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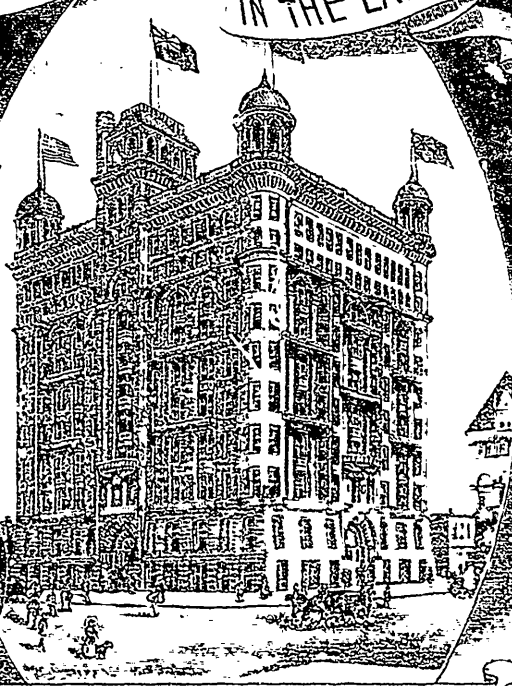
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Limit of Age for Admission is from 18 to 55 Years.

Notes of Monthly Assessments.

To secure (1) the Temporary Benefit, (2) the Total 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 Enrollment 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	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$5,000
18	30	50	70	90	110
19	31	51	71	91	111
20	32	52	72	92	112
21	33	53	73	93	113
22	34	54	74	94	114
23	35	55	75	95	115
24	36	56	76	96	116
25	37	57	77	97	117
26	38	58	78	98	118
27	39	59	79	99	119
28	40	60	80	100	120
29	41	61	81	101	121
30	42	62	82	102	122
31	43	63	83	103	123
32	44	64	84	104	124
33	45	65	85	105	125
34	46	66	86	106	126
35	47	67	87	107	127
36	48	68	88	108	128
37	49	69	89	109	129
38	50	70	90	110	130
39	51	71	91	111	131
40	52	72	92	112	132
41	53	73	93	113	133
42	54	74	94	114	134
43	55	75	95	115	135
44	56	76	96	116	136
45	57	77	97	117	137
46	58	78	98	118	138
47	59	79	99	119	139
48	60	80	100	120	140
49	61	81	101	121	141
50	62	82	102	122	142
51	63	83	103	123	143
52	64	84	104	124	144
53	65	85	105	125	145
54	66	86	106	126	146
55	67	87	107	127	147

At Age of	Monthly Assessment	At Age of	Monthly Assessment
18	30	38	49
19	31	39	50
20	32	40	51
21	33	41	52
22	34	42	53
23	35	43	54
24	36	44	55
25	37	45	56
26	38	46	57
27	39	47	58
28	40	48	59
29	41	49	60
30	42	50	61
31	43	51	62
32	44	52	63
33	45	53	64
34	46	54	65
35	47	55	66
36	48	56	67
37	49	57	68
38	50	58	69
39	51	59	70
40	52	60	71
41	53	61	72
42	54	62	73
43	55	63	74
44	56	64	75
45	57	65	76
46	58	66	77
47	59	67	78
48	60	68	79
49	61	69	80
50	62	70	81
51	63	71	82
52	64	72	83
53	65	73	84
54	66	74	85
55	67	75	86

For Investments.

The surplus funds of the Order are always invested in the most secure manner. A list of the investments is given below, and the balance being invested in investments approved by the Grand Lodge, as shown below:

Invested Funds.

The following shows where some of the funds are now invested:

Deposit for Next Year	\$10,000.00
U.S. Bonds and Notes	50,000.00
United States Government Bonds	10,000.00
New England Investment	25,000.00
Real Estate and Fire Insurance	10,000.00
Life Estate	2,000.00
Life Insurance	215,000.00
Deposit for Next Year	2,000.00
Total	\$397,275.00

Now the amounts will be given that are held ready for investment in the Order:

\$3,977,275.15

No portion of the funds thus assessed are to be withdrawn except by the vote of the Grand Lodge.

W. A. C. ...
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1. Send all matter relating to THE INDEPENDENT
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Dr. Oronhyatekha, S.C.R., Toronto, Canada.

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

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retary, John A. McGillivray, Q.C., Toronto, Canada.

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as per special instructions.

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duly filled up) in the United Kingdom must be sent
through the London office, so that certificates of mem-
bership may be promptly issued.

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Court must order all supplies from the High Secretary
of their own High Court; those not under a High
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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
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received the FORESTER will be mailed to the Court
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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.

An Ecclesiastical Opinion of the S. C. R.

An incident of the greatest interest to members
of the Independent Order of Foresters, as illustrat-
ing in a most marked manner the high esteem in
which the Supreme Chief Ranger is held by the
best and most enlightened people in our land, took
place at the recent meeting in Montreal of the
Provincial Synod of the Church of England for the
Ecclesiastical Province of Canada. A motion in-
troduced by the Rev. Dr. Langtry, designed to in-
crease the strength of the Church, was under dis-
cussion, when Canon Davidson, of Frelighsburg,
moved in addition that the Bishops be requested
to inform the house regarding the multiplication
of dioceses. The Rev. Wm. Clark, M.A., D.C.L.,
F.R.C.S., Professor of Mental and Moral Philoso-
phy at Trinity University, Toronto, and a gentle-
man known and respected wherever the English
tongue is spoken for his eminent talents, deep eru-
dition and earnest methods, in seconding the addi-
tion expressed the opinion that the rural deans
were to blame if the Bishops were not informed as
to the state of the Church. "On the other hand,"
the learned gentleman said, "if the Bishops did
know, it was quite time their number was increas-
ed. In the Order of Foresters, whenever there
was trouble in the courts, Dr. Oronhyatekha de-
scended and restored peace. Surely in the Church
of God the Bishops could do what Dr. Oronhya-
tekha did. The Bishops should be thoroughly
familiar with the state of the Church throughout
their dioceses, and he believed there was a strong
case for an increase of the episcopacy." Professor
Clark's remarks were received with signs of the
heartiest approval, being subsequently referred to
as among the most impressive and practical made
upon the subject under discussion.

Sow ; and look onward, upward,
Where the starry light appears,
Where, in spite of the coward's doubting,
Or your own heart's trembling fears,
You shall reap in joy the harvest
You have sown to-day in tears.

Adelaide Proctor.

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Echoes of The Supreme Court.

The meeting of The Supreme Court was admittedly the most impressive and important ever held in connection with our Order. There were a variety of significant events accompanying it which have evoked the commendation of the press and the public. We hope from month to month to deal

our contemporaries will doubtless interest the membership, and enable the rank and file to appreciate better the work and worth of our noble Chief.

Our Supreme Chief Ranger as Others See Him.

Our genial host is a familiar figure, and his name is well known to Canadians. The chief and prince of the Mohawk tribe, he was born at the Six Na-



DR. ORONHYATEKHA, Supreme Chief Ranger.

with some of these special features of the meeting, such as the dedication of the Temple, the reception by the City of Toronto, the excursion to Foresters' Island Park, the grand parade, etc.

But undoubtedly the most important factor in the development of the Order, and in the success of The Supreme Court, was our unique Supreme Chief Ranger. The following opinions of some of

tion Reservation, near Brantford, in August, 1841. The story of his early career, when his indomitable pluck and energy, operating against obstacles that would have appalled most men, carried him through college life, when the honors began to seek him. He was selected to prepare and present the address of the Six Nation Indians to the Prince of Wales, the son of their "Great Mother," as they call Queen Victoria. As a result of this the impression of his abilities on the Prince was so

great that he was invited to continue his studies at Oxford under the personal supervision of Sir Henry Acland, Regius Professor of Medicine. The Doctor started to practise medicine; but there was a broader field open to him, and the Independent Order of Foresters claimed him. He found the Order a wreck; to-day a membership of nearly 150,000 and a surplus of \$3,000,000 stand mainly as the result of his work. In 1881 there were 369 members in the Order, and a treasury that was strictly *non est*. A comparison of these two statements affords perhaps as brilliant a comment on the S.C.R.'s work as could be made.—*The Foresters' Gazette*.

Personality of the Head of the Order.

Dr. Oronhyatekha, the present highest officer, or Supreme Chief Ranger, of the I.O.F., as he is called, is a unique personage. He is a full-blooded Mohawk Indian, and is known as well on the other side of the Atlantic as in Canada and the United States.

His early qualities of self-reliance and perseverance were developed in his work among the Foresters, which has been marked by such remarkable success. On one occasion, when out of funds, he is said to have turned a few pennies by sawing a cord of wood for a Methodist minister.

Oronhyatekha acquired his early training at Kenyon College, Toronto University, and at Oxford, England. It was while practising medicine in London, Canada, in 1875, that he was initiated into the Independent Order of Foresters. He rose rapidly to high positions in the Order, and in 1881 he was elected to the office of Supreme Chief Ranger, which he has held ever since.

Oronhyatekha's wife was Miss Ellen Hill, of the Mohawk tribe, a great grand-daughter of the celebrated chief, Joseph Brant. They have a son and daughter. They are proud of their race and language, and in their charming home the Mohawk tongue is generally used.—*The Daily Republican, Ohio*.

"Our Special."

The Hunter, Rose Company have issued as an extra number of THE INDEPENDENT FORESTER, called very prettily the "Dulce Domum Supplement," a most admirable publication, which for artistic get-up, both in design of cover and in the appropriate illustrations, has rarely if ever been equalled on this continent. The covers are beautifully printed in colors, showing on the front a big figure of a most fair woman, representing the I.O.F., seated on a globe and shielding a wounded man, a widow and child, and an orphan with steaming porringer. Over the globe the woman holds entwined large-sized English and United States flags, while beneath her feet are hands clasped, representing the girdle of the world by the I.O.F. On the back also in colors are portraits of the Supreme Chief Ranger, Dr. Oronhyatekha, the Queen and President. McKinley, the last two being in the centre of shields representing their flags. The contents of "Dulce Domum," with their beautiful illustrations in red, are "The Hour Glass," by Robert Barr; a brief summary of the

area and population of the United States; a sketchy history of Toronto, with becoming views; "The Seventh Man," by Q.; the life of Dr. Oronhyatekha, by Lady Meg; "Discouraging a Truth Teller," by Will S. Gidley; a description of The Temple Building; Old Hearts Aflame, by P. Y. Black; the marvellous history of the Independent Order of Foresters—From Birth to Manhood; "Salomy Jane's Kiss," by Bret Harte, and appropriate selections.

The price is twenty-five cents, and no member of the Order should be without a copy.

High Court Meetings

HIGH COURT OF ONTARIO.

The twenty-first annual communication of the High Court of Ontario opened on the 9th of August in the school-room of Christ's Church, Chatham.

The High Chief Ranger, A. H. Backus, presided. The Ven. Archdeacon Davis conferred the High Court Degree.

The High Chief Ranger reported expectations for the year had, in a large measure, been reached. There were 1,456 applicants accepted by Subordinate Courts in the jurisdiction, 231 of whom were rejected by the Supreme Physician. There were 77 deaths as compared with 71 the previous year; 266 suspensions as compared with 532 last year; making a net gain of 875, as compared with 342 last year, and leaving the membership of the High Court on June 30th, 1898, 13,242. Fourteen new courts were organized during the year, making 279 courts in good standing.

INVESTMENTS.

During the year I had an opportunity given me of examining in detail the business departments of the Executive Offices in Toronto, of examining the investments, and ascertaining the methods of book-keeping and banking. I can assure you that if even a one cent postage stamp is sent forward years after, the receipt of that stamp can be traced as well as what disposition has been made of it.

THE SUPREME CHIEF.

The health of the Supreme Chief at one time was a matter of most anxious concern to his physicians and friends. He was at last induced to give up work entirely and take perfect rest, and all will rejoice to know that he returned so improved that he was able to fully take charge of his former work and devote his great energies and abilities to the further upbuilding of the Order.

HIGH SECRETARY.

Bro. Frank E. McCormick, St. Thomas, reported not one cent in the books against any court for supplies; the membership shows an increase which more than doubles that of last year, and the suspensions are only one-half of what they were last year.

HIGH TREASURER.

The Venerable Archdeacon Davis, London, reported that less than two years ago the liabilities of the High Court were \$4,228. The High Court is now out of debt, and had in addition on the 31st July, \$2,667 to credit in the bank.

The High Chief Ranger appointed the following committees:

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE—Frank McCormack, St. Thomas; W. S. Wilkinson, Niagara Falls; John W. Reynold, London; W. B. Purdy, Aylmer; Henry Hear, Attwood

DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE—Ben Greer, London; James Greer, London; Frank B. Dew, C. C. Baird, Hamilton; Dr. Segar, Bridgen.

FINANCE COMMITTEE—Hector Sampson, Niagara Falls; John Fraser, M.P., Petrolia; Rev. J. W. Gunn, Wyoming; W. Geary, London; G. A. Proctor, Sarnia.

APPEALS AND PETITIONS—Dr. Baugh, Hamilton; Dr. Cameron, Galt; S. O. Perry, St. Thomas; Henry Pratt, London; T. W. McLean, Chatham.

NEW BUSINESS—G. T. McKenzie, Monkton; Samuel Battin, Westholme.

COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER—Judge Fitzgerald, Welland; Rev. J. C. Farthing, Woodstock; S. G. Dunham, Neirich; Geo. S. Kerr, Hamilton; Frank Adams, London.

CONSTITUTION AND LAWS—John Porter, Simcoe; J. A. Davidson, Stratford; J. D. McDiarmid, Westholme; G. A. Proctor, Sarnia; Robert H. Foster, Hamilton; John Dauncey, Exeter; Charles Koelin, Windsor.

PRESS COMMITTEE—H. T. Drope, Hamilton; Rev. Robt. Ker, St. Catherines; R. A. Hughes, Chatham.

THE LADIES.

R. N. Foster moved, seconded by George S. Kerr, Hamilton, "that the High Court of Ontario place itself on record as opposed to the admission of women into the Order, believing that it is not in the best interests of the Order so to do, and that a committee be appointed to draft a suitable memorial to The Supreme Court."

THE GRAND CROSS OF MERIT.

C. St. Clair Leitch, of Dutton, moved, seconded by W. H. Wardrope, and carried unanimously, "that High Chief Ranger Backus be recommended to the Supreme Executive for the Grand Cross of Merit."

RECEPTION OF DR. ORONHYATEKHA.

The Supreme Chief Ranger was received with the usual honors, made one of his characteristic speeches and exemplified the unwritten work of the Order. In answer to questions from members of the High Court, the Supreme Chief explained that the Supreme Executive intended to ask The Supreme Court for a readjustment of the rates. This would not affect the present members; the change would tend to strengthen the Order and add to its benefits. Legislation whereby every member would be entitled to be declared permanently disabled on reaching his seventieth birthday would be asked for.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES.

The High Court was entitled to twelve delegates; forty-three names appeared on the printed list, and the following were chosen: A. H. Backus, Aylmer; W. R. Hickey, Bothwell; R. A. Hughes, Chatham; J. Clancy, M.P.P., Rev. J. H. Courtney, Port Stanley; W. H. Wardrope, Hamilton; G. A. Proctor, Sarnia; W. J. Turnbull, Brantford; John Dauncey, Exeter; J. D. McDiarmid, West Lorne; Dr. Cameron, Galt; R. A. Harrington, Chatham.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Dr. Millman, Supreme Physician; Ben Greer, London; R. H. Foster, Hamilton, were appointed scrutineers and the election of officers proceeded

with, and resulted as follows: W. R. Hickey, Bothwell, High Chief Ranger; Rev. J. H. Courtney, Port Stanley, High Vice-Chief Ranger; Frank McCormack, St. Thomas, High Secretary (re-elected); Archdeacon Davis, London, High Treasurer (re-elected); Dr. Cameron, Galt, High Physician; Alex. Porter, Simcoe, High Counsellor; C. Wilkinson, Niagara Falls, C. H. Merrifield, Monkton, High Auditors.

Among the delegates to the High Court was Elain Bearfoot, an Indian from Court Kanyengeh, Brant County.

WELCOME TO THE CITY.

Mayor Patteson and the local courts welcomed the visiting delegates. A most successful and enjoyable mass meeting was held in Tecumseh Park, where speeches and recitations were given by a number of officers of the Order, and an address of welcome by Mayor Patteson. The Mayor stated that he never before had felt so proud of addressing an audience of a fraternal character. The growth of the Independent Order of Foresters had been the envy of all competing Orders, and their charitable work a Godsend to many a helpless widow. Among the members of the two courts in Chatham are found some of its best citizens. The mayor offered the visitors the freedom of the city, and hoped that when they left they would carry away pleasant recollections of their visit to the Maple City.

The High Chief Ranger thanked the mayor for the hearty welcome extended to the delegates.

Saturday evening, after the meeting of the High Court, the court was presented with a Union Jack, Foresters' flag, the gift of David Corbett. The flag is about sixteen feet by six feet, and is a beauty.

HIGH COURT OF CENTRAL ONTARIO.

The High Court met in the Temple Building on the 30th August, H.C.R. Pro. W. B. Sanders, presiding.

The following Committees were appointed:

Credentials—Bros. R. J. Niddrie, M.D., Daniel Rose and James Gorrie.

Distribution—Bros. E. S. Cummer, Rev. A. McGillivray, Dr. Marshall, J. L. Beattie, H. H. Wilson.

Constitution and By-laws—W. A. Boyes, Thos. Wood, W. J. Ayre, A. Fisher, W. D. Reesor.

Appeals and Petitions—Dr. S. G. Thompson, D. Ormiston, Dr. Mullen, J. A. Morrison, R. E. Adams, Chas. Kelly.

State of the Order—Rev. O'Neil, W. R. Key, P. Breckon, J. M. Thomson.

Press Committee—G. L. Wilson, Wm. Ireland, W. H. Seyler, C. W. Rutledge, Jas. B. Henderson, Thos. McKisson, W. A. Hogg, Will J. Kirby.

The High Chief Ranger reported that the total number of applications received during the year in the jurisdiction were 2,598, of which 29 were rejected, showing a total membership of 10,404, as against 9,143 last year. The average applications as received monthly last year were 147; this year the average was 216. Twenty-three courts have been instituted during the year. Fifty-three brethren died during the year. The condition of the Order in the jurisdiction is eminently satisfactory.

The High Secretary, Bro. R. J. Niddrie, M.D., reported that the membership had increased 1,261 during the year; nearly one thousand of the appli-

cations for membership were traceable to the individual members of Subordinate Courts.

The High Treasurer, Bro. Atwell Fleming, submitted a most satisfactory detailed statement of the finances.

Bros. T. R. Preston and Geo. E. Challes, High Auditors, reported the books of the various officers as eminently satisfactory.

A TRIBUTE FROM IRELAND.

Bro. the Rev. W. J. McCaughan introduced Bro. the Rev. James Cregan, H.C.R. of Ireland. He received a warm and fraternal greeting. Bro. Cregan said that the honor conferred upon him by the magnificent reception which they had tendered was, in consequence of its great enthusiasm, a surprise. "I belong," he said, "to a country whose people are modest in the highest degree; you all know that Irishmen are proverbially modest, and I am no exception to the rule." He also added that all Irishmen were handsome, and they could see that he was handsome. Speaking of the Order, he added, "I am greatly impressed with this High Court; it is a magnificent body. In the Old Country the Order is making great progress, and nowhere so great as in Ireland."

The officers of The Supreme Court, Dr. Oronhy-atekha, S. C. R., John A. Macgillivray, Q. C., S.S.; H. A. Collins, S.T., and the Hon. Judge Wedderburn, H.C., were introduced to the High Court by P.H.C.R. Rev. A. Macgillivray. The Supreme Chief Ranger addressed the Court, explaining some of the contemplated changes in the Order. Judge Wedderburn also made one of his characteristic eloquent addresses.

The following officers were elected: H.C.R., Bro. W. B. Sanders; H.V.C.R., Bro. G. L. Wilson; H.S., Bro. Dr. Niddrie; H.T., Atwell Fleming; H.P., Dr. Hodgetts; H.C., J. A. V. Preston; H. Auds., Geo. E. Challes, W. T. Preston.

A vote was taken in reference to the place of next year's meeting. Orillia, Owen Sound and Toronto were put in nomination. It was decided to meet in Toronto, the time fixed being the second Tuesday in September.

The report of the Finance Committee provoked a warm discussion.

The officers were installed by Bro. Dr. Kendall, P.H.C.R. of New York.

HIGH COURT OF EASTERN ONTARIO.

The High Court of Eastern Ontario met at Pembroke on the 6th September, Bro. Dr. C. Day Clarke, H.C.R., presiding. The usual Committees were appointed.

The H.C.R. emphasized the wisdom of the action taken at Ottawa in dividing the High Court of Ontario. He referred to the Russell County fire, and to the liberality with which the courts had responded to the assistance of the brethren whose all had been destroyed by the flames. He gave the following statement of the visits made by each member of the H.S.C. during the year:

The H.C.R., 35 visits and public meetings; the H.V.C.R., 9; the H. S., 11; the H.T., 11; the H.C., 8; the H.P., 6.

During the year there had been 47 deaths in the jurisdiction, and there was paid to the beneficiaries of the deceased brethren \$58,374.69. The death rate in the jurisdiction has been only 4.7 in the thousand.

The High Secretary, Bro. G. L. Dickinson, reported that there had been an increase of 20 new courts and 1,065 new members during the past year.

The High Treasurer, Bro. M. B. Mallory, reported that there was a balance of \$2,181.99 in the High Court treasury. That the position of the High Court has improved by over \$90.0 as compared with its financial standing the previous year.

Bros. J.S.R. McCann and W. H. Meldrum, H. Auds., reported satisfactorily on the accounts and papers of the respective officers.

HIGH COURT OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The annual session of the High Court was held in Alberton on the 11th and 12th August, 1898. The High Chief Ranger presided and appointed the usual committees, with the following chairmen:

Credentials, L. U. Fowler. Distribution, Charles Murphy. Finance, John M. Clark. State of the Order, Norman Carruthers. Appeals and Petitions, R. H. MacDonald. Constitution and Laws, E. S. McPhail. New Business, Dr. H. W. Robertson. Public Meeting, P. B. Clark. Press Com., Geo. F. Owen, D. K. Currie and J. D. Taylor.

The High Chief Ranger reported that the year had been the most prosperous in the history of the High Court; over three hundred new members had been added. The thanks of the High Court were due to the Supreme Chief Ranger for the great assistance rendered.

The High Secretary reported that there were 334 initiated, 24 admitted by card, 4 re-instated, 3 died, 20 suspended, 22 withdrawn by card and 36 social and honorary members.

The High Treasurer reported that the expenditure had been considerably within the income, and that they had \$512 over their liabilities.

The Committee on Constitution and Laws reported that drinking men should pay hazardous rates, and that the Companions of the I.O.F. be made part of the Order.

The P.H.C.R. sent a letter intimating his inability to be present through illness. A resolution of sympathy moved by Bro. J. M. Clark, and seconded by Bro. C. H. Vanidustine was adopted unanimously.

The following officers were elected, appointed and installed:

H.C.R., Bro. John W. Clark, Summerside; P.H.C.R., Bro. F. S. Jost, Charlottetown; H.V.C.R., Bro. George F. Owen, Cardigan; H.S., Bro. L. U. Fowler, Bedeque; H.T., Bro. A. P. Prowse, Murray Harbor; H.P., Bro. Dr. W. H. Dougherty, Cape Traverse; H.C. Bro. E. Stewart McPhail, Crapand; H. Auditors, Bros. J. E. Birch, Alberton, D. K. Currie, Summerside; H. Chap., Bro. Rev. J. M. Whitcombe, Summerside; H.S.W., Bro. R. M. Johnson, Charlottetown; H.J.W., Bro. D. A. Wedlock, Stanley Bridge; H. S. B., Bro. Kenneth McKay, Kensington; H.J.B., Bro. W. J. Montgomery, Port Hill; H. Mar., Bro. John F. McNeill, Montague; H. Mess., Bro. R. B. Auld, Treetown; H. Cond., Bro. Alex. McLeod, Orwell; H.J.S., Bro. J. Gordon McKay, Bradalbane.

Bro. Frank S. Jost was elected representative to The Supreme Court.

Kensington was chosen as the next place of meeting.

A public meeting was held in the Woodmen's Hall, which was crowded. Addresses were delivered by Bro. J. P. Fielding, Rev. F. Price, W. Simpson, R. H. MacDonald, and J. E. Birch, M.P.P. Music, vocal and instrumental, was rendered by Bros. Lamont, Sutherland, Stevenson and Bearisto.

HIGH COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The third regular session of the High Court of Pennsylvania met in Foresters' Hall, Altoona, on the 2nd August, 1898. The High Chief Ranger presided and appointed the following committee:

On Credentials.—Bros. Mingle, Chidester and Steinmetz.

On Distribution.—Bros. Dr. H. E. Crumbaker, Dr. J. H. Hogue, J. H. Langhans.

On Finance.—Bros. Rev. Philip Wittich, Chas. W. Barton, Geo. W. Wickham.

On Appeals and Petitions.—Bros. A. S. Fisher, A. E. Jones, Chas. W. Mingle.

On Constitution and Laws.—Bros. S. B. Cochran, A. S. Fisher, G. A. Schlechter.

On State of the Order.—Bros. Dr. D. P. Robbins, C. A. Conn, H. L. Smith.

On New Business.—Bros. A. P. MacLeod, Dr. C. G. Frowert, Geo. R. Lentz.

The High Chief Ranger reported that when he accepted office there were but five courts in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 145, and now they had reached the respectable number of 32 courts, with 2,000 members, he personally having secured 950 members. He referred to the assistance he received from the Supreme Chief Ranger; he was always at hand with a kind word, a smile, and a strong arm to lift up a worker when he felt himself falling.

The High Secretary reported that at the time of his appointment the courts in the State were very much in need of assistance, but at present their general condition indicated prosperity and advancement. He spoke of the considerateness of the officers of The Supreme Court, of the good advice he had received from them, and their hearty acquiescence in his suggestions.

It was proposed as an amendment to the Constitution and Laws that a Supreme Organizer be appointed who should take control of the Organizing Department of the work of the Order in all the jurisdictions under The Supreme Court.

Bro. H. A. Collins, Supreme Treasurer, having arrived was received with due honors. He delivered a most effective and interesting address, dwelling mainly upon the financial condition of the Order.

Bro. W. S. Clark, High Treasurer, reported that at the last High Court they were in debt \$220; that now there is a surplus after all the indebtedness is discharged of \$250.

Bros. Bennett and Conn, High Auditors, reported that there was a balance of \$835.40 in the treasury; that they recommend that all outstanding debts be paid, when there will be a balance of \$250 to the credit of the High Court.

Bro. Collins, S. T., presided at the election of officers, when the following were chosen:

H. C. R., Bro. W. S. Clark; H. V. C. R., Bro. Ph. Wittich; H. S., Bro. Chas. W. Mingle; H. T., Bro. J. H. Hughes; H. P., Bro. Dr. C. B. Chidester; H. C., Bro. J. D. Hern; H. Auditors, Bros. S. B. Cochran, G. A. Schlechter.

The appointed officers were:

H. Chap., Bro. Dr. H. E. Crumbaker, Court Mountain City, N. J. 1879; H. J. S., Bro. Theo. Hirsch, Court Monogahela, No. 3874; H. S. W., Bro. H. L. Smith, Court Mountain City, No. 1879; H. J. W., Bro. S. C. Kaufman, Court Pennsylvania, No. 768; H. S. B., Bro. John Baringer, Court North-east, No. 916; H. J. B., Bro. C. A. Stoddard, Court Oliver, No. 3613; H. Mars., Bro. C. C. Bennett, Court Elk, 3015; H. Cond., E. A. Feight, Court Roaring Spring, No. 3745; H. Mess., Bro. J. A. Steinmetz, Court Pennsylvania, No. 768.

Bro. Dr. Chas. Frowert was elected representative to The Supreme Court.

Bro. G. W. Kendrick moved that the thanks of the High Court be conveyed to Court Mountain City for the magnificent hospitality extended to the High Court.

Bro. T. E. Berger moved a vote of thanks to Bro. H. A. Collins, S. T., for his presence, and for the efficient manner in which he discharged the duties of presiding officer.

Pittsburg was chosen as the next place of meeting.

Bro. Collins installed the elected and appointed officers.

HIGH COURT OF NEBRASKA.

The High Court of Nebraska held its second annual session at Omaha, on the 19th July. Owing to the absence through illness of H. C. R. Bro. M. A. Hall, the meeting was called to order by Bro. F. M. Henderson, H. V. C. R. After the delegates had been received, Bro. W. A. Wyatt, P. H. C. R. of Missouri, conferred the High Court degree.

The following committees were appointed:

Finance, Bros. Marshall, Schindell and Chissell. Appeals and Petitions, Bros. Heese, Muir and Huston.

Constitutions and Laws, Bro. Christie, Morrison and Hayny.

State of Order, Bros. Muir, Bohnholt and Aitkin. New Business, Bros. Comb, Brabrook and Brown.

HIGH CHIEF RANGER'S REPORT.

The H. C. R. in his report expressed regret at his inability to be present, and congratulated the High Court on the large increase in its membership. He expressed the belief that the more the Order was known in the state, the more rapid would be its growth;

FOR INVESTIGATION MEANS CONVICTION,

and conviction means an application for membership. He emphasized the promptness with which the Supreme Executive had paid the claims of the brethren who had fallen during the year in the jurisdiction, claims paid without quibbling and without delay, as it is not every insurance overler that is so managed as to have always available sufficient funds to meet claims as they arise. The work of the H. S. C. has been carried on during the year energetically, and if in your just criticism you find that they have done some things which they ought not to have done, please ascribe it to their innocent ignorance rather than to malice aforethought; and should you find that they have left undone some things which ought to have been done, you will temper your censure with the knowledge that they had little means to work with and less time in which to do the work, though such time as could be taken from their private business was freely and gratuitously bestowed,

HIGH SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Bro. T. L. Combs, H.S., reported that there had been an increase of one hundred per cent. in the membership of the High Court. They had lost by death three worthy brothers. The High Court started without a dollar, went into debt for its charter, necessary stationery, office fixtures and supplies. By the strictest economy all these items are now fully paid, besides many incidental and minor expenses. Miss Anna M. Saunders has been doing splendid work for us and the Order in our city, and gave us Courts Sioux and Homer, three Courts of Companions of the I.O.F., and has courts almost ready for institution at Kearney and Broken Bow. The work done by the officers of the High Court has been wholly voluntary, and largely at personal sacrifice; not a dollar of remuneration has been paid. As a High Court we are deeply indebted to our worthy H.C.R., Bro. Hall, for the great amount of attention and work he has devoted to his office, busy man that he is. We know what it means to leave one's urgent and remunerative duties to hold meetings, answer correspondence, or make visits, especially when one is liable to criticism for not doing more. And Bro. Hall's work has been well seconded by Bros. Aikin, Henderson, Bomholt and Sullivan.

HIGH TREASURER'S REPORT.

Bro. Chas. Bomholt, H.T., submitted his report and showed a balance of \$40.60 to the credit of the High Court.

A recommendation of the High Auditors was adopted, making it obligatory upon the secretary of each court to send to the H.S. immediately after the last meeting in June and December a statement of the number of members in good standing in the court, to enable the H.S. to determine the membership and the exact amount due from the courts to the High Court.

A resolution was passed unanimously requesting the Supreme Executive to place a representative of the Order and a liberal supply of literature in the Nebraska building at the International Exposition, the High Court furnishing the fixed space and fixtures therefor.

The following officers were elected:—H.C.R., Dr. J. M. Aikin, Omaha; H.V.C.R., Jas. Muir, Omaha; H.S., T. L. Combs, Omaha; H.T., Chas. Bomholt, South Omaha; H.P., C. M. Schindell, South Omaha; H. Coun., E. J. Sullivan, Omaha; P.H.C.R., M. A. Hall, Omaha.

The appointed officers were:—Rev. J. O. Staples, Omaha, H.C.; R. A. Morrison, Omaha, H.J.S.; John Hayny, Jr., South Omaha, H.S.W.; P. A. Summerlad, Lincoln, H.J.W.; R. T. Marshall, South Omaha, H.S.B.; John Shuenaman, South Omaha, H.J.B.; E. J. Chissell, Omaha, H. Mars.; Dr. Wm. Davis, South Omaha, H. Cond.; P. Dasha, South Omaha, H. Mess.

Bro. T. L. Combs was unanimously elected delegate to the Supreme Court, and Dr. J. M. Aikin as alternate.

THE LADIES.

Definite and decisive instructions were given to the delegate to the High Court to vote for and work for the admission of the Companions to the mortuary benefits of the Order.

He was instructed to secure as large a representation as possible of officers and delegates from the Supreme Court to attend the Exposition after the close of the Supreme Court session.

The next meeting of the High Court will be held at South Omaha, in July, 1899, the exact date to be fixed by the H.S.C.

HIGH COURT OF NORTH DAKOTA.

The ninth annual session of the High Court was held at Larimore on July 20th and 21st. H.C.R. Cooper presided. Forty-three of the fifty-four courts in the jurisdiction were represented. The representatives and about one hundred visitors received the High Court degree. The H.C.R. reported an increase in membership of about three hundred. He made some recommendations concerning the advancement of the Order in the jurisdiction, and thanked the officers of the High and Subordinate Courts for their kind assistance during his term of office.

The High Secretary reported the institution of five new courts. There were eleven deaths in the jurisdiction. The amount of endowment carried by the deceased brethren was \$17,000, all promptly paid by the Supreme Court.

The High Treasurer reported cash on hand \$1,652.85.

THE LADIES.

A warm discussion arose over the report of the "Committee on the Advisability of Admitting Ladies into the Order." Bro. Peter Cameron crossed swords with Bro. Dr. Burrows, but the doctor was not in it, and the High Court goes on record as being in favor of the admission of the ladies.

The following officers were elected: H.C.R., C. F. Clark, Dickinson; H.V.C.R., O. L. Ross, Crystal; H. Sec., G. R. Jacobi, Grand Forks; H. Treas., H. E. Payne, Fargo; H. Phy., Dr. Rounsevell, Larimore; H. Coun., C. W. Andrews, Walhalla; H. A., Peter Cameron, Tynner; H. A., J. D. Seny, Hamilton. The following officers were appointed: H. Chap., Rev. H. C. Jephcoat, Valley City; H. S. W., C. E. V. Draper, Mandan; H. J. W., S. Eyclonson, Gardar; H. S. B., F. McDonald, Milton; H. J. B., C. F. Wilkins, Thompson; H. Mar., A. B. Chernes, Grand Forks; H. Con., G. A. Glenn, Voss; H. Mess., G. W. Ion, Drayton; H. J. Sec., C. W. Breahey, St. Thomas.

Grand Forks was selected for the next place of meeting.

OFFICIAL CIRCULAR NO. I.

GRAND FORKS, N.D., July 25th, 1898.

To all Brethren of the Independent Order of Foresters, of North Dakota, greeting:

BRETHREN.—Your representatives at the last meeting of the High Court called on me to perform the duties of the office of your High Chief Ranger, and to lead you in your forward march campaign to a great Forestric victory. Before we start on this campaign let us look over the field and see what work there is to be accomplished. The northeast part of the state is already ours, and we have several courts along the line of the N. P. Railway, and a few scattering ones elsewhere.

With this large scope in which to operate, and coupled with the prospect of an abundant harvest, our Order should establish many new and prosperous courts this season. The field is large, the prospects are good, and the harvest is sure to be greater than ever before in the history of Forestry in North Dakota—*provided* the reapers do their duty.

Brethren, you are the reapers, and upon your personal work depends mainly the advancement of

our noble Order. Many of you are members of sister beneficiary and fraternal organizations. Tell of the substantial benefits of the I.O.F. at your meetings and conventions. Have some of our literature always with you and give it to those who are interested. Keep this work up through the year, and if each of you do not succeed in adding many to your court, I believe each may easily add one, and many will add a number. Do not stop talking of the I.O.F. because you happen to be away from your home court. Keep the good news going—because it is good news to many to learn that they can get such reliable insurance as the I.O.F. affords with such financial backing and at such low rates. You may succeed in getting a sufficient list to start a new court, for which you will receive the everlasting benefactions of the brothers comprising the court, and a cash recompense from the High Court. Have your Court Deputy write to me for literature for advancement of the Order. If he does not write at once, write yourselves. All other supplies your Recording Secretary will get from the High Secretary.

Your Court Deputy will be held responsible for information concerning the growth, social events, etc., of your court, and in a short time a bi-monthly report will be required from him. And if he don't wish to give it, I shall ask the court to recommend someone who will. I wish to know the exact condition of your court at all times, so that we may furnish you assistance from the High Court when it will be the most effective.

I think you ought to commence your social events early and have your entertainments well advertised and as nearly public as possible, and as will have a tendency to promote the growth of your court. Make your first event a "hammer," and if possible I or some other member of the High Standing Committee will be with you.

I want to hear from every court not later than Sept. 10th four things, viz: 1st. What are you doing? 2nd. What do you propose to do, and when? 3rd. When do you wish a visit from headquarters, and what do you expect from the visitor? 4th. Can a new Court of Foresters be instituted in your district? Where? Will any of the members of your court help? Who?

I expect to go to Toronto to attend the session of the Supreme Court the last of August, and to secure what help I can from there for the prosecution of the work in our own High Court jurisdiction. When I return, it will be to commence a relentless, and, with your help, irresistible canvass, to the end that all good men in our great state will be united into the folds of our beloved Order.

I close by commending your welfare into the hands of the Great Chief.

Fraternally in the ties of L., B. and C.

Attest: C. F. CLARK,
G. R. JACOBI, II. Sec. High Chief Ranger.

The good people of Larimore tendered a reception to the officers and members of the High Court at the Opera House. Several interesting speeches were delivered, and most effective vocal music rendered by the Elk Valley quartette. At the conclusion of the programme a most successful dance was inaugurated.

HIGH COURT OF WASHINGTON.

The fourth session of the High Court of Washington was held at Olympia July 19th and 20th and had a very successful meeting. The following of-

ficers were elected: H. C. R., John A. Forsyth, re-elected, Tacoma; H. V. C. R., James Gregg, Seattle; H. Sec., L. N. Hanson, Tacoma; H. Treas., A. M. Hawkins, Seattle; H. Phys., R. H. Harrison, Tacoma; H. Counsellor, A. R. Heilig, Tacoma; H. Auditors, H. L. Klein, Seattle, and B. W. Britnall, Olympia. The following were appointed officers: H. Chap., A. C. McAllister, Seattle; H. J. S., Harry Compton, Tacoma; H. S. W., J. W. Upper, Seattle; H. J. W., J. F. Hewitt, Tacoma; H. S. B., H. L. Taepke, Spokane; H. J. B., E. C. McRostie, Olympia; H. Mar., John A. Wolfe, Tacoma; H. Con., J. O. Cruse, Seattle; H. Mess., J. M. Neil, Tacoma. John A. Forsyth, Representative to Supreme Court.

Tacoma will be the next place of meeting.

HIGH COURT OF NORWAY.

The following are the officers of the High Court of Norway:—H. C. R., Chr. Knudsen, Porsgrund; P. H. C. R., Ove Karlsen, Christiania; H. V. C. R., Peter Hansen, Christiansand, N.; H. S., A. Wilse, Christiania; H. T., A. O. Nordlie, Christiania; H. P., A. Brun, Christiania; H. C., Carl Reynolds, Porsgrund; H. A., Carl John Dahl Johnsen, Fredrickstadt; H. A., Karl Albert Pedersen, Christiania; H. Chap., Jno. Tonneson, Christiania; H. J. S., Alf., Storm, Christiania; H. S. W., Jno. M. Nilsen, Trondhjem; H. J. W., C. Dahl, Christiania; K. S. B., E. Martens, Christiania; H. J. B., Johan Borglin, Fredrickstadt; H. M., S. H. Olsen, Christiania; H. Cond., K. Eriksen, Fredrickstadt; H. Mess., A. Pedersen, Christiania.

M. recur.—A. Olsen, Nordlie, Ullevold, Vestre, Aker, Christiania; K. A. Pedersen, care of Hansen Co., Ovre Stotsgd, Christiania; Svend Holst Olsen, Yerubanegaden, 8, Christiania; Emmanuel Martens, Grandsegaaden, 5th etaje, Christiania; Anton Pedersen, Warmuthmusikhandel, Christiania; P. B. Neuhoff, Pilesbradet, 29, Christiania.

Nordlys.—C. Reynolds, Porsgrund; J. Reynolds, Porsgrund; O. Askaksen, Porsgrund.

Velford.—Johan Borglin, Fredrickstad; Carl Johan Wahle Johnsen, Frederikstad; Ingmar H. Hornseth, Sergeant, Frederikstad.

Nidaros.—Jno. M. Nilsen Danielsveien 10, Trondhjem; Anton Soether, Sverregade, 3, Trondhjem; Sigurd Siverton, Wesselsgade, 28, Trondhjem.

Egil.—Peter Hansen, Kristiansund N.

Oslo.—C. Dahl, Toftegade, 67, Kristiania; H. G. Eriksen, Behrengade, 2, Kristiania; A. Storm, Erslebgade, 6, Kristiania.

Oslo.—Ore Karlsen Ullevoldsveien 17, Kristiania; T. B. Hansen, R. kkeyaden, 1 (iii.), Kristiania; K. Hansen, Seidingsgaden 27, Kristiania; H. Ingier, Mollersgaden, 22, Kristiania; Dr. A. Brunn, Thorvaldmeyersgade, 42, Kristiania; A. Wilse, Munkedamveien, 67, Kristiania; K. Dieseth, Mollegaden, 13, Kristiania; J. Tonnesen, Bakkelaget, Christiania; L. A. Rasmusen, Urtegaden, 39, Kristiania.

A visitor to the British Museum reports that he saw a countryman standing before the bust of a woman in a collection of statuary. The woman was represented in the act of coiling her hair, and, as the visitor came up, the countryman was saying to himself:—

"No, sir, that ain't true to Nature. She ain't got her mouth full of hairpins."

Among the Courts.

ONTARIO.

Court Harmony, No. 57, Bothwell, held their anniversary in the Methodist Church on Sunday, August 21st. Foresters from all the courts in the vicinity were present. Bro. F. H. McRitchie acted as marshal. Rev. J. Cobblestick, B.D., preached a most effective sermon on "Bear ye one another's burdens." A resolution of thanks to Mr. Cobblestick for his sermon, and to the choir for their efficient services was passed by the court.

Court Meldrum, No. 1742, held their annual service in the I. O. F. hall of Meldrum Bay. Bro. Rev. D. Larmour preached an able sermon from Psalm cxxxiii. 1, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." The sermon was an excellent exposition of the text, and was practically applied to the growth and development of our beloved Order. The court is in a flourishing condition, added new members last month, and have more ready for this month.

CENTRAL ONTARIO.

A public meeting was held in the village of Liskard, on Lake Temiscamingue. Postmaster West presided. A most impressive and effective address was given by Bro. John Canavan, D.S.C.R. At the close a vote of thanks, moved by Mr. Armstrong, and seconded by Mr. Murray, was conveyed to Bro. Canavan, and a resolution adopted forming a committee to canvass the town and obtain the necessary number for a charter.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Bro. G. L. Dickinson, H.S., Eastern Ontario, desires to thank the courts who contributed to the Fire Relief funds. The following is the second statement:

Receipts *re* appeals for Courts Casselman, No. 437, and Cambridge, No. 675, I.O.F., 2nd appeal courts of Eastern Ontario H.C.: 1898, April 18, Ashton, \$72, \$2; 20, Aultsville, 1354, \$1; 25, Justice, 614 \$1; 27, Clyde Forks, 1514, \$5; 30, Moulinette, 960, \$4; May 2, Poland, 1504, \$5; 3, Copper Cliff, 425, \$5; 3, Hawkesbury, 1340, \$2; 4, Ventnor, 1702, \$2; 5, Carrying Place, 3679, \$1; 12, Lyndhurst, 795, \$2; 18, Island City, 375, \$5; 21, Cedar Lake, 1547, \$2; 24, Bath, 1528, \$2; 28, Frontenac, 59, \$10; 30, Beckwith, 1480, \$2; June 1, Lawn, 1461, \$5; 14, Adolphustown, 1892, \$2; July 6, Mountain, 3200, \$2; 19, Goodwood, 469, \$1; total, \$61.

From general appeal: Lamberth, 143, \$2; Beeton, 906, \$1; Kintore, \$13, \$1; Fundy, 1628, \$2; Dryad, 488, \$5; Mt. McKay, 287, \$2; Florence, 189, \$2; Bridgen, 581, \$2; Dresden, 164, \$2; Chater, 1056, \$10; Hamilton, 170, \$5; Birtle, 129, \$5; Cettam, 3435, \$2; Lumsden, N.W.T., \$5; Olivo Branch, 90, \$1; Western Star, 648, \$2; A. D. Caldwell, P.S.C.R., Syracuse, \$5; Burrard, 347, \$5; Upham, 385, \$1; Duck Lake, 1109, \$2.20; Archimedes, 1668, \$5; Poquoick, 1400, \$1; Laval, 1291, \$1; Saulters, 1565, \$3; Listowel, 519, \$2; Kippen, 468, \$2; Berlin, 154, \$5; Pipestone, 3201,

\$5; Bridgetown, 3360, \$5; Montreal West, 1815, \$2; Fulford, 147, \$2; Okanagan, 3447, \$1; Cannington, 352, \$2; Mt. Begbie, 3461, \$2.90; Moncton, 71, \$5; Beechwood, 1093, \$5; total amount received, \$172.10.

Disbursed: 1898, April 20, paid F.S., Court Casselman, No. 427, \$20; June 2, do., do., \$20; July 5, do, do., \$20; April 29, paid C.D., Court Cambridge, No. 675, \$34; June 2, do., do., \$34; July 5, do., do., \$34; total, \$162. Balance in hands H.S., \$10.10.

July 22, received Courts McCaul, 3290, \$1.20; Phoenix, 182, \$2; Foxton, 1092, \$2; Cathcart, 1753, 80c. In hands High Sec., \$16.10.

Manotick, Aug. 4. 1898.

QUEBEC.

The High Court of Quebec competition has just closed. Among the courts to be congratulated are Courts Chenier and St. Catherine. Never had a competition greater success, and the membership as a whole are to be congratulated for the work they have done.

Court Leeds, No. 574, held a most successful picnic on the 23rd August. There was a splendid parade. Bro. John McKee acted as marshal. Bros. Parker and Symes had charge of the games, Bro. Gough, C.R., looked after the concert. The whole arrangements were so successful the court hopes to have a similar function annually in future.

Mrs. Longley, widow of P.C.R. G. H. Longley, of Court Balmoral, No. 269, writes: "I was very much touched by the kindness that prompted the giving of such beautiful emblems, conveying as it did to me the sympathy of the court. I feel very grateful to Court Balmoral for the benevolence extended to us. My best and kindest wishes will always be for the court."

Court Rose of England held the annual excursion on Aug. 1st, which was a grand success. It was regretted that, owing to a meeting of the High Court Executive, the H.C.R. was unable to be present. This court now intends to get back to its former standing in the Order, and we see no reason why it should not, as it has plenty of material in the district for building up a large court.

The Royal Foresters of Quebec are making great preparations for their trip to Toronto during the meeting of the Supreme Court to take part in the demonstration there. It is expected they will turn out 40 strong. Montreal Encampment has already over 130 members, 75 of which have been supplied with uniforms. They intend to give the Toronto boys a hard pull for first prize, and are busy at drill every night. Commander Skelly is proud of his men; he has been ably assisted by Brigadier-General Breton and Major-General Strathearn, who considers them well up in their drill.

Court Balmoral, No. 269.—This court still keeps steadily increasing in membership, and has reached the 200 mark. Amongst them are still to be found old, reliable officers of long years' standing. They have shown their appreciation of the Foresters' Cottage movement by requesting their Court Deputy to forward \$20 as their subscription towards it. They are a court that never lets an opportunity pass when their assistance is asked for a worthy object, and they can truly be called a court of all nations. They say the hardest man to keep in his place is the Court Deputy, and that is the reason

they employ him. They are now seriously considering the necessity of raising their officers' salaries.

We congratulate the H.C.R., Bro. Peter Strathearn, on the address and presentation he received from the courts in Sherbrooke. The following is part of the appropriate address presented by the brethren :

"To Peter Strathearn, H.C.R.:

"DEAR STRAND BROS.—The brethren of the three city courts, hearing of your coming visit to the eastern townships, take the opportunity of expressing our great respect and esteem for you, and the very eminent services rendered to the Order during the past twelve years. We have great pleasure in presenting you this gold-headed ebony cane, suitably engraved, with a wish that you may live long to enjoy its use in old age, and as a souvenir of our good wishes for your future welfare and happiness."

The brethren here break into poetry, and the address is signed by:

JOHN W. STOCKS,	} Court Prince
W. C. FULLEB,	
JAMES LOWE,	} Albert.
WM. BEAULT,	
F. H. HERBERT,	} Court St. Mit-
D. O. DENAULT,	
J. P. ROYER,	} Court Autumn
GEO. R. ODELL,	
E. W. STOCKS.	

MANITOBA.

Court Marquette, No. 43.—A pleasant evening was spent by the brethren of Portage La Prairie. The Rev. S. Macmorine occupied the chair. Congratulations were conveyed to Bro. T. Scott, who has been elected H.C.R. of Manitoba, to Bro. Dilworth who, occupies the position of V.H.C.R. for the Province, and to Bro. W. Fulton, who was appointed H.S.W. Court Marquette and Court High Bluff are greatly gratified at the honors conferred upon their members.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Court Pine Glen, Oak Bay, held a most successful picnic last month. Bro. Rev. Edward Bell has proved a great acquisition to the Court.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Court Chebucto, No. 1376, Dartmouth, had a large float in the procession at the twenty-fifth anniversary of Dartmouth. It represented an Indian encampment, and was illuminated by two beautiful transparencies of the emblems of the Order. It was admired by many thousands.

OHIO.

The eleventh annual session of the High Court of Ohio will be held in Hamilton, on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd September. Memorial services will be conducted in the Westminster Presbyterian Church. There will be a grand parade under the direction of Capt. C. L. Hunter. A committee of the local lodges has been appointed, with F. Goodman as chairman, H. C. Brooke, secretary, and H. W. Althorp, treasurer.

Bro. A. Cornwall, D.S.C.C., instituted a court of Companions of the Order with thirty members in Lorraine, Ohio. Bro. D. Gleason has wrought hard in connection with the organization of this court and deserves great credit. This is the first court organized since the Companions were admitted to the Order, and it is called Court Welcome.

Court Surprise, No. 3476, Toledo, has suffered from the loss of the worthy brother John J. Purcell, one of their best workers, and from the illness owing to an accident of Bro. Frank Woodman. They have held a most successful lawn fête in the grove opposite the Riverside Park, where they had splendid music, abundant refreshments and brilliant fireworks. The proceeds, being considerable, were intended for some members of the court who needed assistance.

Court Banner, No. 360, Cleveland.—In a former issue of the magazine, Bro. Riddler was credited with bringing in twenty-one members to this court in three months. The brother brought the twenty-one members in during one month. It was a brilliant month's work. Would that we had many such workers in the Order; the extension of the Order tax could be very much lessened did such exist in sufficient abundance. The young brother is only twenty-six years of age. Let all the other young brethren show similar activity, and we will soon be the greatest in number as well as financial strength among all the fraternal organizations.

Court Garfield, No. 309.—Bro. D.S.C.R. Gleason was the speaker of the evening at the August meeting of the court, and presented on behalf of the members a handsome gold watch-chain to Bro. A. Cornwall in appreciation of his voluntary services. Bro. Gleason spoke in felicitous terms of Bro. Cornwall's work, and of the great interest he has taken in Forestry in the city. Bro. Cornwall responded, thanking the brethren for the appreciation of his humble services, and stating that the success of the court was due not to him, but to the fact that every member did his duty. He expressed his great satisfaction with the encouragement they had given him.

NEW YORK.

The High Court of New York will hold its next annual session on September 13th at Niagara Falls.

High Physician M. J. Davies, M.D., has instituted a court of 40 members in Utica, including some of the best business men in that community.

Col. A. B. Caldwell has instituted another court at Syracuse, named Court Tirell. Julius Kuehn, a prominent Oddfellow, is Chief Ranger.

The Oswego brethren held a grand union picnic at Long Branch, on Onondaga Lake. All the courts in Oswego County were represented.

Court Rochester during the past year has added 163 members; fifty-six were received in one month. The total membership of the court is now 325. The method adopted to obtain such results was the appointment by the Chief Ranger of three members, Bros. Cripps, Baker and Dr. Rutherford, as captains of three separate teams, to go out and capture strangers. Three more energetic and zealous brethren could not have been selected.

Court Ina regrets the temporary loss of their Court Deputy, Bro. H. G. Puppenburg, who enlisted in the 65th New York Volunteers, and is now en-

camped with that regiment at Camp Alger, in West Virginia. The members regard him as the "Hero" of the court, and speak of him in words of pardonable praise for his patriotism and bravery. He is very popular among his brethren and associates, who will no doubt give him a rousing welcome upon his return.

Court Unkeda, No. 3326, Newton Fall, St. Lawrence County, in the heart of the Adirondack mountains. The court is located in a place of only about 250 inhabitants, and has 65 members, 33 of whom were initiated recently. Bros. Lumley and Balmat deserve great credit for their activity, having brought in, during the past month, the one, eleven, and the other four candidates. The officers of the court are: V. B. Balmat, C.D.H.C.R.; S. J. Castleman, C.R.; R. O'Reilley, V.C.R.; S. Robert Jackson, R.S.; F. W. Leonard, F.S.; W. Lumley, Treas.; Horace Beach, Chaplain; James Weltse, Physician; Amos Miller, S.W.; Louis J. Roussett, J.W.; Ed. Rise, S.B.; and R. P. Copeland, J.B.

The New York Forester says: "If the test of worth is the ability to struggle for and maintain a foothold in the midst of difficulties, the I.O.F. has sustained the test. Like many other beneficial Orders, it has had to face powerful opposition from old-established companies, and competition from contemporaries. The Order, however, possessing the strength of purpose, the untiring energy, courage, character, and executive ability of such a Supreme Chief Ranger as Dr. Oronhyatekha has been pioneered with splendid success. Dr. Oronhyatekha manifests proof of his capacity to lead and to organize by his selection of accomplished associates, Bro. Chas. R. Fitzgerald has been honored with the entire confidence and esteem of the S. C.R. He has received the Grand Cross of Merit, and has been elected for another term unanimously by The Supreme Court as a Supreme Auditor."

ILLINOIS.

Court Cook County, No. 3804, held a most interesting entertainment last month. Bro. Gillette, District Inspector, gave a most impressive address. The meeting reflected great credit on all concerned.

Court Independence held its annual picnic at Oswald's Garden. The court is a prodigy, and Lieutenant of Police W. P. Clancy is its father. It is the largest court of the I.O.F. in the United States. There were about 7,000 people present. The parade was a noteworthy feature; about 1,200 were in line. Bro. M. Bracken acted as Marshal. Dr. Oronhyatekha sent a telegram expressing sincere regret at his inability to be present and congratulating the court. Bro. C. Porter Johnson delivered a most impressive address setting forth with the advantages of the Order.

A complimentary entertainment has been given by Court White City, No. 1621, Court Chicago, No. 3044, and Court Cook County, No. 3804, at Simpson M.E. Church, Chicago. The following were the committee of arrangements.—Court White City: J. E. Allen, C.R.; Isaac C. Alden, R.S.; D. D. Sinclair, P.C.R.; E. Collins, Treasurer. Court Chicago: J. A. Culp, D.D.H.C.R.; William Rorke, C.R.; A. C. Mack, R.S.; M. D. Forbes. Court Cook County: James Mitchel, August Berry, V.C.R.; J. T. Sterling, C.D.; R. F. Over, and the meeting was most successful.

CALIFORNIA.

Court La Fiesta and Court La Gazelle held a most successful excursion to Rubio Canyon.

The total membership in California at the last report was 8,036, the third largest in the United States.

W. R. Uber, D.S.C.R., instituted a new court at Pasadena with 30 members, and presented the court with a large Bible.

Court Angelina, No. 3422, received a fraternal visit from Court Temple, No. 510, which is likely to stimulate both courts to further exertions.

Court Morris Vineyard, No. 532, held a most impressive funeral service in the Methodist Episcopal Church in connection with the death of Bro. Sam'l. L. Young.

Court Cahuenga, No. 3640, held its first anniversary meeting. The members of Court La Fiesta and others from the city made the event the occasion for a moonlight hay ride and bicycle run, and were present in great numbers.

Arrangements are being made for an excursion from Santa Barbara to Los Angeles, at the close of the High Court in October, which will bring about 2,000 members of the Order from all parts of the State. A reception will be tendered to the Supreme Chief Ranger and the officers of the High Court.

Court La Gazelle, No. 3631, Los Angeles, having received a telegram from The Supreme Court that it was to hold its next meeting in their beautiful city, expressed their enthusiasm very effectively, as did Court Palmetto. They say they have never had the pleasure of receiving in their city such a body of men from the different parts of the world, and that they will make the reception a record one.

COLORADO.

Court Mount Cameron, No. 1654.—Though a small court the members show an enthusiastic spirit, and have arranged for the first meeting of the month to be of a social character, when each member brings a friend who is not a Forester, but who he thinks will make a good Forester, that they may tell him of the advantages of the Order. At a recent meeting the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, Bro. Edwin E. Batty has volunteered his services to our country, and has enlisted as a member of Colonel Baker's corps of engineers and electricians, it is hereby resolved that the members of this court wish him God-speed in the glorious cause, and safe and speedy return to his family and friends.

"It is further resolved that our F.S. shall keep our brother in good standing in the court and Order so long as he is engaged in the services of the United States army in the war with Spain.

"It is further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to our brother, and also published in THE FORESTER and the local press."

MINNESOTA.

Court Stillwater, No. 1035, has 152 members, 8 of whom have enlisted in the 13th Minnesota Volunteers, and were fighting the Spaniards at Manila. The court pays all dues and assessments during

their absence battling for their country. The following are their names: Bros. Lieut. J. J. Walsh Sergt. Wm. Arthur, Corp. R. M. Coles, Jr. Privates: J. M. Nolan, Mielh, Geo. A. Kearney, Enid Weir, and Chas. E. Connors, all of Co. "K." Major T. C. Clark, 12th Minnesota, at Chicamagua.

Court Duluth, No. 724, still continues to do good work. The initiations last month were 57, and there is a large number of applicants on hand. They held a picnic and sports on the 12th August, which was an immense success. At their last meeting Bro. T. J. Nixon, C.R., was congratulated upon his recent marriage, every member wishing him and his bride health, happiness and prosperity, and all joining in three hearty cheers, Bro. E. Parrett taking the lead in his usual happy way. About a hundred members were present.

WISCONSIN.

Court Waukegan, No. 3123, held a most successful picnic. Impressive addresses were given by Bro. Dr. C. W. Rodecker and others.

The membership in Wisconsin is growing slowly, but surely, and we are drawing nearer the coveted 5,000 membership for the first of February next.

The members of Court Janesville have been experiencing quite a boom, thirty members having been added to their court during the past month through the efforts of their members and Bro. Birch. Courts Badger and Sycamore, of Milwaukee, report quite a number of additions during the last few weeks.

On Wednesday evening, September 21st, the members of Court Freia and Racine, to the number of about 100, chartered two electric cars, and with the Racine band went to Kenosha and visited the court at that place, the object of the visit being to help in awakening Court South Port, and to assist them in presenting the merits of our order to the people by a pleasant and pleasing entertainment and exhibition. On reaching Kenosha they formed in procession, and with the members of Court South Port, headed by the band from Racine, they marched down the streets to the Central Music Hall.

Arriving at the hall, an opening address was made by Bro. J. C. Slater, of Kenosha, which was followed by an address by Attorney George Elmholm, of Racine, who spoke on the history of the Order. Other speeches were made by Dr. Sorensen, F. A. Parker, Matt. Myrup, Deputy Supreme Chief Ranger Thomas J. Birch, and John O'Donnell. Songs were sung by Prof. F. W. Maxsted, and Ole Peterson delivered a short stump speech which brought down the house.

The local court entertained the visiting members after the programme with refreshments, and a sociable time followed. As a result of this entertainment several names were added to their court.

We are receiving inquiries from other courts who desire to visit some of their sister courts and awaken new interest in our Order. We know of no other entertainment that can be more valuable to our Order than visits from sister courts, and we hope to hear of more of these friendly meetings.

NORTHERN MINNESOTA.

The High Court has prevailed upon J. L. Coleman, Duluth, to undertake the work of D.S.C.R. Mr. Coleman has many friends throughout Minnesota and Wisconsin. He organized his first court

in Grand Rapids three days after his arrival in the city, with a full charter list of twenty. Bro. A. M'G. McDonald, H. S., and Bro. S. A. Kedupt, P. L.L., rendered him every assistance. Every success to Court Shingwok.

NEBRASKA.

Court Broken Bow was organized last month by Miss Saunders with twenty charter members. It is composed of the most substantial citizens. The officers of the new organization are: C. R., G. H. Thorpe; P.C.R., H. G. Rogers; V.C.R., I. A. Renau; R.S., F. M. Rublee; F. Sec., E. F. McClure; Treas., H. L. Ormsby; Chaplain, A. R. Domain; S. J. C. James McCue; S. W., Wm. S. Mosley; J. W., Judge H. M. Sullivan; S. B., James Stockham; J. B. John Menary; Lodge Deputy, John Reese; Court Physicians, Drs. Hakes and Pennington.

MICHIGAN.

Court Alger, No. 1414, Grand Marais, held a public demonstration which was one of the largest ever held in the city. The Opera House was packed. C. R. Bro. George P. Tomkins presided. Addresses were delivered on Forestry by Bro. Attorney Colin D. Doig, Bro. Miles Callaghan, H.C.R., Reed City, and Bro. Lee E. Joslyn, Bay City, P. H.C.R. and H.S. There was a gorgeous supper served by the ladies, and the whole affair was an immense success.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Court Walhalla — A most successful picnic was held by the members of the court a few days ago. The Rev. Matheson, of the Presbyterian church, Mr. Randall, of the Methodist church, and Mr. Booth, of the Episcopal church, gave short addresses. The Hon. Peter Cameron, of Tyner, made a most magnificent speech advocating the admission of the ladies into the Order.

MAINE.

The Companions of Court Snowden, Monson, gave a most successful lawn party at the residence of Sara S. Poole last month.

GREAT BRITAIN.

ENGLAND.

Court Roby, No. 2137, has moved to new quarters, and had five applications at last meeting.

Court Liverpool Pioneer, No. 2050, is in splendid working condition; not a meeting passes without initiations.

Bro. Thomas Porter, H.V.C.R., makes a model High Court officer. He has visited nearly all the courts in his district, and gives them valuable assistance.

Court Liverpool, No. 2007, arranged for a special train in connection with a grand picnic to Llangollen, Wales. Fifteen applications were received at their last meeting.

Court Cheetham, No. 2120, Manchester, held an "At Home" in August, at Bro. Hannaford's. Bro. Berlin, P.C.R., acted as cicerone with his usual ability and taste. A presentation was made to the

Chief Ranger, Bro. J. Hoyle, of a life-sized portrait of himself, as an expression of the court's appreciation of the many kindnesses experienced at his hands in the past, and a token of their esteem and goodwill. Bro. Wilson, Bro. Sunderland, and Bro. Harris spoke most appropriately on different topics. Mr. and Mrs. Hulme, Mr. Forrester, and Bro. Dr. Fraser contributed musical items. The meeting concluded with the usual votes of thanks.

Court Teign, No. 2091, Teignmouth, met under the presidency of Bro. T. Hambly, C.R. Bro. A. T. Blamey, D.S.C.R., of Torquay (official organiser) was also present. Bros. T. Hambly, T. G. Pedrick, W. H. Daw, S. Churchill, J. J. O. Evans, W. T. 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 south-west to adopt the principles of the Order.

Court Devonian, No. 2146, met at the Dolphin Coffee Tavern, Newton Abbott. There was a full court. Bro. A. T. Blamey, D.S.C.R., installed a 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 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.

The members of Court Garston, No. 212, Liverpool, turned out in full force at their last general meeting. Bro. Thomas Porter, High Vice-Chief Ranger, being present, was asked by the Chief Ranger to preside. He managed the business of the court so as to give the members a good practical illustration of the conduct of a model court session. At the close luncheon was served. Bro. Campbell explained some of the points on which the members were not quite clear, and presented Bro. John Pithkeithley with a Chief Ranger's jewel. Bro. Smart, Vice-Chief Ranger, owing to whose efforts the meeting was such a success, was unable to be present on account of official duties; his absence was regretted by all.

At the last meeting of Court Queen of the West, No. 2045, Torquay, Bro. John Taylor, J.P., conducted the initiation ceremony with his usual effectiveness. The *Foresters' World* for July contained some half-dozen portraits of the chief members of this court. On its roll are more public men than on that of any court in the jurisdiction, or perhaps in all England, among the number being Bro. Councillor John Taylor, J.P., Bro. John Glassfield, Borough Treasurer; Bro. Councillor Croker, Bro. Alderman Callan, and Councillor Wills. Arrangements are in contemplation for a court room in the new Masonic Temple now nearing its completion. The present area of the High Court of Southern England extends so far and wide

that a movement is being set on foot to petition the Supreme Chief Ranger to order a High Court for Devon and Cornwall.

A public meeting was held in the Y.M.C.A. building, Northampton. The platform was decorated with choice plants lent by Mr. Arthur Bayley. On the wall facing the audience was a large map of the Dominion of Canada, lent by the High Commissioner; this was flanked by a magnificent Union Jack and Stars and Stripes, furnished by Mr. Barker. The chair was occupied by the Rev. J. J. Cooper, who spoke from personal knowledge of the ability and high character of Dr. Oronhyatekha, the head of the Order. Among the other speakers were Bros. C. Gerring of Nottingham; B. Cronyn Assistant S.S. at the London office; J. C. Stevens, C.D.H.C.R., Rushton; and Capt Allen, D.S.C.R., who is now organising a court in the town. Miss L. C. Richards, Miss Cooper, and Messrs. R. Roberts and E. C. Tebbitt, contributed musical items. At the close of the meeting light refreshments were provided. The whole arrangements were admirably made, and everybody seemed delighted.

The *Local Government Journal* of London, England, says: "Still holding the old idea that has for so many months and years governed the policy of this department of our paper, we are glad to take note that the great fraternal organization we have so often mentioned continues to hold its course along that straight road of success that should always be the reward of honest, sincere management of a corporation existing solely and simply for the ultimate benefit of humanity. The great Jubilee year seems to have been one of great good fortune to the Order that is forcing its way into 'the uttermost corners of the earth,' and at the same time forging the links of good fellowship, honor, honesty, and brotherhood into a chain that will eventually bind the whole wide world in a brotherhood of love, amity, truth and work. The Independent Order of Foresters has no room for skulkers in its ranks, it does not desire the companionship of outsiders—its great aim is for the universal brotherhood that tends so strongly to lift each heart to a higher sphere and at the same time provide against those ebb tides of fortune that as sure as the swing of the pendulum come to each one of us. The Order is doing well. Its manifest frank, honest, and straightforward system has caught the attention of 'brifly, thoughtful men, and the final fact we will give to those who oppose or desire to deprecate its progress is that its funds grow greater *per capita* of its membership year by year—and we know of no answer to that argument than one the chiefs of the Order would perhaps blush with pride to hear."

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FIRST DEATH.

The funeral of the late Mr. James Hallis, of 105 Breck Road, Everton, who died from Enteric fever on the 23rd Sept., 1893, took place at the Everton Cemetery, Fazakerley, on Tuesday, 27th Sept. A service was held at the "Poplar Hall," Poplar St, Conducted by Messrs. Armstrong and Murray of the Liverpool Town Mission, the hall being crowded, after which the cortege proceeded to the Everton Cemetery where the service was conducted by the Rev. C. E. Bishop, of St. Polycarp's. The principal mourners were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hallis, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hallis Jr.; Mrs. Bryant;

Misses J. Hallis and Gertrude Byers; Messrs. F. Bryant, A. Fletcher, G. Redrobe, J. Fleming and R. Mylic. Mr. Charles McLeod represented the firm of Messrs. Chadburn & Sons. The following brethren of Court Liverpool, 2007, Independent Order of Foresters (of which the deceased was a member) were in attendance and took part in the service: A. Brown, H. Myton, H. T. Morris, J. Bryson, J. Garrity, G. W. Walker, W. A. Dixon, T. E. Bailey, T. Garrity, F. S. W. Bryant, W. Hallis, J. McKeown, J. Lewis, J. McCusland, and S. S. Chiswell. The coffin was of polished Dantzic oak with brass mountings, and the plate bore the following inscription, viz.: James Hallis, died 23rd Sept., 1898, aged 22 years, Thy will be done. The funeral arrangements were entrusted to Messrs. R. McDougall & Co., Ltd., Renshaw Street, under the personal supervision of Mr. S. S. Chiswell. A number of wreaths were sent by members of the family and sympathising friends, including a very handsome tribute from the officers and members of Court Liverpool.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.—A new court was established at Southport the other night. A considerable number of members of this thriving Order met at the Albion Restaurant, Nevill street, for the purpose. Bro. Ronald McDougall, D.S. C.R., took the chair, and offered an educational address on the principles of the Order. Bro. Fawcett Cave, C.R. of the Scarisbrick court, followed with an interesting address, drawing comparisons between his experiences in the old line companies and in this Order, much to the advantage of the latter. Bro. W. Stansfield, F.S. of the Scarisbrick court, then offered some remarks and advice as to the economic and fraternal aspect of the Order, after which Bro. G. Knight, C.D. of Court North Meols, advanced a few thoughts on the benefits of the Order. After these preliminary addresses, Bro. McDougall instituted the new court, which it was decided to name Lathom. The following officers were installed:—Bro. J. Green, of Lord street, Chief Ranger; Bro. W. R. Hine, P.C.R.; Bro. S. J. Elliott, V.C.R.; Bro. Walter L. Hodge, Treasurer; Bro. Charles Smith, Chaplain; Bro. Alex. Bury, S.W.; Bro. F. Briggs, J.W.; Bro. F. Jinkinson, S.B.; Bro. J. W. Graveson, R. Sec.; Bro. R. Brimelow, Fin. Sec. A. Dall, M.A., M.D., was recommended as Physician to the court, and Bro. H. P. Jones was selected as Court Deputy. The regular monthly meetings were decided to be held the third Wednesday in each month. Votes of thanks were accorded Bro. McDougall, as also to the visiting friends from Courts North Meols and Scarisbrick, and the meeting closed with the customary ceremonies.

SCOTLAND.

A very pleasant smoker was held by Court Forres on the evening of 13th Sept., in the Institute, Forres. The chair was occupied, in the absence of Bro. Munro on account of severe illness, by Bro. Jas. Stewart, C.D., who proved a model presiding officer. Bro. Stewart is a very talented musician and several times enlivened the programme by special songs. Excellent songs were also rendered by Messrs. Duncan and Forres. Bro. Mozart Allan, H.V.C.R., Glasgow, made a very neat speech commending the I.O.F. to the consideration of the citizens of Forres, for the good it had accomplished during the past 25 years. Bro. Stewart in a few

words, well chosen, introduced Bro. McNair, P.H.C.R. of Ontario, who delivered a lecture upon the "Aims and Objects of the I.O.F." Bro. McNair spoke for over an hour, setting forth in the clearest light the main features of the unique system of the I.O.F., and for half an hour afterwards answered the flood of questions that poured in from all quarters. The result is that the false impressions created by unscrupulous rivals were completely destroyed and nine applications for membership were taken. These are among the leading citizens of the town, and the court, which is manned by such stalwart officers as Bros. Stewart, Munro, Dalgatie, Forres and Douglas, is sure to rise to the first position among the courts of Scotland.

Many of the prominent members of the I.O.F. in Scotland were present at a meeting of Court Royal Irvine, No. 2051, on 26th Sept., when the representative of the High Court of Scotland, to the Supreme Court in Toronto, gave a report of the proceedings.

Aberdeen is coming to the front and soon a large organization will be reported. Bro. McNair has been working in that city for some time and has secured some of the leading business men for membership in the I.O.F.

Court Springburn, No. 2203, is composed of workers, and report that many inquiries are now being made regarding our system, which they consider a hopeful sign.

Bro. Duncan, H.S., has just returned from Toronto, where he was in attendance upon the Supreme Court, and is looking much the better of his visit to the land of sunshine. He reports I.O.F. to be flourishing in Canada and United States.

IRELAND.

A special meeting of the Dublin courts was held recently. Bro. J. H. Gilmour, D.S.C.R., presided. After tea Bro. Gilmour instructed the brethren in the methods of conducting a court meeting, and the impressive initiation ceremony. Bro. Kelly, C.R. Court Donore, called upon the members to express by acclamation their appreciation of the assistance rendered the Dublin courts by Bro. Gilmour during the past year.

Bro. E. W. Purdon, C.R. Court Dublin, No. 2206, very pertinently remarked that "the good men do lives after them," that though Bro. Gilmour should leave Dublin, his good example in furthering the interests of the Order would live in their memories and they would imitate it by securing all the new members they could. Bros. Moran, Poynton and Phillips also favorably commented on Bro. Gilmour's work, and were supported by all present, showing their appreciation by hearty applause. Bro. Gilmour responded, thanking the members for the way in which they had shown their appreciation of his work amongst them and for the assistance they had given him ever since he had set foot on Irish soil. He gracefully referred to the indefatigable F.S. of Court Donore, Bro. Lauder, who was mainly instrumental in gaining for Independent Forestry a permanent home in Dublin.

Bro. Gilmour closed his remarks by saying he had a surprise for the Dublin Foresters, which would be in no less degree a surprise to the member most intimately connected with it, whereupon he read a letter from the S.C.R. intimating the appointment of Bro. Walter Phillips as D.S.C.R.,

He then invested Bro. Phillips with the badge of office.

Bro. Phillips expressed his thanks for the great honor conferred on him.

The programme included recitations by Bros. McCracken and Maloney, pianoforte solo by Bro. Macdonald, and vocal solo by Bro. Guard.

The annual excursion of the Belfast courts was held to Whitehead, Co. Antrim. The secretaries in charge of the trip were Bros. Samuel Davis, Court Dalriada, and R. M. Boyd, Court Willowfield. H.C.R. Bro. Rev. James Cregan, and H.S. Bro. Dr. Gibson were both present.

A meeting was held in the Town Hall Clones, Co. Monaghan for the purpose of establishing a new court. Mr. R. N. Ferguson, T.C., occupied the chair, and introduced the Rev. James Cregan, H.C.R., who delivered an eloquent address on the fraternal and social advantages of the Order, explained the system, and referred to its magnificent record, stating that the progress of the I.O.F. had no parallel in any other organization in our time, whether social, religious or philanthropic. In twenty-four years it had grown to 140,000 members, accumulated a surplus of £590,000, and had paid to the widows and orphans of deceased brethren £1,148,000. Bro. Dr. Gibson, H.S., then spoke of the Order from an insurance point of view. Its record for a low death-rate was unparalleled. In its twenty-fourth year the death-rate was only 5.56, and the average since its organization was only six per thousand. He alluded to the vast sum of £226,000,000 in the reserve funds of British companies. He answered a number of questions that were handed to him, and invited any of the audience, who so desired, to ask others. Bro. A. A. Ferguson of Court Nettlefield also addressed the meeting. After tea the institution of Court "Round Tower" was most successfully carried out. The following were appointed the first officers of the new court:—C.R., J. Davidson, Manager Ulster Bank; P.C.R., R. N. Ferguson, T.C.; V.C.R., D. Williamson, Manager Gas Works; C.D.H.C.R., William Earls; Chap., Rev. Samuel Currie; R.S., R. A. Ferguson, F.S., Wm. Burgess; Treas., J. Ferguson; S.W., G. Elliott; J.W., W. E. Ferguson; S.B., R. Knox; J.B., M. Gray; Physician, W. Henry, M.D.

Court Round Tower, which starts with a full charter of excellent men, was organized by Bro. J. Dunlop, being the fifth court organized by this brother in four months.

Another court has been organized in Belfast by Bro. D. L. Cotterell. Bro. Cotterell is most energetic and successful in his organization work.

A new court of the Order was instituted in Belfast, Rev. Jas. Cregan, H.C.R., in the chair. Dr. Gibson, H.S., and D. L. Cotterell, Organiser, conducted the institution ceremony, assisted by Bro. John Dunlop, Official Organiser, and Bros. Saunders, McNeilly, Brownlees and Firth. The name selected was Court Ulster. The members of the new court were addressed by Bro. F. C. Johnson, City Councillor, followed by the H. C. R. and H. S.

Another court was instituted in Belfast by the Official Organiser, Bro. John Dunlop, H.J.S., called Court Cave Hill. This is the sixth court organised by Bro. Dunlop since last March.

A new court was instituted in the Wesley Hall, Bangor, by Bro. D. L. Cotterell, and Bro. Dr. Gibson, assisted by Bros. Dunlop, Boyd, McKinstry, Brolly, McBlain and Brownlees. The name selected

was Court Bangor. The Chief Ranger is Bro. John McMeekan, Chairman of the Town Council.

The future of Forestry in Ireland is very bright, and the present year will witness the largest increase in our membership ever recorded.

WALES.

A meeting in connection with the Order was held in the Temperance Hall, Chester; the Rev. J. Morgan presided. Mr. James Marshall, General Manager for Great Britain, gave an excellent exposition of the principles of Independent Forestry. He replied to a number of questions asked by those in the audience, and at the close was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. The chairman remarked at the close of the meeting that the distinctive features of the Order seemed to be, insurance at cost, no surrender value, no shareholders, no bonuses, and each policy holder a voluntary agent.

Court Aberystwyth, No. 2169.—Six new members were added to the court during the month. The officers are enthusiastic and indefatigable and hope to double the membership before Christmas.

Presentation and Address.

Friday evening, Sept. 16, a delegation from members of Court Simcoe, No. 166, Independent Order of Foresters, waited upon Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Porter, who recently returned from their honeymoon trip, for the purpose of extending congratulations and giving a tangible expression to the respect and esteem entertained for the worthy couple. Mr. Porter is a valued and prominent member of the Order, at present occupying the important position of Councillor in the High Court of Ontario. Chief Ranger Jos. W. Church, with appropriate remarks, on behalf of the members of Court Simcoe, presented a valuable wedding gift in the shape of a handsomely, heavily carved, quartered oak sideboard, accompanied with the following address:—

J. Porter, Esq., High Councillor of the High Court of Ontario:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—We, the members of Court Simcoe, No. 166, desire to express to you and your much esteemed wife our most hearty congratulation upon the auspicious event which has so recently taken place, and to wish you both a long, happy, and prosperous life together. We feel, Sir, that you have, since your connection with our court, so deported yourself as to win the esteem and regard of every member, and have never failed to lend your time and support towards advancing the interests of our beloved Order in this vicinity, and the success of our court is due, not a little, to your timely and valuable assistance. As a small token of our regard and esteem, we would ask you to accept the accompanying gift, not for its value, but as an expression of that good will and good fellowship which we all entertain towards you. We would also, on this occasion, extend our congratulations on your election as "High Councillor" of the High Court of Ontario. We feel that no better selection could have been made, for we are convinced that you will conduct the affairs of your office with profit to the Order and with honor to himself; and, finally, we trust that this is but a stepping stone to further advancement.

In conclusion, we would again tender you both our congratulations.

Signed on behalf of Court Simcoe.

J. W. CHURCH, C. R.
ALEX. YOUNG, R. S.

Mr. Porter, in his well known hearty and eloquent style, thanked the members of Court Simcoe, on behalf of his wife and himself, for their expression of respect and esteem, as expressed by the handsome present and congratulatory address.

After a pleasant hour had been passed, the delegation withdrew, with kind wishes for the future happiness and prosperity of Mr. and Mrs. Porter.—*Exchange.*

The Value of Life and Health in their Relation to the Home.

Paper Number Four—Insurance.

BY C. H. BRACE, M.D.
[From American Journal of Health.]

In the previous articles of this series, the importance of health to the head of the household was considered from the several standpoints of diet, clothing and sanitary surroundings; but however careful the wage-earner may be regarding food, apparel and healthful conditions of his home, there may arise exigencies beyond his control which render him incapable of properly fulfilling the duties of caring for and supporting himself and his family.

Among the emergencies most liable to occur are sickness and the thousand-and-one possible accidents to life and limbs, against which the closest care and attention is powerless to prevail. Physical disability or death are possibilities which every man must face, however he may desire to thrust such unpleasant topics in the background. Whilst attention to the laws of hygiene affords protection from the dangers reviewed in former issues of the *American Journal of Health*, there is but one sure form of security offered to those who may at any moment be incapacitated from properly providing for their families by the hazards of illness and accident which constantly beset every man engaged in any business, whatsoever be its nature. "The nest egg" stored up for just such occasion may be stolen, or if deposited in a bank may be swept away in a single moment.

The sole protection available against all contingencies is insurance, but as regards the so-called "old line" companies conducting this business, the excessive and unreasonable cost of insurance must deter many from availing themselves of the benefits offered by such corporations, and, again, in case of the "old line" companies no sick benefits are paid. A good beneficial order is not only cheaper but is also better in all respects than even the oldest and strongest of these companies. A sound and well managed beneficial order offers all that could be wished in this regard. It would be well if we had others like the Independent Order of Foresters, which from its inception has been the beneficial order par excellence and one which has never faltered for a moment in meeting every obligation.

The protection offered by the Independent Order of Foresters seems to be particularly appreciated throughout the Dominion of Canada, probably owing to the efforts of Doctor Oronhyatekha, its inspiring head at Toronto, who has infused his

masterful genius into the minutest ramifications of the Order, and made every detail as perfect as human skill and human foresight could possibly make it. As a result of Dr. Oronhyatekha's efforts scarcely any other form of beneficial order insurance is seriously considered by the conservative elements in Canada, and it is well that such is the case, as insecurity and loss has characterized so many of the so-called "beneficial" orders.

Not only does the Independent Order of Foresters offer protection in case of death in the shape of a funeral benefit of \$50 and a mortuary benefit ranging from \$500 to \$5,000, but it pays a total and permanent disability benefit of \$250 to \$2,500, as well as a sick benefit of \$3 to \$5 per week. It also has an "old age benefit" in that no assessments are demanded after the member reaches seventy years of age.

Besides this at the recent session of the Supreme Court of the Order two new benefits were established for members who, after the seventieth year of age may be totally and permanently disabled by the infirmities of advancing years. The first of these is called the Old Age Disability Benefit, and consists of the payment to the member of the amount of his insurance in ten equal annual instalments; or if he die before the whole amount has been paid, the unpaid balance is paid to his duly appointed beneficiary. The second or alternative benefit, is called the Old Age Pension, which consists of an annual payment of a stipulated amount during the remainder of the member's lifetime and a burial benefit at death to insure respectable sepulture.

The promptness with which it pays its losses entitles it to the highest consideration.

The *American Journal of Health* has no especial interest in any insurance organization or beneficial order, apart from the advantages its readers may obtain through such means of protection. During the twenty-nine years of its existence this publication has never directly or indirectly received a dollar from such institutions and has never solicited an advertisement from such concerns. But the fact that careful investigation shows that the Independent Order of Foresters offers surest protection at the lowest rates compatible with stability and safety renders it entitled to special consideration in this series of papers upon the value of health and life in their relations to the home and family. The features this organization offers cannot be conscientiously ignored by the man who would protect himself and his family in the time of need, which may be approaching him closer than he is now aware of. Nothing short of the best in the line of such protection is good enough, and no other beneficial order offers the desirable features which characterizes the Independent Order of Foresters. It is, unquestionably, the best.

Lord Russell of Killowen, years before he took the silk, was sitting in court, when another barrister, leaning across the benches during the hearing of a trial for bigamy, whispered: "Russell, what's the extreme penalty for bigamy?"

"Two mothers-in-law!" replied Russell, without hesitation.

Grandma was in the habit of reading Willie a story after he went to bed. One evening she was persuaded to read a second, and Willie demanded still another.

"Not any more to-night," said grandma, firmly.

"Oh, please, grandma, let's have the rubber."

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

RECEIPTS.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.						CALIFORNIA.						COLORADO.						ILLINOIS.						
No. of Members	Name of Court	No. of Court	Mort. B. Assn't.	S. and F. Bonded.	General Fund.	No. of Members	Name of Court	No. of Court	Mort. B. Assn't.	S. and F. Bonded.	General Fund.	No. of Members	Name of Court	No. of Court	Mort. B. Assn't.	S. and F. Bonded.	General Fund.	No. of Members	Name of Court	No. of Court	Mort. B. Assn't.	S. and F. Bonded.	General Fund.	
216	Burrard	347	2835	42	43	63	Long Beach	85	68	93		63	Long Beach	85	68	93		63	Long Beach	85	68	93		
49	Cariboo	743	61	63	4	63	University	61	66	3	98	63	University	61	66	3	98	63	University	61	66	3	98	
19	Benson	785	21	85		63	9 Victor	283	27	28	2	98	9 Victor	283	27	28	2	98	9 Victor	283	27	28	2	98
14	Mission City	833	45	46	6	62	12 Los Angeles	422	827	22	7	62	12 Los Angeles	422	827	22	7	62	12 Los Angeles	422	827	22	7	62
14	Fernwood	1292	13	87	98		41 Santa Monica	438	42	01	10	25	41 Santa Monica	438	42	01	10	25	41 Santa Monica	438	42	01	10	25
57	Vancouver	1328	48	28	8	40	121 Pomona	439	138	18		8	121 Pomona	439	138	18		8	121 Pomona	439	138	18		8
70	Kootenay	3138	50	10			61 Colton	440	159	16		7	61 Colton	440	159	16		7	61 Colton	440	159	16		7
21	Trull	3350	48	49		3	87 San Bernardino	447	116	63		15	87 San Bernardino	447	116	63		15	87 San Bernardino	447	116	63		15
18	Sandon	3386	2	80		47	181 California	451	196	77	4	68	181 California	451	196	77	4	68	181 California	451	196	77	4	68
6	New Denver	3482	2	80		2	15 San Jacinto	463	24	17		4	15 San Jacinto	463	24	17		4	15 San Jacinto	463	24	17		4
18	Knslo	3387	15	81		8	171 Occident	467	303	62	62	6	171 Occident	467	303	62	62	6	171 Occident	467	303	62	62	6
5	Gold Range	3423	10	28			87 Perris Valley	474	94	00		60	87 Perris Valley	474	94	00		60	87 Perris Valley	474	94	00		60
56	Armstrong	3429	70	72		28	58 Downey	479	71	49		3	58 Downey	479	71	49		3	58 Downey	479	71	49		3
32	Osses	3413	60	10		16	22 Waltier	510	201	2	15	18	22 Waltier	510	201	2	15	18	22 Waltier	510	201	2	15	18
26	Okanagan	3447	22	14		130	61 Redondo	525	89	06	44	3	61 Redondo	525	89	06	44	3	61 Redondo	525	89	06	44	3
19	Mt. Heblie	3447	22	14		130	341 Morris Vineyard	532	418	83	4	82	341 Morris Vineyard	532	418	83	4	82	341 Morris Vineyard	532	418	83	4	82
17	Kelowna	3482	6	73		9	81 Norwalk	533	81	30		4	81 Norwalk	533	81	30		4	81 Norwalk	533	81	30		4
27	God Hills	3464	29	19		9	33 Glendora	524	38	39		15	33 Glendora	524	38	39		15	33 Glendora	524	38	39		15
18	Ghemenus	507	19	13		9	62 Bakerfield	536	173	84	18	15	62 Bakerfield	536	173	84	18	15	62 Bakerfield	536	173	84	18	15
20	Domino	3118	32	49		7	71 Burbank	549	58	11	1	78	71 Burbank	549	58	11	1	78	71 Burbank	549	58	11	1	78
23	Kettle River	3575	35	37		7	75 Ft. Monte	575	40	97		84	75 Ft. Monte	575	40	97		84	75 Ft. Monte	575	40	97		84
23	Boundary	3376	27	47		42	42 El Paso Do Robles	602	64	32		2	42 El Paso Do Robles	602	64	32		2	42 El Paso Do Robles	602	64	32		2
15	Slocan	3568	23	91		41	41 Golden Gate	603	60	14		2	41 Golden Gate	603	60	14		2	41 Golden Gate	603	60	14		2
2	Wair	3568	23	91		41	19 Santa Maria	613	64	60			19 Santa Maria	613	64	60			19 Santa Maria	613	64	60		
17	Mines	3580	24	45		64	14 Sauger	617	17	46		2	14 Sauger	617	17	46		2	14 Sauger	617	17	46		2
15	Arrow Lake	3586	19	49			125 Gardins	625	122	20		1	125 Gardins	625	122	20		1	125 Gardins	625	122	20		1
11	Silverton	3598					30 Endeavor	637	60	01		8	30 Endeavor	637	60	01		8	30 Endeavor	637	60	01		8
3	Lulu	3700	28	63		4	67 Wildwood	633	1	84		2	67 Wildwood	633	1	84		2	67 Wildwood	633	1	84		2
19	Kicking Horse	3713	10	10			21 Na	640	35	31			21 Na	640	35	31			21 Na	640	35	31		
29	Arrowhead	3747	2	43		1	63 Mt. Toy	643	214	78		88	63 Mt. Toy	643	214	78		88	63 Mt. Toy	643	214	78		88
20	Intermountain	3736	27	57		1	70 Hollister	654	123	43		1	70 Hollister	654	123	43		1	70 Hollister	654	123	43		1
14	Alberni	3813	13	15			73 Alfalfa	660	91	93		1	73 Alfalfa	660	91	93		1	73 Alfalfa	660	91	93		1
28	Seaton	3896					71 Lemore	694	109	64		4	71 Lemore	694	109	64		4	71 Lemore	694	109	64		4
2	Isompart	3904	26	12		10	47 Gridley	708	92	20		10	47 Gridley	708	92	20		10	47 Gridley	708	92	20		10
8	Ashecroft	3914					45 Kingsburg	719	66	38		1	45 Kingsburg	719	66	38		1	45 Kingsburg	719	66	38		1

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 38 Damon, 42 Wisdom, 19 Cook County, etc.

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Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 77 Tunnel, 276 Desmond, 333 Clare, etc.

INDIANA.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 171 Manhattan, 27 Lake City, 161 Miami, etc.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 27 Magorrawanka, 14 Molnucius, 25 Nasahick, etc.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 101 Osceola, 161 Miranda, 88 An Sable, etc.

IOWA.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 43 Des Moines, 13 St. Louis City, 41 Veritas, etc.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 57 Winnipeg, 102 Keewatin, 74 Birds, etc.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 188 Bagley, 73 Mayville, 67 Ellsworth, etc.

MAINE.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 6 Chickawankie, 60 Mars, 118 Ebone, etc.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 32 McDonald, 37 Shoal Lake, 27 Nesbitt, etc.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Rows include 21 Whittemore, 16 Palma, 6 Tawas City, etc.

MICHIGAN.

Table with 5 columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Asset, S. and F. Bonds, General Fund. Row: 87 Bad Axe.

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Table listing lodge members for various courts in Missouri and Kansas, including names, court numbers, and dues.

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Table listing lodge members for Missouri and Kansas, including names, court numbers, and dues.

Table listing lodge members for various courts in Nebraska, including names, court numbers, and dues.

Table listing lodge members for Omaha, Nebraska, including names, court numbers, and dues.

Table listing lodge members for various courts in New Brunswick, including names, court numbers, and dues.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. P. Assn. I., S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts like Channahony, Cherry's Mills, Furdy, Favorito, Dooktown, etc.

NEW ENGLAND.

Table listing courts in New England such as Inland Pond, Woodsville, Granite State, West Pawlet, Honor, etc.

Table listing courts in New Jersey such as Stamford, Twin Mountain, Houstonka, Fairo, etc.

NEW JERSEY.

Table listing courts in New Jersey such as Elizabeth, Washington, Progresso, Lafayette, etc.

NEW YORK.

Table listing courts in New York such as West End, Mercfield, Christanenda, etc.

Table listing courts in Pennsylvania such as Brownville, Antwerp, Lehigh, etc.

Table listing courts in Pennsylvania such as Sherwood Hall, Charmont, Rouses Point, etc.

Table listing court members for various courts including South Park, Racquet, Industrial, Ramona, etc. Columns include Name of Court, No. of Members, No. of Court, and various financial or membership metrics.

Table listing court members for various courts including Arvilla, Fargo, Bismarck, Dickinson, etc. Columns include Name of Court, No. of Members, No. of Court, and various financial or membership metrics.

Table listing court members for various courts including Queens Court, Chibbiolos, Wilnot, etc. Columns include Name of Court, No. of Members, No. of Court, and various financial or membership metrics.

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

Table listing court members for various courts across North-West Territories including Calgary, Moosejaw, Qu'Appelle, etc. Columns include Name of Court, No. of Members, No. of Court, and various financial or membership metrics.

OHIO.

Table listing court members for various courts across Ohio including Columbia, Garland, Buckeye, etc. Columns include Name of Court, No. of Members, No. of Court, and various financial or membership metrics.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Table listing court members for various courts across Nova Scotia including Hopewell, Acadia, Londonderry, etc. Columns include Name of Court, No. of Members, No. of Court, and various financial or membership metrics.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Table listing court members for various courts across North Dakota including Langdon, Bonanza, Minto, etc. Columns include Name of Court, No. of Members, No. of Court, and various financial or membership metrics.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. P. Assn't, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists various courts and their financial details.

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

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

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. P. Assn't, S. and F. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts in Eastern Ontario.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Assmt. P. Benefit, General Fund. Lists courts from Joan D'Arc to Olympia.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Assmt. P. Benefit, General Fund. Includes WISCONSIN and SUPREME COURT JURISDICTION sections.

Table with columns: No. of Members, Name of Court, No. of Court, Mort. R. Assmt. P. Benefit, General Fund. Includes RECEIPTS, JULY, 1888 and RECEIPT ACCOUNT sections.

Supreme Treasurer's Report.

CHAMBERS OF THE SUPREME COURT,
TEMPLE BUILDING, TORONTO, Aug. 25th, 1898.

To the Supreme Chief Ranger, Officers and Members of the Supreme Court:

BRETHREN,—It is with considerable satisfaction that I present for your consideration the financial statement ending Dec. 31st, 1897, and subsequent statement ending June 30th, 1898.

From it will be seen the stupendous growth of the surplus fund, amounting to two million eight hundred and fifty-six thousand six hundred and thirteen dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$2,856,613.68), an increase of one million five hundred and ten thousand one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and ten cents (\$1,510,187.10).

The balance to the credit of the Sick and Funeral Benefit Fund is one hundred and twenty-four thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven dollars and twenty-eight cents (\$124,777.28), an increase of sixty-two thousand six hundred and thirty-seven dollars and thirty-one cents (\$62,637.31).

The securities in the possession of your Supreme Treasurer have been examined by the Supreme Auditors and found correct.

Permit me to thank you for the confidence reposed and the honor done me by my election to the office of Supreme Treasurer, and also to say that my relations with the other members of the Executive have been most harmonious, and I gladly acknowledge the assistance and advice received from time to time from the Supreme Chief Ranger and Supreme Secretary.

With best wishes for your individual prosperity and the continued success of our beloved Order.

Yours in L., B. and C.,

H. A. COLLINS,
Supreme Treasurer.

MORTUARY BENEFIT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

To balance on hand Dec. 31st, 1894. \$1,128,136 54
Received from Supreme Secretary and acknowledged in FORESTER:

January, 1895.....	\$80,610 86
February, ".....	69,397 50
March, ".....	79,126 58
April, ".....	73,744 02
May, ".....	81,058 39
June, ".....	86,693 12
July, ".....	88,461 72
August, ".....	81,758 71
September, ".....	89,296 73
October, ".....	87,957 77
November, ".....	93,422 63
December, ".....	86,440 20
January, 1896.....	98,710 01
February, ".....	89,906 00
March, ".....	98,690 30
April, ".....	93,743 55
May, ".....	101,148 97
June, ".....	95,693 92
July, ".....	108,268 41
August, ".....	99,747 30
September, ".....	106,740 45
October, ".....	103,181 61
November, ".....	108,750 42
December, ".....	106,180 85

January, 1897.....	114,211 76
February, ".....	109,920 98
March, ".....	118,943 28
April, ".....	114,550 25
May, ".....	121,476 03
June, ".....	119,013 23
July, ".....	130,092 58
August, ".....	119,242 10
September, ".....	129,957 69
October, ".....	123,915 53
November, ".....	133,202 08
December, ".....	127,712 20

On account assessments.....	\$3,670,967 73
On Refunds re Loan.....	838 16
On Refunds re Fire Insurance.....	9,540 41
On Refunds re Valuation.....	60 00
On Refunds re Assessments.....	337 26
On Cancelled Cheques and Re-deposits.....	9 651 20
	<u>\$3,691,394 76</u>
	<u>\$4,819,531 30</u>

MORTUARY BENEFIT—CONTRA.

Disbursements as per details in monthly reports published in FORESTER:

	For Death Claims.	For Dis. Claims.	Old Age.
January, 1895.....	\$46,500 00	\$1,000 00	
February, ".....	24,500 00	1,500 00	
March, ".....	55,250 00	4,000 00	
April, ".....	52,500 00	1,000 00	
May, ".....	43,400 00	2,500 00	
June, ".....	52,389 96	3,500 00	
July, ".....	51,395 53	1,000 00	
August, ".....	33,500 00		
September, ".....	40,916 67	2,000 00	
October, ".....	62,664 40	2,093 00	
November, ".....	49,981 10	1,500 00	
December, ".....	55,750 00	1,500 00	
January, 1896.....	55,081 11	4,500 00	
February, ".....	46,353 84	1,500 00	
March, ".....	56,730 00	1,500 00	1,000 00
April, ".....	62,726 66	5,000 00	
May, ".....	49,462 77	4,500 00	300 00
June, ".....	55,296 43	1,000 00	100 00
July, ".....	70,145 55	6,000 00	
August, ".....	45,341 65		
September, ".....	54,000 00	5,000 00	2,548 30
October, ".....	43,500 00	5,000 00	200 00
November, ".....	46,788 55	1,500 00	
December, ".....	85,422 90	2,500 00	
January, 1897.....	39,359 16	1,500 00	
February, ".....	85,950 21	2,000 00	
March, ".....	79,884 97	4,750 00	900 00
April, ".....	50,726 27	7,000 00	
May, ".....	55,474 07	3,500 00	
June, ".....	77,366 68	2,000 00	
July, ".....	63,625 00	2,000 00	
August, ".....	65,936 65	5,750 00	100 00
September, ".....	83,805 31	5,500 00	200 00
October, ".....	68,072 66	1,500 00	200 00
November, ".....	72,215 24	4,500 00	300 00
December, ".....	77,731 73	4,500 00	300 00
	<u>\$2,059,755 07</u>	<u>\$104,093 00</u>	<u>\$6,148 30</u>
Total amount of Death Claims.....	\$2,059,755 07		
" " Disability Claims.....	104,093 00		
" " Old Age.....			6,148 30

Assessment Returned.....	\$ 995 85
Medical Examination.....	798 28
Fire Insurance.....	11,187 73
Commission, Legal expenses, Valuation expenses and expenses re Loans.....	14,509 93
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	\$2,197,488 16
5 per cent.....	183,548 20
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	\$2,381,036 36
Balance.....	2,438,494 94
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	\$4,819,531 30

N.B.—\$7,610.70 Mortuary, \$1,000.00 T. & P., is included in item \$9,651.20 re-deposits of cheques.

SICK AND FUNERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

To balance on hand Dec. 31st, 1894....	\$59,088 57
Received from Supreme Secretary and acknowledged in FORESTER:	
January, 1895.....	\$9,799 28
February, ".....	9,196 49
March, ".....	10,078 03
April, ".....	9,667 82
May, ".....	10,181 35
June, ".....	9,612 92
July, ".....	10,830 63
August, ".....	9,943 47
September, ".....	10,673 40
October, ".....	10,313 92
November, ".....	10,767 18
December, ".....	10,475 70
January, 1896.....	11,351 38
February, ".....	10,456 34
March, ".....	11,367 61
April, ".....	10,903 69
May, ".....	11,441 96
June, ".....	10,990 72
July, ".....	12,113 21
August, ".....	11,238 10
September, ".....	12,064 27
October, ".....	11,675 62
November, ".....	12,204 48
December, ".....	11,871 25
January, 1897.....	12,430 51
February, ".....	12,104 91
March, ".....	12,732 60
April, ".....	12,456 38
May, ".....	12,889 54
June, ".....	12,498 46
July, ".....	13,387 64
August, ".....	12,673 88
September, ".....	13,600 84
October, ".....	13,178 40
November, ".....	13,889 84
December, ".....	13,138 06
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	\$414,199 83
To cheques returned and cancelled..	315 45
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	\$473,603 90

DISBURSEMENTS.

	For Sick Benefits.	For Funeral Benefits.
January, 1895.....	\$ 7,788 24	\$ 800 00
February, ".....	6,077 35	450 00
March, ".....	9,767 34	850 00
April, ".....	9,127 46	305 16
May, ".....	10,080 68	370 00
June, ".....	6,241 55	700 00
July, ".....	3,396 52	616 66

August, 1895.....	\$6,819 92	
September, ".....	7,032 15	\$1,613 34
October, ".....	7,642 81	450 00
November, ".....	7,076 99	600 00
December, ".....	6,238 35	625 00
January, 1896.....	8,596 01	850 00
February, ".....	8,187 14	725 00
March, ".....	11,145 03	725 00
April, ".....	11,771 71	500 00
May, ".....	10,387 07	425 00
June, ".....	6,385 12	550 00
July, ".....	8,374 14	650 00
August, ".....	5,797 70	560 00
September, ".....	7,408 30	650 00
October, ".....	7,432 98	700 00
November, ".....	7,074 22	300 00
December, ".....	8,598 73	750 00
January, 1897.....	8,627 09	336 55
February, ".....	10,658 08	750 00
March, ".....	14,535 16	600 00
April, ".....	14,663 45	750 00
May, ".....	11,956 93	400 00
June, ".....	9,900 14	850 00
July, ".....	7,579 47	500 00
August, ".....	7,489 69	415 00
September, ".....	9,020 81	550 00
October, ".....	9,066 50	600 00
November, ".....	8,758 81	850 00
December, ".....	9,750 42	676 00

\$310,454 06 \$22,042 71

Total amount paid for Sick Benefits...\$310,454 06

" " " Funeral Benefits 22,042 71

Assessments returned..... 59 32

5 per cent. for Management Expenses. 20,709 97

Balance..... \$353,266 06

\$473,603 90

N.B.—\$108.59 Sick Claims, \$100.00 Funeral Claims are included in item \$315.45 as cancelled cheques, and are shown among the receipts.

GENERAL FUND.

Received from Supreme Secretary :

RECEIPTS.

	Supplies.	Fees and Cap. Tax.
January, 1895.....	\$1,219 83	\$20,408 19
February, ".....	269 92	5,785 51
March, ".....	1,364 06	6,503 74
April, ".....	208 38	3,085 50
May, ".....	483 73	10,352 91
June, ".....	106 85	12,027 80
July, ".....	985 35	23,924 96
August, ".....	993 98	4,347 81
September, ".....	266 22	6,830 16
October, ".....	878 78	5,120 22
November, ".....	272 57	3,983 10
December, ".....	70 43	10,309 44
January, 1896.....	1,109 33	20,930 55
February, ".....	255 88	6,964 98
March, ".....	142 64	6,040 20
April, ".....	609 65	5,708 32
May, ".....	716 45	6,826 43
June, ".....	452 52	9,419 07
July, ".....	1,104 61	26,371 30
August, ".....	3,878 16	6,699 11
September, ".....	3,418 40	3,477 21
October, ".....	113 20	4,372 18
November, ".....	769 19	4,437 28
December, ".....	97 19	20,277 15

January, 1897	\$ 122 36	\$18,303 64
February, "	1,242 41	9,690 00
March, "	165 74	8,423 34
April, "	1,421 13	8,110 37
May, "	853 99	7,226 03
June, "	1,576 59	21,733 44
July, "	2,430 37	22,044 75
August, "	2,794 64	7,774 53
September, "	573 06	4,966 96
October, "	1,007 80	5,840 91
November, "	681 51	6,917 09
December, "	1,730 79	31,237 24

\$34,392 71 \$386,471 47

Received from Supreme Secretary <i>re</i>	
Refunds	\$923 61
Five per cent. Mortuary Benefit Fund.	183,548 20
Five per cent. Sick and Funeral Benefit Fund	20,709 97
Received on account of Supplies	34,392 71
Sundry refunds <i>re</i> Temple and cancelled, cheques, etc.	12,374 98
Received from Contingent account	160,844 46

\$799,265 40

DISBURSEMENTS.

	FORESTER and Supplies.	Total.
January 1st, 1895, by balance	\$33,229 31	
January, 1895	\$7,864 52	23,146 86
February, "	2,335 18	10,570 19
March, "	3,684 66	17,937 83
April, "	6,062 12	15,383 39
May, "	3,717 29	13,538 04
June, "	2,725 33	13,270 13
July, "	6,584 93	44,598 38
August, "	246 10	3,737 63
September, "	5,650 29	42,885 53
October, "	5,584 47	42,896 27
November, "	5,516 61	19,182 67
December, "	3,479 54	17,512 72
January, 1896	4,856 16	18,928 52
February, "	2,936 70	16,816 43
March, "	2,306 81	19,838 85
April, "	3,229 88	15,051 98
May, "	1,756 42	21,604 67
June, "	4,083 86	17,107 24
July, "	6,977 40	30,959 92
August, "	2,336 82	19,358 25
September, "	4,226 12	17,372 99
October, "	7,062 88	19,246 60
November, "	1,298 59	14,859 59
December, "	3,805 45	18,169 15
January, 1897	3,179 61	22,327 14
February, "	4,611 04	19,975 40
March, "	6,639 48	24,464 33
April, "	7,207 91	23,605 63
May, "	4,898 60	20,912 51
June, "	3,546 20	15,964 23
July, "	3,223 80	19,443 39
August, "	3,874 46	19,205 38
September, "	7,896 47	29,489 37
October, "	5,748 73	27,152 03

Mortuary Benefit—*Contra.*

Disbursed as per details in monthly reports published in FORESTER :

	Death Claims.	Disability Claims.	Old Age.	Expectation of Life.
January	\$80,208 22	\$1,580 00	\$300 00	
February	56,146 93	6,325 00		
March	83,133 16	5,550 00	900 00	
April	87,027 53	4,025 00		
May	94,233 24	6,527 50	200 00	\$2,100 00

November, 1897	\$3,671 31	\$20,273 12
December, "	3,114 99	24,249 53

\$155,940 73 \$799,265 40

Disbursed for Salaries, Office Expenses, Wages, Supplies, etc., etc., <i>re</i> Mortuary, Sick, and Funeral, General and Supply Account :	
Salaries of Officers	\$ 77,214 52
Salaries and Expenses of Organizers	195,327 23
Wages of Employees	90,661 47
Refund of Fees	636 99
Valuator's Salary and Expenses	4,712 90
Furniture Account	13,210 66
Medical Examinations	9,158 26
Supreme Court Expenses	71,771 33
Rent, Light and Heat	14,156 62
Supplies	86,053 83
FORESTER	69,887 00
General Management Expenses	133,245 28

SURPLUS.

\$766,036 09

Dec. 31st, 1897.

Deposited with Dominion Insurance Department of Canada	\$ 100,000 00
Great Britain and Ireland	97,333 33
United States Government Bonds	56,758 36
Loan to New Brunswick Government	20,000 00
Real Estate and first Mortgage on Real Estate	1,844,825 93
Debentures	138,426 41
Deposit Receipts	540 79

\$2,257,884 82

Current Account	180,610 12
Sick and Funeral Surplus	120,337 84

\$2,438,494 94

Grand Total Surplus.....2,558,832 78

Supreme Treasurer's Report from Jan. 1st, 1898, to June 30th, 1898.

Mortuary Benefit Fund.

RECEIPTS.

To balance on hand January 1st, 1898	\$2,438,494 94
January	\$139,563 45
February	131,134 08
March	141,923 45
April	136 573 21
May	146,026 31
June	142,086 27

\$37,311 77

\$3,275,806 71

Refund Fire Insurance	1,373 17
Refund <i>re</i> Loans	1,722 19

\$3,278,902 07

June	Death Claims. \$63,303 80	Disability Claims. \$2,515 00	Old Age. \$300 00	
Total amount of Death Claims.....				\$ 464,052 88
“ “ Disability Claims.....				26,522 50
“ “ Old Age.....				1,700 00
“ “ Expectation of Life. . .				2,100 00
Refund of Assessments				599 86
Expenses re Loans				5,330 75
Fire Insurance re Loans.....				2,602 78
Com. on Loans, Legal Expenses, etc....				2,291 33
5 per cent. for Management Expenses..				41,865 57
Balance.....				2,731,836 40
				<u>\$3,278,902 07</u>

Sick and Funeral.

To balance on hand January 1st, 1898. \$120,337 81
 Received from Supreme Secretary and acknowledged in FORESTER:

RECEIPTS.

January	\$14,119 03
February.....	13,397 20
March.....	14,508 58
April.....	13,794 13
May.....	14,274 69
June.....	13,956 74
Cancelled Cheques.....	36 29
	<u>84,086 91</u>

\$204,424 75

DISBURSEMENTS,

Sick Ben. Fun. Clms.

January.....	\$ 9,366 46	\$ 535 00
February.....	11,103 93	500 00
March.....	15,578 17	1,000 00
April.....	12,774 65	1,090 67
May.....	12,184 53	350 00
June.....	10,210 02	683 33
Total amount paid for Sick Benefits..		71,217 76
“ “ “ Funeral Claims		4,159 00
Assessments refunded.....		68 19
5 per cent. for Managem't Expenses.		4,202 52
Balance June 30th, 1898.....		124,777 28

\$204,424 75

General Account.

Received from Supreme Secretary and acknowledged in reports published in FORESTER:

RECEIPTS.

January	\$16,789 85
February.....	9,324 08
March.....	8,751 36
April.....	9,024 43
May.....	7,163 08
June.....	31,239 87
	<u>\$ 82,295 67</u>
Received on account of Supplies ...	13,066 55
5 per cent. Mortuary Benefit Fund..	41,865 57
5 per cent. Sick and Funeral.....	4,202 52
Received from Contingent Account..	24,821 67

\$166,251 98

DISBURSEMENTS.

January	\$88,320 56
February.....	25,153 59
March.....	25,848 77

April	\$23,260 90
May.....	24 168 34
June.....	29,499 82
	<u>\$166,251 98</u>

Salaries of Officers	\$13,499 96
Organizing Salaries	41,608 58
“ Expenses	20,438 84
Wages of Employees.....	20,245 30
Fees returned	565 02
Valuator's Salary and Expenses	739 40
Furniture Account.....	1,673 70
General Management Expenses	31,293 64
FORESTER.....	13,118 43
Supplies	18,069 11
	<u>166,251 98</u>

SURPLUS.

June 30th, 1898.

Deposited with Dom.	
Ins. Co. of Canada. \$	100,000 00
Gt. Britain and Ireland	95,610 17
U. S. Government Bonds	56,758 36
New Brunswick Govt...	20,000 00
Real Estate & 1st Mortgages on Real Est..	2,088,240 34
Debentures.....	236,280 20
Deposit Receipts.....	540 79

\$2,597,429 86

Current Account	134,406 54
	<u>\$2,731,836 40</u>

Sick and Funeral Surplus..... 124,777 28

Grand Total Surplus... \$2,856,613 63

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

Received from Supreme Secretary.....	\$245,043 34
Transferred to General Account.....	185,666 13
Balance	\$ 59,377 21

STATEMENT NO. 8.

ASSETS.—June 30th, 1898.

Due from High Courts.....	\$ 31,240 31
“ “ Subordinate Courts, Royal Foresters and others.....	11,699 87

Interest due and accrued.....	\$ 49,474 72	Debentures	\$ 236,280 20
Capitation Tax due.....	8,333 65	Cash in Banks.....	259,183 82
Stock of Supplies on hand.....	28,693 15		
Office Furniture	13,684 76		\$2,999,740 14
Deposit with Dominion Insurance Department of Canada.....	100,000 00	LIABILITIES.	
Deposit Great Britain and Ireland...	95,610 17	Sundry accounts due.....	\$ 1,568 56
Deposit United States Bonds.....	56,758 36	Mortuary Claims unpaid.....	20,016 67
Loan to the Province of New Brunswick	20,000 00	Total and Permanent Claims unpaid.	500 00
Real Estate and 1st Mortgage on Real Estate.....	2,088,240 34	Sick and Funeral Claims unpaid.....	2,456 03
Deposit Receipts.....	540 79	Balance of Assets over Liabilities at June 30th, 1898.....	2,975,198 88
			<u>\$2,999,740 14</u>

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

Delinquent Courts who have not paid their August Assessments.

Name of Court.	No.	Name of Court.	No.
Applegate.....	425	Geo. B. Shaw.....	1983
Grafton.....	752	Zinfandel.....	3826
Orientine.....	930	Grand Trunk.....	3884
Windsor.....	1626	Ashcroft.....	3914

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

Receipts, September, 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.
1029	British Columbia..	\$ 1106 67	71 33	\$ 30 50	1922	New England.....	\$ 1781 51	605 77	\$ 109 00
8216	California.....	11830 92	202 06	292 25	4261	New Jersey.....	4248 52	51 12	89 00
10461	Central Ontario....	11744 40	1321 82	309 70	12512	New York.....	13353 34	789 68	280 50
277	Colorado with Utah annexed.....	444 92	11 45	15 50	2140	North Dakota.....	2636 34	80 11	52 00
10234	Eastern Ontario...	11097 72	955 39	190 50	943	North'n Minnesota	1047 83	96 41	42 75
5515	Illinois.....	6541 88	61 67	516 80	949	N. W. Territory....	1214 50	57 98	12 75
1922	Indiana.....	2217 37	8 42	43 75	3177	Nova Scotia.....	3634 05	223 65	69 00
666	Iowa.....	806 65	1 48	75	6823	Ohio.....	6650 52	117 33	141 00
2938	Maine.....	2321 32	713 50	71 75	13234	Ontario.....	13293 86	2497 35	216 43
2307	Manitoba.....	2791 16	263 63	56 75	1422	Pennsylvania.....	1886 49	29 85	25 25
13151	Michigan.....	13322 22	979 40	331 60	1293	Pr. Edward Island.	1396 36	34 84	11 50
3076	Minnesota.....	3416 90	10 21	38 75	13526	Quebec.....	14691 78	4270 18	300 50
1080	Missouri with Kansas annexed.....	1281 98	8 80	36 75	799	Washington.....	1136 41	16 06	35 00
436	Montana.....	639 75	16 38	50	2632	Wisconsin.....	3187 63	22 05	66 50
369	Nebraska.....	398 67	2 98	4 50	175	S. C. Jurisdiction..	239 15	5 12	12 50
5694	New Brunswick...	5672 63	1049 22	113 25	4776	G. Britain, Ireland and Norway.....	6061 19	33 75	333 02
	Received on account of Fire Insurance.....						32 66		
	Sundry Refunds.....						519 61		
	Received on account of Organizing and other accounts.....								1547 79
	Grand Total		133,005				\$152,611 56	\$14,632 14	\$5,398 09

Recapitulation.

RECEIPTS.		CONTRA—CR.	
For Mortuary Benefit Fund.....	\$152,611 56	By Cash remitted Supreme Treasurer.....	\$172,641 79
" Sick and Funeral Benefit Fund	14,632 14		
" General Funds.....	5,398 09		
Total.....	\$172,641 79		

Supply Account.

Received on account of Supplies.....\$1,785 91 | Remitted same to Supreme Treasurer.....\$1,785 91

Investment Account.

Received on account of Principal on Loans...\$ 1,181 86 | Remitted same to Supreme Treasurer.....\$ 1,181 86

Submitted in L., B. & C.,

JOHN A. MCGILLIVRAY, Sup. Secretary.

Supreme Treasurer's Statement for
September, 1898.

Mortuary Statement.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance as per last Statement.....	\$2,859,182 21
" Supreme Secretary.....	152,059 29
" Received on account re Fire Insurance..	32 66
" Sundry Refunds.....	519 61
	<u>\$3,011,793 77</u>

Paid to Beneficiaries of late Brothers—

Rev. T. Haywood... Court Elizabeth, 1.....	\$3,000 00
Allan Ramsay..... " Kensington, 3301.....	1,000 00
Sylvanus E. Hall..... " East Machins, 3010.....	1,000 00
Charles F. Fidelity..... " Chilton'go, St., 1145.....	1,000 00
W. H. Gleason..... " Seattlo, 326.....	2,000 00
John H. Shiels..... " Watertown, 465.....	2,000 00
George Edwards..... " Marquette, 413.....	1,000 00
C. W. Taylor..... " Gananoque, 371.....	2,000 00
W. Linton Brown..... " Albert, 100.....	1,000 00
Richard Smith..... " Mission City, 833.....	1,000 00
John Henderson..... " Epworth, 1253.....	2,000 00
Franklin Clizer..... " Latah, 3746.....	1,000 00
James H. Creighton..... " Notre Dame, 1076.....	1,000 00
Thomas J. Johnson..... " Granite State, 911.....	1,000 00
A. H. Moore..... " Glen Buell, 878.....	1,000 00
Francis R. Curtis..... " Atwood, 782.....	1,000 00
M. C. McKenzie..... " Los Angeles, 422.....	2,000 00
Rufus L. Ball..... " Fortune, 297.....	1,000 00
Willis Jordan..... " Cookshire, 176.....	1,000 00
Thomas I. Mitchell..... " Acadia, 102.....	1,000 00
Walt. P. Kingsland..... " Ottawa, 41.....	1,000 00
Albert C. Myers..... " Mohawk, 3197.....	1,000 00
Alexander Brown..... " Athenstan, 1503.....	1,000 00
David McCready..... " Dunbarton, 1927.....	1,000 00
Edward Vance..... " Emerson, 1637.....	750 00
Robert W. Bentley..... " Gem City, 1107.....	1,000 00
Jos. A. Thibeaucau..... " MoulINETTE, 960.....	1,000 00
William Everard..... " Muncie, 1072.....	1,000 00
Arthur T. Davis..... " Lansing, 247.....	1,000 00
Jacob Hoffman..... " Desmond, 187.....	2,000 00
John McGarrahan..... " Notre Dame, 1076.....	1,000 00
Charles F. Glass..... " Philadelphia, 502.....	1,000 00
John F. Peck..... " Akron, 933.....	1,000 00
Patrick T. Miller..... " Rockland, 146.....	1,000 00
Fred. J. Dubelbeiss..... " Genessee, 387.....	1,000 00
John Barnes..... " Harrow, 962.....	1,000 00
Charles S. Montfort..... " Wallace, 1269.....	1,000 00
Judson Moore..... " Union, 86.....	3,000 00
John J. McCormick..... " Valley, 232.....	1,000 00
Joseph Rouff..... " Minnesota, 453.....	1,000 00
Ladd H. Reid..... " Evangeline, 109.....	1,000 00
W. A. Gordon..... " Harvard, 281.....	600 00
Lis. Bel. Y. Martinez..... " Verba Buena, 913.....	3,000 00
Clyde C. Marquis..... " Dayton, 1,000.....	2,000 00
Ashby McNichol..... " Sunny South, 1925.....	500 00
George E. Miller..... " Mount Morris, 3758.....	5,000 00
Dav. Roscoe Davies..... " Tyron, 3878.....	1,000 00
John Rowan..... " Oronhyatekha, 23.....	3,000 00
James Dunkley..... " McGreggor, 6.....	1,000 00
A. G. DeGuise..... " Stadacona, 221.....	3,000 00
David Atkinson..... " Aberfoyle, 295.....	1,000 00
John Ludwig Frank..... " Morris Viney'd, 532.....	3,000 00
Alfred Christopher..... " Brownville, 561.....	1,000 00
Charles A. Craft..... " Destiny, 593.....	2,000 00
Walt. J. Masterman..... " Ingersoll, 798.....	500 00
Charles E. Atkinson..... " Tantramar, 803.....	1,000 00
Walter Monck..... " Mountaineer, 577.....	500 00
William Harvie..... " Anfield, 2068.....	972 22
Jerome Briggs..... " Denver, 1858.....	1,000 00
John O'Connor..... " City of Straits, 3337.....	1,000 00
Wm. Wesley Cherry..... " Ashton, 872.....	1,000 00
Warren Woodruff..... " Queen Victoria, 314.....	1,000 00
David McWalters..... " Ottawa, 41.....	1,000 00
Frank Rauthenberg..... " Glen Oak, 2037.....	1,000 00
David J. DeHaven..... " Soc. 1067.....	1,000 00
Rog. L. Hutchinson..... " Dufferin, 4.....	1,000 00
M. U. Naurendean..... " Plussisville, 1512.....	1,000 00
Aleck R. Fraser..... " Lebanon, 382.....	1,000 00
John Edwards..... " Denfield, 191.....	500 00
Frank Lapontina..... " Clayton, 171.....	1,000 00
Louis Anders..... " Business, 1828.....	1,000 00
E. H. Frenette..... " Temiscouata, 1170.....	1,000 00
Orin Capron Harris..... " Carquinez, 1001.....	2,000 00
Robert Monks..... " Fort Meigs, 759.....	1,000 00
William Mansoll..... " Cooley, 3361.....	1,000 00
	<u>\$97,322 22</u>

Old Age Disability—	
Alfred Davey, C. Woodstock, 69.....	\$100 00
William Herle, C. Lincoln, 225.....	100 00
Richard Wilton, C. Thames, 38.....	100 00
	<u>\$ 300 00</u>

Total and Permanent Disability—	
R. M. Hurteau, C. Jean de Arc, 1650\$	500 00
Thomas Flynn, C. Ft. Schuyler, 1510.	250 00
James F. Hamlin, C. Dewitt, 3163..	500 00
Adol. Balthazard, C. St. Hubert, 687	500 00
James Dunlop, C. Milicite, 139.....	1,000 00
H. T. Stevens, C. Moncton, 71.....	1,500 00
Alfred F. Drey, C. Juniata, 1988.....	1,000 00
Doctors' Fees.....	41 50
	<u>5,291 50</u>

Refund.....	\$ 230 80	
Valuators' Fees.....	886 00	
Repairs to Property.....	5 00	
Insurance.....	528 61	
Law Fees.....	286 33	
English Refund.....	75 76	
		<u>2,012 53</u>

Five per cent. to General Fund.....	\$104,925 25
Balance.....	7,602 96
	<u>2,899,261 56</u>
	<u>\$3,011,793 77</u>

Sick and Funeral Fund.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance as per last Statement.....	\$ 131,529 29
" Supreme Secretary.....	14,632 14
	<u>\$149,161 43</u>

CONTRA—CR.

By Sick Claims.....	\$ 11,096 43
Funeral Claims.....	800 00
" Refund.....	18 83
" 5 per cent. General Fund.....	731 59
" Balance.....	136,514 58
	<u>\$149,161 43</u>

General Account for September, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

To Supreme Secretary.....	\$ 5,393 09
" on acct. of Supplies.....	1,735 91
To 5 per cent. Mortuary Benefit Fund.....	7,602 96
" Sick and Fun'l Benefit Fund.....	731 59
Balance.....	55,895 16
	<u>\$ 71,413 71</u>

CONTRA—CR.

Salaries of Officers.....	\$2,011 66
Organizing Salaries and Expenses.....	13,399 02
Wages of Employees.....	3,450 75
Furniture Account.....	3,143 48
Refund of Fees.....	181 35
General Management Expenses, including Supreme Court.....	36,452 31
" Forester" and Supplies.....	12,512 11
	<u>\$ 71,413 71</u>

Surplus.

Deposited with Ins. Dept. of Dom. of Canada.....	\$100,000 00
Great Britain and Ireland.....	95,610 17
U. S. Government Bonds.....	143,753 36
New Brunswick Government.....	20,000 00
Real Estate and 1st Mortgages on Real Est.....	2,236,532 49
Debentures.....	215,834 34
Deposit Receipts.....	510 79
	<u>\$2,817,276 15</u>
Current Account.....	\$1,988 41
	<u>\$2,899,261 56</u>
Sick and Funeral Surplus.....	136,564 58
	<u>\$3,035,829 14</u>

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

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

During the month of September, the Medical Board reviewed 2,538 medical examination papers, of which 2,250 were accepted and 288 rejected. The subjoined table will show the jurisdictions whence the papers emanated:—

Jurisdiction.	Accepted	Rejected	Jurisdiction.	Accepted	Rejected
British Columbia.....	1	3	Nova Scotia.....	30	4
California.....	167	32	N. W. Territories.....	41	11
Connecticut.....	1	1	Ohio.....	121	12
Colorado.....	65	1	Ontario (Centre).....	293	21
Illinois.....	182	16	Ontario (East).....	93	12
Indiana.....	18	3	Ontario (West).....	103	8
Iowa.....	12	3	Pennsylvania.....	23	4
Kansas.....	12	1	P. E. Island.....	12	1
Maine.....	59	7	Quebec.....	109	18
Manitoba.....	16	5	Rhode Island.....	13
Michigan.....	343	28	Vermont.....	10	4
Minnesota.....	53	7	Washington.....	8	3
Missouri.....	13	1	Wisconsin.....	37	11
Montana.....	16	1	England.....	55	13
Nebraska.....	17	1	Ireland.....	36	5
New Brunswick.....	45	5	Scotland.....	18	5
New Hampshire.....	29	2	Wales.....	5	2
New Jersey.....	60	12	Norway.....	7
New York.....	245	23	Total.....	2250	288
North Dakota.....	13			

Yours in L., B. and C.,

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

Acknowledgements.

Bro. Orlando Pratt, of Court Liberty, No. 313, Mich., tenders sincere thanks to the Supreme Court for \$500 paid him as Total and Permanent Disability Benefit, and to the officers and members of Court Liberty, No. 313, for brotherly attention in his affliction.

Mrs. H. M. Henderson acknowledges the "prompt and satisfactory manner" in which her claim for \$2 000 arising out of the death of her late husband, John Henderson, who was a member of Court Epworth, No. 1253, Cleveland, Ohio, was settled.

Mrs. Thomas Johnson offers her grateful acknowledgements for the prompt settlement of the Mortuary Benefit (\$1,000) of her late husband, who was a member of Court Granite State, No. 911, at West Stewartstown, N. H.

Thomas Dillon expresses his appreciation of the promptness of the payment of the \$1,000 endowment certificate on his brother's life, the payment being received six days after the proofs of death were made. He says he will gladly recommend the Order to all who wish fraternal insurance. His brother was a member of Court Minerva, No. 3501, High Ridge, New York.

THORBURN, N. S.,
September, 8th, 1898.

To the Officers and Members of Court Stellar, No. 124, Stellarton, N.S.

GENTLEMEN: I desire through you to express my sincere thanks to the Supreme Executive of the I.O.F., for the prompt payment of the endowment of \$1,000 on the life of my late husband, James W. Kennedy, a member of your court.

I feel the more thankful, knowing that certain irregularities and omissions in the papers of my late husband might have delayed, if not entirely deprived me of this aid in my time of trouble and need, and I rejoice in having an opportunity of testifying to your upright and prompt dealing with me.

That your Order may prosper as it never did before, and prove a blessing to the widow and orphan, is my earnest prayer.

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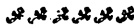
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