. McNeill, Geo. E. Hooper, and W. G. Sutherland.

Constitution and Laws.—Jas. E. Birch, Artemas Moffatt, R. H. Campbell, Gordon Glover, and Jas. McKinnon.

State of the Order.—Rev. J. M. Withycombe, G. W. Cameron, Murdock McLeod, D. B. McLellan, M.P., Jas. Tait.

New Business.—I. R. Prowse, J. S. Wedlock, Dr. G. P. McDougall, W. D. McIntyre.

Mileage and Per Diem.—D. P. McNutt, B. P. Clark, R. H. Montgomery, Hugh M. Campbell, R. B. Auld.

Press.—D. K. Dobie, J. B. C. Baker, E. H. Duchemin.

Public Meeting.—David Reid, John R. Bowness, A. E. Smith.

The High Chief Ranger then read a report, of which we give the substance, which was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

Officers and members of the High Court of P. E. Island :

BRETHREN,—As High Chief Ranger I welcome you to this our seventh annual session. One year ago when you saw fit to elect me as your High Chief Ranger, my feelings at the time were mingled—proud that so many of my brethren held me high enough in their estimation to cast a ballot

for me, and fearful of my inability to fill the very responsible position of High Chief Ranger of this High Court, I.O.F.

The year has passed away, and I have found no cause for anxiety. Peace and harmony have prevailed throughout the whole jurisdiction, and we have had a great deal to be thankful for, and I would ask you to join with me in thankfulness to the Supreme Ruler of All for the great measure of success that has attended our efforts during the past year, as it has been one of the most prosperous in our existence. We have had a net increase in membership of one hundred and eighty-nine.

NECROLOGY.

While we rejoice in meeting in this our annual session, we find our hearts touched with sorrow when we remember those who have gone from our ranks into the great unknown. This High Court mourns the loss of one of its honored members, Bro. George F. Owen, P.H.V.C.R. We will sadly miss him—he was a useful and energetic member of this High Court and Court Ferndale, and his place will not be easily filled. We also mourn the death of Bro. Malcolm McLeod, of Court Prince Edward.

The South African war, which was a just and righteous one on the part of Great Britain, causes us to mourn the loss of two of our brave volunteers—Bros. Alfred Riggs and Roland Taylor—who were members of Court Avondale. This Court mourns the loss of their Past Financial Secretary, Bro. George D. Davidson ; Courts Great West, Leunox, Chautauqua and St. John, mourn the loss of Bros. Craig, Vessey, Covey and Seaman—all good men and true. You will see by this that our death rate has been higher the past year than for several years.

DEPUTIES.

During the year I have commissioned the Deputies for the several Courts that recommended new ones.

I also commissioned Bros. James R. McKie, of Court Avondale, Rev. D. Price, of Court Westmoreland (on the eve of his departure to his native home—Wales), also Bro. G. W. Cameron, as D.H.C.R.'s. Bro. McKie has taken much interest in the work of our Order. The others, I have no doubt, will give a good account of themselves in the interests of the Order.

VISITATION.

Your High Standing Committee arranged a plan for each of the Subordinate Courts to pay a fraternal visit to some other Court during the winter months. The condition of the roads during the winter prevented, in a large measure, the program from being a success ; but when the visits were made much interest was taken, and I would recommend that the same be continued the coming winter.

ADVERTISING.

This High Court at the last session voted a small sum for advertising, and your Executive have expended that in a way they considered would do the most good.

We were all of the opinion that the Order must be kept before the public and your High Standing Committee, at their own expense, maintained an ad. in the *P. E. Island Magazine*.

I would suggest that the Supreme Court be asked if they intend to spend any amount in advertising during the coming year in this jurisdiction,

and if so to place said amount at the disposal of the High Standing Committee of this Court.

I would also suggest that a Foresters' Booth be arranged for (on the same lines as we had in the autumn of 1897) at the Provincial Exhibition to be held in Charlottetown this autumn.

HOSPITAL.

The new P.E.I. Hospital was not ready for the public use until late in the High Court year, and



DR. ROBERTSON, H.C.R.

as your Committee was unable to obtain a ward on the exact terms that were given us at our last session we have deemed it best to leave the whole question for you to decide now.

Our finances I leave to the proper officers to report on, and I feel satisfied you will be pleased to learn that they are all that could be desired and in good shape. Our increase in membership is far beyond our most sanguine expectations.

Before closing this short report I must thank the High Standing Committee, one and all, for the many kindnesses shown me during my term of office. No presiding officer ever had a more faithful and energetic executive, and I trust my successor may be as fortunate.

I thank you again for the high honor conferred upon me, and if I can lay down my gavel, feeling I have wounded no heart nor given pain to any one, and have in any way been privileged to help some brother, I shall be gratified.

And now may the great High Chief of the Universe guide us in our deliberations, and may we all seek each other's good, and our conclusions conduce to the best interests of our Order.

All of which is respectfully submitted in L., B. and C.

DR. ROBERTSON, H.C.R.

The report of J. H. Bell, High Treasurer, was then read, which showed: Cash on hand from last year, \$501.95; receipts during the year, \$987.34; expenditure, \$1,018.00; cash on hand and in bank, \$371.29.

The Auditor's Report was read by H. D. McEwen, and also referred to the Committee on Distribution.

After the Committee had reported the Court adjourned to meet at 9.30 this morning.

The public meeting in the evening was very largely attended, many being unable to obtain admission to the hall. Dr. Robertson, H.C.R., presided. Mr. J. J. Hughes, President of the Board of Trade, read an address of welcome.

Charles Murphy, High Counsellor, replied on behalf of the High Court to the address of the Board of Trade in a brilliant address. A number of the leading members of the High Court declare that the High Counsellor's speech was the best address on Forestry they had ever listened to.

The other speakers were: Rev. J. M. Withycombe, J. E. Birch, M.L.A., and H. B. Huestis.

MORNING SESSION—SECOND DAY.

The High Court opened at 9.45 a.m.

The reports of a number of the different committees were read and discussed. An account was placed in the estimates for a booth in the Exhibition building during the Provincial Exhibition of 1900. The matter of a separate Forester ward in the P.E.I. hospital was brought up and discussed at length. An amendment carried to furnish a trained nurse for two weeks at the Foresters' home. Upon the recommendation of the High Court Physician, \$200 was placed at the disposal of the High Standing Committee to pay for the same. The High Chief Ranger was handed a despatch by *The Guardian's* representative, chairman of the Press



L. U. FOWLER, High Secretary.

Committee, stating that the Allies had entered Peking. The members of the Court immediately rose to their feet and enthusiastically sang "God Save the Queen."

Upon motion of Rev. E. Gillies, High Orator, seconded by Dr. A. E. Douglas, High Physician, the following telegram was sent to Dr. Oronhyatekha, Supreme Chief Ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters:

SOURIS, P.E.I., Aug. 16th, 1900.
 ORONHYATEKHA, M.D., S.C.R., Toronto.

Large and enthusiastic meeting. Satisfactory increase of membership. Congratulations on improved health.

H. W. ROBERTSON, M.D.,
 High Chief Ranger.

Session adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Court opened at 2.10.

The members of the Press Committee submitted the following resolution :

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove from our ranks since our last session the following beloved brethren : Herbert Craig, of Court Great West ; Arthlur Vessey, of Court Lennox ; A. F. Covey, M.D., Court Chautauqua ; Rowland Taylor, of Court Avondale ; Alfred Riggs, of Court Avondale ; George D. Davidson, of Court Avondale ; Richard Seaman, of Court St. John ; George F. Owen, P.H.C.R. of Court Ferndale ; M. McLeod, of Court Prince Edward ; and

Whereas two of this number gave their lives on the battlefield in a foreign clime while fighting for the British Empire, and while their bodies lie buried 'neath the veldt in South Africa, we deem it our special duty not only as brothers and loyalists to express our sympathy to the bereaved, and also our gratitude that we have been so highly honored in being represented in so glorious a cause as that for



BRO. CHARLES MURPHY, High Coun.

which these, our beloved soldier brethren bled and died, covering themselves with glory and making for themselves a name which will forever be marked in history ; and whereas our brother, P.H.V.C.-R., will sit no more in our Forest Home, where his timely counsel will be greatly missed, but has been removed to be with our Great High Chief in the Higher Court above ;

Therefore, Resolved, that the High Court of Foresters of P. E. I., here assembled in its 7th ses-

sion, tenders its condolence to the families and friends of the deceased in this the sad hour of their bereavement.

(Signed)

D. K. DOBLE,
 J. B. C. BAKER,
 E. H. DUCHEMUN.

After the transaction of routine business the election of officers was held. The following is the personnel for the ensuing year :



DR. A. E. DOUGLAS, M.L.A., High Phys.

P.H.C.R., Dr. H.W. Robertson, Crapaud ; High Chief Ranger, Dr. John C. Toombs, Mount Stewart ; H.V.C.R., J. W. Sutherland, Charlottetown ; H.S., L. U. Fowler, Bedeque, re-elected unanimously ; H.T., J. H. Bell, Charlottetown ; H.P., Dr. G. P. McDougald, O'Leary ; H. Coun., Dr. D. T. McKay, Kensington ; H. Auditors, R. H. Montgomery, St. Eleanors, and Jas. A. McCormack, Souris ; High Orator, Rev. A. W. Herdman ; High Sr. Woodward, P. B. Clark, Alberton ; High Jr. Woodward, R. A. Elliot, Bradalbane ; High Journal Secretary, John Mollison, Summerside ; High Organist, Chas. Bearisto, Freetown ; High Marshal, J. S. Wedlock, Stanley Bridge ; High Conductor, Wilford Forbes, Vernon River ; High Messenger, J. H. McLean, Montague ; High Sr. Beadle, B. B. Stevenson, New Glasgow ; High Jr. Beadle, J. J. Ryan, North Lake.

The officers were then duly installed by the H.C.-R. At 7.15 the special train pulled out of Souris station with the delegates on board, connecting with the mail train at Royalty Junction for the city. The special went on to Tignish.

Invitations were received for the next place of meeting from Charlottetown and Tignish. Upon a vote being taken it was decided to meet in Charlottetown in August next.

There is more life in one grain of wheat than there is in a bushel of chaff.

HIGH COURT OF WASHINGTON.

TACOMA, WASH., Aug. 15th, 1900.

To all Courts in the State, Greeting :

BRETHREN,—The first semi-annual term of 1900 is now closed, the reports pretty well in hand and the prizes for the securing of new members awarded, and we desire to thank the active brothers for their good work.

The results were not as good as we had reason to expect, but we hope for better work during the present term.

The following prizes are offered for the term from August 1st to December 31st, 1900, for the securing of new members:—For the securing of one new member, a member's badge. For the securing of two new members, a member's badge and one dollar, or a Past Chief Ranger's badge. For three new members, a member's badge and two dollars, or a Past Chief Ranger's badge and one dollar. For four new members, a member's badge and three dollars, or a Past Chief Ranger's badge and two dollars. For five new members, five dollars and a badge. For the largest number of new members (not less than six), ten dollars. We now hope, brothers, that you will all get in and work, and make a good showing for our state by the close of the year.

An organizer has been engaged to organize new Courts within our jurisdiction, but, brethren, for the building up of existing Courts, we must rely upon the individual members, and earnestly request you to do your best. Our state is prosperous, everybody is working, and it should not be hard to get members under such conditions if you will only remember to call the attention of your neighbors and friends to the stability and benefits of our noble Order, and show them that we offer just the protection that they need for their dependents; hand them an application, and you will be surprised to see how many will join.

It was the intention at this time to publish another Court directory, but so few changes have taken place, that we have decided not to publish another directory until next year. Now, brethren, please get down to work and earn some of the prizes offered. Bear in mind that ours is not the cheapest insurance in price, but that the price is according to the quality, and that, without a doubt, you can offer the best value for the money. We are second to none.

Hoping that we may realize a handsome increase in membership within our state before the close of the present year, we remain,

Fraternally yours in L., B. and C.

ATTEST: JAMES GREGG,
L. N. HANSEN, High Chief Ranger.
High Secretary.

GREAT BRITAIN.

HIGH COURT OF THE NORTH OF IRELAND.

The High Court of the North of Ireland held its annual meeting Aug. 24th, at noon in the Foresters' Chambers, Wellington Place, Belfast, when there was a large attendance of the officers and delegates.

The following officers were present:—Bros. Rev. James Cregan, H.C.R.; Wm. Bell, P.H.C.R.; John McCaughey, J.P., H.V.C.R.; W. Gibson,

M.D., J.P., H. Sec.; James Wilson, H. Treas.; Wm. Mehaffey, H. Couns.; James Holywood and Wm. McFadyean, H. Auditors; Rev. T. R. Ballantine, H. Orator, D. L. Cottrell, H.J.S.; James G. Gamble, H. Organist; Baptist Gamble, H.S.W.; T. H. McKnight, H.J.W.; J. Dickson, H. Marshal; J. C. Gilbert, H. Cond.; S. R. Howard, H. Mess.; James Gowdy, H.S.B.; E. M. Stewart, H.J.B.; Dr. Chas. Kevin, P. H. Phy.; Thomas Lawless, A.S.C.R., Toronto; B. Cronyn, D.S.C.R., London; S. Martin, D.S.C.R., Dublin.

There was a full attendance of delegates from the Courts in the North of Ireland.

The High Chief Ranger, Rev. James Cregan, presented an admirable annual report. He said he had great pleasure in welcoming the brethren to their annual High Court meeting, and especially so as they met for the first time in their beautiful new "Forest Home," for which they were indebted to the admirable foresight and initiative of their High Secretary, Bro. Wm. Gibson, M.D., J.P. The High Treasurer, Bro. James Wilson, and the Supreme Court Organizer, Bro. D. L. Cottrell, had also rendered very valuable assistance to the Order. The ladies' Court of Companions during the year had been a very great help in promoting the social side of the organization. In the course of the year, 190 were initiated into the Order in Ulster. With regard to the position of Forestry throughout the world, it stood higher than ever. Their honored and beloved Supreme Chief Ranger, Dr. Oronhyatekha, had planted the Order this year in India, France and Australia. On the 1st July, 1900, the membership numbered 168,795, with surplus funds amounting to £859,412 0s. 3d.

The High Secretary, Bro. Dr. Wm. Gibson, in submitting his report, stated that the membership amounted to 1,100, and that they had attracted to their ranks many of the best youths of their city and country.

The High Treasurer, Bro. Jas. Wilson, submitted the Treasurer's report, which showed a substantial balance on the right side.

The High Court adjourned for lunch at half-past two o'clock, and business was resumed at half-past three.

The reports of the various committees were then received and adopted. The election of officers for the succeeding year was entered upon. The executive officers were re-elected, and the following appointments were made:—H. Orator, Rev. J. A. Kelly, Dunmurry; H.J.S., D. L. Cottrell, D.S.-C.R.; H. Organist, T. A. T. McKinstry; H.S.W., Rev. J. W. Gamble, Lisburn; H.J.W., S. R. Howard; H.M., J. W. Browne; H.C., R. J. Bell; H. Mess., H. Miller, Antrim; H.S.B., J. S. Brolly; H.J.B., J. McComb.

The High Court closed with the usual ceremonies, to meet again in Belfast, in 1901.

HIGH COURT OF SOUTHERN ENGLAND.

High Standing Committee, 1900-1902:—H.C.R., Bro. E. Found, 5 Bridge St., Bath; P.H.C.R., Bro. C. E. Price, 11 S.C.R., 5 Alpha Terrace, Millbrook, Southampton; H.V.C.R., Bro. A. Curtis, 1 Portwood Terrace, Portwood, Southampton; H. Sec., Bro. W. J. Ford, 31 Nicholas St., Bristol; H. Treas., Bro. C. E. Bowman, 34 Elton Road, Bishopston, Bristol; H. Phys., Bro. C. W. J. Braasher, 128 Cotham Brow, Bristol; H.C., Bro. A. P. Chillcott, Park St., Bristol.

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- When a member joins a court by card.
- When a member is reinstated.

Editorial.

The Accumulated Funds in the treasury of the I. O. F. on the 31st of August, 1900, stood at \$4,266,857.90.

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Like Alexander, the Chief seems bound to conquer the whole world for Forestry.—The Lodge Record.

A contemporary heads a column "Is Life Insurance Sinful?" Yes, brother! when you drop it. It is one of the worst sins of omission.

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The I.O.F. is growing in Australia and honey-combing that vast territory like the Ancient Order of Rabbits. Fifteen Courts already and as many more forming.

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Those wishing to know how to address brother the ex-Premier of Victoria (Australia), who holds the position of Court Deputy in the I.O.F., may write his name, Hon. Sir Geo. Turner.

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Our apologies are due to many esteemed contributors whose kind communications have been crowded out by the Statement of the Supreme Secretary, and the copious reports of High Courts. We regret that lack of space has prevented us giving in full the reports of the High Chief Rangers.

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A convert like Mr. Rea, F.R.A.S., F.S.S., A.I.A. etc., etc., is not easily made, but faith gained by the slow, measured and exact processes of actuarial calculation is apt to be a lasting faith. Bro. Rea's name will carry weight for the I.O.F. wherever men can count further than to number their fingers and toes.

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If the President of the National Fraternal Congress had wished to wear at the meeting of that body a decoration, flattering at once to the fraternities of this continent and to his own particular Order, he might have worn the gold medal presented to the I.O.F. at the Paris Exposition in competition with the fraternal organizations of Europe.

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Down in Texas they have organized the "Slovanska Podporunijci Jendmoin Life Insurance Company." Next.—The Pioneer.

Imagine going home at 2 a.m. and being asked, "John Henry! where on earth have you been to this hour?" You couldn't say, "Just to a meeting of the Slovanska Pod," etc. She wouldn't believe you.

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We are glad to welcome back to her old birth-place and home Miss Hope Morgan, daughter of Bro. Judge Morgan, and niece of Bro. J. C. Morgan, P.H.V.C.R. of Central Ontario. After several years under Marchesi of Paris she comes fresh from a series of triumphs on the continent and in England in Opera and concert, to visit her old home previous to beginning her autumn and winter engagements on the other side of the water.

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We hope next month to be able to present our readers with a lucid and satisfactory account of

the proceedings of the National Fraternal Congress. Apart from the particular interest we as Independent Foresters take in this celebrated convention owing to the fact of our Chief presiding at its sessions, there were matters discussed and action taken that will be of interest to every fraternalist in America or elsewhere.

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We learn from the *Fraternal Monitor* that a new order has been established—a juvenile auxiliary to the modern Woodmen. The order is known by the singular appellation of “Patriotic Order of the Owl.” This is not the same as the bird mentioned in the text: “I am like a pelican of the wilderness, I am like an owl of the desert.” On the contrary, it is a more domesticated fowl that has been dwelling in the forest a long time with the Woodmen.

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The *Insurance Record*, commenting on the alliterative forms of a certain order, wants a new order started under the name “Independent and Infernal Idiots of Insurance Imbecility.” We always did think the policyholders of old line companies ought to combine to try and close up the dividends, commissions and other rat-hole expenses of their concerns. But this is the first time we ever heard a really appropriate title for a policyholders’ association.

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At Owen Sound, besides addressing a mass meeting at McLaughlin Park, the Chief presided for a considerable time at the indoor sessions, replied to an address from Court Northern Light of the I.O.F., an address by the local Court of the C.O.F., and a unanimous resolution of congratulation from the High Court, and, also, made the Mayor and an Alderman Foresters-at-sight. He did not wish to overtax himself, however, so he left to preside over the National Fraternal Congress.

Canvassing and Caucusing.

It is sometimes borne in upon the mind at High Court meetings and similar conventions that a good deal of canvassing is being done and that the canvassing spirit, if carried too far, may be a dangerous usurper of the fraternal spirit. This is a difficult subject to pronounce upon; for one man will draw the line very sharply, while another will allow considerable latitude. As a rule, the old attendant at High Court who is known to nearly everybody, and who has, therefore, no need of canvassing, is very pronounced against the iniquities of electioneering. On the other hand, the ambitious new member who is perhaps thinking overmuch of his own claims to greatness, is apt to despise the lack of system displayed and to try and paste over the record of proceedings a leaf from the tactics of practical politicians.

It is evident that the man who succeeds in dividing any Court or Lodge (Subordinate or High) into two definite parties, succeeds in destroying the fraternal spirit and introducing in its place a spirit of partisan animosity and mistrust. It is, therefore, wise for every member or delegate of an Order when he is called upon to cast his ballot between brother and brother, to have some rules to guide him when he is approached or solicited on behalf of a candidate. We shall endeavor to suggest a few simple considerations in this respect.

In the first place, it does not appear very objectionable or even at all unfraternal for Bro. Smith, who knows that Bro. Jones would like a certain office, to ask his acquaintances at the convention to give Bro. Jones a vote. This is a natural thing to do; at any rate, it is so far natural that a brother doing it might be considerably surprised if you told him it was wicked and unfraternal.

But it is so easy for Bro. Smith, canvassing just a little for Bro. Jones, to join hands with Bro. Brown, who is canvassing just a little for Bro. Robinson who is not running for the same office. Thus almost unconsciously you have formed a “caucus.”

Now, it is in the nature of a caucus, as in the nature of a cancer, to grow; and though cut out and separated, to grow again and keep growing and eating out the body it lives upon. Every time the caucus meets, it becomes a larger caucus, more systematic, more highly organized. A chairman is appointed; men are allotted to see certain other men; the objects and motives of certain candidates are discussed, and in their absence probably misjudged. Then follows what is a natural consequence, a complete ticket is drafted covering all the elective offices—a ticket to be swallowed regardless. To facilitate the purpose of electing this ticket, the individual names of which might escape the memory, the ticket is printed and handed to the faithful. It is elected remorselessly, there being no organized opposition. A voter, more clear-sighted than polite, spoils his ballot by writing over it “Machine wins.” The result is never in doubt. It will then be in order for the victorious machine voters (after having rejoiced) to separate and go aside, every man by himself, and each hold his head in his hands while he tries to think how much he has added to the fraternal spirit and how well he has vindicated his independence as a man.

It may be that some others will say to themselves, “We too shall caucus and get out tickets, and when next election is held we shall be there also.” But this action, though provoked, is more unfraternal than the first. For in such opposition the first caucus will find its excuse and its justifi-

cation. It takes two to make a fight. It is better to take a licking good naturedly—and a “squealer” is not esteemed a good lodge brother.

It would be better for the aggrieved brethren to examine their own conduct and recollect if there were not sundry zealous recommendings by themselves of candidates, sundry conversations that might have been mistaken for canvassing and sundry more or less accidental meetings in hotel corridors and parlors which a hasty observer might have mistaken for caucuses.

Let the defeated brother show himself large-hearted, and when the brethren see that his interest in the fraternity is in no wise diminished and his lodge spirit is still up to the mark, it will not be easy to get a caucus against him. The boys will vote him a “jolly good fellow.” Let not the sun go down upon your wrath.

At any rate, allow the last year's bitterness to die down and the plow of fraternity will turn up to be withered by the sun—the roots of small cunning and misapplied election science.

But the chiefest remedy lies to the hand of the individual voter. It is for every delegate, when he is canvassed, to consider whether the canvasser is within his rights as a brother or is pursuing an injurious and unfraternal design. If he detects the handiwork of the wirepuller and feels the throb of the machine he should assert in no equivocal fashion his disapproval and disgust. A fraternalist should, above all, cherish his right to act on his own judgment and in the best interests of his Order. A true believer in fraternity, and especially a member of the I. O. F. who is not only a Forester but an *Independent* Forester, will resent all encroachments upon his independence as he would an insult to his personal dignity. The spirit of brotherhood is strong and will not let itself be killed by caucusing any more than a stout apple tree will let itself be killed by a few worms that are found in its windfalls. The rank and file may be trusted to draw the line beyond which canvassing shall not go.

The Genial Deputy.

The man who came around and got the boys interested and while they were hesitating drew them together and put their names down as charter members, and before they knew it had the officers installed and the Court going ding-dong; the man who, when the old Court had settled down to stagnation, and you all thought it was folding its hands for the last sleep, came into your midst and brought in twenty new members, applicants whom you in your timidity thought unapproachable and hopeless—be kind to this man; he is the genial deputy.

Others may be late, absent, forgetful, lacking in steadfast faith. But the organizer must allow neither season nor weather nor broken bridges nor swollen streams to stand between him and his work. The Deputy must partake of the spirit of the Chief, and go where fraternity calls. It may be that some one started to build a Court and stopped half way, leaving his work as desolate as a boom-departed mining camp. The deputy must go in and make success out of failure, re-enthuse the disgusted, pacify the disgruntled, silence the obstructionist and pump the warm blood of conviction through the veins of the sceptic.

It may be that in a live Court some one was entrusted with office who made ducks and drakes of the finances, and when the brethren found their assessments going astray, and their certificates suspended, they thought the whole Order rotten. Taking a wrong view of things they said, “Life is short,” and threw the whole thing up. Then the deputy had to go and reheat them in the flame of his genial nature, and put them in good standing and bring in others to make the good Court flourish. But do not forget that the man who devours the doubts and difficulties of other men has sometimes a precious indigestion. Many a deputy has felt the yoke a little too galling and the burden too crushing. He has gone out into the business world to some more tranquil occupation where he can succeed with less strenuous argument and make money for himself rather than for the widow and fatherless.

They that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses, not on the organizing staffs of fraternities. The organizer is less familiar with the parlour carpet than with the value of his ear as a pillow. He cannot choose the hour of his rising or be particular about the hour of his going to bed. He goes out to strange places where his comfort is a late consideration with every man he meets. Like the carver he is the last served.

Be kind to this man. When death and weariness make him drop out, you will be looking for his face at High Court meetings and passing resolutions praising the value of his work. For then you will miss the genial deputy, and find it easier to miss than to replace, and unavailingly wish that you had made more of him when you had him.

The great man has greatness in him before the occasion brings it out.

Kites rise against, and not with, the wind. Even a head wind is better than none. No man ever worked his passage anywhere in a dead calm. Let no man wax pale, therefore, because of opposition. Hardship is the native soil of manhood and self-reliance.—*J. Neal.*

Home Circle.

Put to Sleep in the Dark

The weary child, the long play done,
Wags slow to bed at set of sun,
Sees mother leave, fears night begun,
But by remembered kisses made
To feel, though lonely, undismayed,
Glides into dreamland unafraid.

The weary man, life's long day done,
Looks lovingly at his last sun,
Sees all friends fade, fears night begun,
But by remembered mercies made
To feel, though dying, undismayed,
Glides into glory unafraid.

—Bishop H. W. Warren, in *The Independent*.

A Scotch Sermon on Charity.

"The congregation will noo be seated and gie their undivided attention to the followin' intimations. Some o' them are maist as important as the sermon," said the Rev. Tammas MacPherson, as he finished "addressin' the throne of grace."

He was in his eightieth year, and during fifty-five years had worn out five Bibles in beating the dust out of the pulpit desk of Auchterbirnie kirk. His parishioners worshipped the ground on which he walked, and though he was practically penniless—for he gave most of his income to the poor—they saw to it that the minister lacked for nothing. Their old minister read the announcements, and then said:—

"I hear that Widdy Tamson is in destitute circumstances. This maunna be. Nane o' God's heritage maun suffer in the midst o' the guid folk o' Auchterbirnie. Think o' this on the way to yer hames. We have it in Holy Writ, that nivver fails, that 'he that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord.' There is a blessed privilege. Think o' the farmers o' Auchterbirnie being lenders, and haein' the Lord for a customer! And nae need to foreclose to get back payment, for it'll be returned twenty, thirty, fifty and a hundredfold. Noo ye can a' raise fine craps o' wheat and corn, and tatties, as I can weel testify; for the Lord has moved yer bowels o' compassion, and ye hae been unco generous to me. Then see if ye canna raise guid craps o' britherly compassion, and bring the first fruits o' the harvest to puir Widdy Tamson.

"Sanders Grant'll send her a load o' firewood. Fine dae I ken that; I see't in Sanders' generous e'e. Fine kenlin he keeps, too, as I weel ken; for I'm burning some o't myself, thanks to Sanders' kindness." Sanders, sitting in his pew, the observed of all observers, was completely won over, and would gladly have given Widdy Tamson the earth, and the fulness thereof, had he owned it, at that moment.

"Peter Michie'll send her a pickle tea. Oh, but it'll no be sair missed out o' Peter's abundant store. Peter is behenden to the Lord for many things, and is a living example o' the nivver-failin' truth o' the Holy Writ, 'The han' o' the diligent maketh rich.' Peter's a hard-workin' chiel, as we can a' testify." Peter, too, immediately fell into line.

"Jimmy Grant was tellin' me the ither day," continued the Rev. Tammas, "that he was millin'

some fine meal the noo. I quite believe it. He is the only miller in Auchterbirnie, and there's no miller from Maidenkirk to John o' Groat's can compare wi' him. Better send a pickle to the widdy, Jimmy, and keep up your account wi' the Master." Jimmy registered a full pock of best oatmeal in his own mind.

"Beaton Scott'll send the widdy some o' the fine tatties I saw in his barn last Tuesday. I needna ask Beaton, for I ken fu' well he wouldna be backward in daeing a kind act to a deservin' widdy in Auchterbirnie."

"And oor guid freend, Wull Crapman, by the looks o' him, can hardly keep his seat, sae anxious is he to dae something to fill the widdy's pat.

"Nae fear o' the widdy's starvin' when the Lord has put the saut o' the earth in the parish kirk o' Auchterbirnie. The Lord has promised to be a husband to the widdy, and He wants ye all to be brithers-in-law, and I'm glad ye respond so nobly. Ye're a gallant lookin' lot o' Christians, and yer hearts are as big as yer bodies. The Lord'll reward yer work o' love. Noo let's praise his name for raisin' up in Auchterbirnie sae mony who honor the faith." There was a lull all through the kirk, and then the minister's voice was raised in prayer.—*Family Friend*.

A Noble Apprentice.

Young men of wealth who are expecting to fill responsible positions in the world of affairs are coming to realize that a man's worth depends not on the number of his father's dollars, but on his own individual merit and ability. A case in point, which may be quoted, is that of a young man employed in a famous steel mill in Massachusetts.

The young man is the son of one the most prominent nobles in Sweden. His father is high in favor with the king who has given him special honors and entrusted him with extraordinary functions. His ancestors in every generation for several centuries past have been illustrious in their country's service.

The young man's object in obtaining employment in an American rolling mill is to gain experience that will fit him to control a large iron and steel business which his father owns. He came here immediately on leaving the university, from which he was graduated with high honors. He expects to remain a full year in Massachusetts, after which he will go to other rolling mills for further experience.

He works hard and the foreman says that he does not shrink from any duty, however laborious, and expects no consideration on account of his rank. He lives with the other men and dresses and fares as they do.

Flowers of the Forest.

"Did you ever laugh until you cried, Tommy?"

"Yes, only this morning."

"What at?"

"Well, pa stepped on a tack and I laughed, then pa caught me laughing, and I cried."

Old Lady (reading newspaper)—I declare! The poor fellow arrested yesterday is deaf.

Listener—How do you know?

Old Lady—Why, it says here that he is expected to have his hearin' next week.

Living Exemplification of a Theory.

"We are what we feed on," quoted Mr. Hixson, laying down his book. "And I am willing to say the author is right. For example"—

"I am already a believer," Mrs. Hixson interrupted. "You will insist on having lobster for supper always."

And Mr. Hixson, mortified, grew very red.—*Brooklyn Life.*

Point of View.

The farm boy gazed on the gray cashier
And thought, as entranced he lingered near;
"Land! Would that I that job could hold—
To stand all day and just count gold."
The gay cashier from his dull employ
Viewed the tan brown cheeks of the awkward boy
And mused, "It would be my dearest wish
Could I be that boy and go off to fish."

—*Chicago Record.*

Solomon was the wisest of men. He knew enough to cut his copy up into short paragraphs. In that way he succeeded in getting his paragraphs read.—*Boston Transcript.*

We shape ourselves the joy or fear
Of which the coming life is made
And fill our future's atmosphere
With sunshine or with shade.
The tissue of the life to be
We weave with colors all our own
And in the field of Destiny
We reap as we have sown.

—*J. G. Whittier.*

Seek out the good in every man,
And speak of all the best ye can;
Then will all men speak well of thee,
And say how kind of heart ye be.

—*Adolphus Goss.*

Every man deceives himself more successfully than he deceives others.

It is always easier to weep over the wanderer than to keep him at home.

A Quaker's Advice.

An inveterate drunkard once asked a Quaker whether he knew of a method whereby he could cure his dominant vice. "Friend," answered Broadbrim, "it is as easy as keeping the hand open."

"How can that be?" said the drunkard; "every man can keep his hand open, but as to abstaining from liquor, that's quite a different thing."

"I will tell thee, friend," quoth the Quaker: "when thou hast gotten a glass of gin in thy hand, and before thou dost raise the tempting liquor to thy lips, open thy hand—and keep it open. Thou breakest the glass, but thou breakest not the law of sobriety."

Children's Corner.

Be Careful What You Say.

"Careful with fire," is good advice, we know,
"Careful with words" is ten times doubly so.
Boys flying kites ha, I in their white-winged birds:
You can't do that way when you're flying words:
Thoughts unexpressed may sometimes fall back
dead,
But God Himself can't kill them when they're said.
—*Carleton.*

Better Whistle than Whine

Two little boys were on their way to school.
The smaller one tumbled, and though not hurt he began to whine in a babyish way—a little cross whine.

The older boy took his hand in a fatherly way and said:

"Oh, never mind, Jimmy, don't whine; it is a great deal better to whistle." And he began in the merriest way a cheerful boy-whistle. Jimmy tried to join in the whistle.

"I can't whistle as nice as you, Charlie," said he; "my lips won't pucker up good."

"Oh, that's because you haven't got all the whine out yet," said Charlie; "but you try a minute and the whistle will drive the whine away."

So he did; and the last I saw or heard of the little fellows they were whistling away as earnestly as though that was the chief end of life.

"Bobs" and the Little Girl.

Lord Roberts is the greatest British soldier to-day. Long before he took command in South Africa he had won the Victoria Cross and many other honors for personal bravery in action. But not only for his bravery and wise strategy is he called "the idol of the British army," but many stories of him prove again that "the bravest are the tenderest." A London correspondent at the front tells this incident of the surrender of Johannesburg:

"A march-past, subsequent to the march through the town, closed the ceremony. Lord Roberts' headquarters were at a small inn in an orange grove. There was a characteristic scene there at the close of his victorious day. One of the staff officers approached in order to discuss a matter of importance, and found the Field-Marshal with the innkeeper's little daughter on his knee trying to teach her to write. When the officer interrupted, Lord Roberts looked up with a smile and said, 'Don't come now. Can't you see I am busy?'"

A sculptor once showed a visitor his studio. It was full of mythical gods. One was very curious. The face was concealed by being covered with hair, and there were wings on each foot.

"What is his name?" said the spectator.

"Opportunity," was the reply.

"Why is his face hid?"

"Because men seldom know him when he comes to them."

"Why has he wings on his feet?"

"Because he is soon gone, and once gone can never be overtaken."

—*D. L. Moody.*

Supreme Secretary's statement for the Month of July, 1900.

RECRUITS.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Table listing members for British Columbia with columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R., Assn't, S. and F. Benefit, and General Fund.

CALIFORNIA.

Table listing members for California with columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R., Assn't, S. and F. Benefit, and General Fund.

Table listing members for Central Ontario with columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R., Assn't, S. and F. Benefit, and General Fund.

CENTRAL ONTARIO.

Table listing members for Central Ontario with columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R., Assn't, S. and F. Benefit, and General Fund.

Table listing members for other regions with columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R., Assn't, S. and F. Benefit, and General Fund.

Table listing members of various courts in the western section, including columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. B. Assn't., S. and F. Benefit, and General Fund.

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COLORADO.

Table listing members of various courts in Colorado, including columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. B. Assn't., S. and F. Benefit, and General Fund.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Table listing members of various courts in Eastern Ontario, including columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. B. Assn't., S. and F. Benefit, and General Fund.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like East Lake, Selby, Rockspring, etc.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Bluff City, Mohawk, Fort Armstrong, etc.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Gen. Milroy, Keklong, St. Joseph, etc.

IOWA.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Des Moines, Sioux City, Veritas, etc.

MAINE.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Onaranwicke, Chickawankle, Marr, etc.

INDIANA.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Manhattan, Lake City, Mingo, etc.

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Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Silver Lake, Silver Dale, Mincho, etc.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. P. Assn't, S. and P. Benefit, General Fund.

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MONTANA.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and P. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Black Eagle, Montana, Bozeman, etc.

NEBRASKA.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and P. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Omaha, Broken Bow, Alameda, etc.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and P. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Kennelcamps, Intervale, Brunswick, etc.

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NEW JERSEY.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and P. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Elizabeth, Woblington, Richmond, etc.

NEW ENGLAND.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and P. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Woodville, Granite State, West Pawlet, etc.

NEW YORK.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Ass'n, S. and P. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like West End, Wrenfield, Christiana, etc.

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Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Assmt., S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Includes entries for Cedar, Maple Ridge, Faith City, etc.

NORTHERN MINNESOTA.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Assmt., S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Includes entries for Duluth, West Duluth, Hendon, etc.

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Assmt., S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Includes entries for Calgary, Burnhamberry, Moose Jaw, etc.

NOVA SCOTIA.

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OHIO.

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ONTARIO.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Assmt., S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Includes entries for Hope, Dufferin, McGregor, etc.

Table listing members of various courts with columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, and various financial contributions (Mort. P., Ass'n, F. Benefit, General Fund).

PENNSYLVANIA.

Table listing members of various courts in Pennsylvania with columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, and various financial contributions.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Table listing members of various courts in Prince Edward Island with columns for No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, and various financial contributions.

| No. of Members. | Name of Court. | No. of Court. | Mo. B. Assmt. | S. and F. Benefit. | General Fund. |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 68 | Mount Stephen | 3711 | \$71.85 | 27.25 | \$3.35 |
| 26 | Tigulab | 11 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 32 | J. C. Cameron | 3911 | 52.82 | 15.50 | 1.50 |
| 14 | M. Rell | 11 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 27 | Great West | 4018 | 11.71 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 13 | Woodburn | 4019 | 31.12 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 28 | Glencoe | 4071 | 16.53 | 1.50 | 1.50 |

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|-----|--------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 77 | Heaver | 2 | 79.73 | 28.46 | 8.30 |
| 162 | Myrtle | 5 | 135.36 | 37.19 | 18.15 |
| 136 | Mount Royal | 7 | 139.01 | 15.68 | 15.15 |
| 4 | Rockland | 146 | 74.72 | 40.18 | 10.05 |
| 101 | Fulkford | 147 | 128.49 | 37.68 | 11.95 |
| 141 | Prince Albert | 149 | 156.47 | 44.76 | 16.15 |
| 32 | Cookshire | 176 | 45.47 | 14.36 | 3.45 |
| 26 | St. Lawrence | 219 | 30.76 | 8.21 | 2.80 |
| 181 | Stadacona | 224 | 328.53 | 14.41 | 31.15 |
| 194 | Balmora | 226 | 256.69 | 67.24 | 22.90 |
| 80 | Bawville | 276 | 76.18 | 45.83 | 8.30 |
| 27 | Bycros | 277 | 148.48 | 1.58 | 1.58 |
| 26 | Lachute | 280 | 29.65 | 5.74 | 3.10 |
| 137 | Windsor Mills | 286 | 126.46 | 66.57 | 14.95 |
| 137 | Shedford | 290 | 133.45 | 46.05 | 11.65 |
| 99 | Yamaska | 292 | 119.41 | 41.93 | 21.30 |
| 120 | Fortune | 297 | 130.36 | 42.54 | 13.55 |
| 54 | Gold Brook | 299 | 19.19 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 20 | Missisquoi | 299 | 19.81 | 5.17 | 2.10 |
| 69 | Bedford | 303 | 76.55 | 11.69 | 7.45 |
| 39 | Button | 304 | 62.43 | 6.31 | 6.25 |
| 42 | Eastman | 317 | 36.20 | 16.29 | 4.85 |
| 65 | International | 323 | 73.70 | 4.64 | 7.35 |
| 24 | Manonville | 324 | 39.28 | 3.73 | 3.85 |
| 74 | Buckingham | 330 | 75.29 | 9.88 | 8.40 |
| 21 | Thurso | 331 | 33.34 | 3.41 | 4.20 |
| 81 | Danville | 340 | 77.44 | 29.79 | 8.55 |
| 11 | Coaticook | 341 | 60.92 | 21.50 | 7.35 |
| 62 | Actonville | 342 | 89.12 | 35.12 | 16.35 |
| 80 | Carnival | 378 | 81.87 | 25.15 | 9.15 |
| 37 | Plessis | 401 | 40.17 | 15.62 | 3.30 |
| 144 | Desery | 421 | 158.75 | 30.20 | 18.00 |
| 167 | Valleyfield | 523 | 154.99 | 39.33 | 17.00 |
| 49 | Crailand | 543 | 49.23 | 9.42 | 6.35 |
| 101 | Lachine | 571 | 88.12 | 35.12 | 10.35 |
| 61 | Lake Megantic | 558 | 55.36 | 25.60 | 6.45 |
| 41 | Leeds | 574 | 115.96 | 8.22 | 10.79 |
| 31 | Inverness | 579 | 37.88 | 8.88 | 3.85 |
| 119 | St. Hyacinthe | 588 | 154.68 | 40.40 | 16.10 |
| 54 | Sawyerville | 590 | 46.22 | 22.85 | 5.75 |
| 53 | Island Brook | 595 | 139.38 | 38.92 | 13.90 |
| 31 | Friendship | 612 | 35.21 | 6.95 | 5.70 |
| 28 | Xenophon | 618 | 58.38 | 42.15 | 8.65 |
| 37 | Famous | 621 | 29.24 | 13.08 | 3.60 |
| 49 | St. Louis | 633 | 82.43 | 6.39 | 6.80 |
| 474 | Champlain | 638 | 605.63 | 178.57 | 55.85 |
| 160 | St. Hubert | 687 | 255.85 | 87.85 | 25.85 |
| 107 | St. Rock | 701 | 154.24 | 43.24 | 13.10 |
| 27 | Wakefield | 715 | 24.95 | 2.95 | 2.95 |
| 207 | St. Catharine | 729 | 238.41 | 78.76 | 26.80 |
| 73 | St. Denis | 731 | 86.19 | 31.57 | 8.00 |
| 119 | Montreal | 742 | 114.41 | 35.12 | 15.20 |
| 119 | Good Church | 746 | 114.41 | 35.12 | 15.20 |
| 44 | Gatineau Valley | 789 | 39.80 | 4.49 | 4.50 |
| 45 | Labelle | 851 | 52.13 | 10.20 | 5.00 |
| 85 | Lavolette | 886 | 219.32 | 53.35 | 24.80 |
| 63 | Montcalm | 898 | 78.72 | 18.82 | 7.10 |
| 43 | Beauport | 919 | 39.12 | 8.82 | 4.45 |
| 37 | Mumpremagog | 902 | 40.79 | 9.11 | 3.55 |
| 177 | Fulford | 921 | 171.32 | 76.05 | 18.60 |
| 76 | Rose of England | 932 | 73.70 | 30.85 | 7.70 |
| 47 | Quico | 936 | 46.37 | 1.91 | 4.50 |
| 26 | Belle Rive | 938 | 23.64 | 4.45 | 3.20 |
| 32 | DesAulniers | 945 | 56.76 | 28.12 | 15.40 |
| 32 | St. Charles | 954 | 56.82 | 15.16 | 3.40 |
| 67 | Willow Brook | 964 | 50.60 | 20.00 | 6.35 |
| 67 | Jacques Cartier | 970 | 126.26 | 21.68 | 9.25 |
| 60 | St. Francis | 1009 | 65.86 | 22.24 | 7.15 |
| 47 | Goodland | 1016 | 76.91 | 23.27 | 8.85 |
| 170 | St. Helen | 1019 | 183.14 | 47.87 | 20.50 |
| 170 | Bell | 1023 | 142.46 | 61.66 | 21.45 |
| 178 | Ville-Marie | 1031 | 195.50 | 75.40 | 31.70 |
| 33 | St. George | 1065 | 29.42 | 3.45 | 3.45 |
| 100 | Notre Dame | 1076 | 177.66 | 58.19 | 16.20 |
| 39 | Le Aux Noir | 1080 | 31.33 | 2.66 | 3.55 |
| 30 | Orlstrom | 1087 | 31.60 | 2.73 | 3.15 |
| 43 | New Glasgow | 1130 | 47.92 | 3.72 | 4.25 |
| 48 | St. Alphonse | 1141 | 42.91 | 12.10 | 4.60 |
| 55 | Riveline | 1159 | 83.80 | 9.95 | 8.10 |
| 31 | Tennyson | 1161 | 30.22 | 3.21 | 3.20 |
| 43 | Uxerton | 1167 | 67.63 | 22.12 | 4.45 |
| 203 | Temescouata | 1170 | 230.52 | 71.02 | 50.80 |
| 111 | Charlemagne | 1187 | 151.25 | 24.18 | 12.15 |
| 29 | Matane | 1190 | 34.96 | 4.16 | 3.30 |
| 189 | St. Michel | 1193 | 183.96 | 72.63 | 24.30 |
| 33 | Bainor | 1196 | 31.79 | 11.68 | 5.25 |
| 43 | C. P. R. | 1197 | 62.76 | 22.49 | 6.40 |
| 61 | Phillipsburg | 1199 | 47.97 | 12.77 | 6.10 |
| 31 | Hand-in-Hand | 1203 | 47.45 | 11.64 | 5.25 |
| 52 | Deux Montagnes | 1209 | 64.42 | 8.81 | 6.15 |
| 84 | Magog | 1216 | 79.72 | 28.53 | 8.20 |
| 23 | St. Ferdinand | 1220 | 35.90 | 5.68 | 4.55 |
| 40 | St. Anne DeBeaufre | 1231 | 40.55 | 15.80 | 4.10 |
| 119 | Victoriaville | 1238 | 140.24 | 58.22 | 13.25 |
| 18 | Laverneyville | 1268 | 16.18 | 3.86 | 1.90 |
| 44 | Dreversey | 1271 | 99.17 | 15.93 | 8.60 |
| 41 | Outremont | 1280 | 48.78 | 5.46 | 4.20 |
| 23 | Cote St. Paul | 1281 | 11.13 | 2.34 | 2.50 |
| 67 | Laval | 1281 | 115.13 | 31.49 | 9.65 |
| 104 | Deuchene | 1312 | 95.66 | 27.10 | 16.35 |
| 72 | Drummond | 1321 | 53.39 | 22.75 | 7.35 |
| 37 | Monkland | 1322 | 73.29 | 2.17 | 5.50 |
| 11 | Prinorville | 1333 | 51.63 | 4.83 | 7.30 |

| | | | | | |
|-----|-------------------|------|---------|---------|--------|
| 52 | Waterville | 1314 | \$44.55 | \$18.78 | \$5.00 |
| 35 | Beebe Plain | 1345 | 41.63 | 4.46 | 4.05 |
| 43 | St. Clement | 1347 | 59.39 | 8.23 | 6.95 |
| 41 | Richelieu | 1348 | 67.63 | 14.10 | 14.45 |
| 44 | St. Jean Baptist | 1350 | 91.90 | 7.61 | 6.40 |
| 38 | Roxton | 1353 | 33.11 | 17.86 | 3.95 |
| 42 | St. James | 1357 | 34.09 | 13.62 | 2.45 |
| 56 | St. Genevieve | 1372 | 82.99 | 12.01 | 17.65 |
| 11 | Kingsay Falls | 1395 | 6.17 | 3.91 | 1.20 |
| 40 | Stambridge | 1398 | 47.86 | 11.80 | 4.40 |
| 32 | Kariloy | 1397 | 46.53 | 3.45 | 3.45 |
| 209 | Sault Brigate | 1398 | 208.82 | 93.34 | 27.25 |
| 51 | Sault Bernard | 1401 | 74.10 | 15.52 | 5.70 |
| 62 | Metropolis | 1407 | 77.41 | 26.32 | 8.45 |
| 101 | Montarville | 1422 | 81.85 | 6.39 | 7.10 |
| 38 | St. Ann | 1423 | 31.14 | 1.80 | 3.30 |
| 105 | St. Chrysostome | 1427 | 87.59 | 35.40 | 16.90 |
| 25 | Iberville | 1429 | 18.65 | 8.15 | 4.50 |
| 27 | Howick | 1438 | 26.87 | 5.56 | 3.80 |
| 83 | Hull | 1444 | 97.88 | 35.46 | 8.05 |
| 14 | St. Glen | 1449 | 47.42 | 4.03 | 6.90 |
| 15 | Compton | 1473 | 14.02 | 3.61 | 1.35 |
| 60 | Helena | 1476 | 59.94 | 1.39 | 1.85 |
| 19 | Eustas | 1477 | 19.12 | 9.23 | 1.95 |
| 31 | Deuchene | 1484 | 34.72 | 12.24 | 5.95 |
| 43 | Abolition | 1509 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 210 | Levita Conception | 1519 | 89.90 | 32.67 | 8.55 |
| 38 | Ble | 1529 | 37.74 | 15.93 | 3.65 |
| 133 | Pleasville | 1542 | 155.46 | 57.87 | 14.00 |
| 170 | St. Jean | 1544 | 276.52 | 4.39 | 21.10 |
| 43 | St. Joseph | 1545 | 276.52 | 213.11 | 88.30 |
| 173 | Chorier | 1548 | 61.68 | 18.09 | 6.95 |
| 70 | St. Pierre | 1555 | 41.68 | 19.12 | 3.30 |
| 17 | Dosort | 1598 | 33.12 | 3.12 | 3.30 |
| 30 | St. Gormac | 1642 | 65.21 | 27.28 | 5.35 |
| 249 | Joan D'Arc | 1650 | 201.20 | 122.61 | 29.15 |
| 35 | Agnes | 1657 | 37.74 | 14.74 | 7.10 |
| 19 | Franklin Centre | 1659 | 34.44 | 4.20 | 2.20 |
| 14 | Lower Ireland | 1672 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 104 | St. E. P. Tacho | 1678 | 85.34 | 40.67 | 8.70 |
| 47 | Hemmingford | 1678 | 63.65 | 11.18 | 3.95 |
| 158 | St. G. P. Cartier | 1694 | 149.59 | 74.45 | 16.45 |
| 14 | St. John | 1699 | 11.72 | 8.03 | 4.90 |
| 45 | Senneville | 1716 | 62.04 | 18.50 | 6.20 |
| 82 | Dessauville | 1732 | 65.86 | 36.41 | 10.15 |
| 22 | Cozaville | 1734 | 22.90 | 2.22 | 2.45 |
| 26 | Chleffault | 1735 | 29.64 | 4.27 | 3.20 |
| 63 | Charnley | 1770 | 67.80 | 13.59 | 6.05 |
| 191 | Levita Conception | 1773 | 8.48 | 9.31 | 1.90 |
| 225 | National | 1777 | 238.09 | 109.99 | 31.05 |
| 97 | Asbestos | 1784 | 83.83 | 40.20 | 9.60 |
| 94 | Victoria | 1787 | 81.65 | 44.82 | 13.20 |
| 24 | Argenteuil | 1894 | 31.97 | 8.67 | 3.65 |
| 65 | Montreal West | 1816 | 37.68 | 2.62 | 2.60 |
| 24 | Royanville | 1823 | 23.12 | 1.51 | 2.20 |
| 22 | Metopedia | 1839 | 18.00 | 2.33 | 2.40 |
| 27 | Casopedia | 1846 | 32.41 | 1.43 | 2.20 |
| 42 | McGill | 1855 | 44.08 | 13.78 | 6.70 |
| 14 | Ironside | 1857 | 14.50 | 5.61 | 1.10 |
| 24 | Paco Arthur | 1857 | 32.12 | 12.67 | 2.10 |
| 27 | Lyster | 1913 | 25.41 | 11.93 | 2.30 |
| 44 | Gaspedia | 1944 | 62.97 | 4.85 | 1.50 |
| 11 | Whinslow | 1948 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| 64 | Mercier | 1976 | 60.62 | 19.49 | 6.30 |
| 84 | Cernazie | 1982 | 138.94 | 26.62 | 10.85 |
| 65 | De La Paroisse | 1989 | 11.72 | 8.03 | 4.90 |
| 10 | Papineau | 2011 | 11.28 | 1.76 | 2.20 |
| 40 | Highland Star | 2016 | 24.63 | 17.74 | 3.30 |
| 128 | Morin | 2018 | 128.80 | 57.99 | 14.20 |
| 91 | Rennud | 2033 | 17.80 | 37.17 | 11.30 |
| 60 | Nipicton Premier | 2063 | 54.66 | 25.02 | 6.00 |
| 15 | St. Joseph | 2069 | 11.40 | 9.15 | 9.15 |
| 56 | Greenville | 2136 | 69.00 | 6.28 | 4.00 |
| 21 | Anglo-Canadian | 2152 | 19.72 | 5.29 | 2.45 |
| 16 | Arbitration | 2161 | 15.12 | 4.96 | 5.75 |
| 23 | Cape Cove | 2173 | 20.18 | 2.61 | 2.65 |
| 22 | Carrillon | 2211 | 7.88 | 1.83 | 1.83 |
| 17 | Little Metis | 2233 | 13.85 | 6.00 | 5.25 |
| 22 | Eichenau | 2221 | 21.01 | 8.67 | 2.25 |
| 28 | Stenhope | 2235 | 23.32 | 9.98 | 2.70 |
| 76 | Montmorency | 2274 | 61.26 | 30.80 | 7.30 |
| 50 | St. Flavien | 2343 | 37.56 | 19.66 | 15.65 |
| 26 | Autumn Leaf | 2321 | 7.24 | 7.24 | 3.45 |
| 40 | De Lauzon | 2365 | 33.15 | 10.97 | 3.30 |
| 87 | Alexandre | 2370 | 70.55 | 39.14 | 7.45 |
| 24 | Lafleche | 2400 | 19.91 | 7.62 | 1.60 |
| 62 | Bingham | 2408 | 65.03 | 25.36 | 5.05 |
| 14 | Stuckley | 2419 | 11.22 | 6.48 | 1.15 |
| 65 | Deltor | 2431 | 61.30 | 18.43 | 10.10 |
| 23 | St. Anne du Sault | 2485 | 21.60 | 7.80 | 2.25 |
| 20 | Abercorn | 2514 | 21.93 | 4.79 | 1.95 |
| 29 | Des Chailions | 2539 | 27.98 | 13.49 | 2.45 |
| 35 | Scotch Thistle | 2546 | 14.30 | 14.28 | 2.05 |
| 42 | Deuchene | 2556 | 37.49 | 16.56 | 5.90 |
| 58 | Arthur Thistle | 2584 | 62.14 | 18.43 | 5.45 |
| 33 | St. Vital | 2567 | 31.47 | 11.80 | 3.45 |
| 14 | Walton Centre | 2579 | 12.35 | 7.13 | 1.25 |
| 22 | St. Luce | 2622 | 35.79 | 13.38 | 2.15 |
| 52 | De Henjup | 2660 | 35.10 | 23.24 | 10.80 |
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Supreme Secretary's Statement for the Month of August, 1900.

Delinquent Courts who have not paid their July, 1900, Assessments.

| Name of Court. | No. | Name of Court. | No. |
|----------------|------|------------------|-----|
| Glen Brook | 3877 | Vern (Companion) | 237 |

NOTE.—The above Courts not having remitted their Assessments stood suspended on 1st August, 1900, and will stand suspended till duly reinstated.

Receipts, July, 1900.

| No. of Members | Jurisdiction. | Mortuary Benefit Assessm'ts | S. & F. Benefits | General Fund. | No. of Members. | Jurisdiction. | Mortuary Benefit Assessm'ts | S. & F. Benefits. | General Fund. |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1280 | British Columbia | \$ 1418 29 | \$ 101 19 | \$ 141 57 | 5538 | New Jersey | \$ 5606 29 | \$ 59 96 | \$ 537 85 |
| 9446 | California | 12843 25 | 139 50 | 1092 25 | 16764 | New York | 17974 88 | 1012 55 | 1724 40 |
| 11433 | Central Ontario | 12097 06 | 1368 41 | 1228 40 | 2339 | North Dakota | 2399 63 | 55 16 | 220 35 |
| 606 | Colorado with Utah annexed | 1077 37 | 11 23 | 77 10 | 747 | Northern Michigan | 592 42 | 50 87 | 62 00 |
| 10745 | Eastern Ontario | 10765 85 | 891 66 | 1151 70 | 1146 | North'n Minnesota | 1713 50 | 110 75 | 162 10 |
| 8996 | Illinois | 10143 79 | 39 45 | 887 17 | 1278 | N. W. Territory | 1389 17 | 74 22 | 141 60 |
| 2370 | Indiana | 2590 90 | 13 10 | 238 15 | 3389 | Nova Scotia | 3075 58 | 265 23 | 315 49 |
| 774 | Iowa | 969 12 | 2 37 | 98 00 | 8753 | Ohio | 8911 38 | 163 05 | 868 00 |
| 4134 | Maine | 3897 80 | 1018 93 | 471 40 | 14570 | Ontario | 14110 17 | 2506 31 | 1591 80 |
| 2691 | Manitoba | 2463 17 | 314 41 | 240 90 | 2221 | Pennsylvania | 2928 93 | 41 26 | 230 06 |
| 10856 | Michigan | 10843 55 | 733 35 | 1120 50 | 1609 | Pr. Edward Island | 1299 30 | 47 98 | 128 50 |
| 3827 | Minnesota | 4372 54 | 9 43 | 431 95 | 15335 | Quebec | 17501 52 | 4962 23 | 1855 35 |
| 1045 | Missouri with Kansas annexed | 1344 23 | 7 18 | 131 20 | 833 | Washington | 1371 66 | 14 06 | 115 85 |
| 430 | Montana | 702 49 | 13 48 | 65 10 | 4969 | Western Michigan | 5307 37 | 196 49 | 519 75 |
| 499 | Nebraska | 610 86 | 3 51 | 51 20 | 3777 | Wisconsin | 4725 53 | 23 95 | 412 50 |
| 6102 | New Brunswick | 5857 50 | 1085 74 | 665 25 | 294 | S. C. Jurisdiction | 550 56 | 5 85 | 57 75 |
| 3252 | New England | 3327 87 | 949 10 | 395 55 | 6110 | G. Britain, Ireland and Norway | 7637 40 | 45 04 | 662 06 |
| | Received on account of Fire Insurance | | | | 168788 | | | | |
| | " " " Sundry refunds re Loans | | | | | | 299 46 | | |
| | " " " Organizing and other accounts | | | | | | 390 26 | | 1,328 48 |
| Grand Totals | | \$183,170 65 | \$16,337 00 | \$19,422 17 | | | | | |

Recapitulation.

| RECEIPTS. | CONTRA-CR. |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| For Mortuary Benefit Fund | By Cash remitted Supreme Treasurer |
| " Sick and Funeral Benefit Fund | \$218,929 82 |
| " General Fund | |
| Total | \$218,929 82 |

Supply Account.

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| Received on account of Supplies | \$3,964 86 | Remitted same to Supreme Treasurer | \$3,964 86 |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------|

Investment Account.

| | | | |
|---|-------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Received on account of Principal on Loans | \$ 4,784 41 | Remitted same to Supreme Treasurer | \$ 4,784 41 |
| Submitted in L. B. and C. | | | |

JOHN A. MCGILLIVRAY, Sup. Secretary.

Supreme Treasurer's Statement for August, 1900.

Mortuary Statement

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|----------------|
| To Balance as per last Statement | \$1,034,394 39 |
| " Supreme Secretary | 182,480 93 |
| Cheque No. 8653 re Richard Lyons, Ct. Alberton, No. 1116, Cancelled | 1,000 00 |
| Refunds re Fire Insurance | 299 46 |
| Refunds re loans | 390 26 |
| Total | \$1,218,565 04 |

Paid to Beneficiaries of late Brothers—

| | | |
|--------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Moses Newtown | Court Lake Erie, 1205 | \$1,000 00 |
| Chip. H. Thurber | " Widow's Frnd, 1003 | 1,000 00 |
| Henry Beaker | " Evert, 372 | 2,000 00 |
| Fred. J. Schanzel | " Watertown, 465 | 2,000 00 |
| Henry T. Russell | " La Junta, 1534 | 2,000 00 |
| Jabez B. Kenny | " Ottawa, 41 | 1,000 00 |
| George C. Freund | " Astoria, 3216 | 1,000 00 |
| Willis Roberts | " Porto Rico, 3956 | 1,000 00 |
| Louis F. Richey | " Cairnsmore, 432 | 900 00 |
| Ouesime Goulet | " Faure, 3793 | 2,000 00 |
| Robert Morton | " Severn, 1608 | 1,000 00 |
| Henry R. McCarthy | " Perth, 384 | 2,000 00 |
| Charles E. Jackson | " Sherw'd Forest, 3105 | 1,000 00 |
| L. S. Hughes | " Madrid, 1706 | 1,000 00 |
| Wm. H. Brown | " Moncton, 71 | 500 00 |
| Thos. K. Edney | " Prince Albert, 149 | 1,000 00 |
| Robt. Jas. Holley | " Bellevue, 272 | 1,000 00 |

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|--------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| F.X. Vandeboucour | Court St. Catherines, 729 | 2,000 00 |
| Thos. P. Carroll | " Shawnee, 514 | 1,000 00 |
| J. W. Torr | " Morris Vineyard, 532 | 2,000 00 |
| Henry E. Hamberg | " Waterville, 1344 | 1,000 00 |
| Onesime Hawry | " Roger Williams, 3536 | 500 00 |
| Andrew Stensaas | " Kau Clair, 907 | 1,000 00 |
| William B. Wood | " Flushing, 738 | 1,000 00 |
| Louis Jas. Hoppens | " East St. Louis, 4130 | 500 00 |
| Eugena C. Long | " Majestic, 3907 | 1,000 00 |
| Hiram L. Byers | " Mansfield, 1455 | 250 00 |
| Samuel Oligny | " Chenier, 1551 | 500 00 |
| George L. Fair | " Centreville, 1242 | 1,000 00 |
| George S. Atchley | " Duluth, 724 | 3,000 00 |
| Chas. Ed. Hanover | " Veritas, 1304 | 2,000 00 |
| Fred. Doerge | " Idoneau, 3162 | 1,000 00 |
| Daniel Eller | " Stillwater, 1035 | 1,000 00 |
| Hardien Allard | " Good Intent, 1622 | 500 00 |
| Nick Leggitt | " Fairgrove, 1969 | 1,000 00 |
| Robert Nicholson | " Morristown, 542 | 1,000 00 |
| August Koch | " Columbus, 920 | 1,000 00 |
| Thos. P. Wendover | " Scanton, 3935 | 1,000 00 |
| Wm. H. Newman | " Morris Vineyard, 532 | 2,000 00 |
| Lemuel Metts | " Moore, 694 | 1,000 00 |
| Robt. B. Gallagher | " Bride of Akron, 356 | 2,000 00 |
| Wm. Chas. Carter | " Bridget, 581 | 1,000 00 |
| Chas. G. Roehrig | " Manhattan, 420 | 2,000 00 |
| Mary Haggard | " Iroquois, 89 | 500 00 |
| Ed. E. Thompson | " Colton, 447 | 3,000 00 |
| John O'Keefe | " Robt. S. Green, 3294 | 1,000 00 |
| Harry Batty | " Lachine, 544 | 1,000 00 |
| Edward M. Naumes | " Bingham, 1436 | 1,000 00 |
| Mont. McDonald | " La Tour, 125 | 3,000 00 |
| David Gibb | " Sarnia, 65 | 1,000 00 |
| James E. McEhan | " Lafayette, 344 | 1,000 00 |
| Samuel M. Cooke | " Watchful, 573 | 500 00 |
| Henry Tomies | " Select Maple, 734 | 1,000 00 |
| Edgar F. Davies | " Juanita, 1975 | 2,000 00 |

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| Conrad F. Krueze... | Wisconsin, 928..... | 1,000 00 |
| Anthony Nix..... | Humboldt, 3389..... | 1,000 00 |
| Charles J. Tessan..... | Monroe, 391..... | 500 00 |
| Richard E. Killman..... | Dirigo, 1875..... | 2,000 00 |
| Carl V. Johnson..... | Knox, 1482..... | 500 00 |
| G. E. Lohe..... | Cocouina, 896..... | 1,000 00 |
| Tom Duck..... | Electric City, 1655..... | 2,000 00 |
| Archie Simpson..... | Clyde Forks, 1514..... | 1,000 00 |
| John R. Morrow..... | St. John, 223..... | 1,000 00 |
| Andrew Hamilton..... | Tara, 367..... | 1,000 00 |
| Wellington A. Way..... | Hill Crest, 1738..... | 1,000 00 |
| Adelband Germain..... | St. Vital, 3567..... | 1,000 00 |
| Richard E. Rogers..... | Ideal, 3112..... | 333 34 |
| John L. Koepfen..... | Valley, 232..... | 1,000 00 |
| James Haycock..... | Salford, 1707..... | 1,000 00 |
| James R. Mitchell..... | Klamath, 1936..... | 666 66 |
| Edwin J. Coulten..... | Beechwood, 1093..... | 1,000 00 |
| Franklin S. Alderfer..... | Linden, 4721..... | 3,000 00 |
| William Wall..... | St. Tydfil, 2107..... | 486 66 |

\$88,136 66

Old Age Disability—

| | |
|--|--------|
| Stephen Kappelle, C. Rosedale, 88..... | 50 00 |
| George Reid, C. Rideau, 31..... | 100 00 |
| Calvin Peter Pine, C. Napanee, 30..... | 100 00 |
| W. S. Rogers, C. Maple Leaf, 60..... | 100 00 |
| Thos. J. Birch, C. Sycamore, 3001..... | 100 00 |

450 00

Total and Permanent Disability—

| | |
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| Ito Dykstra, C. Rescue, 415..... | 500 00 |
| Wm. B. Willard, C. Los Angeles, 422..... | 500 00 |
| Edward Sachs, C. Cooper, 1567..... | 1,500 00 |
| James Thomson, C. Lakeview, 418..... | 500 00 |
| Doctor's Fees..... | 10 00 |

3,010 00

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Refund..... | 6 72 |
| Legal Expenses..... | 1,119 74 |
| Actuarial Work..... | 2,427 77 |
| Commission..... | 13 00 |
| Valuators' Salaries and Expenses..... | 829 10 |
| Insurance..... | 72 18 |
| Fire Insurance..... | 553 45 |
| Five per cent. to General Fund..... | 9,124 03 |
| Balance..... | 4,112,822 39 |

\$4,218,565 04

Sick and Funeral Fund.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|--|--------------|
| To Balance, as per last Statement..... | \$148,076 86 |
| Supreme Secretary..... | 16,337 09 |
| Cheque No. 51519, Cancelled..... | 55 29 |
| 51828..... | 46 72 |
| | \$164,515 87 |

CONTRA—CR.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| By Sick Claims..... | \$9,031 54 |
| Funeral Claims..... | 550 00 |
| Legal Fees, S. & F..... | 20 00 |
| English Sick Claims..... | 61 98 |
| Five per cent. to General Fund..... | 816 84 |
| | \$ 10,480 36 |
| Balance..... | 154,035 51 |
| | \$164,515 87 |

General Account.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|---|-------------|
| To Supreme Secretary..... | \$19,422 17 |
| on account of supplies..... | 3,964 76 |
| Five per cent. Mortuary Benefit Fund..... | 9,124 03 |
| Sick and Fun. Ben. Fund..... | 816 84 |
| Balance..... | 8,020 56 |
| | \$41,348 36 |

CONTRA—CR.

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|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| By Salaries of Officers..... | \$ 2,374 99 |
| Organizing Salaries and Expenses..... | 11,358 27 |
| Wages of Employees..... | 5,003 65 |
| General Management Expenses..... | 7,523 94 |
| "Forester" and Supplies..... | 8,116 41 |
| Furniture..... | 965 35 |
| Fees returned..... | 5 75 |
| | \$ 41,348 36 |

Surplus.

| | |
|--|----------------|
| Deposited with Ins. Dept. of Dom. of Canada..... | \$ 100,000 00 |
| Great Britain and Ireland..... | 95,610 17 |
| U.S. Government Bonds..... | 94,158 36 |
| New Brunswick Government..... | 20,000 00 |
| Real Estate and 1st Mortgages on Real Est. Dohentures..... | 3,199,781 71 |
| National Bank of La Crosse..... | 107,752 77 |
| | 2,500 00 |
| | \$3,619,803 01 |
| Current Account..... | 493,019 38 |
| Sick and Funeral Surplus..... | 154,035 51 |
| Grand Total Surplus..... | \$4,266,857 90 |

Yours in L. B. and C.
H. A. COLLINS, Sup. Treas.

Report of the Medical Board for the Month of August, 1900.

During the month of August the Medical Board reviewed 1,370 medical examination papers, of which 1,030 were accepted and 290 rejected. The subjoined table will show the jurisdictions whence the papers emanated:—

| Jurisdiction. | Accepted | | Rejected | | |
|------------------------|----------|----------|------------------------|----------|-----|
| | Accepted | Rejected | Accepted | Rejected | |
| Arizona..... | 2 | 2 | North Dakota..... | 11 | 2 |
| British Columbia..... | 22 | 10 | Nova Scotia..... | 20 | 1 |
| California..... | 32 | 16 | N. W. Territories..... | 2 | 0 |
| Colorado..... | 1 | 1 | Ohio..... | 43 | 20 |
| Connecticut..... | 6 | 1 | Ontario (Centre)..... | 63 | 20 |
| Illinois..... | 84 | 12 | Ontario (East)..... | 31 | 18 |
| Indiana..... | 47 | 5 | Ontario (West)..... | 21 | 16 |
| Iowa..... | 42 | 10 | Pennsylvania..... | 14 | 1 |
| Kansas..... | 1 | 1 | P. E. Island..... | 5 | 1 |
| Maine..... | 23 | 13 | Quebec..... | 62 | 22 |
| Manitoba..... | 1 | 3 | Rhode Island..... | 1 | 1 |
| Massachusetts..... | 1 | 1 | Vermont..... | 8 | 9 |
| Michigan (East)..... | 67 | 7 | Washington..... | 9 | 1 |
| Michigan (North)..... | 14 | 11 | Wisconsin..... | 20 | 1 |
| Michigan (West)..... | 66 | 13 | England..... | 28 | 7 |
| Minnesota (North)..... | 4 | 1 | Ireland..... | 2 | 1 |
| Minnesota (South)..... | 24 | 1 | Scotland..... | 2 | 2 |
| Missouri..... | 1 | 1 | Wales..... | 1 | 1 |
| Montana..... | 3 | 1 | Norway..... | 1 | 1 |
| Nebraska..... | 32 | 9 | Australia..... | 76 | 12 |
| Newfoundland..... | 1 | 1 | France..... | 3 | 3 |
| New Brunswick..... | 14 | 5 | India..... | 8 | 0 |
| New Hampshire..... | 14 | 3 | Total..... | 1030 | 290 |
| New Jersey..... | 10 | 4 | | | |
| New York..... | 112 | 31 | | | |

Yours in L. B. and C.
T. MILLMAN, M.D., Sec. of Med. Bd.

Acknowledgment.

GENTLEMEN.—I desire to express my appreciation of the sympathy and assistance so kindly rendered by the members of your body in the late illness and death of my son F. J. Wright. Permit me also through you to extend my thanks to the Supreme Court for the prompt and full payment of the mortuary benefit. With best wishes for the prosperous continuation of the good work of your noble Order, believe me,

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The Supreme Secretary Visits the Potteries.

The Supreme Secretary of the Independent Order of Foresters, Bro. J. A. McGillivray, Q.C., of Toronto, paid his initial visit to the Potteries July 9th, and in the evening addressed a meeting of Foresters and their friends at the Town Hall, Hanley, on the principles of the Order. Accompanying Bro. J. A. McGillivray, Q.C., on the platform were Bros. E. J. Powell, H.C.R., Mid-England; B. Cronyn, Manager-in-Chief, London; F. Walker, P.H.C.R., Mid-England; J. H. P. Montford, H. Sec., Mid-England; and P. P. Nichol, D.S.C.R., the prospective organizer for the Potteries and district. Bro. Powell was the chairman, and introduced the visitor to the meeting in a few remarks, in which he spoke of the great work done by that gentleman for the Order.

Bro. McGillivray commenced by saying that although he had visited Great Britain many times he had never before had an opportunity of visiting the world-renowned Potteries district. He did not come amongst them as an entire stranger, for his grandfather was born within a few miles of Hanley. Continuing, he explained that the Independent Order of Foresters was a Canadian organization with its head office at Toronto. As an indication of the amount of business they were doing he mentioned that they were at present paying out an average of £1,000 per day to the widows and children of deceased members. It was nineteen years ago since the Order was revived with a membership of about 600, and now they could boast of a membership of over 160,000. They had a capital of eight million dollars and upwards of four million dollars as a kind of reserve fund, a record of which they were justly proud, because no such history was to be found in the whole of the fraternal circuit. They had a larger surplus than all the fraternal organizations in the world combined. He knew that other societies boasted they had a larger capital, but the Independent Order of Foresters did not call building and such like capital. Continuing, the speaker dwelt upon the various benefits and workings of the society and said that their system was one of a purely business character so far as insurance was concerned. He denied a statement that had been made in the London Press that this Order was practically an assessment Order, but at the same time stated that the constitution would indeed be faulty if they had not some provision to provide for in the case of some great calamity overtaking either of the two countries. The cost of carrying the risk plus 5 per cent. was what they charged and not plus 45 per cent. It was alleged that the Order could not live because they did not charge enough, but he mentioned that during the last 100 years there had been something like 800 insurance companies doing business on the stock plan with large capital subscribed, and that only 49 of that number now existed. It was not entirely capital that they wanted, but a sturdy membership, and the Independent Order claimed to have both. The speaker emphasized the fact that this was not a secret society, and that they had over 10,000 Roman Catholic members. Concluding, he spoke of the society as not interfering with the consciences of any of its members with respect to religion, and said they had the high hope of expectation that they were the beginning of an organization that would live on and on through the ages.

Men's Influence Over Men.

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No subject has excited so much interest or awakened so much discussion among thinking people of late as that of Personal Magnetism. It is worthy of note that clergymen, doctors, college presidents, and men of science everywhere are giving it deep thought. Many of them have openly certified to the wonderful powers. The outspoken words of Rev. Paul Weller, of Gorham, N.Y., in this connection will call forth no little additional comment.



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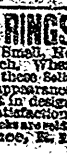
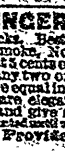
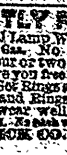
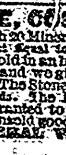
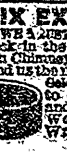
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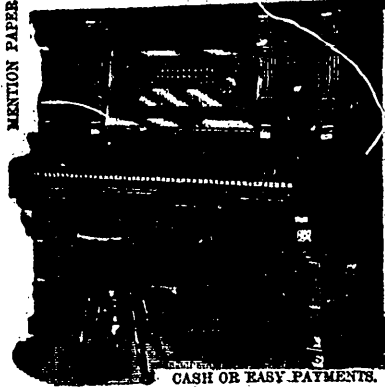
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