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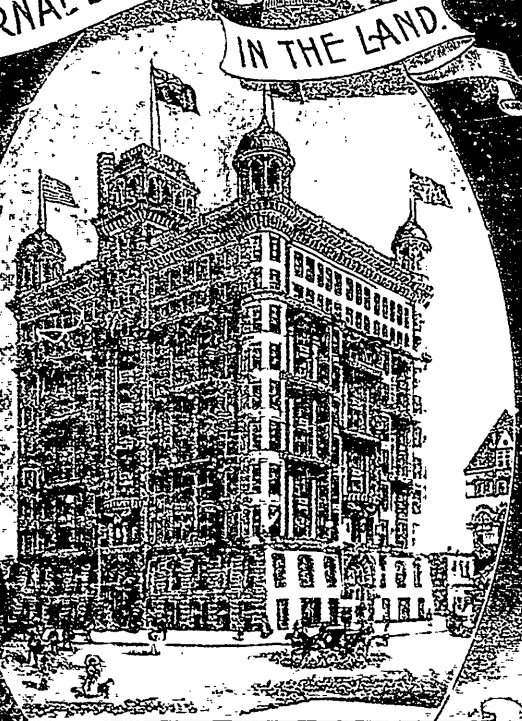
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Limit of Age for Admission is from 18 to 55 Years.

Table of Monthly Assessments.

To secure the Life Annuity Benefit, (20) the Table and Permanent Disability Benefit, the members of the I.O.F. are required to pay the small monthly rates shown below.

To secure these benefits it is necessary to pay an Entrance Fee of \$1.00 and a Registration Fee of \$1.00. The rates for monthly assessments are as follows:

SCHEDULE OF RATES OF MONTHLY ASSESSMENTS FOR THE ORDINARY CLASS.

Age	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
18	10	8	12	10	15	12
19	11	9	13	11	16	13
20	12	10	14	12	17	14
21	13	11	15	13	18	15
22	14	12	16	14	19	16
23	15	13	17	15	20	17
24	16	14	18	16	21	18
25	17	15	19	17	22	19
26	18	16	20	18	23	20
27	19	17	21	19	24	21
28	20	18	22	20	25	22
29	21	19	23	21	26	23
30	22	20	24	22	27	24
31	23	21	25	23	28	25
32	24	22	26	24	29	26
33	25	23	27	25	30	27
34	26	24	28	26	31	28
35	27	25	29	27	32	29
36	28	26	30	28	33	30
37	29	27	31	29	34	31
38	30	28	32	30	35	32
39	31	29	33	31	36	33
40	32	30	34	32	37	34
41	33	31	35	33	38	35
42	34	32	36	34	39	36
43	35	33	37	35	40	37
44	36	34	38	36	41	38
45	37	35	39	37	42	39
46	38	36	40	38	43	40
47	39	37	41	39	44	41
48	40	38	42	40	45	42
49	41	39	43	41	46	43
50	42	40	44	42	47	44
51	43	41	45	43	48	45
52	44	42	46	44	49	46
53	45	43	47	45	50	47
54	46	44	48	46	51	48
55	47	45	49	47	52	49

Age	Monthly Assessment	Age	Monthly Assessment	Age	Monthly Assessment
18	10	26	19	34	28
19	11	27	20	35	29
20	12	28	21	36	30
21	13	29	22	37	31
22	14	30	23	38	32
23	15	31	24	39	33
24	16	32	25	40	34
25	17	33	26	41	35
26	18	34	27	42	36
27	19	35	28	43	37
28	20	36	29	44	38
29	21	37	30	45	39
30	22	38	31	46	40
31	23	39	32	47	41
32	24	40	33	48	42
33	25	41	34	49	43
34	26	42	35	50	44
35	27	43	36	51	45
36	28	44	37	52	46
37	29	45	38	53	47
38	30	46	39	54	48
39	31	47	40	55	49

Our Investments

The assets of the fund are invested in a diversified portfolio of securities. A large portion of the fund is invested in U.S. Government and U.S. State and Local Government securities. The balance being invested in high quality corporate bonds and in a diversified portfolio of stocks.

Invested Funds

The following shows a list of the funds invested in the fund:

- U.S. Government Securities
- U.S. State and Local Government Securities
- Corporate Bonds
- Stocks

Total invested funds: \$2,755,250.00

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The value of the fund has increased since the fund was established. The fund is managed by the American Surety Company.

For more information, contact the American Surety Company, 100 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

For rates of Monthly Assessments in the Ordinary and Extraordinary Classes see Constitution and Laws, or contact the American Surety Company.

The Sick and Funeral Benefits

The Sick and Funeral Benefits are provided for members of the fund. The benefits are payable to the member or to the member's estate.

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TORONTO, CANADA, AUGUST 15, 1898.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Editorial.

California will make a gallant effort to secure the
triennial meeting of the Supreme Court in 1901.

Bro. W. A. Armour, M.D., the recently-elected
High Secretary of Missouri and Kansas High
Court, says that the seventh session just closed
was the best attended and most important in the
history of Independent Forestry thus far in those
states.

Illinois heads the list for July with 234 accept-
ed applications. New York came second with 228,
Michigan third with 170 and California fourth
with 149. The total number of applications for
July was 2,139, of which 1,872 were accepted and
267 rejected.

The High Court of Manitoba has decided by vote
against the admission of women to full membership
and privileges in the I.O.F. We expected a dif-
ferent expression of opinion from the Prairie Pro-
vince. What's the matter with Manitoba? The
well-known reply will not do.

The recent session of the High Court of New
Brunswick—a report of which may be seen in this
issue of the FORESTER—was the most successful
and encouraging of any ever held in the province.
We look for a great increase in membership and
financial strength in that quarter during the coming
year.

In Prince Edward Island Independent Forestry
is booming. The number of applicants for June
that passed the Medical Board was greater than
that of any former month, viz., 104. Eight were
rejected. During the year ending June 30th, 1898,
three hundred and fifty-six applicants were accept-
ed and forty rejected. Hurrah for the "right
little, tight little island."

Economy in management is always regarded as
an essential feature in a well-conducted insurance
organization. Insurers in future will look closely

after this part of the business, and the institution that shows a low percentage of expenses to the income and the amount of insurance done will grow in popularity. In this respect the I.O.F. compares favorably with any insurance company or any fraternal insurance society in the world. None can make a better showing.

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The Directors of Canada's Great Industrial Fair, recognizing the importance of the triennial meeting of the Supreme Court I.O.F. in Toronto during the Exhibition, have generously donated \$200 to be given in prizes among Drilled Uniformed Corps. These prizes are open to all societies and will be competed for on the Exhibition Grounds on Wednesday, 31st August. That there will be keen competition and a pretty sight for all observers goes without saying. Will the first prize be won by Canadians, or will it go to our American brethren?

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Many of the courts throughout the United States have passed resolutions expressive of sincere appreciation and thanks for the action of the Executive Committee, as set forth in Circular No. 13, respecting the enlistment of brother Foresters for service in the Spanish-American war. Our limited space prevents the publication of these resolutions as forwarded for THE INDEPENDENT FORESTER, but the Supreme Chief Ranger and other members of the Executive Committee are well pleased that their action in this matter has met with such conclusive proofs of approval everywhere throughout the Order. That the extra claims on account of the war may be few, if any, is the prayer of all Foresters around the world.

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Occasionally the question is asked, "Why is it that the Independent Foresters are such fine-looking men?" To those not already in the secret we would say, because all Foresters try to be like the Supreme Chief Ranger—one of the finest and handsomest men in the world. But there are other reasons, a few of which might be named, and no one will question the authority:

Ecclesiastes viii, 1—A man's wisdom maketh his face to shine.

Jeremiah v, 28—They are waxen fat, they shine.

Daniel xii, 3—They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament.

Matthew xiii, 43—The righteous shall shine forth as the sun.

Proverbs xv, xiii—A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance.

We would like to publish the opinion of Toronto ladies after seeing the grand parade of the Supreme Court officers and representatives on the 31st August.

Men insure their properties against the possibilities of fire, though fire may never come. It is a wise provision, and he who does it not is regarded as foolish in the extreme. Death is sure to come sooner or later to all men. Then, why not protect one's family against the possibilities of want and penury by joining the I.O.F. and paying a small premium of insurance once a month? The money thus secured is sure to be paid sooner or later to some dear one who may be wholly dependent upon it when the bread-earner of the home is taken away. How many thousands of widows and orphans all over the land are living proofs of these things! Since 1881 the I.O.F. has paid over five million dollars to the families of deceased brothers; has never resisted payment of any just claim; and has millions to pay claims that will arise in the near and distant future.

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If you know you are too careless or indifferent to keep up your insurance, don't join the I.O.F.

If you expect to get insurance for nothing, with a chromo thrown in, don't join the I.O.F.

If you are sure you will not die, there is no use of providing for a contingency that will not happen. Don't join the I.O.F.

If you need your money for tobacco and whiskey and get your support from your family, don't join the I.O.F.

If you prefer useless luxuries for yourself to reasonable provision for your family, don't join the I.O.F.

If you are too selfish to wish any comforts to others, because you cannot enjoy them yourself, don't join the I.O.F.

If you feel good over the idea that your wife and children may be dependent on the cold charities of the world after your death, don't join the I.O.F.

But if you desire to be in the grand army of noble men, and march in the great procession of heroes in the battles of life; if you are sound in health and willing in heart; if you wish to protect your loved ones in case accident or death should suddenly overtake you, then send in your application at the earliest moment and get within the protecting circle of the I.O.F.

The Supreme Court Meeting and the Industrial Fair.

It was a happy choice to have the Supreme Court meeting and Canada's Great Exposition in Toronto at the same time. Thousands of our American friends and representative Foresters will enjoy the great events because of the specially low rates offered by the railways, while not a few will be here from across the Atlantic to represent the Motherland. Among the special attractions will

be the Foresters' fancy drill competition and the band competition on the Exhibition Grounds, and the magnificent street parade through the city. The dedication of the grand Temple on the evening of August 30th will be a glorious and imposing ceremony, and will no doubt be witnessed by thousands. The sessions of the Supreme Court will be specially interesting to Foresters, as important questions relating to the welfare of the Order will be discussed and settled. After the Supreme Court meeting is over there will be ample time to visit the Fair, which runs from August 29th to September 10th, and see the many attractions there. To our American brethren and friends these will be very interesting. There will be representations of scenes in the Cuban war—blockades, bombardments, battles, and blowing up of vessels. Toronto will have many reasons to be proud of the triennial meeting of the Supreme Court of the I.O.F. in August and September, 1898, while the visitors will see one of the best fairs in the world.

A Noble Expression.

The following, among many received, is so full of deep gratitude to the Executive Committee and kindly regards toward our beloved Supreme Chief Ranger, that we cheerfully give it a place in the already crowded columns of our August number. We know that it will be read with pleasure by thousands of Foresters :—

LOS ANGELES, CAL., July 19th, 1898.

Oronhyatekha, M. D.,
Supreme Chief Ranger, I.O.F.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :—Your circular explaining action of Supreme Executive regarding the placing of all members of the I.O.F. who have enlisted in the American army in this war with Spain, in the ordinary or preferred class, was read in open Court and elicited long and hearty applause.

By a unanimous vote the Court named the undersigned brothers a committee to draft a communication and forward same to you, expressing their heartfelt thanks for this noble and unselfish action of yourself and the Sup. Ex.—an action that will and has enkindled a flame of love for our beloved Order in the hearts of every true Forester, enkindled a flame that naught can quench, and one that will be a light and a guide in the future for him who is seeking a haven where Liberty and Concord, coupled with that most beautiful of virtues, Benevolence, is the sweet law that rules all who have sought protection under its shadow.

In conclusion, allow us to assure you that our prayer shall ever be, that He who holds the destinies of nations in His hand may grant you a long and happy career as the guiding spirit of the grandest and noblest Order with which man has ever had the privilege of affiliating.

We have the honor to subscribe ourselves

Yours in L., B. & C.,

W.M. E. REAVIS,
F. W. WISMER,
O. H. NUNNALEY, } Committee.

Flourishing Courts.

That our members all round the world may know how Independent Forestry flourishes in the Golden State on the Pacific coast we publish the following financial statement of Court Morris Vineyard, No. 532 of Los Angeles, California; also an item from the Los Angeles Times, re the 4th July parade in that city. We might further remark that Court Los Angeles, No. 422, claims to be the largest Court in the world, having reported 631 members in good standing in June.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., July 16th, 1898.

Statement of the Finances of Court Morris Vineyard, No. 532, I.O.F., for the term ending June 30th, 1898:—

Balance on hand in General Fund, July 1st, 1898.....	\$1087 95
Balance on hand in Sick and Funeral Fund, July 1st, 1898.....	411 77
Balance in Bank in Sick and Funeral Fund, July 1st, 1898.....	800 00
Interest received on deposit in Bank.	
Sick and Funeral Fund.....	17 55

Total on hand..... \$2317 27

RESPLENDENT IN GOLD.

“ One of the handsomest of the many divisions of the long parade was the fifth, led by Marshal Wirsching, aids and color bearers, and the Riverside Concert Band of twenty-one men, in white trousers, black caps and coats. Section A was composed of Royal Foresters, Independent Order of Foresters. The court wore the full uniform of the Order. The officers were mounted, and the entire command was resplendent in gold braid, epaulettes and elegant chapeaux. The officers wore long, white plumes, while the rank and file were gay in plumes of scarlet. There were fifty men of the Royal Foresters in line. Thirteen city courts followed, carrying flags and wearing canvas hats with red, white and blue bands. After these came several country courts with similar distinguishing regalia. In all the Foresters turned out over 800 men.”

Cheap Excursion.

THE CLEVELAND BOYS ARE COMING.

Excelsior Encampment, Royal Foresters of Cleveland, Ohio, will run an excursion to Toronto via Buffalo during the meeting of the Supreme Court. The Encampment will come forty strong, accompanied by one of Cleveland's finest military bands, and will arrive in Toronto on Monday, Aug. 29th. From present prospects it is expected that fully 400 Foresters and their friends will embrace the opportunity of visiting Toronto and the Industrial Exhibition. Tickets, good for five days, have been placed at the very low figure of \$4.50 for the round trip, and can be procured from W. L. Bullard, 1617 Woodland Ave., and other members of the committee.

Personal Mention.

Bro. Ridler, of Court Banner, No. 360, Cleveland, formerly of Toronto, has brought in twenty-one members in three months.

Bro. C. C. Bennett, H. A. of Pennsylvania, called at the Temple on the 13th July. He was greatly delighted with the magnificent home of the I.O.F. in the Queen City of Canada.

Ex-Alderman Parnell, of London, Ont., Grand President of the Sons of England; Barlow Cumberland, of Toronto, Past Grand President Sons of England; Dr. Hodgetts, of Toronto, Grand Vice-President Sons of England, are all eminent Independent Foresters.

Bro. John W. Burgess, Recording Secretary of Court Ohemong, No. 530, reports most favorably upon the work of Bro. G. N. Brown, D.H.C.R., for the month of June. Many members have been added to the Court, and the interests of the Order otherwise greatly benefited by the visit of Bro. Brown.

Bro. S. D. Gilkerson, of Sherbrooke, Quebec, Court Deputy, has lately returned from a trip through eastern Ontario. On his way home he addressed a public meeting under the auspices of the local court at Shawville, Pontiac County, and was highly complimented by the brethren there, and also by the local press.

Among the latest additions to the I.O.F. in P.E.I. are: John Anderson, Esq., of Kensington, Grand Scribe of the Sons of Temperance; John A. McDonald, Attorney-at Law, Charlottetown; the Rev. D. B. McLeod, Orwell; and Leonard Morris of Summerside, Grand Master of the Masonic Grand Lodge of P. E. Island.

Bro. H. R. Mann, of Court Silver, Washington State, writes to Supreme Secretary Bro. John A. McGillivray, as follows *re* Circular No. 13, of April 30th: "Allow me to say that your action regarding service in the militia, army and navy is one that makes a man's heart grow warm and strong, and helps to kill out that feeling that is supposed to be creeping in, that this world is nothing more than a rush for the almighty dollar. Your action will have a most wholesome effect, and I for one thank you."

Dr. J. A. Hartman, of Court Spartan, No. 595, Albion, N.Y., who has been an energetic member of the court since its reorganization in 1893, having been elected its first Chief Ranger, and is now District Deputy and Court Deputy, was lately at the State Convention of the Prohibition Party held in Syracuse, New York, elected Treasurer of the State Committee, and is in consequence a member of the Executive Committee of that party. Court Spartan honored him the same day by electing him a delegate to the High Court Session, which meets at Niagara Falls in September.

We are always glad to hear of a brother advancing either in the esteem of his fellows or in a business point of view; hence it is that we extend our congratulations to Bro. Thomas Burns, of Court Ballymena, No. 2011, Ireland, who for some years has been a member of the Board of Town Commissioners of Ballymena, and who has, by the unanimous voice of the Commissioners, been appointed Chairman of the Board. This is a difficult and responsible position, but it is evident from the encomiums passed upon Bro. Burns that in the opin-

ion of the Board he is well qualified to discharge the duties of the office.

Bro. Harris, who has filled several offices in Court No. 2011, and who for some years has been cashier of the Ulster Bank at Ballymena, has been promoted to the managership of the branch at Killybegs. Bro. Harris was a highly esteemed member of Court Ballymena and leaves to take up his new charge, carrying with him the best wishes of not only every brother (that goes without saying) but of every person in Ballymena. We extend our heartiest congratulations to the two brothers above named. Such as they are ornaments in our beloved Order.

Bro. W. D. Pettigrew, High Secretary of Manitoba, in a recent communication to our esteemed Supreme Secretary, Bro. John A. McGillivray, says: "At the close of another three year term, I wish you would convey to the employes of the department over which you preside my appreciation of the uniform courtesy given by them to all my communications. I know I have given them lots of trouble, so consider this acknowledgment due. And now to the Captain (the Supreme Chief Ranger), the officers and the entire crew of the good ship I.O.F., I wish a continuous, pleasant and prosperous cruise." Thanks, Bro. Pettigrew, your kind and encouraging remarks are duly appreciated.

Lieut.-Col. Parker of the 3rd Wisconsin regiment, and High Chief Ranger of Wisconsin, is at present doing duty in the South in connection with the Cuban war. He is chief executive officer of the regiment, and is styled the "embodiment of a soldier" by those who know him well. He went into the war of the southern secession as a private, and came out a senior lieutenant of artillery. He has been connected with military affairs for thirty-two years, yet he is one of the busiest men when at home in his own office. Col. Parker is Supreme Secretary of the I.O.G.T. of the world, but at his country's call he left all behind and started for the field of action. May he return safe and sound when the war is all over, is the wish of every Independent Forester.

Our genial and popular Supreme Treasurer, Bro. H. A. Collins, addressed an immense gathering at Gouverneur, New York State, on the 4th July. There was a Forestry demonstration as the leading event of the day, and our brethren of Court Gouverneur invited Bro. Collins to deliver the oration. They made no mistake in their choice of an orator, as everyone will admit who has had the pleasure of hearing the Supreme Treasurer. About eight thousand persons assembled in the grove to listen to the address; in fact, the whole town was given up to the Foresters for the day. There was a grand parade, lots of music, amusements in the way of ball games, racing, dancing, etc. It was an occasion that will not soon be forgotten by those present, nor will Bro. Collins soon forget the enthusiastic welcome and cordial greetings extended to him by the Foresters and other citizens of Gouverneur.

We note with pleasure the honors conferred upon distinguished members of the I.O.F. at the recent Masonic Grand Lodge meeting held in the Temple Building in this city. Bro. E. T. Malone, of Toronto, was elected Grand Master; Bro. R. B. Hungerford, of London, Deputy Grand Master; Bro. Hugh Murray, of Hamilton, Grand Treasurer; Bro. L. Congdon, of Dunville, Grand Registrar;

and Bros. Jas. Glanville, of Toronto; J. C. Morgan, of Barrie; R. Hiller, M.D., of Leamington; Jas. Evans, of Port Hope; and R. G. Stafford, of Ameliasburg, District Deputy Grand Masters; Bros. W. D. McWatt, of Barrie; A. R. Hargraft, of Cobourg; Wm. Rea, of Ottawa; Benj. Allen, of Toronto; Thos. Sargent, of Toronto; and Wm. Roaf, of Toronto, are all members of the Board of General Purposes.

Congratulations, brothers. May you ever wear your new honors worthily of yourselves and the benevolent societies to which you belong.

What Others Say of Them.

A Davenport, Iowa, paper speaks thus of the Supreme Chief Ranger and the Supreme Secretary, the latter having attended the recent High Court meeting of the State:

"The Supreme Chief of the Order is a unique figure and is known as well on the other side of the Atlantic as in his own country and in the United States. Dr. Oronhyatekha is a full-blooded Mohawk Indian, who has proven the capabilities of his race in thus bringing the Order to the successful position it now occupies. He is a born fighter, as has been repeatedly proved in the courts of the United States and Canada. He has fought down opposition of all kinds, both within and without the Order, and to-day has a united and loyal following in all the courts under his broad jurisdiction. His absence in Europe at the present time alone prevents him from being present in Davenport at this meeting of the High Court, but as his proxy, comes John A. McGillivray, Q.C., the Supreme Secretary of the Order from Toronto.

"This, the honored guest of the Order in Davenport to-day, is well-known in many fields of Canadian activities, as well as throughout the Order, in whose council he holds so high a place. His position in his chosen profession, the law, is indicated by the cabalistic letters following his name, showing him to have reached the eminent position of Queen's Counsel. He has likewise been a member of the Dominion Parliament, resigning therefrom because of the onerous nature of his duties as Secretary of the Order. He is a P.D.D.G.M. of the Masonic bodies of the Toronto district, an honored member of the Odd Fellows, the Workmen and other fraternal organizations, the brethren of which will meet him at Davenport and extend cordial greetings."

NOTICE.

All Commanders of Royal Forester Encampments who intend visiting Toronto during

The Supreme Court Meeting

should communicate with C. A. Stone, so that the Reception Committee can meet them upon arrival and secure the necessary accommodations at the hotels.

Biographical Sketches.

A Chinese Brother Forester.

We herewith present to the readers of the FORESTER a picture and a brief sketch of a Chinese member, Bro. Moy Loy, of Court Vermont, No. 1649, Richford, Vt., U.S.A. Bro. Moy is the U.S. Government Interpreter for the customs district of Vermont, and has been stationed at Richford, Vt., for the past two years, and by his pleasant, courteous and genial manner has made a host of friends among those with whom he has been brought in contact.

The subject of our sketch was born in Canton, China, 34 years ago, and came to San Francisco at the age of 11 years, but stayed there only a short



BRO. MOY LOY.

time, going to Boston, where he was educated in the public schools; he afterwards obtained a situation with the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Co., where he remained a number of years. His business required a good deal of travel and Bro. Moy has visited nearly every town of importance in the United States. He was initiated into Court Vermont, No. 1649, in January of this year, and was the first one of our members to avail himself of the new \$5,000 policy. Bro. Moy celebrated his initiation by presenting the court with a new set of furniture. We feel we may congratulate ourselves on securing another faithful, hardworking member, who is ever ready to extend a helping hand to a brother Forester and to do all that lies in his power to advance the welfare of the Order.

Bro. Rev. James Cregan, H.C.R., Ireland.

When the Rev. W. J. McCaughan, who was the H.C.R. of Ireland, received and accepted a hearty invitation to St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, the Rev. James Cregan was appointed to succeed him as H.C.R. of Ireland, and he has done so with great ability and energy. Bro. Cregan is a native of Hillsboro, Co. Down, where he was born in 1857. At the age of 20 he entered Hawley College, London, to prepare for the ministry, and at the age of 24, in the year 1882, he received and accepted an invitation to become pastor of the Congregational Church at Albert Bridge, Belfast, where he has ministered with great success ever since. He has received many calls to other spheres, but he has remained in Belfast loyally devoted to his first choice.

Bro. Cregan has been a most successful minister. He is an earnest temperance reformer, an



BRO. REV. JAMES CREGAN.

eloquent preacher, and a popular lecturer. He is associated with many of the religious and philanthropic institutions in the city of Belfast. He is secretary of the Irish Congregational Union and editor of the *Irish Congregational Magazine*, which position he has held for ten years. When the Independent Order of Foresters came to Ireland he became a member, and since that time he has with pen and tongue eloquently advocated its claims. Our Order has no more earnest and enthusiastic advocate than he is. Some weeks ago he paid a visit to Cork and addressed a crowded meeting in the interests of the I.O.F., with the result that a new court was the outcome of the meeting. Many of our readers in Canada and America will see him in August, as he is the Irish representative to the Supreme Court. With such men as Bro. Cregan and many like him connected with Independent Forestry, the Order has a splendid future before it in the Emerald Isle.

The Hon. George Forbes, of P.E.I.

Hon. George Forbes, a member of Court Balnagowan, Vernon River Bridge, was born at Marshfield, near Charlottetown, P.E.I., in December, 1840. He is the youngest son of the late Malcolm Forbes, Esq., who represented the Fort Augustus District in the Local Legislature of the Island.

The grandfather of the subject of this sketch emigrated to Canada from Perthshire, Scotland, when his only son Malcolm was five years old.

After farming for some years in Marshfield they moved to Vernon River Bridge, where our brother was educated in the public school.

At the age of seventeen he began his apprenticeship to the mercantile business, and at the age of twenty-four he began business as a general merchant under his own name. Small at first, but by close attention to the wants of the people and the strictest honesty, one of the largest county stores of the Island bears the name of George Forbes.

He was first elected to the Provincial House of Assembly in 1886, as a supporter of the Liberal party, by a majority of 125 over Hon. Alexander Martin, M.P., one of the ablest and most popular men in public life. He was re-elected in 1890 over Mr. Martin by a majority of 36.

After the amalgamation of the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council he was elected as a Councillor in 1883 by a majority of 50, and re-elected in 1887 by a majority of 82. He became a member of the Government in April, 1893, and remained a member until a change took place in October last by the resignation of the premier, the Hon. F. Peters. Bro. Forbes then resigned his place in the Government to his colleague, the Hon. H. C. McDonald, who was appointed Attorney-General.

Besides carrying on a large mercantile establishment Bro. Forbes owns and successfully cultivates a large farm.

He was married in 1876 to Jessie Isabel Stewart, daughter of the late John Stewart, Esq., Hillsborough River, P.E.I., and sister of the late Bro. Daniel Stewart, Past High Chief Ranger of the High Court of P.E.I.

Bro. Forbes joined the Order in April, 1896, he and his only son, Wilfrid M., now in McGill College, being charter members of Court Balnagrove. He is a member of the Baptist Church. We wish for our brother and his estimable wife and also for their son many years of prosperity and happiness.

Lieut-Col. Parker and the Gallant Northwesterners.

The crowds that have witnessed their parades on Marion Square declare that they have never seen a finer looking body of men than the 3rd Wisconsin regiment, and the compliment is as richly deserved as ever one was. With few exceptions the men of the 3rd were members of the National Guard when the call for volunteers was issued, and it is to its credit to say that they left very few of the members of the old organization behind. These men are from away up in the lumber districts of Wisconsin, where the thermometer goes down to 30 degrees below zero, as a rule, and exposure to the hardships of that rigorous climate has hardened and developed them into the most splendid specimens of physical manhood that anyone could desire to see. As to their origin, they are much

more cosmopolitan than the people of South Carolina, there being many men of German, Swedish, French, Scotch and Irish extraction among them. The effect of this amalgamation seems to have been beneficial, however, if one can judge by looking at the powerful muscles and brawny chests of the stalwart Northwesterners.

When the 3rd Wisconsin was mustered into the National Guard in 1883 Col. Moore was the colonel and Lieut.-Col. Parker the lieutenant-colonel. The senior major also held the position that he holds now, and a number of the other officers held commissions. As a consequence, the principal officers of the regiment have been associated every year in annual regimental encampment for several weeks at a time, and for that reason the organization may be regarded as veteran.

There is nothing that the regiment prides itself more upon than its marksmanship, it having had a great deal of experience in rifle practice at the splendid range at the State reservation for the summer encampments of the National Guard. This is the finest range in the United States, having for a



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back-stop a ledge of rock a hundred feet high issuing up out of the level plain. The range is so extensive that a battalion can practice at a time, and as a result the troops are good shots as a rule.

Lieut.-Col. Parker said yesterday that there were enough marksmen in the regiment to organize a good company of sharpshooters. The experience gained in these annual encampments has been of the greatest value to the men in every way, and they are now in such shape that any one of the three battalions can go out and go through any manœuvres, as well as manœuvres in the extended battle formation, in which they are well schooled.

There is probably no man in the entire division who pays closer attention to the condition of his men than Col. Moore. His quarters are directly adjoining those of the men under him, and he spends all of his time there except when he is looking after things around the camp. It is noteworthy that in selecting headquarters he chose for himself and staff the most uncomfortable of the three sheds occupied by the regiment, it being the one in which there is no ventilation.

Lieut.-Col. Parker, who is the executive officer of the regiment, is the embodiment of a soldier.

He went into the "old war" a private and came out a senior lieutenant of artillery. When he got back home he was so tired of seeing uniforms that he took a rest for four years, but then the movement to organize military companies began and he caught the fever and became captain of one of the first organized in Wisconsin. A short time later a battalion was organized and he became major of it, and when a regiment was formed he became lieutenant-colonel. Since then he has stuck to the National Guard, his connection with that body dating back twenty-eight years. Counting his four years of life in the army, he has, therefore, been connected with military affairs for thirty-two years, during which he has learned five different sets of tactics. The first of these was "Scott's Heavy Infantry Tactics," then came Hardee's, then Casey, then Upton, and, last, but by no means least, "the United States army drill regulations," which revolutionize all the old soldiers' ideas and reduce the art of handling men in large bodies to an exact science. He is an enthusiast about the new "drill," and is proud of the progress that his regiment has made in learning it.

Lieut.-Col. Parker is Supreme Secretary of the Independent Order of Good Templars of the entire world, and is one of the busiest men in the world when at home, the duties of his position being a heavy burden upon his attention and that of a large corps of clerks and stenographers which he employs. Just now everything is going along as best it can in his office, but he felt called upon to go with the regiment, and was not the kind of man to refuse a call of duty.—From the Charleston, S.C., *News-Courier*.

High Court Meetings

High Court of Manitoba.

Fifth Annual Session—Unity and Progress the Watchwords in the Great West.

The fifth annual session of the High Court of Manitoba was held in Winnipeg on 13th and 14th July, 1898. There was a very large attendance of delegates, and notwithstanding the great heat much important business was disposed of. The session was opened in due form by H.C.R. Robert Muir, Esq. The High Court degree was conferred on 64 delegates, after which the H.C.R. appointed the following committees:

CREDENTIALS—W. J. Pettigrew, T. Waddell, H. A. Manville, B. J. Hickie, G. R. Campion.

DISTRIBUTION—James Huston, Gilber. McQueen, A. E. Shantz.

FINANCE—Jos. Greenfield, John Dillworth, Wm. Fulton, W. W. Unsworth, W. J. Ptolemy.

APPEALS AND PETITIONS—Frank O'Neil, D. C. Fleming, Hy. Casson, J. A. Stewart, R. C. Hamilton.

CONSTITUTIONS AND LAWS—G. H. West, W. D. Ruttan, E. D. Tweedy, Geo. Lawrence.

STATE OF ORDER—Jas. W. Robson, Jas. Duff, J. B. Barber, W. C. Robinson.

NEW BUSINESS—H. Irwin, R. C. Hall, J. Wsieve-son, W. H. Gardner.

PRESS COMMITTEE—Thos. Waddell, D. E. Adams.

The reports of High Chief Ranger, High Secretary, High Treasurer, High Auditors, and Organiz-

er P.H.C.R., Thos. Waddell, were taken as read, and referred to the several committees.

The meeting then adjourned to allow the committees to work on the various matters referred to them.

The Committee on Constitution and Laws reported as follows, and the recommendations were adopted by the High Court:

1. Change of Beneficiaries.—There is a good deal of trouble over this, and the representatives to the Supreme Court were instructed to try and have this rectified.

2. Reinstatement of Suspended Members.—That a member suspended for n. p. d. should be re-instated on paying all dues and assessments, if the same is paid within 30 days, and without being required to sign Form No. 7.

Representatives to the Supreme Court were instructed to press for the investment in Manitoba of a portion of the surplus, the province being regarded as a good and profitable field for investments.

Cap. Tax.—That as the Supreme Court has now ample funds for carrying on the business without the Cap. Tax, this High Court recommends that the amount thus paid to the Supreme Court should be paid to the High Court.

The following resolutions were also adopted:

That in the opinion of this High Court, no change should be made in the Constitution or Ritual except by the direct action of the Supreme Court in session.

That the charge of \$1.00 for Certificate Fee to every charter member, even though said member is rejected by the Medical Board, be cancelled, and only the Medical Examination Fee be charged.

That the Receipts and Expenditures of the Supreme Court be published monthly in the FORESTER, and said receipts and expenditures be itemized.

That the Registration Fee of \$1.00 for a brother taking Sick and Funeral Benefits be cancelled.

That High Court dues and Cap. Tax be made due and payable at same period as to the Supreme Court.

That Sec. 87, sub-sec. 3, page 76, be amended by adding the following after the word Court in the ninth line thereof: "Provided that no member who is a holder of a contract with the Supreme Court or with any of the Executive officers, or any member who is in receipt of a salary from the Supreme Court, shall be eligible as a Delegate to the Supreme Court."

That the management expenses of The Supreme Court be limited to a fixed amount annually, and that sub-section 2 of Section 26 be repealed.

That a sick brother need not notify The Supreme Court of his illness and that the Medical Board accept the verification of the Physician and Court as full authority for payment of said claim.

That in the opinion of this High Court there is good ground for complaint with the publishers of the FORESTER. The members in this province rarely get their paper for two or three weeks after it has been supplied to Ontario, thus putting us to a great disadvantage, especially where prizes are offered for competition by The Supreme Court, and this High Court would strongly urge our delegates to The Supreme Court to have this matter in some way rectified so that this jurisdiction may have a better chance with the more favored ones.

The recommendation of the High Chief Ranger regarding the admission of ladies into the Order

was, on the yeas and nays being taken, voted down.

The time of the next meeting of High Court was left to the High Standing Committee. Winnipeg was afterwards selected as the place.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing term resulted as follows: H.C.R., Thomas Scott; P.H.C.R., Robert Muir; H.V.C.R., John Dilworth; H.S., W. D. Pettigrew (by acclamation); H.T., I. I. Armstrong (by acclamation); High Physician, Dr. T. A. M. Hughes (re-elected); High Counsellor, G. H. West (re-elected); High Auditors, I. S. Miller, W. J. Ptolemy; High Chap., Rev. W. Robertson; High J.S., Bro. D. E. Adams; High S.W., Bro. Wm. Fenton; High J.W., Bro. W. J. Rattray; High S.B., Bro. W. A. McLeod; High J.B., Bro. M. T. Hoban; High Marshall, Bro. W. W. Unsworth; High Conductor, Bro. J. W. Johnson; High Messenger, Bro. H. J. Johnson.

The newly-elected officers were duly installed by P.C.R. Robert Muir, D.S.C.R., Thos. Waddell acting as Marshal.

Representatives to Supreme Court, G. H. West, Robt. Muir.

The fifth session of the High Court was then closed in due form. Happy to meet, sorry to part, and looking forward to a happy and prosperous year.

High Court of Missouri and Kansas.

Seventh Session.

Pursuant to call of the High Standing Committee the High Court of Missouri and Kansas met in special session in Foresters' Hall, Fourteenth and Grand Ave., Kansas City, Missouri, on Monday, July 18th, H.C.R. Bro. Dr. R. O. Cross in the chair. The following named officers answered the roll-call: H.C.R., Bro. Dr. R. O. Cross; P.H.C.R., Bro. Geo. H. Winslow; V.H.C.R., Bro. P. T. Vander Lippe; H. Secy., Bro. R. N. Kennedy; H. Treas., Bro. J. G. Meadows; H. Coun., Bro. W. H. Brown; H. Auditors, Bro. Geo. O. L. Dewey and Bro. Geo. R. Walls; H. Jour. Secy., Bro. Dr. N. A. G. Tesson; H. Marsh., Bro. J. H. Johnson; H.J.W., Bro. J. W. White; H.J.B., Bro. E. F. Ritchie.

The absent officers were: H. Phys., Bro. Dr. R. A. Roberts; H. Chap., Bro. C. B. Adams; H. Cond., Bro. W. F. Poessler; H.S.W., Bro. J. W. Moore; H.S.B., Bro. Geo. P. Hooper; H. Mess., Bro. A. P. Fitcher.

The High Chief Ranger appointed as Committee on Credentials: Bros. W. H. Brown, E. F. Ritchie and J. W. White.

The Committee reported the following courts in good standing and duly represented: West St. Louis, No. 1169; Eli, No. 1221; Wyandotte, No. 600; Macon, No. 1852; Saleville, No. 1653; Fraternal, No. 3399; Kansas City, No. 3533; Independent, No. 611; Central, No. 635; East Side, No. 874; Pocahontas, No. 1474; Coia Billiout, No. 935; Remember, No. 696; Rat Portage, No. 1680; Grundy, No. 3468; Moberly, No. 1781; Kaw Valley, No. 3222; Bee Creek, No. 1810.

The courts not represented were: Windsor, No. 1624; Jefferson City, No. 1757; Monarch, No. 3491; Utility, No. 1910; Horton, No. 645; Elate, No. 1788; Tipton, No. 1521; Boone, No. 1497; Booneville, No. 1571; Ranger No. 1774; Atchison, No. 1741.

After the new members had been given the High Court degree the High Chief Ranger appointed the following committees: Distribution—Bros. W. J. Barnes, W. A. Wells, Wm. E. Cotton.

Finance—Bros. Wm. James, J. N. Nicholson, F. X. Roterman, W. H. Brown and S. E. Graham.

Appeals—Bros. J. R. Barnes, W. S. Norman, H. C. Nicoli.

Constitutions and Laws—Bros. F. L. Hayden, M. O. Canfield, Ezra Bone.

State of the Order—Bros. Jno. Craig, Dr. Frey, Geo. A. Tolson.

New Business—Bros. Geo. E. Stuckey, H. W. Williams, M. H. Moore.

High Chief Ranger Bro. Dr. R. O. Cross then read his report, showing a net gain of 30 per cent. in membership in the past two years. He also reported very unsatisfactory results from efforts of H. S. Committee to build up small courts in country districts, and recommended that the Delegate to the Supreme Court meeting use his best endeavor to dissuade the Supreme Court from organizing new courts in this jurisdiction with less than twenty members; also that said Delegate endeavor to secure financial aid from the Supreme Court, as our membership is not sufficient to furnish the High Standing Committee the funds necessary to properly push on the work of our noble Order.

By unanimous vote the following report of the Committee on Constitutions and Laws was adopted and ordered referred at once to the Supreme Chief Ranger.

"Whereas the Insurance Department of the State of Missouri, fortified by an opinion from the Attorney-General of Missouri, has and still refuses to issue license to the Independent Order of Foresters, on account of Sec. 256, Sub-section 1; and, whereas, in the opinion of the High Court of Missouri and Kansas annexed, no richer field for fraternal work exists than Missouri; and, whereas, it is apparent that unless the objections of the State Superintendent of Insurance of Missouri be removed by litigation in the Supreme Court of Missouri, or in the repeal of said Section 256, Sub-section 1, by the Supreme Court of the Independent Order of Foresters, Forestry will of necessity languish and finally perish in Missouri; therefore,

"Be it resolved by the High Court of Missouri and Kansas annexed, in session assembled: That the interests of the Order justify us in earnestly urging that said Section 256, Sub-section 1, be repealed by the Supreme Court at its session of August, 1898, in order that active work may be immediately thereafter commenced and vigorously prosecuted in Missouri."

The High Court voted to allow delinquent courts six months in which to pay their indebtedness to the High Court, at the expiration of which period to report them to the Supreme Court for suspension.

Upon motion, the High Chief Ranger was instructed to officially visit each court in the jurisdiction at least once during the term of his office.

The time and place of next session of the High Court was ordered to be left to the High Standing Committee.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

H. C. R., Bro. W. H. Brown, Kansas City, Mo.; H. V. C. R., George E. Stuckey, St. Louis, Mo.; H. Sec., Dr. W. A. Armour, Kansas City, Mo.; H. Treas., J. R. Barnes, Kansas City, Kan.; H. Phy., Dr. N. A. G. Tesson, Kansas City, Mo.; H. Coun.: O. H. Sweavingen, Kansas City, Mo.; H. Auds.,

J. H. Johnson, St. Joseph, Mo., and F. L. Hayden, Kansas City, Mo.; H. Jour. Sec., W. J. Barnes; H. Chap., Rev. C. M. Bishop; Representative to the Supreme Court, George H. Winslow, of Court Pocahontas, No. 1474.

After the installation of officers the High Court closed in due form.

At a special session of the High Standing Committee the gold medal offered to the court making the greatest gain in new members between July 1, 1897, and July 1, 1898, was awarded to Court Pocahontas, No. 1474, on a net gain of 43 members. Court East Side, No. 874, came second with 40 net gain. The medal will be contested for by several courts next year. As this is the second year Court Pocahontas has won it, if it wins again the medal becomes its property permanently.

High Court of Wales.

A special session of the High Court of Wales was held at the Universal Restaurant, Barry Dock Road, Barry, on Monday, May 16th, 1898. The session was opened at 3 p.m.

The High Chief Ranger, Bro. J. A. Jenkins, presided, and there were also present the following High Court officers:—

H. V. C. R., J. T. Edwards; H. S., S. M. Wilkinson; H. T., F. Gravil; H. Coun., J. Sykes; H. Auds., W. T. Hyatt and H. J. Pillinger; H. Chap., T. Goldsworthy; H. J. S., Wm. Hunt; H. S. W., G. D. Lovelock; H. J. W., S. Davies; H. J. B., A. Harrison; H. S. B., H. Wood; H. Mar., W. Oxley; H. Cond., E. Thomas; H. Mess., S. G. Barber; P. H. C. R., T. Webber.

After the opening ceremony, the H. Sec. called the roll of officers, the only absentees being the H. Physician, Bro. R. Prichard, and the P. H. C. R., Bro. J. Munday.

The High Court Degree was duly conferred upon all the delegates present who were entitled to receive the same, by Bro. Jas. Marshall, S. D. S. C. R.

At this point in the proceedings, Bro. Marshall, S. D. S. C. R., and Bro. W. T. Williams, D. S. C. R., retired from the court room, and upon their re-entering with Bros. F. Gravil, H. T., and J. Sykes, H. C., as an escort, were received by the H. C. with the honors due to their exalted rank. They were then conducted to the post of honor. Bro. Marshall here apologized for the unavoidable absence of the S. C. R., who, in consequence of his heavy work of the last few days, and in view of that of the next week or two, had been strongly advised not to attempt the journey from London. The H. C. R. expressed regret at the absence of the S. C. R., and proposed that a telegram be sent him, the following message being drawn out and approved, viz:

"Oronhyatekha, M. D., S. C. R., London:

"High Court of Wales, in session assembled, tenders sincerest expression of regret that you are unable to be with us, and deplores the cause thereof. Accept best wishes of an increasing membership, and the best meeting ever held, for your complete recovery."

The H. C. R., Bro. J. A. Jenkins, then submitted his report.

On the proposition of Bro. Goldsworthy, seconded by Bro. Oxley, the report was adopted.

The High Secretary then made his report. On

the proposition of Bro. Jones (Colwyn Bay), seconded by Bro. Edwards, the report was adopted.

We are unable to give these reports in full. They were, however, of a very satisfactory character, and stated that the numbers in the jurisdiction had increased by about 25 per cent.; that new courts had been established at Pontypridd, Aberdare and Colwyn Bay, and one was about to be instituted at Morriston.

Bro. Williams, the D.S.C.R., is putting in some excellent work in the principality, upon which the High Secretary complimented him.

Bro. Milner (Barry) enquired whether as these were special sessions another H.C. session would be held later on in the year. The H. Sec. stated that the annual session would take place, as usual, later on in the year.

On the proposition of Bro. Goldsworthy, seconded by Bro. Gravid, the H.C. accorded to Bros. Marshall and Williams a hearty vote of thanks for their attendance that day. A vote of thanks was unanimously accorded to the brethren of Court Barry for their entertainment.

Bro. Hyatt proposed and Bro. Hunt seconded, "That this High Court in session assembled desires to express its respectful sympathy with the relatives and brethren of the deceased member of Court St. Tydfil." This was passed in silence, those present standing.

On the proposition of Bro. Webber the minutes of the sessions were referred to the H.S.C. The court was closed by the H.C.R. at 6 p.m.

The members then adjourned to Barry Hotel, where dinner awaited them. Grace before and after was said by the H. Chap. Dinner over, the following brief list of toasts was gone through: "The Queen and Royal Family;" "The Supreme Court;" "Barry Court;" "The Chairman."

At 7.30 the company adjourned to the Universal Restaurant, Barry Dock Road, Barry, when a public meeting was held, Bro. J. A. Jenkins, H.C.R., presiding. Bro. J. Marshall gave a stirring address, dealing with the principles and advantages of the Order. On the motion of Bro. S. M. Wilkinson, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Bro. Marshall for his address, and the meeting terminated.

High Court of New Brunswick.

15th Annual Session. A Magnificent Gathering of Representatives.

ADDRESS BY THE SUPREME CHIEF RANGER.

On Wednesday, 13th July, the fifteenth annual meeting of the High Court of Independent Foresters, of New Brunswick, opened in the Mechanics Institute Hall, St. John city, His Hon. Judge Wedderburn, H.C.R., presiding. The other officers present were: Wm. Kinghorn, P.H.C.R., Inspector and Organizer; W. J. S. Myles, H.V.C.R.; F. W. Emerson, H. Sec.; E. P. Eastman, H. Treas.; B. M. Mullin, M.D., H. Phy.; E. R. Chapman, H.C.; J. V. Russell and Thos. Murray, H. Auditors; A. W. Ebbett, H. Mess.; S. L. T. McKnight, H. Coun.; A. Hastings, H. Mar.; H. Nadeau, H.S.W.; W. G. Frazer, H.J.W.; W. M. Weldon, H.S.B.; R. W. Mitchell, H.J.B.; John Farley; H.J.S. The Rev. Silas James was appointed chaplain, *pro tem*. Dr. G. A. Hetherington, P.H.C.R., and E. J. Todd, Brigadier-General of the Royal Foresters, occupied seats on the platform.

Representatives were present from almost every part of the province, over which are scattered nearly six thousand worthy, energetic and hopeful members of the Order and we are glad to be able to say, never were the prospects for a rapid and healthful increase in membership and influence brighter or more encouraging than at the present time.

Following is a list of the representatives present: B. Frank Smith, T. W. Gilchrist, Jas. L. Hutchison, D. W. Stohart, Harry Lawrence, Alphonse Laliberte, Dr. H. R. Carter, W. W. Wells, M.P.P., William Simpson, W. S. Belyea, D. M. Hamm, Geo. E. Day, John Betts, A. Sherwood, Dr. Marven, J. A. Lindsay, J. E. Bishop, Miles G. Jenkins, T. H. Colter, D. B. Hatfield, Ora P. King, Major H. Montgomery Campbell, L. T. Crawford, A. D. McCain, Thos. Morrison, E. H. Hoyt, Jas. A. Stewart, H. A. Stokoe, H. R. McMonagle, P. C. Johnson, J. R. Price, Geo. G. Scovil, M.P.P., L. R. Hetherington, B. A. Trites, R. Currie, Elwood Burt, Rev. Silas James, M. H. Goodspeed, Geo. Green, A. C. Gibson, J. R. McKenzie, A. E. Wry, Wm. G. Humble, A. A. Steeves, Otto Hildebrand, J. E. Peacock, S. A. Morrell, Chas. J. Morrison, W. E. Skillen, J. P. Mosher, Jer. Stout, H. A. Ryan, C. M. McLean, James Currie, E. H. Estey, H. C. Creed, Dr. Bridges, Geo. Scott, W. F. Sears, J. W. Duke, R. A. Borden, A. E. Pearson, Jas. Stewart, H. Squires, Wm. Post, J. S. Flemming, Rev. P. G. Snow, A. A. Tredwell, Chas. A. Sloat, O. A. Wetmore, Alex. B. White, W. R. Simpson, J. N. Steeves, H. McCully, Geo. A. Coates, Douglas Baird, W. W. Doherty, M.D., W. H. Allingham, Hector Nadeau, B. Wilmot Chase, Chas. Siddall, A. H. Worden, A. Brown, R. Foster, W. B. Dayton, C. H. Cook, H. Black, J. W. Doull, H. E. Fawcett, R. H. Crother, John A. W. McNaughton, J. E. McCallum, W. F. Woods, Thos. E. Colpitts, Wm. J. Southern, B. H. Smith, Reverdy Steeves, W. M. McLean, W. B. Hammond, A. A. Wilson, H. F. Sharp, M. E. Grass, James Seaton, John A. Sinclair, D. H. Melvin, A. Markham, J. R. Armstrong, D. G. Lingley, J. A. Brooks, F. B. Hayward, John I. Robinson.

After the various standing committees had been appointed the H.C.R. delivered his address, from which we take the following paragraphs, clothed with that fervid eloquence of which Bro. Judge Wedderburn is grand master.

I am glad to be able to say that harmony has prevailed throughout the jurisdiction of the High Court, as well as everywhere within the general circle of the Order at large. I have not been called upon to interfere officially to decide any questions of constitutional practice, or touching any disputes or disquietude in Subordinate Courts. At the same time, this obviously happy state of our internal affairs has not arisen or resulted from stagnation; for, on the contrary, we have enjoyed peace with active progress and prosperity.

Keeping within sound of the bugle notes all along the line of the I.O.F.—observing with keen appreciation and fraternal solicitude the wonderful progression and expansion of the various divisions in the immense operations of the entire Order—our own moral and material advance has been uniform and unwavering, as we have kept time to the drum beat of the advancing hosts in the great army of the general jurisdiction; so that to-day if we make a fair and legitimate comparison of territory, population and surrounding possibilities, we may

rightly claim a high place in the front ranks—in the very vanguard of the march.

Let us, therefore, my brethren, devoutly acknowledge our deep indebtedness to Almighty God, who has not only permitted peace and prosperity to attend the footsteps of our Order everywhere, but has also overshadowed us with His gracious guidance and protection, and has preserved us in health and happiness to meet again in High Court. Let us not be unmindful at the same time of the fact that during the year many of our brethren have been summoned by the inevitable messenger. I am sorry I am not able to make their record here—but in the sweet and catholic spirit of our Christian and fraternal institution, we will all hope that, while their surviving families have felt some of the blessings which flow from our Order, their own names have been found in the Lamb's Book of Life. Let us remember also that they have only a little while preceded us; and as we trust they do now, so shall we pray that we too like them at last may enjoy the rest that remaineth for the people of God. In the meantime let us be admonished, and whatsoever our hands find to do, not alone within the circle of our fraternity but among the activities of honorable manhood and Christian citizenship, do with our might, for the night cometh wherein no man can work. So shall we live that when the shadows of eventide lengthen towards the gathering gloom of descending night, "sustained and soothed by an unflinching trust" in the merits and mercy of our Elder Brother, we may pass with joy beyond the stars into the ineffable radiance of the unbroken circle of Concord in the courts of our Father, to go no more out forever. "And there shall be no night there."

I now leave you to your deliberations. Let Liberty of thought and speech characterize your labors; let Benevolence in its full and benign influences animate and direct you; and let Concord, the very bond of peace and the best and surest cement and support of every estimable society, soften and chasten both thought and language even in your most independent criticism and differences of opinion, if and when they arise. Above all I commend you, and our Order everywhere, to the Divine benediction.

The reading of the address was followed by prolonged applause, and during the delivery of the third paragraph as above the whole court remained standing.

HIGH SECRETARY'S REPORT.

High Secretary Emmerson's report showed that he had received during the year ending June 30th, 1898, for supplies, High Court dues and charter fees the sum of \$4,882.64. There was due the High Court from Subordinate Courts on that date \$3,390.84. The following are extracts from the report:

"Since we met at Campbellton last year Bro. Kinghorn has instituted six new courts, viz.: Court Bayside at Woodpoint, Westmorland county; Court Rocky Glen at Armstrong's Corner, Queens county; Court Glen Avis at Middle Southampton, York county; Court Fish River Rapid at Clair, Madawaska county; Court Maugerville at Maugerville, Sunbury county; and Court Cross Creek at Cross Creek, York county.

"Bro. LeBaron Coleman has organized one court,

viz., Court Midgie, at Midgie, and the High Secretary has organized four courts, viz., Court Alnwick at Church Point, Court Fairhaven at Loggieville, Court Verndale at Black River Bridge, and Court South Esk at Red Bank, all in Northumberland Co. We have now 152 Subordinate Courts in New Brunswick, with about 5,700 members—an increase of 10 courts and 600 in membership in the entire province since we met at Campbellton last July. The increase in membership has been chiefly in weak and existing courts and not in the organization of new courts.

"While we have been growing both in membership and in the number of our courts, the angel of death has not been idle. Many of our courts have been called to mourn for beloved brothers, among whom were two who at several times have been active representatives at our High Court. I refer to Bro. Thomas Miller, of Court Loyalist, and Bro. Wm. McConnell, of Court Hillsboro. Both of these brothers were active Foresters and great workers for the Order they loved so well. Bro. Miller was with us last year. All the endowment claims of our deceased brothers were promptly paid by the Supreme Court. Several of our brothers have received the Total and Permanent Disability Benefit in the province."

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Inspector Kinghorn reported that he had during the year instituted six new courts, held 93 public and 13 private meetings, taken 193 applications for membership, and visited 19 courts and held meetings. He had visited all but sixteen of all the courts in the province and had done all in his power to advance the interests of the Order. He reported that on the whole he found the courts in a good working condition. The courts organized were on a good, solid basis. He could have organized three others, but refused to do so until they could be firmly established.

HIGH TREASURER'S REPORT.

The report of High Treasurer Eastman showed the receipts of the year to be \$4,882.64, which with the balance on hand from former year made in all \$6,302.72. The disbursements up to 30th June were \$5,633.75, leaving a balance on hand 1st July \$668.97.

After some other routine work had been completed the High Court adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The reports of certain of the standing committees were presented and discussed. The arrival of the Supreme Chief Ranger was announced and the court proceeded to receive and welcome him in right royal Forestic style. He was introduced by Bro. Creed, P.H.C.R., and greeted with immense applause. After words of welcome by the High Chief Ranger he was invited to take the chair and address the members.

Dr. Oronhyatekha said he was glad to meet with them, and trusted that their deliberations would be for the good of the Order. He brought greetings from the West and the assurance that the Order never stood stronger than it does to-day. He had heard most gratifying reports from New Brunswick. Last month the Order added the largest sum to the surplus ever added in any one month in its history—over \$70.00. The surplus is now \$21 per capita, and it looked as if they were on the threshold of a reduction in the cost of their

insurances. The Chief discussed some proposed changes in the Constitution of the I.O.F. He then instructed the new delegates in the unwritten work of the Order, and added some general observations in a quaintly humorous vein that provoked laughter and applause.

AN EXCURSION TRIP.

It was then announced that the street railway excursion which had been arranged by the brethren was ready to start. The High Court adjourned to meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday. Three open cars were filled with delegates, and the merry party set out from the head of King St. and made a complete circuit of the street car line, occupying an hour on the trip. It was a most enjoyable outing and was appreciated by every one on board.

MAGNIFICENT PUBLIC MEETING.

ADDRESSES BY THE SUPREME CHIEF RANGER,
PREMIER EMERSON, MAYOR SEARS
AND OTHERS.

In the evening a public meeting was held in the large hall of the Mechanics' Institute building. His Honor Judge Wedderburn, H.C.R., presided, and Harrison's orchestra furnished excellent music for the occasion. A number of prominent men of the city occupied seats on the platform, among whom were H. C. Creed, Ald. Macrae, W. J. S. Myles, E. R. Chapman, E. J. Todd, Dr. Mullin, E. P. Eastman, C. W. Stewart and J. Brooks. The Supreme Chief Ranger was first introduced and was cordially received. Judge Wedderburn in presenting Dr. Oronhyatekha spoke a few words, complimentary of the wisdom, tact and great ability of the Supreme Chief Ranger in bringing the Order to the happy and foremost position which it now occupies among the fraternal organizations of the world. His Honor declined to speak at any length as there were at least three distinguished lights of the Order to address the meeting.

Dr. Oronhyatekha returned the compliment by gracefully alluding to Judge Wedderburn as the silver-tongued orator of the Order. For himself, he was no stranger to a New Brunswick audience. One characteristic of New Brunswickers he had found, which he had proclaimed, even in foreign climes, was their unbounded hospitality and good nature, so that he was always sure of a hearty welcome and generous consideration from a New Brunswick audience. (Applause.)

The I.O.F., he said, is one of the younger fraternal benefit organizations, but it has succeeded in gaining a position in Canada, the United States and Great Britain of which the members might well be proud.

THE I.O.F. BENEFITS.

Speaking of its benefits, he said it takes care of its members when ill, or while suffering from accident; takes care of themselves when they are old, and takes care of their families when they are gone. There is a sick benefit of \$3 per week for two weeks, then for ten weeks there is \$5 per week; then for twelve weeks more \$3 per week, making a total of 24 weeks in any one illness; but that did not necessarily mean only 24 weeks of benefits in any one year. There is also a funeral benefit of \$50. There are also insurance benefits, such as are given by insurance companies all over the land. The I.O.F. insurance is as good as the best of them.

STRONGER FINANCIALLY THAN EVER BEFORE.

The Order completed its 24th year on the 17th of June last, and to-day stands stronger financially than ever before. It has never yet failed to fulfil its obligations to the letter. The Order had its time of small beginning, when nobody paid much attention to it; then a period when it was roundly abused by friends of the old line companies, and its downfall predicted which were but the outward signs of its prosperity and success.

THE I.O.F. WILL LAST TILL THE MILLENNIUM.

It has been said over and over again that the Order would be bankrupt before it was fifteen years old, but when that time elapsed it was more vigorous than ever. Then it was declared the Order could not last twenty years. But it had lasted twenty-four years. (Applause.) He had no doubt that those gentlemen would be predicting on the morning of the millennium that the Order would surely come to an end that day. And that, said the Chief, is when it might come to an end, not before. (Laughter.) Speaking of the good work done by the Supreme Physician and the Court Physicians, he said: The mortality last year was a little over five and a half in a thousand. As the average mortality in the country is fifteen or sixteen in the thousand, the moment you become a Forester you will only die one-third as often as your neighbors. (Renewed laughter.) The medical examination of the I.O.F., he contended, was superior to that of any insurance company in the land, because of the fact that there is first a medical selection which is at least the equal of that of any insurance company, and then the candidate must pass the scrutiny of members of the court, who know him, as to his habits and moral character a most valuable safeguard which is not possessed by any old line company. The members are thus selected men in the truest sense.

THE I.O.F. SPECIAL BENEFITS.

Speaking of the special benefits given by the Order, the Chief said: At the age of seventy the Forester ceases to pay, and yet his policy continues to live. As soon as a member is totally and permanently disabled he pays no more dues or assessments of any kind, and at the end of six months thereafter he is placed permanently on the free list and receives one-half of the face value of his policy.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

He said the Executive had determined to recommend to the Supreme Court of the Order to practically restore the annuity benefit in a modified form by applying it only to persons totally and permanently disabled at age 70 years. The Executive also proposes to create an "old age pension" benefit. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, the brilliant Colonial Secretary of Britain, has been trying to get the fraternal benefit societies and insurance companies to take this up in Great Britain. The I.O.F. proposes to solve the problem for the hon. gentleman by providing that every Forester of seventy years of age can get a pension if he be then unable to earn a living. (Applause.) They would also create a fund to provide \$100 to pay for funeral expenses so that brethren would be assured of a decent burial when they died. (Renewed applause.)

THE RATES TO BE INCREASED.

The press had said that it was proposed to increase the premium rates of the I.O.F. He had

no doubt there would be a re-adjustment of the rates to enable the Order to meet, as in the past, all its obligations. He could not say exactly what the Supreme Court would do in the matter, but he had no doubt they would legislate to make the I.O.F. an Order still more to be coveted in membership. The Order was extending in the United Kingdom very successfully and had grown more rapidly in the first five years there than in the first five years in Canada. He never found more confidence or enthusiasm, or a higher class of men in the Order in Canada than he found during his recent visit to the Old Country. It was also extending in Norway, where it had been recently planted, and he expected a High Court would be organized there before the meeting of the Supreme Court. There are now eight courts in Norway and Sweden, Denmark, Belgium and France would follow, and the Order is destined to become the greatest international organization in the world. (Applause.)

THE WORK DONE.

The I.O.F. paid more in benefits last year than any other insurance organization in Canada. There were about 4,600 applications for membership in June, of which about 4,000 were accepted and policies issued to them. This was more than any old line insurance company, except one, had issued in the whole year past. The Order paid about \$992,000 in benefits during 1897, or over \$3,200 per day for every day, except Sundays and holidays, throughout the year.

THE LADIES—GOD BLESS THEM !

At the approaching meeting of the Supreme Court he trusted the ladies would be given a part in the great work of the Order. (Applause.) He trusted all the representatives from New Brunswick would go there to vote to throw the doors open to their wives, daughters and sweethearts. (Applause.) When that is done the Order will advance by leaps and bounds as it had never done before. The Supreme Chief paid an eloquent tribute to the ladies. His very interesting address was brightened by flashes of humor that were keenly appreciated.

Thomas Murray, of Sackville, High Auditor, was next introduced, and his singing of "Bonnie Mary of Argyle" so delighted the audience that he had to respond with "The Woo'ing o' It."

Mayor Sears was next called on. He paid a tribute to the Order of Foresters, and expressed his pleasure at being present to speak to them as the chief magistrate of St. John. His Worship delivered a thoughtful and very interesting address. What shall we do to be saved? is the question of the hour, not only in the spiritual, but in the material and social order. The work of the I.O.F., as he understood it, was in the direction of the solution of the problem. The principle of insurance, the benefit to the individual, to the family, and other benefits were touched upon. The Order was one of the strongest of the fraternal organizations, and he hoped that it would continue to grow and prosper.

Rev. W. B. Hinson, who was greeted with hearty applause, began in a humorous vein, and by his allusions to politicians and some other people convulsed the house. The popular Moncton clergyman was in a happy mood, and his address was heard with intense pleasure. Taking Forestry as his text, he observed that he would say three words about it. First, it stands for protection—the pro-

tection of the individual now as well as when he is 70 years old. It also relieves him from anxious care and distress of mind, in the consciousness it gives him that he has made provision for his family. Second, it is correction as well as protection—correction of the evil of selfishness, which underlies all our iniquities. The third word he had to say of Forestry was unification. The Order had a unifying influence upon the sons of men. He dwelt eloquently upon this point. In conclusion, Mr. Hinson, alluding to the work of the I.O.F. among the English-speaking people, referred amid applause to Anglo-Saxon unity. Anything, he said, that draws the British and American people closer together has the heartiest sympathy of every member of the Independent Order of Foresters. (Loud applause.) His word-picture of the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes joined in the protection of a prisoner sentenced to death in a foreign land stirred the enthusiasm of his auditors to a high pitch.

Premier Emmerson was the last speaker and was given a cordial reception. He had listened with great pleasure to the address of the Supreme Chief Ranger. He had himself been connected with the Order since its inception in this province. The Order needs no defence in New Brunswick. Its worth is too well known. He was, he remarked, in the insurance business himself. He wanted to ensure the people of the province good government. (Laughter and applause.) He wished to say amen to all that had been said in praise of the Order of Foresters.

THURSDAY'S SESSION.

The High Court resumed on Thursday at 10 a.m., the Supreme Chief Ranger in the chair. The report of the Committee on the State of the Order, presented by Bro. Chapman, brought out a lengthy and profitable discussion. The report showed an increase of 600 members during the year and eleven additional courts, which means that the old courts were materially strengthened rather than a number of new ones formed. We believe this to be a step in the right direction. During the discussion several questions of importance to members were answered by the Supreme Chief Ranger.

A second report of the Finance Committee brought out considerable discussion on the question of organizing courts and the remuneration to be paid organizers. The report also recommended that the following sums be paid: H.C.R., \$100; H. Sec., \$400; H. Treas., \$35; H. Journal Sec., \$20; H. Auditors, \$50; Press reporters, \$40; for the hall, \$50; and further, if the funds of the H. C. will permit, F. W. Emmerson, \$350.16 and Le Baron Coleman, \$198.74, amounts due them for organizing. It was further ordered that 600 copies of the minutes of proceedings of the session be printed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The first business of the afternoon session was the election of officers.

Judge Wedderburn in an eloquent speech nominated A. W. Macrae, to whose labors in the interest of Forestry he made a graceful allusion, for the office of High Chief Ranger. There was no other nomination, and amid great applause the Supreme Chief declared Mr. Macrae elected.

A. C. Gibson, of Centreville, Carleton county, was unanimously elected High Vice-Chief Ranger.

Dr. W. W. Doherty, of Campbellton, was elected High Physician.

Ora P. King, of Sussex, was elected High Counsellor.

Thomas Murray, of Sackville, and J. V. Russell, of St. John city, were re-elected High Auditors.

Out of a field of fourteen candidates the following five were elected delegates to the Supreme Court meeting in Toronto: W. W. Wells, M.P.P., J. S. Fleming, G. G. Scovil, M.P.P., Dr. B. M. Mullin, P. H. Phy., and William Kinghorn, P. H. C. R.

The following appointed officers were named by High Chief Ranger-elect Macrae: Rev. P. G. Snow, High Chaplain; George J. Clarke, H.S.W.; R. A. Borden, H.J.W.; Douglas Baird, H.S.B.; A. E. Pearson, H.J.B.; D. H. Melvin, High Marshal; J. A. Brooks, High Conductor; Albert Boone, High Messenger; John Farley, H.J.S.

For the work of installation the Supreme Chief appointed Hon. H. R. Emmerson, Supreme Marshal; William Kinghorn, Supreme Conductor; and Lt.-Col. Markham, Supreme Secretary. The elected and appointed officers were duly installed by the Supreme Chief and the acting Supreme Officers named.

After the installation Bro. Myles arose and proposed that a committee be appointed to prepare a suitable testimonial to Judge Wedderburn, P. H. C. R. for the excellent work in connection with the Order that he had done during the past year, and for the great ability, courtesy and kindness that had characterized his administration of the high office which the brethren had been delighted to see him occupy during the term. The motion was cordially seconded by Bro. the Rev. J. G. A. Belyea, and unanimously adopted. The S.C.R. then appointed a committee in terms of the resolution as follows: Bros. the High Chief Ranger, the High Secretary, the H. Treasurer, Lt.-Col. Markham and W. S. J. Myles.

In accordance with a resolution of the High Court of last year, Bro. W. Kinghorn, with the approval of the Supreme Chief Ranger, was then decorated by Dr. Oronhyatekha with the jewel and ribbon of the Grand Cross of Merit and pronounced a Chevalier of the Order. The Supreme Chief paid a fine tribute to Bro. Kinghorn, and congratulated the High Court upon having honored a member so worthy of the distinction. Bro. Kinghorn made a short but fitting reply.

FAREWELL CHEERS FOR THE SUPREME CHIEF RANGER.

At the conclusion of these ceremonies the Supreme Chief Ranger announced that he would have to take leave of the court to catch the train for the west on his return home. He was delighted with all that had transpired at the meeting, and trusted that the harmony that characterized the proceedings would ever be manifested at all future meetings, of not only the High Court of New Brunswick but of the entire Order. He anticipated a growth so rapid in the province that in a few years even the most sanguine would be astonished at its expansion. In conclusion, he thanked the High Court for the kindness and courtesy shown him, and bade the members good-bye. Three rousing cheers were then given for the Supreme Chief Ranger, and amid a storm of enthusiasm he retired from the hall.

APPOINTMENT OF AN INSPECTOR.

Bro. H. Atkinson submitted the report of the committee on the appointment of an inspector, as follows:

(1) That the High Standing Committee appoint an Inspector for the ensuing year, whose duties

shall be the same as those of the Inspector of last year.

(2) That he be paid a fixed salary, not to exceed \$800, and also actual travelling expenses, postage and telegrams.

(3) That he do all the duties appertaining to the organization of new courts and the strengthening of existing weak courts.

(4) That he be instructed to urge on the officers of Subordinate Courts the importance of paying up all past duo charter fees to this High Court.

The report was adopted.

Votes of thanks were then passed to the brethren of St. John city for courtesies extended; to the transportation companies for liberal terms granted; and to the press of the province for the many acts of kindness shown toward the Order and the excellent services rendered on so many occasions.

It was agreed to increase the mileage allowance to delegates to four cents per mile for one delegate from each court. The High Chief Ranger gave notice that the High Court dues of all courts must in future be paid, or representatives of delinquent courts cannot be recognized at the High Court sessions.

Sussex was fixed upon by ballot vote as the next place of meeting, the date to be named by the High Standing Committee.

Before closing the High Court, High Chief Ranger Macrae expressed thanks for the honor done him in electing him to that office, and promised to do all he could to aid the Subordinate Courts. He dwelt on the importance of earnest individual work, and urged that each member go home determined to labor for the strengthening and extension of the Order.

The most harmonious and successful meeting of the High Court of New Brunswick was then duly closed.

Among the Courts.

CENTRAL ONTARIO.

Court Huntsville, No. 646, I.O.F.—At a special meeting held in June 43 applications were received and during the month 38 were initiated, as a result of a six days' visit from Bro. Robt. Tuck, D.H.C.R.

The officers and members, both new and old, of No. 646, are proud of the great work done by the brother while in their midst, and wish he may again be sent to them on the same mission, when he will receive a right royal welcome.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The Foresters of Halifax made a very fine appearance on their annual turnout on Sunday, the 19th of June. There were about 500 in the procession.

The Royals were the admiration of all. Col. A. W. Purcell was in command in the absence of the Ill. Commander.

The Sir Knights and officers gladly welcome out again their commander, Maj.-Gen. W. A. Purcell, who has been confined to the house for nineteen weeks.

The Sir Knights and officers of Aberdeen Encampment are hard at work drilling for the Toronto Fair.

MANITOBA.

Court Isaford, No. 1048, is to be congratulated on the work done during the past two months. They are making a strong effort to capture one of the prizes offered by the Supreme Court. They are determined by the next High Court meeting to have the strongest court in this jurisdiction. 36 applications for May and June.

Court Sweet Home, at Beausejour, was instituted by Thomas Waddell, P. H. C. R., with a membership of 23. This court starts with a good set of officers, therefore success is assured.

Courts Manitou, Hudson, Keewatin and Marquette had better take note of the statement made by Court Isaford. Let it be "Forward, March!" all along the Manitoba line.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The most creditable turnout the I.O.F. of St. John has ever made was the postponed anniversary parade to service in Calvin church. The procession was not as long as the members of the Order here might have made it, but it was long enough to extend from the head to the foot of King Street. The marching of the men was a decided improvement on any former parade by the Society here. The Artillery band led the procession. Behind them marched a detachment of Royal Foresters in uniform, then members wearing sashes, followed by members with badges. The Kingsville band came next, and behind them members of the Order who had not provided themselves with badges. Two High Court officers, E. R. Chapman and W. J. S. Myles, brought up the rear. Le Baron Coleman, Ald. A. W. Macrae and E. J. Todd, prominent members of the Order, marched with the Royal Foresters. The marshals were Capt. A. Hastings, Sergt. Kilpatrick and A. Clark, of Fairville.

QUEBEC.

Court West Shefford, No. 1335.—Thursday, June 16th, was a red-letter day for our court, it being our regular annual picnic. Invitations had been issued to the different courts in the surrounding locality, and representatives were present from several different courts, our ever-welcome friend, the High Chief Ranger, having arrived the previous evening. At 10 o'clock the members and brethren from sister courts, headed by the band, paraded the different streets of the town in regalia and proceeded to the picnic grounds, owned by Bro. Richard E. Bell, who has so kindly from year to year given us the use of them. After luncheon we had an address from Bro. Hamly, M.P., and a stirring address on the principles and benefits of the I.O.F. by the H. C. R. Letters of regret were read from the Supreme Chief and H. Sec. Games and other amusements made up the programme, and a thoroughly enjoyable day was spent. Several applications for membership were taken on the grounds. Court Primrose leads the van for perseverance.

Again Quebec heads the list, and the brethren from across the line quietly and like good soldiers swallow the medicine. 451 applications is not so bad for the habitant; of course we must not forget there are some Indians in it, for we learn that Chief Jokes has been hard on the warpath during

the campaign just finished. Perseverance is bound to succeed, and Quebec has that from the Chief down; having made up our mind, we mean to continue as we have done in the past. We have overcome all obstacles, and we have had many; now we mean to have straight sailing, and as long as we can, keep the lead. Great credit is due to our Executive management.

Court Terrebonne at its last regular meeting had an official visit from the High Chief Ranger, accompanied by Bro. Barsloeau, G. D. This is one of the progressive courts which we never hear much about. It was pleasing to note the harmonious manner with which they conduct their business. They were highly delighted with interesting instructions received from the visiting officers, and a social and profitable evening for the benefit of the I.O.F. was spent, which left the members fully persuaded that they would endeavor to push forward the interests of the Order in their locality.

CALIFORNIA.

The San Diego *Union* of 28th June, referring to a visit of Bro. McElfresh, H. C. R., of the Golden State, to that town says:—"G. A. McElfresh of Los Angeles, High Chief Ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters for California, was a guest of the local lodge last night, and made an address of over an hour's duration which is said to have been one of the most eloquent ever heard in this city. While it contained much relating solely to Forestry, he devoted considerable time to the subject of patriotism, and his words aroused the greatest enthusiasm. At the conclusion he was invited to make a public address in this city at some future date, and promised to do so in August."

In a recent communication Bro. McElfresh says: "I am pleased to be able to say that the close of the Forestry year shows the Order in California to be in a very satisfactory condition, and notwithstanding the war and the failure of the crops in many sections we have had a marvellous growth, unequalled by any Order in the State; and best of all, unity, harmony, and brotherly kindness among the brethren everywhere."

At the last meeting of Court Rivera, I.O.F., No. 551, a resolution of sympathy with the relatives of deceased Bro. F. W. Ford was passed.

Court Pasadena, No. 3927, held an open meeting on July 8th at K. of P. hall, which was very largely attended by Foresters and their friends. A tempting banquet was served, with covers for 150. The tables and court-room were one mass of flowers, and it was conceded by all that the hall and banquet room never looked so beautiful before. Messrs. Chubb and Sroat had charge of this, and were highly complimented. H. Foderingham, the Past Chief Ranger of this court, was chairman of the evening. Among the distinguished visitors were High Secretary W. H. Perry and W. R. Uber, Deputy Supreme Chief Ranger, the latter being the Organizer of this court. Brother Perry made one of the finest illustrative addresses that has ever been made in California. Every Forester present retired from the entertainment congratulating himself that he was a Forester, and those outside the Order were eager to become members. Several applications were taken by the members.

The delegates to the Supreme Court at Toronto

will depart about the 15th inst. They are: High Chief Ranger G. A. McElfresh, Dr. C. B. Dickson, Los Angeles; S. J. Duckworth, Monterey; W. B. Lardner, Auburn; B. I. Solomon, San Francisco; Dr. J. W. Thayer, Gilroy; L. H. West, Gardena. It is probable that the delegates will bear with them letters from the Chamber of Commerce, City Council and Board of Trade of this city, asking the Supreme Court to hold its next session in Los Angeles.

A new court called Ramona was instituted at Oakland, June 17th, by H. W. Taylor, D.S.C.R., and another at Redwood City, called Court Laurel, about July 1.

Court Los Angeles, No. 422, has elected the following delegates to the next session of the High Court: R. E. Wirsching, F. W. Wismer, O. H. Nunnaley, William E. Reavis, C. B. Freeman, W. R. Über, W. J. Oliver, G. Samish, Ed. Lloyd, A. Wallace, C. A. Rhelow, A. R. Hockett, C. M. Young, and W. Conklin. This court initiated 10 new candidates and received 15 applications last meeting.

The I.O.F. had the largest body of men of any organization in the parade in Los Angeles on the 4th of July; but there would have been a much larger body had all the members of the Order in the city and State turned out.

ILLINOIS.

The several courts of this jurisdiction have been doing excellent work during the spring, and so far during the summer months. The fact that Illinois headed the list for March and May gave the members courage, despite the intensely hot weather. The coming of cooler weather will be but the signal for still greater efforts.

Three large smokers were held during the past month, one on the north, one on the west, and one on the south side, Chicago. The High Court officers were present and excellent musical programmes were carried out, interspersed with talks on Forestry by the members of the High Court. The one held on the north side should have especial mention, as the members of Court Magnolia, in whose hall it was held, took every pains to make it a glowing success. Considering the intense heat, the turnout to each was very good.

A number of new courts have been instituted this year in this jurisdiction notwithstanding the fact that it was not the purpose of this High Court to give much attention to instituting new courts, but rather to the building-up and strengthening the older and weaker ones already in existence.

Among the new courts may be mentioned Courts Damon, Maine, Montgomery and Hyde Park, in the city of Chicago, and Court Gibbons, of Peoria, instituted a few weeks ago, and a new court lately instituted in Pekin.

The above courts are all healthy and strong, growing nicely, having been started out properly. The work of building up the weaker courts has been pushed without intermission during the year so far, and it is proposed to keep it up the whole year.

Court Oakley is working hard to increase its membership.

Chicago is an immense city in any way, and from any and every standpoint. Foresters have this in

mind and are determined to have the largest membership of any city in the world in the very near future.

Court Universal, of Kensington, deserves especial mention as a hustler, since it has grown from twenty-three members to seventy-five in a few weeks.

New York, Michigan and Quebec must keep their eyes open if they lead Illinois any longer.

MAINE.

Court Mars, No. 843, of Mars Hill, had a grand picnic on the 20th of June. It was a grand success financially and otherwise. The court was very much pleased with the speaker furnished by the High Court, Bro. Durgin, of Milo, who gave us a great many new views of Forestry. His address was a benefit generally to the Order.

On July fourth the Foresters in this vicinity did themselves proud.

The towns of Montague and Howland joined drives for a big celebration, which was entered into quite largely by the brothers in both towns.

After the usual noise in the morning a procession was formed which paraded the two towns. It was led by the Montague band, followed by the H.S.W. of our High Court, R. L. Lancaster, as Marshal, and about forty members of Court Piscataquis arrayed in their bran new sashes, and about the same number from our own court with ribbon badges, light hats and white gloves. These were followed by a large delegation from the Knights of Columbus dressed in long sashes of red, white and blue, carrying flags.

Then came the Ship of State with forty-eight little girls dressed in white, with Miss Annie Dubay as Goddess of Liberty. A large boat was rigged up to represent a man-of-war's cutter, manned by quite a lot of young ladies and bearing this inscription:

"Remember the 'Maine.'"

In the centre of the procession was a large banner with a portrait of the Supreme Chief Ranger, which attracted considerable attention.

The rest of the day was filled in with band concerts, sports and contests, in which the members of the Order took a prominent part.

After a grand display of fireworks in the evening the affair wound up with a dance at each end of the town.

Everything passed off pleasantly, and the only regret is that the fourth of July does not come oftener.

MICHIGAN.

Court Bay City, No. 306, has been somewhat inactive during the past year or two, but has now wakened up and is securing members at a rapid rate. Twenty-five initiations took place during April and May and twenty-five more were in for June. At last account from the court the Rec.-Sec., Bro. G. W. Kruse, says they are going to keep the ball rolling till No. 306 is the banner Court of the Wolverine State. Court Physician Bro. Dr. J. L. Ambrose is a hustler. He brought in the largest number of applicants recently and still continues in the good work.

DETROIT NOTES.

W. H. Sparling, of Detroit, H. T. of Michigan, writes:—We are enjoying a season of prosperity for which we are profoundly thankful. The courts meeting in the Temple show a very gratifying increase, notably Courts Detroit and Majestic, who seem to be "racing" it.

Majestic came "under the wire" with a class of NINETEEN at their last meeting, and there is a little commotion in Detroit in consequence. There will undoubtedly be a "few" visitors at Detroit next meeting to see them go Majestic one better.

The Pedro party on the 30th was a grand success. Prizes as follows: First, a set of officers' robes, won by Court Delta; Second, a symbolic lamp, won by Court Woodward; Third, a set of battle-axes and spears, won by Court Verona. These courts do not meet in the Temple. A "Smoker" will be given on the 23rd, at which the prizes will be presented.

Of the courts not meeting in the Temple, Courts Bagley and Cadillac are making the largest gains, Court Bagley winning fourteen gold badges, prizes offered by the High Court for April and May. The returns for Cadillac are not all in yet.

Hon. W. E. Brown, High Counsellor, visited Courts Alpha and Verona on the 5th inst., accompanied by High Treasurer Sparling.

Court Alpha was just "moving" into the Temple, and had three initiations to start with, and after listening to one of those truly Forestric speeches that have made our H.C. a prime favorite, the court was closed, and Verona was given a little surprise. Chief Ranger Daniels was "At Home," however, and welcomed the High Counsellor to Court Verona. Interesting remarks were made by the High Counsellor, High Treasurer, District Deputy Wells, Bros. Rounds, Longworth, Dobson, Guy, Raymond, the Chief Ranger and others.

The genial High Secretary, Bro. Joslyn, accompanied by Bro. R. S. McClintic, Chief Ranger of Court Cadillac and State Deputy H.C.R., and High Treasurer Sparling, visited Court Mineral City of Mt. Clemens on the 7th, where a revival was held, new officers being elected and installed, and an aggressive campaign mapped out.

The High Secretary left next morning for home, well pleased with the outlook for "Mineral City."

It is now confidently predicted that Detroit district will present the next High Court of Michigan with a membership of not less than 2,500. The High Standing Committee has been invited to hold its next meeting here, when a union meeting of all the courts in the district will, it is hoped, be arranged for.

MINNESOTA.

The courts in the jurisdiction of Minnesota are all in a prosperous condition, and the members are doing their share toward the increase in membership desired prior to the triennial meeting of the Supreme Court in Toronto. Such is the report of High Secretary Bro. A. E. Reuillard.

High Chief Ranger Bro. O'Neill recently visited the courts at Delhi, Redwood Falls and Green Isle, and found everything in a healthy state. There is no lack of energy and pluck among the brethren in Minnesota, and what they take in hand to do they do with all their might.

The H.C.R. and H. Sec. attended an open meeting of Court Athenry at Hamilton, at which the principles of Forestry were expounded and several applications for membership secured.

The High Standing Committee paid Court Hillside, No. 1236, an official visit lately. There were three initiations and a large attendance of members. The enthusiasm in the noble cause of Forestry was not hidden or suppressed.

NEW YORK.

Court Brooklyn City, No. 1697, pays the dues of any member of the court that has enlisted to serve the U.S. in the Cuban war, during the time of such service.

The High Court of New York State holds its annual convocation at Niagara Falls on September 13th and 14th. Two hundred and thirty-four Subordinate Courts will represent a membership of more than 12,000. O. P. Stockwell, a celebrated attorney at Attica, is the unanimous choice for High Chief, and Charles R. Fitzgerald of Buffalo is booked for his seventh innings as High Secretary.

During the months of July, August and September Court United States, No. 1050, will hold but one meeting each month, and that on the fourth Friday. Court Fire Brigade, No. 1799, has resolved the same, only their meetings will be held on the second Thursday of the month.

Onondaga county has now fourteen courts, including three lady Companion courts, and all are rapidly increasing in membership. Brother George A. Ford is the D.D.H.C.R. of this thirty-second district, a lively and competent officer.

Court Spartan, No. 595, of Albion, N.Y., has developed a spirit of activity which is rapidly increasing its membership, and is making it an organization in the community with no rivals among the fraternal societies worthy of the name. Applications are presented every Thursday evening, and initiations are as frequent. The court also keeps up its reputation for sociability with neighboring courts. As one of the pleasant results of this policy, the Degree team of Court Flower City, Rochester, under the leadership of P.H.C.R. Tietenberg, presented to Spartan an article of great use in the initiatory ceremony. It is most highly prized on account of the courtesy shown in the act of friendship which prompted the present, and on account of the fine finish and good workmanship of the piece of furniture. Court Spartan will ever remember their friends, and will reciprocate some time.

When the British Government granted, through the efforts of our Supreme Chief, the right to plant Independent Forestry on its soil, it won the gratitude of every American Forester; and since, when the United States Government received kindly sympathy in its struggles with obdurate Spain from the English Government, not only all Foresters, but every true American, from Maine to California, said: "God bless old England!" That sympathy has taken deep root in the American heart, and will last to the end of time.

Court Fort Schuyler, Utica, had a field day and picnic at Utica Park, Thursday, July 28.

At the last regular meeting of Court Baldwin, No. 1811, George E. Bailey was elected as delegate to the High Court at Niagara Falls in September. Chief Ranger I. W. O. Driscoll gave a short

but eloquent recapitulation of the progress, prosperity and financial standing of the court. The growth of the Order in Norwood is almost phenomenal. Every meeting brings with it one or more applications for membership, which makes it necessary to have initiation ceremonies each meeting, thereby keeping the attendance large and the interest increasing. There are no members on the sick list and none out of employment, which is a good indication of the physical and social condition of the court.

Tuesday evening, July 5, at Utica, High Physician M. J. Davies instituted a new court of the Order. The title is Utica Court, and it starts off under most favorable auspices, having forty charter members and the promise of many additions in the near future. Much interest is shown by the members, and it is confidently predicted that it will become one of the largest and strongest courts of the Order. Some forty members of Fort Schuyler Court were present and assisted in the institution.

District Deputy Blaisdell is pushing things to the best of his ability. Since May 1st he has instituted four new courts and visited twelve courts in Jefferson district. He reports Forestry in a flourishing condition. Among his most recent visits are those to Antwerp, Clayton and Redwood.

Redwood has one of the finest court rooms in Northern New York, and initiation ceremonies are conducted in most impressive style. If at Redwood, do not fail to visit that court. They will give you a cordial welcome.

Court Antwerp is stirring, and initiations are the order of the day there. Court Clayton is also on the alert, and has initiations at almost every regular meeting. Its days of struggling are past, let us hope.

Bonheur Encampment, No. 68, Royal Foresters, is rapidly coming to the front. Drill meetings are held regularly.

NORTH DAKOTA.

E. L. Howard, of Walhalla, North Dakota, writes:—Walhalla Court, No. 3109, instituted three months ago by High Chief Ranger Bro. Cooper of this State, with 14 Charter members, is gradually reaching the membership mark, 50. We expect to double our membership by Jan. 1st, 1899. Our representatives to the High Court were Bros. Mager and Andrews, the latter being elected to the office of High Counsellor for the State for a second term. We believe our court has a bright future before it. The 8th of July the court held a Foresters' pic-nic, to which other courts were invited. Everything passed off very pleasantly. Several good addresses were delivered, one by Peter Cameron, of Tyner, who said that there was only one thing in Forestry that was not complete and that was the non-admittance of the ladies. The hon. gentleman thought if the Constitution permitted this we could get the earth. "So let's have it."

OHIO.

Courts Butler, 1380, and Fort Hamilton, 1749, gave a lawn fete and band concert on Thursday evening, July 14th, on the grounds of the Y.M.C.A., Hamilton. The object was to raise funds for the High Court meeting in the city

(Hamilton) on the 20th and 21st September. The affair was a success both socially and financially. The brethren are anxious to see the Supreme Chief Ranger at the H.C. meeting, and promise him a right royal welcome if he will attend.

Excelsior Encampment, Royal Foresters of Cleveland, are arranging for an excursion to Toronto at the time of the Supreme Court meeting. See full particulars in another column.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Mountain City Court, Altoona, Pa., Independent Order of Foresters, was the recipient of two handsome gifts from two of its officers on Thursday evening, June 2nd. A large and richly-colored likeness of the Foresters' Temple, the headquarters of the Order in Toronto, Canada, and the handsomest and most modern office building in that city, was presented to the court by Attorney A. S. Fisher, who is its treasurer and also high counsellor of the State organization. The court's chaplain, Dr. J. K. Wrigley, presented a life-size portrait of Dr. Oronhyatekha, S.C.R. Both pictures were handsomely framed, and were received by the Chief Ranger, Dr. J. H. Hogue, with some appropriate remarks, followed by a vote of thanks for the donors. The attendance at this meeting was unusually large.

Court Glass City, No. 3549, initiated thirty candidates during June and hope to exceed that number before the State High Court meeting, August 2nd. The members of Glass City are bound to head the procession in glorious old Pennsylvania. So they say.

WISCONSIN.

Bro. J. C. Proctor, of Madison, H.S. of Wisconsin, writes:—Court Milwaukee, No. 1481, informs us that the claim of their late Bro. Steinrailer, who died on June 22nd, was paid the widow of the brother on July 8th, just sixteen days after his death. The brothers of this court extend their sincere thanks to the Supreme Court for the prompt manner in which this claim was paid. The brothers are all very proud of the Independent Order of Foresters. There is probably no other Order in the State that is so willing and so prompt in meeting their demands as ours.

The semi-annual returns from the Subordinate Courts are coming in slowly, and in most cases they show an increase of membership so far, from one to forty members each. If this continues, which we hope it will, there will be a large increase in membership reported this time over our report in January. We are in a fair way to reach our 5,000 membership by February 1st. As soon as the warm weather is over we hope and trust that every member and court in the State will put forth their best efforts in assisting us to reach the desired membership of 5,000.

Court Gateway, of La Crosse, reports seventy-four members, which is a gain of thirty-seven during the past six months. They have just doubled their numbers. Another doubling of their membership will place them in the front ranks. They now have a new hall, newly and nicely furnished, and with regular and interesting meetings each month we may look for grand results from this court.

ENGLAND.

Since the arrival of Brother A. A. Campbell, D.S.C.R., in the Nottingham district Forestry matters have commenced to move at a livelier pace. The several courts are taking a more active interest in their work, and applications are making their appearance much more frequently than ever before.

Court Ireton was instituted by Bro. Campbell, in Beeston, May 2nd, with a charter membership of twenty-five. Court Ireton is largely made up of commercial travellers, and they give good promise of making it a fine court. A larger number of the Nottingham brethren attended the institution and took an active part in the ceremonies.

A new court was instituted on the evening of July 1st at the Albion Restaurant, Southport, Lancashire, by Bro. Ronald McDougall. There was a considerable muster of the members of Court North Meols to assist in the ceremonies, including the Chief Ranger, Bro. Brett, and the D.H.C.R., Bro. Knight.

The High Chief Ranger, Bro. Martin, was expected to give an address on the principles and working of the Order, but in his unavoidable absence Bro. Ronald McDougall before proceeding to institute the court explained very clearly and concisely the leading features and advantages of membership. "The I.O.F.," he said, "was a fraternal society which had a special object in view in addition to the general and approved advantages of a brotherhood. That special object was one which needed only to be mentioned to obtain the approbation of all good and true men. It was to make provision for the widow and the orphan, to visit them in their period of distress. Ordinary insurance, in addition to being very much more expensive than it ought to be, was by the operation of insurance companies wrested from its originally benevolent intention of providing for the widow and the orphan, to speculations of all kinds, loans, endowments, partnerships and other transactions of a financial character, but the I.O.F. insurances could not in any way be diverted from their proper function of helping the helpless and solacing the bereaved. Bro. McDougall gave some pointed illustrations of the differences between the operations of insurance companies and those of the I.O.F., and after explaining the working of the Order and commenting on its well-won prosperity he sat down amidst very considerable applause.

The charter application form contained twenty-five signatures, but from various causes only seventeen of these were in attendance, and they were duly initiated into the mysteries of Independent Forestry. The membership of this new court is of a very high class, consisting of some of the principal tradesmen of this beautiful watering-place. It was christened Court Scarisbrick, and its prospects of rapid increase are particularly good. Bro. McDougall explained that already he had promises or half promises sufficient for two more courts for Southport. The proceedings terminated with votes of thanks to Bro. McDougall and to the visitors, the latter being represented by Bro. Butty, a former member of Court Frontenac, Kingston, Ont., but now of Leeds. Bro. Butty has been a member of the Order since 1883. Bro. Fawcett Cave was installed as Chief Ranger, Bro. Holey as Treasurer, Bro. Kenworthy as Court Physician, and Bro. McMurray as P.C.R.

ANNUAL DINNER OF COURT WEST BRIDGFORD.

The officers of Court West Bridgford, No. 2085, recently gave a dinner at the Central Restaurant, Beeston Market Hill, Nottingham, to about thirty-five of their members, and friends, Bro. A. Dearnley, C.R., presiding, supported by Bro. A. A. Campbell, D.S.C.R., and Bro. Chas. Gerring, H.C.R. of Mid-England. The royal toasts having been duly honored, the chairman requested Bro. A. A. Campbell to propose "The I.O.F." Bro. Campbell, in giving this toast, said that it afforded him much pleasure to propose the toast of an organization that had paid over one million sterling to the widows and orphans of its deceased members, and one that had never in its history repudiated a single penny's worth of its obligations. It is now paying from £500 to £600 every day in the year to the beneficiaries of its members, besides adding considerable sums to its accumulated funds. It is a fraternal organization of 125,000 members, those present being component parts of it. They were all bonded together in a great brotherhood that had for its objects the protection of their families and each other, and the betterment of mankind; and to all good men, without question as to their political or religious belief, they extended an invitation to join them in their benevolent work.

Bro. Chas. Gerring, in responding to this toast, gave a very interesting review of the progress of the Order in this district.

The success and prosperity of the "baby" court of the district, Court Ireton of Beeston, was received and disposed of with great enthusiasm.

A very pleasurable ceremony was performed by Bro. F. Lumby, acting as spokesman for Court Arkwright, in the presentation to Bro. Chas. Gerring of a P.C.R. jewel. Bro. Lumby said that the members of his court wished in this manner to express their appreciation of the faithful and conscientious manner in which Bro. Gerring had labored for the welfare of the Order.

Most excellent music was rendered by Bros. Derbyshire, Simons, Gerring, and Messrs. Marshall and Oates. Bro. R. H. Swain gave, in his inimitable manner, "the stump speech." The health of the chairman (Bro. A. Dearnley) was disposed of with musical honors, and all went home unanimously of the opinion that it had been the most enjoyable evening they had spent in a long time, and that for genuine good fellowship the gatherings of Court West Bridgford are hard to beat.

Court Devon, No. 2146.

Court Devon, No. 2146, met at their rooms, the Dolphin Coffee Tavern, Newton Abbot. There was a full court. Bro. A. T. Blamey opened the proceedings, and installed the newly-elected Chief Ranger, Bro. John Underhill, amidst the plaudits of the brethren. Proposals of membership were received. Bro. W. G. Laskey, F.S., of Court Queen of the West, Torquay, brought hearty greetings from his court, and made some remarks on its doings, which were much appreciated. Bro. Blamey then addressed the court on the enormous growth of the Order throughout the country. Devonshire led the van in establishing the Order in the south of England, and it was incumbent on them to maintain the prestige so attained by using every lawful means to keep pace with and go ahead of their contemporaries. To do all in their power to advance the principles of the Order was what was expected of them. The brethren separated with this resolve.

Court Teign, No. 2091.

Court Teign, No. 2091, of the I.O.F. met at Teignmouth, under the presidency of Bro. T. Hambly, C.R. Bro. A. T. Blamey, D.S.C.R., of Torquay (official organizer) was also present. Bros. T. Hambly, T. G. Pedrick, W. H. Daw, S. Churchill, J. J. O. Evans, W. P. Laskey (Torquay) and W. G. Langford (Paignton) recommended active measures for the promotion of the Order in the district, and it was resolved to hold social union meetings periodically. Bro. Blamey said it was a step in the right direction, and he should be happy to co-operate. He thanked them for the tribute they had paid to his past labors. He had the honor of instituting the courts in Devon, which county was the first in the Southwest to adopt the principles of the Order.

Court Eastbourne, No. 2205.

A social evening, at which an excellent programme of vocal and instrumental music was given, was held in the Victoria Room at the Royal Restaurant, Terminus-road, on Monday evening, in connection with Court Eastbourne, No. 2205.

During the evening the C.R. introduced Bro. Stott, High Secretary, who, in a brief address, said he could recommend the Independent Order of Foresters most heartily to the gentlemen who were visiting them that evening. Its first provision was for life assurance, one proviso of membership being that applicants must be sound men; he had been told by their medical man that theirs was the "stiffest examination under the sun," which meant that they must be thoroughly healthy. It was not only an assurance, but a fraternal society; they recognized the brotherhood of man, and they also recognized the Fatherhood of God. He would strongly recommend them to join the society, because it brought them into social relationship one with the other. The Order gave life assurance benefits at less than half the cost of the companies working on the old lines in this country, for this reason, they did the work gratuitously, it being a privilege to assist one another in this way. By this means they saved largely in the matter of expense, and the society was abundantly sound.

Bro. B. Cronyn, Asst. Supreme Secretary, thanked the members and company heartily for their reception. He fully endorsed everything that Bro. Stott had said as to the stability of the Order. He could assure them as a Canadian that in Canada the Order was looked upon as one of the most stable institutions of the kind. He trusted the day was not far distant when there would be a federation of the Empire, when they would be one in name and on equal terms as British subjects. He was bound to express his pleasure and delight in visiting Eastbourne. They had some delightful scenery and surroundings, and he had not the slightest idea when he came that they had such a perfectly organized and beautiful town.

The proceedings closed with the National Anthem, every one present having spent a most enjoyable evening.

Court Camberwell, No. 2047.

On the evening of the 16th June Court Camberwell, No. 2047, held one of the most successful meetings of its history. It had the honor of welcoming for the first time in any court in England our much respected and highly esteemed Bro. Cronyn, A.S.S., who has just arrived from Canada. Bro. Dr. Ward, M.D., P.H.C.R. (London), the

Court Physician, having resigned, it necessitated finding another doctor, in which they were most fortunate in securing the services of Dr. J. Butler, a much respected as well as a skilled physician in the district, and it was on this occasion that he was initiated and installed as a brother and Court Physician. After the usual business of the evening the initiation was proceeded with, Bro. Cronyn kindly initiating the candidate, which he performed with marked preciseness and impressiveness. Dr. Ward then favored the court by installing Bro. Dr. Butler as Court Physician. After this most pleasant ceremony, the C.R., Bro. A. J. M. Holden, welcomed very heartily Bro. Cronyn into England, and felt sure after the words which he (C.R.) heard fall from the lips of the S.C.R. at the High Court meeting of London, that Bro. Cronyn's coming to England meant a great deal of benefit to the Order. He (C.R.) hoped his stay would be a long one, and felt certain that Bro. Cronyn would find the brethren as sociable and fraternal as those he left behind in Canada. He thanked him for his presence and initiating the doctor. The C.R. also heartily welcomed Bro. Dr. Ward, M.D., P.H.C.R., (London), and said that every brother knew Dr. Ward, if not personally, by reputation, and styled him an ideal Forester, which met with approval from all. The C.R. then welcomed the other visiting brethren, Bro. Beaney, C.R., Ct. Battersea; Bro. Tattersal, F.S., Ct. Battersea; Bro. Gruiger, V.C.R., Ct. Walworth; Bro. Pollard, V.C.R., Ct. Clapham. In responding, Bro. Cronyn, who was received with hearty applause, gave quite a long, interesting and eloquent address, saying he had known the S.C.R. for over 40 years, and looked upon him as one of the marvels of the age. He spoke of the Order in Canada and England, and what a hard worker Bro. Marshall was, and that success was crowning his efforts in Norway. He was pleased to be amongst us, and hoped that the brethren would make themselves known to him, and that Court Camberwell was the first court he had visited and spoken to since his arrival in England. Bro. Gruiger then gave a little of elocution, for which he is so well known. Dr. Ward then amid applause responded, and in so doing gave a brief account of his work in the Order, and pressed on the brethren to do their utmost to make the Order a success. Bro. Beaney then briefly responded, and after Bro. Dance proposing a candidate for membership, the most enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

Southern England has adopted biennial High Court sessions.

The latest and one of the most successful innovations in Forestry is the I.O.F. Cycling Club, founded by Court British Pioneer, No. 44, Companions I.O.F., and of which the Supreme Chief Ranger is Patron. It is one of the most pleasant and attractive ways of keeping the interest in the Order alive during the warm months.

IRELAND.

A new court of the Independent Order of Foresters was instituted on Friday evening, 24th June, by Mr. S. Martin, High Secretary, the organising deputy for the South of Ireland. He was kindly assisted by Bro. J. J. Wolfe, of Court Shandon, Cork. This new court has been very properly named "Court Ilen," after the beautiful

and picturesque river of that name running through the lovely district of Skibbereen. There is very little doubt that Court Ilen will become the largest court in Ireland considering the vast area that will be within its jurisdiction, and there is sure to be great rejoicing in Forestric circles over the success of Court Ilen before the end of 1898. After the installation of officers, Bro. Martin, in his remarks, said that the Order had great cause for rejoicing and thankfulness during the past Forestric year by its enormous growth and exceedingly low death rate of 5.50 per 1,000. This alone demonstrated how fine the medical selection of its membership was. The membership now numbers 135,000, and the surplus funds amount to the magnificent sum of £575,000. The Order is growing at the rate of 3,000 members per month, and the possibilities of larger growth are immense. If only the members would fulfil their mission by each bringing in one new member within a year, in June, 1899, the membership would be doubled. May Court Ilen carry out its good resolutions, and become the brightest gem in, at least, Ireland's Forestric crown.

A new court was instituted on the 5th July in Belfast by Bro. Dr. Gibson, H. Sec. of the North of Ireland, assisted by Bros. D. L. Cotterell and John Dunlop, official organizers. The name chosen for the new court is Killultagh. It starts off with a good membership and an energetic lot of officers. The I.O.F. is taking hold rapidly in the Emerald Isle.

A new court was instituted in Fivemiletown, County Tyrone, on the 24th inst., which is likely to become one of the most important courts in Ulster. The new court was instituted by Bro. Rev. James Cregan, High Chief Ranger; Bro. Rev. J. M. McIlwraith, and Bro. John Dunlop, High Journal Secretary. The following officers were installed: Chief Ranger, Bro. Rev. R. J. Millar; Past Chief Ranger, Bro. M. D. Graham, Solicitor; Vice-Chief Ranger, Bro. Samuel Kyle; Recording Secretary, Bro. Alexander Gilmore; Financial Secretary, Bro. John Hutton, B.A.; Treasurer, Bro. John Shaw; Chaplain, Bro. Rev. C. H. Hunter; Senior Woodward, Bro. Patrick Johnston; Junior Woodward, Bro. George Hanna; Senior Beadle, Bro. John Benson; Junior Beadle, Bro. Thomas J. Wigham.

BITS OF BELFAST.

June has been an auspicious month for the I.O.F. in the Linn city. On the first inst. two new courts were instituted in the Y.M.C.A. Minor Hall, presided over by Bro. Rev. J. Cregan, H.C.R., and assisted by Bro. Dr. Gibson, H. Sec. Court Royal Avenue was the result of the labors of Bro. D. L. Cottrell, D.S.C.R., who has been in Belfast only a few weeks; while Court Nettfield is one of those organized recently by Bro. J. Dunlop, D.S.C.R.

The Supreme Chief Ranger was introduced at a later stage of the proceedings and exemplified the unwritten work of the Order. Quite a host of eminent brethren accompanied the S.C.R. and included Bros. J. Marshall, S.D.S.C.R., General Manager for the United Kingdom; Bros. Revs. McNair, J. Gilmour, Boddy, Campbell and Williams, all of whom received a hearty welcome.

A Conference followed and the wise counsel and advice of the Chief had a telling effect.

The High Court meeting on the following day

was all that could be desired, business-like, harmonious and pleasant.

Bros. Dr. Gibson, H.S.; D. L. Cottrell, D.S.C.R.; and J. Dunlop, D.S.C.R., have during the month attended many court meetings and urged the brethren to greater Forestric zeal.

Courts Cliftonville and Imperial have had proposals, while Courts Shamrock and Ormeau have had initiations.

Bro. Samuel Martin, D.S.C.R., and High Secretary of the new High Court of the South of Ireland, paid a visit to Court Corinthian at its last meeting.

The first regular meeting of Court Royal Avenue has been held, and has all the appearance of ability amongst its officers and members.

A New High Court.

Institution of the High Court of the South of Ireland.

(Extracts from *The Cork Constitution*.)

Saturday was a red-letter day in Cork for the members of the Independent Order of Foresters throughout the South of Ireland, inasmuch as on that day they secured a jurisdiction of their own by the establishment of a High Court for the South of Ireland, comprising the Province of Munster, with the Provinces of Leinster and Connaught attached, till High Courts can be formed in those Provinces. The instituting officer was the Supreme Chief Ranger of the Order, Dr. Oronhyatekha, M.D., J.P., who, with Mr. James Marshall, the General Manager of the Order in Europe; William Gibson, Esq., M.D., High Secretary of the High Court of the North of Ireland; and Mr. J. H. Gilmour, Deputy S.C.R., journeyed from Belfast on Friday, after attending the annual meeting of the High Court of the North of Ireland. On the arrival of the 8.10 p.m. train from Dublin, these distinguished members of the Order were met by Mr. S. Martin, the Organising Deputy for the South, and escorted to the Hotel Metropole, where a large committee of the Cork members entertained the visitors to a sumptuous banquet in the magnificent dining-hall of the Hotel Metropole, and where the creature comforts of the company were catered for in the usual neat style of the genial manager of the hotel, and his very efficient staff. The Reception Committee were represented by the following gentlemen: Messrs. E. Love, Wm. Baker, W. G. M'Lean, W. Porte, J. T. Mulligan, J. Carson, W. H. Blair, A. S. Pollard, J. J. Wolfe, R. G. Hall, S. Todd, G. Knight, W. Love, C. Boomer, J. J. Moffatt, G. Sinfield, W. J. McCormick, W. L. Cooke, Dr. M'Math, T. M'Bratney and S. Martin. After dinner Dr. Gibson proposed the health of "The Queen," which was enthusiastically honored, and the National Anthem sung.

Mr. J. Carson gallantly proposed the health of the ladies who honored the company by their presence.

Mr. Wm. Baker, in proposing the toast of the Supreme Chief, said that he was sure all present would drink the toast with flowing bumpers, as they would be drinking the health of one of the most remarkable men of the present century, a man who is honored throughout the world as a great organiser and leader of men, and especially in connection with the I.O.F., a man who 20 years

ago took the helm of this organization when it was almost swamped by disunions, strifes, severe criticisms, and disruptions, guiding it safely through all the storms of the past years, by his consummate skill and piloting, to its present position as the greatest of all fraternal insurance organizations.

The Chief, in response, riveted the attention of the company for over half an hour by his masterly address on the principles and great prosperity of the Order.

Mr. James Marshall, Dr. Gibson, and Mr. J. Gilmour, on behalf of the Order, responded to the several toasts proposed by Messrs. McLean, Mulligan and Martin, when the Supreme Chief Ranger proposed the last toast of the evening, "The prosperity and success of the new High Court" he was to institute on the morrow. This pleasant function then came to an end by singing National Anthem.

INSTITUTION OF THE HIGH COURT OF THE SOUTH OF IRELAND.

At four o'clock on Saturday, the 4th of June, the delegates were called to meet the Supreme Chief Ranger in the I.O.F. chambers, Marlborough-street, for the purpose of instituting a High Court for the South of Ireland.

Dr. Oronhyatekha, in opening the meeting, said, owing to the great prosperity, and immense progress the Order had made in Ireland, the Supreme Court had thought it very desirable that a new High Court be established in the South of Ireland, and it was for this purpose that he had summoned the delegates from the several Subordinate Courts to Cork that day. He would not recapitulate the progress the Order had made since its re-organization in 1881, but would merely say that from that time the Order had made vast strides. Then the membership numbered only 369, to-day it numbers 133,000; then its exchequer marked *nil*, to-day they had £565,000 in the surplus. This, they would see, was a most satisfactory state of affairs, notwithstanding their low rates of premiums, and the fact that considerably over one million one hundred thousand pounds have been paid to the beneficiaries of deceased members.

LIST OF DELEGATES PRESENT.

Court Dublin, No. 2206—E. W. Purdon, H.S.W.
Court Abbey, No. 2235—Wesley Guard, Jr., H. Mess.

Court Donore, No. 2093—W. Kelly, H. Mess.

Court Eblana, No. 2017—J. Wilson, H.C.

Court Garryowen, No. 2215—John Jones, H.J.B.
Ralph Mulligan.

Court Queenstown, No. 2223—W. J. Hawkins, H.A.; Geo. Harris, C. J. Young.

Court Shandon, No. 2175—S. Martin, H.S.; J. McBratney, H.J.S.; Dr. Wm. McMath, H.P.

Court City of Cork, No. 2073—J. W. O'Neill; J. T. Mulligan, H.V.C.R.; R. G. Hall, H.S.B.

Court St. Fin Barre, No. 2208—Wm. Baker, H.A.; Edward Love, H.T.; Archd. Smith.

Court Lee, No. 2231—W. L. Cooke, P.H.C.R.; Wm. Thompson, Jas. J. Farnham, H. Cond.

Court Blarney, No. 2212—J. J. Bamford, H.J.W.; E. H. Willis, R. Landon.

The following members of the Order were also present:

Hon. Members—J. M. Evans, Court Leo, No. 2231; Geo. Knight, Court Shandon, No. 2175; and

E. S. Latto, Court St. Fin Barre, No. 2208. Also, Bro. James Marshall, General Manager of the Order in Europe; Bro. W. Gibson, M.D., High Secretary of the High Court of the North of Ireland, and Bro. J. H. Gilmour, D.S.C.R.

The High Court Degree was conferred on all present entitled to the same, after which the S.C.R. appointed and installed the first staff of officers of the High Court, as follows:—

H.C.R., Bro. E. McDowell Cosgrave, M.D., Court Dublin, No. 2206.

P.H.C.R., Bro. W. L. Cooke, Court Lee, No. 2231.

H.V.C.R., Bro. J. T. Mulligan, Court City of Cork, No. 2073.

H.S., Bro. S. Martin, Court Shandon, No. 2175.
H.T., Bro. E. Love, Court St. Fin Barre, No. 2208.

H.Ph., Bro. Dr. McMath, Court Shandon, No. 2175.

H.C., Pro. James Wilson, Court Eblana, No. 2017.

H.A., Bro. Wm. Baker, Court St. Fin Barre, No. 2208.

H.A., Bro. W. T. Hawkins, Court Queenstown, No. 2223.

H.Chap., Bro. Rev. W. Guard, Court Donore, No. 2093.

H.J.S., Bro. T. McBratney, Court Shandon, No. 2175.

H.S.W., Bro. E. W. Purdon, Court Abbey, No. 2235.

H.J.W., Bro. E. H. Willis, Court Blarney, No. 2212.

H.S.B., Bro. R. G. Hall, Court City of Cork, No. 2073.

H.J.B., Bro. John Jones, Court Garryowen, No. 2215.

H.M., Bro. R. Mulligan, Court Garryowen, No. 2215.

H.Con., Bro. J. J. Farnham, Court Lee, No. 2231.

H. Mess., Bro. Wesley Guard, Jr., Court Abbey, No. 2235.

The High Court proceeded to elect a delegate to the Supreme Court meeting at Toronto in August. Bro. W. L. Cooke was nominated by Bro. J. T. Mulligan, and Bro. E. McD. Cosgrave, M.D., nominated by Bro. E. W. Purdon. Bro. Cooke informed the S.C.R. that he could not possibly attend, and there being no other nomination, Bro. Dr. E. McD. Cosgrave, H.C.R., was declared elected.

It was resolved on the motion of Bro. Young, seconded by Bro. Willis, and passed unanimously, that the next place and time of meeting be left in the hands of the High Standing Committee to decide.

Moved by Bro. McBratney, seconded by Bro. S. Martin, and passed unanimously, that the High Court be known and designated as the "High Court of the South of Ireland."

The S.C.R. introduced the various officers to the meeting, and each having returned thanks for his promotion, Bros. Marshall and Dr. Gibson expressed their hearty good wishes for the success of the High Court and gave some interesting and useful information regarding the progress and stability of the Order. Bro. Gilmour having been called on delivered an interesting and enthusiastic address. After a few words from the S.C.R. expressing his regret that owing to much business yet to be transacted by him with Bro. Marshall, and that he had

to sail for New York at 6 o'clock the following morning, he would not be able to be present at the evening session of the High Court, as he had to leave for Queenstown at 7 p.m., he informed the High Court that he would ask Bros. Gilmour, D.S.C.R., and Dr. Gibson to represent him at the evening session. After which the High Court took recess till 7.30 p.m.

The adjourned sitting of the High Court of the South of Ireland was resumed at 7 o'clock p.m. Bro. Dr. Gibson, H.S. High Court of North of Ireland, acting as H.C.R.

The sitting was held for the purpose of conferring the Honorary H.C. Degree on those members of the Order who wished to receive it and could not attend the earlier session.

The following brethren had the Degree conferred on them: A. S. Pollard, Court City of Cork; J. G. Thompson, Court Lee; E. G. Boomer, Court Lee; R. Lattimer, Court Lee; W. Crowley, Court Blarney; Geo. Landon, Court Blarney; Jas. Carson, Court City of Cork; Joseph Kelly, Court St. Fin Barre; Alfred Darragh, Court St. Fin Barre; F. C. Porte, Court St. Fin Barre; J. G. McLean, Court St. Fin Barre; John Thomas, Court Blarney.

The H.C.R. informed the High Court of the arrangements for the expenses of the delegates made by the S.C.R. The H.C.R. explained that this was the only occasion so far as he knew on which such arrangements had been made, and it manifested the Chief's tact and ability to satisfy everybody, not only of his goodness of heart, but also that he was the right man in the right place. The H.C.R. gave the members information regarding the working of the Subordinate Courts in connection with the H.C., and afterwards delivered an interesting and instructive address, emphasizing the fact that the I.O.F. is quite able at its rates to meet all probable claims, and also made some valuable suggestions as to making our Subordinate Court meetings attractive and interesting. Bros. Gilmour, McLean and Baker having spoken, Bro. Martin, H. Secretary, proposed: "That this High Court hereby resolve that we are in favor of the admission of ladies into the I.O.F. as beneficiary members, and we strongly recommend the Supreme Court to favorably consider the matter." Bro. Purdon in a very racy speech seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

Bro. A. Smith moved that the best thanks of the members of the Cork Courts be extended to the brethren from London, Dublin and Belfast for coming to assist in the institution of the High Court of the South of Ireland; seconded by Bro. R. G. Hall, passed unanimously, and suitably replied to by Bros. Dr. Gibson and J. Gilmour, who assured the brethren that they were pleased to meet them and would be very glad to come to Cork again.

Moved by Bro. A. Smith, seconded by Bro. S. Todd, that the minutes of this meeting be referred to the High Standing Committee for confirmation; passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting was closed in L. B. & C., after which the brethren joined in singing the National Anthem and "Auld Lang Syne."

Mrs. Megrim: "Samuel, what air you a-doin'?"

Mr. Megrim: "Givin' a taste of whisky to those axles. If th' stuff makes them wheels go round th' way it did my head last night, I'll get to town in about five minutes."

Institution of New Courts and Conference in Belfast.

On Wednesday evening, the 1st June, in the Y.M.C.A. Minor Hall, Belfast, a meeting of the members of the Order was held to confer with the Supreme Chief Ranger as to best means of promoting Forestry in Ireland. The following were present:—Brother Reverend James Cregan, H.C.R. (in the chair), Brothers J. D. Williamson, M.D., P.H.C.R., S.S.B.; John McCaughey, J.P., H.V.C.R.; W. Mehalley, High Counsellor; Thomas Hogg, M.D., High Physician; William Gibson, M.D., High Secretary; Reverend J. A. Kelly, Charles Kevin, M.D., George Gibson, M.D., A. Gowdy, Dublin; James Allen, Lisburn; Robert Jamison, Thomas H. Colman, G. H. Carson, Tullyglush; P. Oliver, John Dunlop, H. J. R. Nesbitt, F. J. Rogers, J. C. Sullivan, N. Nimmon, Charles Davidson, John W. W. Wilson, Lisburn; T. Curlis, James Hollywood, T. W. McKnight, R. J. Baxter, Samuel Davis, F. A. Stewart, John Byrne, Andrew Harvey, John Crymble, D. H. Wilson, George Bolton, R. Curley, Benjamin Cunningham, T. J. Carruthers, J. J. Mercer, W. R. Pinion, James Blair, James Robinson, John Wm. Brown, James Milligan, Henry Smyth, Alfred Dorian, J. J. Elliott, Greencastle; W. J. Young, Greencastle; W. H. Wiseman, William H. Alexander, John Bright Wilson, W. M'Fadzean, Lurgan; H. G. Mitchell, Robert N. Boyd, Phares Hill; John McNeill, W. J. Stewart, H. H. Lauder, D. J. Banks, Banbridge; Samuel R. Howard, Samuel Nevin, Robert Steele, George Anderson, W. J. M'Bratney, L. M. Irvine, W. Bell, A. Maginnis, H. H. M'Ilwraith, J. Stitt, William Gibson, J. H. Thompson, Wm. Irwin, Henry Sloan, James McCullough, Frank Taylor, H. C. Marshall, John McAleer, J. G. Bleakley, B. Gamble, etc. Apologies were received from Brothers Rev. R. Lyttle, S. R. Greer, J. Sloan and Rev. G. R. Buick, D.D., Ex-Moderator of General Assembly.

The proceedings of the evening commenced by the institution of two new courts of the Order, one called Court "Nettlefield" and the other Court "Royal Avenue." The following were appointed Office-bearers of Court Nettlefield: Brothers Adam M'Kegney, C.R.; William Jones, P.C.R.; John Boyd, V.C.R.; Alexander Magowan, Rec. Secretary; W. J. Staveley, Fin. Secretary; T. Smyth, Treasurer; James M'Master, Chaplain; W. S. Steventon, S. Woodward; H. Minnis, J. Woodward; William Clarke, S. Beadle; H. Crockhart, J. Beadle; A. A. Ferguson, M.D., Physician; S. M'Millan, C.D.H.C.R.; and the officers appointed for Court Royal Avenue were: Brothers T. A. M'Kinstry, C.R.; George W. M'Connell, P.C.R.; Arthur Magowan, V.C.R.; Charles Stewart, Rec. Secretary; James Boyd, Fin. Secretary; A. W. M'Ilveen, Treasurer; Joseph H. Thompson, Chaplain; A. S. Merson, S. Woodward; W. O. M'Ilveen, J. Woodward; William Smith, S. Beadle; William J. Brown, J. Beadle; Robert Boyd, M.D., Physician; D. L. Cottrell, C.D.H.C.R.

The ceremony of institution was conducted by the High Chief Ranger, Brother Reverend James Cregan, and after the installation of Officers the Supreme Chief Ranger entered the room accompanied by Brother James Marshall, S.D.S.C.R. General Manager for Europe; Brother Campbell, of California; Brother Reverend James M'Nair, Carlton Place, Canada; Brother R. S. Boddy,

Toronto, Canada; Brother J. Williams, Chicago, Ill.; Brother James H. Gilmour, Toronto, Canada.

The visiting brethren were received with the utmost cordiality, and a hearty welcome was extended to them by the High Chief Ranger. The Supreme Chief Ranger then proceeded to instruct the newly-initiated brethren in the unwritten work of the Degree, after which he addressed the crowded audience in a speech remarkable for eloquence and purity of diction. He pointed out the great work the Order had done and was doing and informed the brethren that so great was his belief in the future of Forestry in Ulster, that he had determined to put in the field here two energetic Organisers, and that the great progress that had been made during the last year was, he believed, only a foretaste of what was in store for the Order during the coming year.

After the Supreme Chief Ranger had spoken for nearly an hour, he was followed by the other visiting brethren in short speeches, and then the work of the Conference proper began. Brother Bell introduced a deputation of Chief Rangers, Past Chief Rangers and Secretaries, who brought before the Supreme Chief Ranger a number of points that were believed to be essential for the promotion of the work in Belfast. These several points were spoken to by Brother Howard, V.C.R., of Court Willowfield, and Brother Elliott, C.R., of Court Ormean, and when several others of the brethren had expressed their opinion the Supreme Chief Ranger disposed of the various matters submitted to him to the entire satisfaction of the brethren present.

A cordial vote of thanks was moved to the Supreme Chief Ranger and the other visiting brethren by Brother J. D. Williamson, M.D., and seconded by Brother John McCaughey, J.P., and unanimously passed, after which the meeting terminated by singing "God save the Queen."

SCOTLAND.

Court Glasgow Eastern, No. 2049, has succeeded in taking first place among the courts of Scotland. This court, through the energy of its members, professes to be able to hold the banner for Scotland against all comers. Courts Fraternity, Scottish Pioneer, Irvine, Edinburgh, and Springburn seem inclined to dispute the prophecy of Glasgow Eastern, and a good race may be looked for.

Good courts are soon to be reported from Wishaw, Clydebank, Shettlestone and Aberdeen.

Bailie Anderson, Councillor Dr. Colquhoun of Glasgow, and Bailie Loudon of Wishaw, are the latest additions of public men to the Order in Scotland.

The election of Bro. Jas. Chapman to the responsible position of H.C.R. gives universal satisfaction in the courts of Scotland. Bro. Chapman follows a very popular man, but will no doubt, prove a worthy successor to Bailie Armour.

The members of the I.O.F. in Scotland promise to give our worthy S.C.R., Dr. Oronhyatekha, a grand reception on the occasion of his visit next year. The late visit of our S.C.R. has done much to popularize the I.O.F. in Scotland.

By one who has closely watched the progress of Forestry in Scotland it is predicted that ere many years the "Land o' th' Thistle" will have one of the best High Courts in the Order.

We clip the following from the *Glasgow Free Press*, re a supper and presentation in honor of Bro. Allan, H.V.C.R. for Scotland:

A supper and presentation was held in the Gordon Halls on Wednesday evening, July 13th. The occasion was one of unusual interest to the court, Bro. Mozart Allan, Chief Ranger, having recently been elevated to the post of High Vice-Chief Ranger for Scotland. Thus the members took the opportunity of recognizing the valuable services rendered by Bro. Allan, who has filled the Chief Ranger's chair for over two and a-half years. A large number of members and friends sat down to supper, which was admirably served by Bro. Orr Robertson.

Bro. A. Cochrane, P.C.D., took the chair, and was supported by Bros. Rev. R. McNair, D.S.C.R., Toronto; Bailie Armour Irvine, P.H.C.R., Scotland; J. G. Wilson, M.D., M.A., High Physician; Hugh McNeil, P.D.C.R.; John Ronald, Treasurer; David Duguid, F.S.; Bro. Beith, R.S.; Hugh Brodie, C.D.; Bros. Gow, Cheyne, Pearson, F. Barr, Anderson (Court Pioneer), Thomson, McKenzie, Murdoch, Palmer, Brown, W. Barr, and other friends.

The Chairman, in explaining the object of the meeting, said it was just three weeks that night since they had proposed to take notice of the honor to Bro. Allan, to Court Fraternity and to the Order at large throughout Scotland, and the result, he was pleased to say, had been that in so short a time the court had been able to produce these magnificent tokens of respect and esteem, viz., a splendid timepiece with ornaments, as well as a gold brooch for Mrs. Allan. The chairman pointed out that the court had to thank Bro. McNeil for taking the initiative in the evening's proceedings, and the result had proved his good judgment. The chairman called upon Bro. Dr. Wilson to make the presentation. In a capital speech, Dr. Wilson asked Bro. Allan's acceptance of the presents. Bro. Allan suitably replied.

EDINBURGH.

On 27th May, en route to Glasgow from London, Oronhyatekha, S.C.R., visited this city of natural beauties. Court Edinburgh, No. 2009 had made arrangements to give a cordial welcome, and Bros. Scott, Slater and Linkie, undeterred by the early morning hour at which their distinguished visitor was timed to arrive, did the bidding of the court and were in waiting to show forth the pleasure of their brethren at his coming. The arrangements besides included a visit to the magistrates chambers, where Councillor Waterston, City Marshal, most courteously assumed leadership of Oronhyatekha and his escort, which was added to by the presence of the Court Deputy, the Chief Ranger, and Mrs. Linkie. The time-honored powers and privileges of the before-named civic worthy were so used as to be a gain to the whole party, for doors were unlocked, and bolts and bars were drawn, that free ingress could be made to the rooms where prized relics of bygone days are under the keeping of a functionary of this ancient city—said functionary being civility, intelligence and humour combined. Proceeding, the party were seated in carriages and given an extensive round of the city. In the evening, following a reception in the Cockburn hotel, Oronhyatekha delivered an address, Bro. Scott taking the chair. That the address was concise, yet convincing, will be readily understood from the results. Councillor Waterston, an old and an experienced manager of an insurance business, and

others gave notice of their desire to be received as members of the Order. The interest of those present was secured at the outset by the S.C.R. and was maintained to the end. Several questions and comments made concerning them, gave proof of the intelligent interest that had been taken in the forceful points of the address. Bro. Marshall, S.D.S.C.R., gave a brief speech on the subject of insurance experiences. Votes of thanks preceded the singing of "God Save the Queen," with which the closing of the meeting was announced.

Companions of the I.O.F.

Court Concord, No. 107, C. of I.O.F., Bucyrus, Ohio, held an open installation on July 5th to a crowded house. A literary programme was rendered consisting of music, recitations, and an address by W. G. Phillip, P.H.C.R., of Cleveland, O., which was highly appreciated by all. A lunch was served and a good time enjoyed. At a late hour the proceedings ended, all waiting patiently for the next one. "In union there is strength."

Court Los Angeles, No. 18, Companions of the I.O.F., is growing rapidly, and its members are working harmoniously. This court is just a year old and has a membership of ninety-six, with two candidates for their next meeting. Court Los Angeles, No. 422, gave them the use of their hall for one year, for which courtesy the Companions are deeply grateful.

The lady Companions of New York State are anxiously awaiting the action of the Supreme Court at Toronto, hoping that full recognition will be granted. How can it be longer denied?

Mrs. W. F. Cornell, of Court Purity, Companions of I.O.F., of Norwood, N.Y., has received the appointment of Deputy Supreme Chief Companion, for the purpose of instituting new courts of that branch of the Order.

The Companions of Court Purity held an ice cream social in the park, Saturday evening, July 16th, which was well attended.

Mrs. Mary Humes of Court Cass, No. 154, Vassar, Michigan, writes:—We have 76 members in our court, in good standing. Our meetings are well attended and lots of interest is taken in the work. It is decidedly new work for some, but we are mastering the Ritual and Ceremonies step by step. We started with 60 charter members, March 30th, and now have 76 and more to be initiated. We spent a very delightful evening at our last meeting, July 20th. We invited our Brother Foresters and served ice cream and cake, after a short programme, to 175 members.

A public installation of officers of Companions of Court Starlight, No. 125, I.O.F., Saginaw, Mich., was held lately in the I.O.F. hall, Royal block, Franklin street. Upon invitation the members of Court No. 1022, I.O.F., were present in a body to witness the installation ceremonies. Mrs. Francis L. Ostrander, Supreme Deputy, acted as installing officer.

At the conclusion of the installation Mrs. Julia Frankie, in a few appropriate remarks, presented Mrs. Ostrander with a lovely bouquet of flowers, and thanked her on behalf of the court for her services.

The ceremonies of the evening being over the ladies served refreshments, and with their guests enjoyed the remainder of the evening in social intercourse. The affair was one of the most plea-

sant ever given by the members of Court Starlight, and will be long remembered.

Mrs. R. E. Nelson, Companion of Court Grand River, No. 58, Fairport Harbor, Ohio, writes as follows: The Companions of Court Grand River, No. 58, Fairport Harbor, Ohio, were pleased to have present with them at their installation of officers, on Wednesday evening, July the 6th, Companions from Court Oronhyatekha, No. 1, Cleveland, O., and Court Nymph, Ashtabula Harbor, O. The installation ceremony was performed by Deputy Companion Hellinger, from Court Oronhyatekha, who instituted Court Grand River last November. It has now 58 members, and, besides paying large expenses, has \$100 deposited in the bank and quite a large amount of cash on hand for incidental expenses. The Companions from the sister courts made several encouraging remarks, and after congratulations and best wishes were exchanged the court adjourned, after which abundance of ice-cream and cake was served, and a general good time seemed to be enjoyed by all.

The Foresters of Court Fairport, No. 1889, and Companions of Court Grand River gave a picnic on July 4th, which was well patronized. The gross proceeds were about \$190, the net profits to be equally divided between the Companions and the Foresters.

Companion Mary F. Thackeray, 833 Union St., Port Huron, Michigan, writes as follows: "Court Unique, No. 79, was organized December 15th, 1897, with 20 Charter members. We now number 52, and we have 10 or 12 candidates ready to be initiated. We have never held but one meeting without initiation, which we consider is wonderful here in Port Huron, which is said to be the greatest fraternal city of its size in the world. It is literally worked to death. We have elected and installed our officers for the second term, also elected our delegates to the Supreme convention. Last Thursday night, after all other business had been transacted, we held a public installation and invited the members of Court Tunnel, to which we are auxiliary, to witness it. After installation refreshments were served. The Rev. Mr. Aldrich entertained us with songs and recitations, in which he was assisted by Miss Macdonald. All reported having spent a good social time."

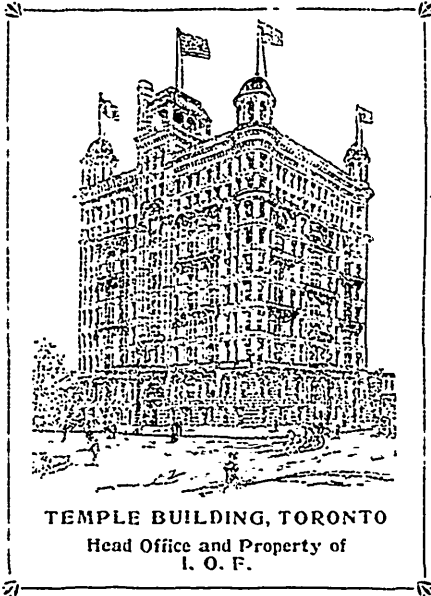
Immortelle.

Mr. A. J. Archer, of Streatham Hill, London, Eng., Treasurer of the court in that place, died very suddenly on the evening of Friday, 10th June. He had been out cycling and was seized with a sharp pain in the region of the heart. He immediately fell to the ground and expired. When medical aid reached him life was quite extinct. Only as recently as the night previous to his death he attended the usual monthly meeting of the Order, and was apparently in the best of health; so that it has come as a great shock to those who were in his genial company a few hours before the sad affair happened. Mr. Archer was about fifty years of age, and held a position as manager to the English Window-Cleaning Co., Victoria St., S.W. His death is greatly regretted by all who knew him. The draft in payment of Brother Archer's claim was issued on the 27th, and duly forwarded from the head office that day, another proof of the promptness of the Order in settling claims.

I. O. F.

Supreme Court Meeting, Toronto, Canada

Opens August 25th, 1898.



The Grand Dedication of the
FORESTERS' TEMPLE

WILL TAKE PLACE ON

Tuesday, August 30th.



The Grand Demonstration,

STREET PARADE AND DRILL COMPETITION

WILL TAKE PLACE ON

Wednesday, Aug. 31st.

\$1,800 in Prizes will be competed for on the Industrial Exhibition Grounds.

To all Members of the Independent Order of Foresters and Encampments of Royal Foresters.

The Executive Council desires the hearty and earnest co-operation of every Forester, their wives, daughters and sweethearts, and tenders them a cordial invitation to come to Toronto and help make the dedication of the Temple the grandest event and the largest gathering of Foresters ever brought together in the history of the Order.

The dedication of the Temple will take place on the evening of Tuesday, 30th of August.

On Wednesday, August 31st, a monster street parade will be formed and proceed to the Exhibition Grounds, when a grand fancy drill competition will take place between Royal Foresters and other uniformed corps, and the competition between the bands accompanying them.

It is fully expected that over 5,000 Foresters, fifteen Encampments of Royal Foresters and twenty bands will take part in the procession. The most

favorable rates with railways and hotels have been secured.

The following valuable prizes will be offered :

OPEN TO FORESTERS ONLY.

1. The Encampment coming the longest distance, not less than 25 swords..... \$250
2. The Encampment coming the second longest distance, not less than 25 swords... 50
3. Largest Encampment on parade..... 150
4. Second largest Encampment on parade.. 50
5. Best drilled Encampment, not less than 25 swords..... 100
6. Second best drilled Encampment, not less than 25 swords. Silver trophy donated by Ambrose Kent & Sons, Toronto, value..... 50
7. Encampment or Court having the best band on parade..... 200
8. Second best band, silver cornet, value... 125
9. Third best band..... 50
10. Best Foresters' Band..... 150
11. Second best Foresters' Band..... 100
12. Third " "..... 75
13. Fourth " "..... 50

Prizes 7, 8 and 9 are open to any organized band in uniform, but bands competing must be engaged and accompany a Court in the parade.

- 14. Courts having come the longest distance, not less than 20 men, set of officers' sashes, value..... 60
- 15. Largest Court upon parade, set of officers' sashes, value..... 60

"Foresters' Bands" means that the members of such bands are members of the I. O. F. in good standing.

NOTE.—Temple Encampment of Royal Foresters, Toronto, will not compete for any prizes except the drill competition.

OPEN TO ALL SOCIETIES.

The Industrial Exhibition Association of Toronto has donated \$200 in cash to be divided as follows :

- 1. Best drilled uniformed corps..... \$100
- 2. " " " "..... 60
- 3. " " " "..... 40

We would particularly draw the attention of all those who intend to visit Toronto during the Supreme Court to the fact that in addition to the many attractions offered by the Committee of the I. O. F., the Industrial Exhibition, the largest on this continent, will be in full force; also that there are many side trips that can be participated in by visitors at very low rates, viz., Niagara Falls, Foresters' Island, the Thousand Islands, Lachine Rapids, Muskoka, Montreal, Ottawa, etc.

The following are the railway and hotel rates :

Railway Rates.

All railways in Canada will issue tickets at single fare on the Certificate Plan for the round trip.

The railways of Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, southern part of Illinois, part of New York and Pennsylvania, which includes the cities of Suspension Bridge, Niagara Falls, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Salamanca, Erie, Pittsburgh, Bellair, Wheeling, Parkersburg, Charleston, W. Va., Louisville, Chicago, Keokuk, Hannibal and St. Louis will issue tickets going August 24th, 25th and 27th, good leaving Toronto on or before Sept. 6th, at a single rate for the return trip.

The Trunk Line Association, which comprises the following roads, will issue tickets at a fare and one-third for the round trip on the Certificate Plan, provided 100 persons are in attendance and hold certificates:—Addison & Pennsylvania, Alleghany Valley, Baltimore & Ohio (Parkersburg, Bellair and Wheeling and east thereof), Baltimore & Potomac, Bennington & Rutland, Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh, Camden & Atlantic, Canada Atlantic, Central of New Jersey, Central Vermont, Chesapeake & Ohio (Huntingdon, W. Va., and east thereof), Cumberland Valley, Delaware & Hudson, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, Elmira, Cortland & Northern, Erie (Buffalo, Dunkirk, Salamanca and east thereof), Fall Brook, Fitchburg, Fonda, Johnstown & Gloversville, Grand Trunk, Jamestown & Lake Erie (for business to points in Trunk Line Territory), Lehigh Valley, New York Central & Hudson River (Harlem & New York & Putnam divisions excepted), New York, Ontario & Western, New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk, Northern Central, Pennsylvania, Philadelphia & Erie, Philadelphia & Reading, Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore, Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg, Western New York & Pennsylvania,

West Jersey, West Shore, Wilmington & North-ern.

HOTELS IN TORONTO.

Queen's Hotel.....	\$3 00 and upwards
Rossin House, headquarters of the Executive Council.....	2 50 and upwards
Walker House.....	2 00
Palmer House.....	1 50 to \$2 00
Kensington House.....	1 50 to 2 00
Crown Hotel.....	1 50
Daly House.....	1 50
Grand Union.....	2 00
Grand Central.....	1 00 to 1 50
Arlington.....	2 00 to 3 00
Power House.....	1 00
Richardson House.....	1 00 to 1 50
Elliott House.....	2 00
Empress Hotel.....	1 50
Grosvenor House.....	1 00 to 1 50
Somerset House.....	1 50 to 2 00
Lakeview Hotel.....	1 00 to 1 50
Korman House.....	1 00
Albion Hotel.....	1 00 to 1 50
Carlton House.....	1 00
McCarron House.....	2 00
Cameron House.....	1 50
Globe Hotel.....	1 00 to 1 50
Ocean House.....	1 00
Kirby House.....	1 00

Private parties or any large number coming from any one point or contiguous points desiring special railway or hotel conveniences, can obtain the necessary information pertaining to same by applying to C. A. Stone, Temple Building, who will endeavor to make arrangements for the convenience and comfort of the delegates and their friends.

Instructions to Delegates and Others.

Delegates who intend visiting Toronto during the meeting of the Supreme Court, and who will travel upon roads where it is necessary to procure certificates, will kindly notice that certificates are not kept at all small stations. If, however, the ticket agent at a local station is not supplied with certificates and through tickets to place of meeting he can inform the delegate of the nearest important station where they can be obtained. In such a case the delegate should purchase a local ticket to such station, and there take up his certificate and through ticket to place of meeting. Going tickets, in connection with which certificates are issued for return, may be sold only within three days (Sunday excepted) prior to and during the first three days of the meeting, except that when meetings are held at distant points to which the authorized limit is greater than three days, tickets may be sold before the meeting in accordance with the limits shown in regular tariffs. Upon arrival at Toronto deposit the certificate received from the railway with the Secretary, or other proper officer of the Independent Order of Foresters at the Temple, for necessary endorsement and visé of special agent.

NOTE.—The Secretary or person to endorse certificates should collect same during the early sessions of meeting, and write in title, place and date, as provided for on the blank side of each certificate (recognized initials may be used instead of full title to indicate the meeting); they will then be in shape for the visé of the committee's special agent on the

days arranged by the officers of the meeting for his attendance, and when countersigned by him will entitle the holders to the reduction set forth in clause 6.

6. On presentation of the certificate, duly filled in on both sides, within three days (Sunday excepted) after the adjournment of the meeting, the ticket agent at the place of meeting will return the holder to starting point, by the route over which the going journey was made, at one-third the highest limited fare by such route. The return tickets will in all cases be closely limited to continuous passage to destination.

7. Certificates are *not transferable*, and return tickets secured upon certificates are *not transferable*.

8. No refund of fare will be made on account of any person failing to obtain a certificate.

The following roads will sell tickets at one fare and one-third for the round trip under the certificate plan. We also publish the names and addresses of officers in charge of Passenger and Ticket Departments of Railways in the territory east of the Missouri River and west of Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis, and the same of the railways in the trans-Missouri territory, who will gladly furnish all necessary information.

Names and Addresses of Officers in charge of Passenger and Ticket Departments of Railways in the Territory East of the Missouri River and West of Chicago, Peoria, and St. Louis:

- Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R'y, W. J. Black, General Passenger Agent, Topeka, Kans.
- Burlington, Cedar Rapids & No. R'y, J. Norton, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
- Chicago & Alton R.R., Jas. Charlton, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago, Ill.
- Chicago & North-Western R'y, W. B. Kniskern, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago, Ill.
- Chicago, Burlington & Northern R.R., George P. Lyman, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul, Minn.
- Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R., P. S. Eustis, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill.
- Chicago Great Western R'y, F. H. Lord, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago, Ill.
- Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R'y, G. H. Heaford, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago, Ill.
- Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific R'y, John Sebastian, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago, Ill.
- Chicago, St. Paul, Minn. & Omaha R'y, T. W. Teasdale, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul, Minn.
- Hannibal & St. Joseph R.R., Kansas City, St. Jo. & Co. Bluffs R.R., St. Lewis, Keokuk & No. Western R.R., L. W. Wakeley, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis, Mo.
- Illinois Central R.R., A. H. Hanson, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill.
- Iowa Central R'y, T. P. Barry, General Passenger Agent, Marshalltown, Ia.
- Jacksonville & St. Louis R'y, J. W. Daly, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Jacksonville, Ill.
- Minneapolis & St. Louis R.R. Co., A. B. Cutts,

General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Minneapolis, Minn.

Missouri Pacific R'y, H. C. Townsend, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, St. Louis, Mo.

Rock Island & Peoria R'y, R. Stockhouse, General Ticket Agent, Rock Island, Ill.

St. Louis & San Francisco R.R., B. L. Winchell, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis, Mo.

Sioux City & Pacific R.R., J. R. Buchanan, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

Wabash Railroad, C. S. Crane, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, St. Louis, Mo.

Wisconsin Central Lines, J. C. Pond, General Passenger Agent, Milwaukee, Wis.

Names and Addresses of Officers in charge of Ticket and Passenger Departments of Railways in Trans-Missouri Territory:

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Railway, W. J. Black, General Passenger Agent, Topeka, Kans.

Burlington & Missouri River R.R., J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry., Jno. Sebastian, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago, Ill.

Chicago, St. Paul, Minn. & Omaha Ry., T. W. Teasdale, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul, Minn.

Colorado Midland Railway, W. F. Bailey, General Passenger Agent, Denver, Col.

Denver & Rio Grande R.R., S. K. Hooper, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Denver, Col.

Fremont, Elkhorn & Mo. Valley R.R., J. R. Buchanan, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

Missouri Pacific Railway, C. Townsend, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, St. Louis, Mo.

Rio Grande Western Railway, F. A. Wadleigh, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Salt Lake City, Utah.

St. Joseph & Grand Island Railway, S. M. Adsit, General Passenger Agent, St. Joseph, Mo.

St. Louis & San Francisco R.R., B. L. Winchell, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis, Mo.

Union Pacific Railroad, E. L. Lomax, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Omaha, Neb.

Brought In "Pa's Prayers."

Once upon a time sickness came to the family of a poorly-paid pastor of a country church. It was winter and the pastor was in financial straits. A number of his flock decided to meet at his house and offer prayers for the speedy recovery of the sick ones and for material blessings upon the pastor's family. While one of the deacons was offering a fervent prayer for blessings upon the pastor's household there was a loud knock at the door. When the door was opened a stout farmer boy was seen, wrapped up comfortably.

"What do you want, boy?" asked one of the elders.

"I've brought pa's prayers," replied the boy.

"Brought pa's prayers? What do you mean?"

"Yep, brought his prayers, an' they're out in the waggon. Jest help me an' we'll get 'em in."

Investigation disclosed the fact that "pa's prayers" consisted of potatoes, flour, bacon, cornmeal, turnips, apples, warm clothing and a lot of jellies for the sick ones. The prayer-meeting adjourned in short order.

Supreme Secretary's Statement for the Month of July, 1898.

Courts Reinstated since last Report.

Name of Court.	No.	Name of Court.	No.
Bordentown.....	1069	Carhokio.....	3165
Fort Dearborn.....	3091	Topoka.....	3726

Receipts, July, 1898.

No. of Members.	Jurisdiction.	Mortuary Benefit Assessm'ts	S. & F. Benefits.	General Funds.	No. of Members.	Jurisdiction.	Mortuary Benefit Assessm'ts	S. & F. Benefits.	General Funds.
1013	British Columbia..	\$ 1233 28	\$ 72 55	\$ 153 50	4132	New Jersey.....	\$ 4233 36	\$ 51 60	\$ 432 75
5056	California.....	11481 67	173 11	1084 00	12163	New York.....	12396 17	806 19	1083 25
279	Colorado with Utah annexed.....	477 13	10 04	20 75	2112	North Dakota.....	2696 40	62 21	219 00
5217	Illinois.....	5558 16	51 20	917 10	936	N. W. Territory....	1058 15	67 35	123 00
1920	Indiana.....	2115 19	7 90	134 50	3187	Nova Scotia.....	3650 20	273 17	408 50
671	Iowa.....	915 45	1 48	151 25	6720	Ohio.....	6886 28	112 53	871 00
2929	Maine.....	2137 10	731 93	503 75	13311	Ontario.....	13173 59	2551 07	1704 25
2260	Manitoba.....	2374 37	263 22	332 50	10111	Central.....	11693 56	1311 60	1497 50
12916	Michigan.....	13300 91	1001 93	871 50	10993	Eastern.....	11083 21	983 93	1040 00
3355	Minnesota.....	4808 56	117 62	559 50	1389	Pennsylvania.....	1663 14	27 98	216 75
1092	Missouri with Kansas annexed.....	1318 13	9 25	61 50	1296	Pr. Edward I. land.	1359 71	42 14	216 00
362	Nebraska.....	427 60	3 46	35 75	13436	Quebec.....	14531 69	4293 60	2019 50
5533	New Brunswick....	5815 75	1036 26	537 00	737	Washington.....	1118 60	16 94	76 75
1861	New England.....	1587 95	516 26	202 50	2623	Wisconsin.....	3234 15	26 95	345 00
					611	S. C. Jurisdiction..	902 80	19 85	172 00
					4483	G. Britain & Ireland	5931 15	34 91	697 54
	Received on account of Fire Insurance.....						231 65		
	“ “ Returns re Loans.....						267 92		
	“ “ Organizing and other accounts.....								1190 02
	Grand Totals.....			135,962			\$151,461 97	\$14,727 81	\$17,600 91

Recapitulation.

RECEIPTS.	CONTRA—CR.
For Mortuary Benefit Fund.....	By Cash remitted Supreme Treasurer.....
“ Sick and General Benefit Fund.....	
“ General Funds.....	
Total.....	

Supply Account.

Received on account of Supplies\$ 1832 79 | Remitted same to Supreme Treasurer\$ 1832 79

Investment Account.

Received on account of Principal on Loans... \$6,531 70 | Remitted same to Supreme Treasurer..... \$6,531 70
Submitted in L. B. & C.,

JOHN A. MCGILLIVRAY, Sup. Secretary.

Mortuary Statement for the Month of July, 1898.

January, 1884. Beneficiary, Ann Pink, wife. \$500. \$500 previously paid on Total and Permanent Disability.

No. 3385. Brother Francis T. Cox, aged 53 years, of Court Conqueror, No. 1073, located at Harley, Ont., died of Phthisis on the 26th June, 1898. Initiated 25th January, 1894. Beneficiary, Margaret Eliza Cox, wife. \$2000.

No. 3386. Brother Ernest H. Deacon, aged 29 years, of Court Red Pine, No. 516, located at Warren P. O., Ont., died of Typhoid Fever on the 28th June, 1893. Initiated 29th July, 1893. Beneficiary, Minnie E. Deacon, wife. \$1000.

No. 3387. Brother Arthur J. Tansley, aged 47 years, of Court Golden Hill Excelsior, No. 2165, located at Golden Hill, Eng., died of Perforation of Stomach on the 16th June, 1893. Initiated 14th May, 1895. Beneficiary, Sarah Tansley, wife. \$600.

No. 3388. Brother J. J. Wilkinson, aged 59 years, of Court City of Leeds, No. 2052, located at Leeds, Eng., died of Epilepsy on the 15th June, 1893. Initiated 1st August, 1891. Beneficiary, Elizabeth C. Wilkinson, wife. \$100.

No. 3389. Brother Robt. Jas. Mitchell, aged 31 years, of Court Lilly, No. 1129, located at Arthur, Ont., was Accidentally Drowned on the 19th May, 1893. Initiated 4th April, 1895. Beneficiary, Frank Mitchell, father. \$500.

No. 3390. Brother Andrew B. West, aged 59 years, of Court Capital, No. 1115, located at Ottawa, Ont., died of Appendicitis on the 20th June, 1893. Initiated 17th March, 1886. Beneficiary, Catherine West, wife. \$3000.

No. 3391. Brother J. B. Lepine, aged 45 years, of

No. 3379. Brother John Stainsailer, aged 47 years, of Court Milwaukee, No. 1481, located at Milwaukee, Wis., died of Meningitis, on the 22nd June, 1898. Initiated 2nd March, 1891. Beneficiary, Etta Stainsailer, wife. \$2000.

No. 3380. Brother Alex. Hamilton, aged 49 years, of Court Bobcaygeon, No. 876, located at Bobcaygeon, Ont., died of Pernicious Anaemia, on the 27th June, 1893. Initiated 20th July, 1891. Beneficiary, Mary Hamilton, wife. \$1000.

No. 3381. Brother George A. Brawn, aged 31 years, of Court Penobscot, No. 1186, located at Old Town, Me., died of Cancer of Liver, on the 25th June, 1893. Initiated 11th October, 1895. Beneficiary, Esther Brawn, mother. \$1000.

No. 3382. Brother J. C. Doell, aged 51 years, of Court Advance, No. 395, located at Sobrington, Ont., died of Apoplexy, on the 23rd June, 1893. Initiated 1st March, 1889. Beneficiary, Paulina Doell, wife. \$1000.

No. 3383. Brother M. V. Williams, aged 49 years, of Court Cobourg, No. 15, located at Cobourg, Ont., died of Cancer of Stomach on the 22nd June, 1893. Initiated 23rd February, 1890. Beneficiaries, Kate Williams, wife; Cora E. Williams, daughter. \$2000.

No. 3384. Brother Hugh Pink, aged 60 years, of Court Manitou, No. 135, located at Manitou, Man., died of Phthisis on the 24th June, 1893. Initiated 23th

Court Bell, No. 1023, located at Montreal, Que., died of Pneumonia on the 25th April, 1898. Initiated 30th March, 1892. Beneficiaries, Executors or Administrators. \$1,000.

No. 3392. Brother Wm. H. Johnson, aged 44 years, of Court Endeavor, No. 627, located at San Francisco, Cal., died of Sclerosis of Spinal Cord on the 23rd June, 1898. Initiated 3rd March, 1893. Beneficiary, Willette C. Johnson, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3393. Brother William Barker, aged 46 years, of Court Derry City, No. 2181, located at Londonderry, Ire., died of Insanity on the 30th May, 1898. Initiated 8th January, 1896. Beneficiary, Mary Barker, wife. \$400.

No. 3391. Brother Wm. Reid, aged 31 years, of Court Rosedale, No. 88, located at Toronto, Ont., died of Consumption on the 23rd June, 1898. Initiated 17th December, 1888. Beneficiary, George Reid, brother. \$1,000.

No. 3395. Brother Andrew Ritchie, aged 41 years, of Court Lanes, No. 1381, located at Lanes, Ont., died of Typhoid Fever 4th July, 1898. Initiated 1st May, 1896. Beneficiary, Ellen Ritchie, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3396. Brother John Anderson, aged 50 years, of Court Athelstan, No. 1509, located at Athelstan, Que., died of Phthisis on the 29th June, 1898. Initiated 20th March, 1894. Beneficiary, Elizabeth Anderson, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3397. Brother John C. Brennan, aged 48 years, of Court Fairview, No. 518, located at St. Paul, Minn., died of General Paresis on the 15th June, 1898. Initiated 20th March, 1890. Beneficiary, Nellie Brennan, wife. \$3,000.

No. 3398. Brother Herman Schultz, aged 25 years, of Court Carter H. Harrison, No. 3362, located at Chicago, Ill., died of Phthisis on the 3rd July, 1898. Initiated 26th January, 1897. Beneficiary, Bertha Lingerman, mother. \$2,000.

No. 3399. Brother Israel Glukhch, aged 43 years, of Court Israelite, No. 3329, located at Toronto, Ont., died of Inflammatory Rheumatism on the 11th June, 1898. Initiated 23rd September, 1896. Beneficiary, Golda Glukhch, wife. \$500.

No. 3100. Brother John F. Kennedy, aged 47 years, of Court Russell, No. 49, located at Russell, Ont., was Accidentally Poisoned on the 24th May, 1898. Initiated 10th November, 1890. Beneficiary, Rachel Kennedy, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3101. Brother Wm. Albert Ellis, aged 24 years, of Court Lockley, No. 118, located at St. Martins, N.B., died of Phthisis on the 4th July, 1898. Initiated 15th October, 1896. Beneficiary, Sarah Ellis, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3102. Brother Theodore Rivard, aged 41 years, of Court Asbestos, No. 1784, located at Asbestos, Que., was Accidentally Killed in an explosion on the 17th June, 1898. Initiated 13th August, 1896. Beneficiary, Delina D. Rivard, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3103. Brother Edmund Hooper, aged 22 years, of Court Picton, No. 177, located at Picton, Ont., was Accidentally Drowned on the 12th June, 1898. Initiated 18th October, 1894. Beneficiaries, Executors or Administrators. \$1,000.

No. 3104. Brother Patrick Bradley, aged 32 years, of Court Independence, No. 1792, located at Chicago, Ill., died of Typhoid Fever on the 5th June, 1898. Initiated 20th February, 1897. Beneficiaries, Catherine May and Florence Elizabeth Bradley, daughters. \$1,000.

No. 3105. Brother Sheldon Laffin, aged 48 years, of Court Dayton, No. 1090, located at Dayton, Ohio, died of Bronchial Hemorrhage on the 17th June, 1898. Initiated 24th March, 1895. Beneficiary, Catherine Laffin, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3106. Brother Geo. Orr, aged 36 years, of Court Ottawa, No. 41, located at Ottawa, Ont., died of Pleurisy on the 27th June, 1898. Initiated 26th April, 1886. Beneficiary, Nellie Orr, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3107. Brother Arthur Hamel, aged 32 years, of Court Ste. Catherine, No. 729, located at Montreal, Que., died of Otitis and Abscess of Brain on the 1st July, 1898. Initiated 9th August, 1893. Beneficiary, Georgiana Trudeau, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3108. Brother J. H. Taylor, aged 43 years, of Court Lanark, No. 562, located at Lanark, Ont., died of Sunstroke on the 6th July, 1898. Initiated 14th July, 1890. Beneficiary, Ellen Lee Taylor, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3109. Brother Guy W. McCrumb, aged 21 years, of Court Hamlin, No. 3308, located at Chicago, Ill., was Accidentally Killed on R.R. on the 26th June, 1898. Initiated 22nd March, 1898. Beneficiary, Sarah A. McCrumb, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3110. Brother Frederick Guenther, aged 21 years, of Court Banner, No. 360, located at Cleveland, Ohio, died of Scarlet Fever on the 9th July, 1898. Initiated 20th June, 1898. Beneficiary, Fredericka Guenther, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3111. Brother E. J. Brewer, aged 33 years, of

Court Illinois, No. 1623, located at Chicago, Ill., died of Rheumatism and Heart Disease, on the 9th July 1898. Initiated 30th December, 1895. Beneficiary, Blanche Brewer, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3112. Brother J. W. Mollett, aged 39 years, of Court Wataga, No. 3231, located at Champaign, Ill., died of Cancer of the Neck, on the 7th July, 1898. Initiated 28th September, 1896. Beneficiary, Emma B. Mollett, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3113. Brother Gustavus Kessler, aged 49 years, of Court Mt. Vernon, No. 1201, located at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., died of Disease of Spinal Cord, on the 5th July, 1898. Initiated 28th December, 1892. Beneficiary, Louise Kessler, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3114. Brother Henry Gray, aged 48 years, of Court Excelsior, No. 79, located at Almonte, Ont., was Murdered, on the 29th June, 1898. Initiated 17th March, 1892. Beneficiary, Priscilla Gray, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3115. Brother Henry B. Vrooman, aged 26 years, of Court Bold Forester, No. 3188, located at Albany, N. Y., was Accidentally Killed on R.R., on the 30th June, 1898. Initiated 26th August, 1897. Beneficiary, Maggie L. Vrooman, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3116. Brother Charles Radloff, aged 31 years, of Court Illinois, No. 1623, located at Chicago, Ill., died of Typhoid Fever, on the 11th July, 1898. Initiated 5th August, 1895. Beneficiary, Emma Radloff, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3117. Brother R. Spencer, M.D., aged 57 years, of Court Brandon, No. 427, located at Brandon, Man., died of Paralysis of Heart, on the 9th July, 1898. Initiated 3rd July, 1889. Beneficiary, Emily B. Spencer, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3118. Brother Wm. Cuddie, aged 42 years, of Court Pearl, No. 113, located at Park Head, Ont., died of Cerebral Hemorrhage, on the 12th July, 1898. Initiated 11th May, 1892. Beneficiary, Maria L. H. Cuddie, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3119. Brother Herman Miller, aged 31 years, of Court Manhattan, No. 420, located at Evansville, Ind., died of Phthisis, on the 3rd July, 1898. Initiated 19th June, 1896. Beneficiary, Anna Miller, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3120. Brother Jno. J. Purcell, aged 41 years, of Court Surprise, No. 3176, located at Toledo, Ohio, died of Bright's Disease, on the 15th July, 1898. Initiated 1st April, 1897. Beneficiary, Agnes Purcell, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3121. Brother M. A. Morrison, aged 49 years, of Court Burrard, No. 317, located at Vancouver, B.C., died from Shock, result of injuries received on the 15th May, 1898. Initiated 7th June, 1894. Beneficiaries, Jessie M. Morrison, wife; Christina Hazel Morrison, daughter. \$1,000.

No. 3122. Brother Geo. W. Chambers, aged 48 years, of Court Lone Star, No. 1036, located at S. Stillwater, Minn., died of Fracture of Skull from a fall, on the 28th June, 1898. Initiated 5th March, 1896. Beneficiary, Ellen M. Chambers, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3123. Brother J. D. Sproul, aged 38 years, of Court Norwalk, No. 533, located at Norwalk, Cal., died of Appendicitis, on the 26th June 1898. Initiated 1st June, 1891. Beneficiary, Mattie Sproul, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3124. Brother Edward C. Roth, aged 25 years, of Court East Buffalo, No. 1184, located at Buffalo, N. Y., was Accidentally Drowned, on the 19th June, 1898. Initiated 1st November, 1892. Beneficiary, Henrietta Roth, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3125. Brother John Lane, aged 56 years, of Court Lanes, No. 1381, located at Lanes, Ont., died of Cancer of Stomach, on the 14th July, 1898. Initiated 5th December, 1893. Beneficiary, Eliza Lane, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3126. Brother E. U. Wiedler, aged 29 years, of Court Mt. Logan, No. 1533, located at Chillicothe, Ohio, died of Typhoid Fever, on the 15th July, 1898. Initiated 19th April, 1894. Beneficiary, Grace Estelle Wiedler, wife. \$3,000.

No. 3127. Brother John Bruce, aged 31 years, of Court Arrow Head, No. 3718, located at Arrow Head Station, B.C., died of Peritonitis, on the 20th June, 1898. Initiated 18th November, 1897. Beneficiary, Hugh Bruce, brother. \$1,000.

No. 3128. Brother Wm. E. Conradt, aged 28 years, of Court Utopia, No. 3506, located at Ritecup Cove, N.S., was Accidentally Drowned, on the 10th May, 1898. Initiated 16th April, 1892. Beneficiary, Ida Laura May Conradt, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3129. Brother Malcolm McTavish, aged 50 years, of Court Duart, No. 806, located at Duart, Ont., died of Sciatica and Tuberculosis, on the 19th July, 1898. Initiated 31st March, 1892. Beneficiary, Mary Melissa McTavish, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3130. Brother Patrick J. Mooney, aged 45 years, of Court Aulton, No. 866, located at Seattle, Wash., died of Heart Disease, on the 16th July, 1898. Initiated 4th December, 1895. Beneficiary, Kate Mooney, wife. \$2,000.

No. 3431. Brother Geo. J. Bradley, aged 55 years, of Court Desmond, No. 187, located at Port Huron, Mich., died of Disease of Liver and Kidneys, on the 15th July, 1898. Initiated 17th February, 1886. Beneficiary, Geo. E. Bradley, son, and Frank Whipple, "in trust for my son Wm. H. Bradley, and if my said son Wm. H. Bradley pre-decease me, then to the said Frank Whipple, in trust for Frederick Bradley, the oldest son of my said son, Wm. H. Bradley." \$1,000.

No. 3432. Brother Charles L. Monroe, aged 38 years, of Court Rochester, No. 1687, located at Rochester, N.Y., died of Paralysis of Heart, on the 13th July, 1898. Initiated 8th July, 1896. Beneficiary, Carrie B. Monroe, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3433. Brother John Mason, aged 46 years, of Court Liberty, No. 313, located at Richmond, Mich., died of Heart Disease, on the 7th July, 1898. Initiated 26th December, 1892. Beneficiary, Mary A. Mason, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3434. Brother Stephen Darling, aged 32 years, of Court Athens, No. 784, located at Athens, Ont., died of Sclerosis of Spinal Cord, on the 22nd July, 1898. Initiated 26th February, 1897. Beneficiary, Susan Amelia Darling, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3435. Brother Ferdinand Fischer, aged 24 years, of Court Kinsman, No. 1033, located at Cleveland, Ohio, died of Phtisis, on the 23rd July, 1898. Initiated 9th December, 1895. Beneficiary, Annie Fischer, mother. \$1,000.

No. 3436. Brother John Kapp, aged 37 years, of Court Flower City, No. 336, located at Rochester, N.Y., hanged himself while insane, on the 28th April, 1898. Initiated 25th May, 1888. Beneficiary, Margaret Kapp, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3437. Brother Chas. H. Murdock, aged 37 years, of Court Union Eagle, No. 3904, located at Chicago, Ill., died of Appendicitis, on the 18th June, 1898. Initiated 20th April, 1898. Beneficiary, E. A. Murdock, wife. \$1,000.

No. 3438. Brother John O'Riley, aged 25 years, of Court Lyster, No. 1913, located at Lyster, Que., was Accidentally Killed on R.R., on the 13th July, 1898. Initiated 17th January, 1898. Beneficiary, Bridget O'Riley, mother. \$500.

No. 3439. Brother Dr. C. A. Black, aged 54 years, of Court Acadia, No. 102, located at Amherst, N.S., died of Angina Pectoris on the 10th July, 1898. Initiated 13th September, 1883. Beneficiary, Bessie Black, wife; Vaughan Black, son. \$3,000.

No. 3440. Brother Robert Wright, aged 25 years, of Court Ebecme, No. 857, located at Henderson, Me., was Accidentally Killed on R.R., on the 21st July, 1898. Initiated 9th February, 1897. Beneficiary, James Wright brother. \$1,000.

No. 3441. Brother Jas. Fitzgerald, aged 24 years, of Court Ebecme, No. 857, located at Henderson, Me., was Accidentally Killed on R.R., on the 21st July, 1898. Initiated 3rd April, 1893. Beneficiary, Margaret Burns, mother. \$1,000.

Supreme Treasurer's Statement for July, 1898.

Mortuary Statement.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance as per last Statement.....	\$2,731,836 40
" Supreme Secretary.....	150,962 40
" " " re Fire Insurance.....	231 65
" " " Refund re Loans.....	267 92
	<u>\$2,883,298 37</u>

Paid to Beneficiaries of late Brothers—

John Stainsailer.....	Court Milwaukee, 1181.....	\$2,000 00
Geo. A. Brawn.....	" Penobscot, 1186.....	1,000 00
Alex. Hamilton.....	" Bobcaygeon, 876.....	1,000 00
Hugh Pink.....	" Manitow, 135.....	500 00
M. W. Williams.....	" Cobourg, 15.....	2,000 00
John C. Doell.....	" Advance, 395.....	1,000 00
Jos. Jesse Wilkinson.....	" City of Leeds, 2052.....	487 22
Arthur J. Tansley.....	" Gl'n H.I., Excelsior, 2165.....	2,923 33
Ernest H. Deacon.....	" Red Pine, 546.....	1,000 00
Francis T. Cox.....	" Conqueror, 1073.....	2,000 00
Rob. Jas. Mitchell.....	" Lilly, 1129.....	500 00
Andrew B. West.....	" Dominion, 25.....	3,000 00
I. B. Lepino.....	" Ct. Bell, 1023.....	1,000 00
Wm. H. Johnson.....	" Endeavor, 627.....	2,000 00
Wm. Barker.....	" Derry City, 2184.....	1,943 88
Andrew Ritchie.....	" Lanes, 1331.....	2,000 00
William Reed.....	" Rosedale, 88.....	1,000 00
John Anderson.....	" Athelstan, 1509.....	1,000 00
John C. Brennan.....	" Fairview, 518.....	3,000 00

Herman Schultz.....	" C.H. Harrison, 3362.....	2,000 00
Israel Glukluch.....	" Israelite, 3329.....	500 00
John F. Kennedy.....	" Russell, 49.....	1,000 00
William Albert Ellis.....	" Locksley, 118.....	1,000 00
Theodore Rivard.....	" Asbestos, 1784.....	1,000 00
George Orr.....	" Ottawa, 41.....	1,000 00
Sheeden Laflin.....	" Layton, 1000.....	2,000 00
Patrick Beadley.....	" Independence, 1792.....	1,000 00
Fred. Guenther.....	" Banner, 360.....	1,000 00
William Cuddy.....	" Pearl, 113.....	1,000 00
Henry Grey.....	" Excelsior, 79.....	1,000 00
Wesley McCrumb.....	" Hamlin, 3308.....	2,000 00
James H. Taylor.....	" Lanark, 562.....	1,000 00
Arthur Hamel.....	" St. Catharines, 729.....	1,000 00
Gustavus Kessler.....	" Mt. Vernon, 1201.....	1,000 00
B. H. Brewer.....	" Illinois, 1623.....	1,000 00
J. W. Mollett.....	" Watago, 3231.....	1,000 00
Henry B. Vrooman.....	" Bold Forester, 3188.....	2,000 00
R. Spencer, M.D.....	" Brandon, 427.....	1,000 00
Charles Radloff.....	" Illinois, 1623.....	2,000 00
James Adair.....	" Lisbon, 509.....	1,000 00
M. A. Morrison.....	" Burrard, 317.....	500 00
John J. Purcell.....	" Surprise, 2176.....	1,000 00
Geo. W. Chambers.....	" Lone Star, 1036.....	2,000 00
Herman Miller.....	" Manhattan, 420.....	1,000 00
Turney Murray.....	" Verne, 1019.....	1,000 00
Edmund Harper.....	" Picton, 177.....	1,000 00
J. D. Sproni.....	" Norwalk, 533.....	1,000 00
Edward C. Roth.....	" E. Buffalo, 1181.....	1,000 00
John Lane.....	" Lanes, 1381.....	1,000 00
Ed. W. Wiedler.....	" Mt. Logan, 1535.....	3,000 00
John Bruce.....	" Arrowhead, 3718.....	1,000 00
Wm. E. Conradt.....	" Utopia, 3506.....	1,000 00
W. T. Miller.....	" Log Cabin, 1761.....	2,000 00
Alfred Law.....	" Beaver, 2.....	2,000 00
Malcolm McTavish.....	" Duart, 806.....	1,000 00
Patrick J. Mooney.....	" Aulton, 866.....	2,000 00
George J. Bradley.....	" Desmond, 187.....	1,000 00
Charles L. Mann.....	" Rochester, 1657.....	1,000 00
John Mason.....	" Liberty, 313.....	1,000 00
Stephen Darling.....	" Athens, 781.....	1,000 00
Ferdinand Fischer.....	" Kinsmen, 1038.....	1,000 00
John Kapp.....	" Flower City, 336.....	1,000 00
C. A. Murdock.....	" Union Eagle, 3904.....	1,000 00
John O'Reilly.....	" Lyster, 1913.....	500 00
Dr. C. A. Black.....	" Acadia, 102.....	3,000 00
Robert Wright.....	" Ebecme, 857.....	1,000 00
James Fitzgerald.....	" Ebecme, 857.....	1,000 00

Total and Permanent Disability—

Jos. Alp. LeBrun, Ct. Mt. Joli, 1519.....	\$ 500 00
Robert Moody, Ct. Lucknow, 454.....	500 00
A. Richardson, Ct. Green Bay, 786.....	500 00
Fred F. Hoffman, Ct. Auraria, 1709.....	500 00
John Edwards, Ct. Sandfield, 191.....	500 00
R. A. Calhoun, Vermont, 1619.....	500 00
Doctors' Fees.....	14 50
	<u>3,014 50</u>

Old Age Disability—

Geo. Harrison, Ct. Blenheim, 28.....	100 00
Geo. Kerr, Ct. Queen Victoria, 314.....	100 00
	<u>200 00</u>

Premium on Policy.....	\$58 68
Refunds.....	45 25
Legal Fees.....	326 70
Commission.....	217 50
Fire Insurance.....	257 44
	<u>935 57</u>

English Refund.....	\$93,009 50
	30 72
	<u>\$93,040 22</u>
Five per cent. to General Fund.....	7,548 12
Balance.....	2,782,710 03
	<u>\$2,883,298 37</u>

Sick and Funeral Fund.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance as per last Statement.....	\$ 124,777 28
" Supreme Secretary.....	11,727 81
	<u>\$139,505 09</u>

CONTRA—CR.

By Sick Claims.....	\$,049 74
" Funeral Claims.....	500 00
" 5 per cent. General Fund.....	736 40
" Balance.....	129,218 95
	<u>\$ 139,505 09</u>

General Account for July, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

To Supreme Secretary	\$ 17,660 91
on acct. of Supplies	1,832 79
To 5 per cent. Mortuary Benefit Fund	7,518 12
Sick and Fun'l Benefit Fund	736 40
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	\$ 27,718 22

CONTRA—CR.

Salaries of Officers	\$1,999 99
Organizing Salaries and Expenses	7,819 14
Wages of Employees	3,202 20
Fees Returned	172 01
Furniture Account	500 00
General Management Expenses	4,890 88
"Forester" and Supplies	5,357 01
Balance	3,746 96
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	\$ 27,718 22

Surplus.

Deposited with Dom. Ins. Co. of Canada	\$ 700,000 00
Great Britain and Ireland	95,610 17
U. S. Government Bonds	148,758 36
New Brunswick Government	20,000 00
Real Estate and 1st Mortgages on Real Est.	2,161,108 64
Debentures	230,280 20
Deposit Receipts	540 79
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	\$2,765,298 16
Current Account	17,411 87
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	\$2,782,710 03
Sick and Funeral Surplus	129,218 95
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Grand Total Surplus	\$2,911,928 98

Yours in L. B. & C.
H. A. COLLINS, Sup. Tres.

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

During the month of July, the Medical Board reviewed 2,139 medical examination papers, of which 1,872 were accepted and 267 rejected. The subjoined table will show the jurisdictions whence the papers emanated:—

Jurisdiction.	Accepted	Rejected	Jurisdiction.	Accepted	Rejected
	British Columbia	16		5	New York
California	149	26	N. W. Territories	20	4
Connecticut	23	1	Ohio	89	25
Colorado	1	2	Ontario (Centre)	128	16
Illinois	231	25	Ontario (East)	90	11
Indiana	16	3	Ontario (West)	65	12
Iowa	4	1	Oregon	1	1
Kansas	2	1	Pennsylvania	45	3
Maine	22	5	P. E. Island	9	1
Manitoba	21	1	Quebec	102	14
Michigan	170	13	Rhode Island	6	1
Minnesota	50	1	Vermont	15	1
Missouri	9	1	Washington	10	1
Montana	11	3	Wisconsin	42	3
Nebraska	5	1	England	67	13
New Brunswick	26	6	Ireland	36	2
North Dakota	16	1	Scotland	14	3
New Hampshire	20	7	Wales	18	3
New Jersey	53	7	Norway	10	2
Nova Scotia	30	3	Total	1872	267

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

KNEW THEIR BUSINESS.—Mrs. Twank: "Do you know, the burglars didn't touch our family plate."
Mr. Blank: "They must have been experts."

Acknowledgments.

TACOMA, WASH.,
June 23rd, 1898.

Court Destiny, No. 598.

I desire, through your court, to express my hearty thanks to the Executive of the I.O.F. for the prompt settlement of the Mortuary Benefit of one thousand dollars, carried by my husband, Chas. W. Mock.

Especially do I thank the members of Court Destiny for the many kindnesses shown to me in my bereavement, and for the beautiful resolutions passed in honor of my dear husband.

May God prosper your noble Order.

Yours very sincerely,
Mrs. C. W. Mock.

UPPER GAGETOWN, N. B.,
June 1st, 1898.

On Saturday, April 30th, my husband, S. Chipman Weston, a member of the court of I.O.F., Upper Gagetown, N.B., died. About three weeks later I received a cheque for one thousand dollars, full amount of his life assurance. I cannot speak too highly of the Order, and wish to thank the members of this court for their kindness and attention during my late husband's sickness and death, and also for the manner in which the funeral was conducted.

Yours truly,
Laura Weston.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.,
May 25th, 1898.

We wish to express our thanks to the members of Court Charles, No. 3164, for their kind sympathy during the sickness and death of our son, Louis, and to the Supreme Court, Independent Order of Foresters, for the prompt payment of the \$1,000 policy in five days after proofs of deaths were made. We gladly recommend the I.O.F. to all who wish fraternal insurance.

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June, 1898.

I beg to acknowledge the prompt payment of one thousand dollars, paid to me on June 4, 1898, as widow and beneficiary of my late beloved husband, Archie Morrison, by the Independent Order of Foresters, on behalf of myself and children. I can scarcely find words to express my deep gratitude to the noble Order of the I.O.F., and especially to Court Orillia, No. 615, for the courtesy, sympathy and kindness extended to me and my family in our bereavement. I sincerely trust that the I.O.F. and Court Orillia, No 615, may long be spared to give expression to the noble sentiments which are inscribed as your motto: "Liberty, Benevolence and Concord," for it keeps poverty from the door when the breadwinner is gone.

Sincerely and thankfully yours,
Mrs. Archie Morrison.

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An old painter watched a little fellow go on and paint himself making drawings of his cat and horses, ezel and stool, and said: "That boy will beat me one day." And he did, for he was Michael Angelo.

A German boy was reading a book and blundered in the midst of it to go to himself. "Now, this will never do. I am too much excited over it. I can't study any well after it. So here it goes," and he flung the book out into the street. It was Euclid, the great German philosopher.

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