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I. O. F. High Court of New Brunswick Held at Sussex, July 12th and 13th.

The sixteenth annual session of the High Court of New Brunswick I. O. F. met at the Oddfellows' Hall at Sussex, N. B., on the evening of July 12th, 1899, at 8 o'clock P. M. High Chief Ranger, A. W. Macrae, in the chair. Over a hundred delegates were in attendance. All the officers of the High Court were present with the exception of Geo. J. Clark, St. Stephen, H. S. W. Past High Chief Ranger Clark of Nova Scotia was present and was invited to a seat on the platform.

The annual reports of the High Chief Ranger, High Treasurer, High Secretary, High Court Inspector and High Auditors were read.

High Secretary F. W. Emmerson reported that five new courts had been organized during the year by Bro. Kinghorn, two when he was inspector and three after he became an officer of the Supreme court. There were 5,739 members of the order in the province on June 1st, 1899, compared with 5,619 on July 1st, 1898—an increase of 120 in eleven months. His financial statement shows:

ASSETS.	
Cash on hand.....	\$ 272 00
Supplies on hand.....	323 84
Regalia and furniture.....	306 50
Due from Subordinate courts.....	3483 05
Suspense account.....	30 00
	\$4,415 39
LIABILITIES.	
Due supreme court.....	\$2,921 66
Due sub. courts.....	125 84
	\$3,047 50

Excess of assets and liabilities. \$1,367 89
A new and interesting feature of this report was a statement of the number of members in the province who died during the year and the amount of insurance paid. There were thirty-six deaths in the year ending June 30th. The amount of insurance was \$41,500, of which \$39,000 was paid before the date last mentioned.

The report of High Treasurer Eastman showed receipts of \$5,087.46 and an expenditure of \$3,815.46, leaving balance on hand June 30th of \$272.

This report was duly audited and found correct by the high auditors, J. V. Russell and Thos. Murray. They also reported audit of the high secretary's books, which were found to agree with the statements in his report.

A song entitled In L. B. C., written

and composed by J. C. Morgan of Ontario and dedicated to Dr. Oronyhatekha, was sung by Thos. Murray, Dr. Carter of Port Elgin and H. C. Creed, with John Barton of Armstrong's Corner playing accompaniment. This song was sung at the supreme court in Toronto last year.

Past H. C. R. Creed conferred the high court degree on the delegates present at this evening's session.

H. C. R. Macrae announced the following committees:

Credentials—F. W. Emmerson, P. B. Millie, W. W. P. Starratt, A. W. Elliott, Robt. A. McNair.

Distribution committee—E. P. Eastman, Thos. H. Colter, Geo. Strothart, LeBaron Coleman and Geo. G. Scovill, M. P. P.

Finance—E. R. Chapman, James Seaton, W. W. Wells, M. P. P., G. G. Scovill, M. P. P., Geo. Banks, Thomas Murray.

Appeals and petitions—Dr. Doherty, W. W. Melville, C. E. V. Cowan, Wm. Kinghorn, J. B. Stevenson.

Constitution and laws—Col. J. R. Armstrong, J. A. Sinclair, Rev. E. Bell, J. A. S. Kierstead, J. A. Patterson.

State of the Order—Major H. M. Campbell, Rev. Thos. Marshall, H. W. Woods, D. G. Lingley, H. A. Atkinson.

New Business—H. C. Creed, Col. Markham, B. McMinneman, W. E. Skillen, J. Rankine Brown.

Mileage and per Diem—J. V. Russell, A. A. Steeves, R. L. Maltby.

Press—E. W. Chandler, S. L. T. McKnight, J. A. Sinclair, James Stewart, A. M. Belding, G. E. Day.

Reception—Ora P. King, Thomas Murray, Aaron Hastings, R. W. Mitchell, H. A. Ryan.

High Court adjourned to meet next morning at 10 o'clock.

The High Court, I. O. F., resumed its session Thursday morning. On the platform with H. C. R. Macrae were Hon. H. R. Emmerson, H. C. Creed, LeBaron Coleman and William Kinghorn, past executive officers; and Past H. C. R. Clarke of Nova Scotia.

Minutes of last session were read and approved.

The Supreme Chief Ranger, Supreme Treasurer Collins and Supreme Counselor Wedderburn, being announced, were introduced by P. H. C. R. Kinghorn and H. Sec. Emmerson, and were received with the customary honors. H. C. R. Macrae welcomed the visitors, referred to the distinguished services of the supreme chief, and expressed the hope that he would long be spared to continue his work for the order. The visitors took seats on the platform.

High court then resumed consideration

of the finance committee's report which had just been read by E. R. Chapman.

A section relating to the charter indebtedness of subordinate courts to high court had been under discussion. It proposed that a portion of this indebtedness, not to exceed 75 per cent, be forgiven, if the balance were paid within a year, provided also that the supreme court forgive to the high court a share of the debt of the latter body incurred on that behalf. H. C. R. Macrae explained the matter to the supreme chief who urged the high court to do what would be for the best growth of the order in the province, and said that the supreme executive were prepared to assist the high court, either by providing good organizing officers or by a cash contribution.

The section was referred back for further consideration.

A section of the report providing that a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to pay for the visitation of courts by members of the high standing committee, provoked a long discussion.

LeBaron Coleman opposed it as a waste of funds. Such work in the past had not, he claimed, produced sufficient results to warrant the expenditure. The H. C. R. could visit courts, and his expenses were paid on such occasions. Besides, there was now a supreme court officer (Mr. Kinghorn) to do this kind of work.

Mr. Wells, Mr. Scovill and Mr. Chapman supported the section, contending that good would result.

Mr. Lingley moved that the section be amended to provide that the money be spent to hold public meetings.

Mr. Coleman moved in an amendment to the amendment that the section be struck out. This was seconded and supported by J. A. Sinclair. The latter held that it was the duty of the high standing committee to meet with and instruct and encourage the subordinate courts.

Mr. Steeves of Dorchester said public meetings were of great benefit. Their court had once initiated twelve new members after a public meeting.

Dr. Carter of Port Elgin took similar ground.

The supreme chief said that if it were a question of paying the \$250 to the supreme court or paying it out as proposed by the finance committee, by all means take the latter course. He strongly urged visitations of courts and public meetings, and declared they would produce the best results in growth of membership. He was strongly in favor of advertising the order, and it could be done admirably in this way.

Mr. Coleman asked if the supreme

court would credit the \$250 to the high court.

The Supreme Chief—"If you get 250 new members—yes. And I have no doubt you will."

The finance committee amended their report to include public meetings as well as visitations.

The other amendments were then withdrawn and the section passed.

A section proposing that a mileage allowance of three cents be given to all delegates instead of four cents to one from each court, was discussed at length and was rejected.

A section providing that 600 copies of the minutes be printed, tenders to be asked for, was adopted; also the following grants: To high chief ranger, \$100; high secretary, \$400; high treasurer, \$35; high auditors, \$25 each; press committee, \$40; hall rent, \$15; high J. secretary, \$20.

Lt.-Col. Armstrong read the report of the committee on constitution and laws. The first section noted the fact that one Companion Court had been organized in this jurisdiction.

The second section of the report, read by Col. Armstrong, recommended that Companion courts be not given any representation in this high court.

The supreme chief said that Illinois and Michigan had admitted them to membership, while Quebec had organized them into a separate high court. He favored giving the ladies representation in the high courts. They offered a promising field for extending the order, and other fraternal orders were taking advantage of it. Companion courts were organized directly by the supreme court, and if represented in high court had to pay their dues just the same as subordinate courts.

Rev. Mr. Marshall argued in favor of giving the ladies representation. It would, he held, be of great benefit to the high court. He moved the section be referred back, with instructions to draw up a section recognizing Companion courts.

Hon. H. R. Emmerson also argued very strongly in favor of admitting companion courts to representation, and seconded Rev. Mr. Marshall's motion.

H. C. R. Macrae pointed out that Companion courts could be organized anyhow, and it was merely a question whether this high court should recognize them and give them representation.

Rev. Dr. Marshall's amendment was adopted by an overwhelming vote of 114 to 14. The result was greeted with loud applause and one member suggested that the factitious fourteen be photographed. This provoked great laughter.

High court adjourned till afternoon.

Major Montgomery Campbell read the report of the committee on State of the Order. They congratulated the high court on the general prosperity of the Order in this jurisdiction. They commended the appointment of Wm. Kinghorn as District S. C. R., and recommended that the supreme executive have him attend at the exhibitions in St. John, Woodstock, Sussex, Bathurst and Sackville, in the interests of the order. They recommended that the high court notify the chief rangers of subordinate courts of the importance of a thorough audit of books and accounts and that the District S. C. R. be requested in visiting courts to look into their finances; also that a committee be appointed to report on Royal Forestry. The committee also favored the amalgamation of weaker courts where possible.—Report adopted.

While the vote for H. V. C. R. was being taken, Dr. Oronyhatekha announced that the supreme executive were offering a prize of \$50 to any member instituting a subordinate or companion court before October 1st; \$125 if two courts; and \$225 if three courts were organized. The supreme chief explained that salaried organizing officers were barred from the competition. He hoped new courts would be organized in New Brunswick. There was, he pointed out, a good field in the foundation of companion courts. It was a matter of interest to the whole membership. Notwithstanding the advance in rates, the order was growing. It had been said there would be a falling off, and indeed such was expected, but he was glad to report that there had been over 9,000 new members secured between Jan. 1st and July 1st.

The next business was the election of officers. Lieut. Col. Markham, G. G. Scovill, M. P. P., and D. G. Lingley were appointed scrutineers.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: A. W. Macrae, H. C. R.; Douglas Baird, H. V. C. R.; F. W. Emmerson, H. Sec.; E. P. Eastman, H. Treas.; Ora P. King, H. Coun.; Hon. Judge Wedderburn, P. H. C. R.; Dr. Carter, H. Phys.; J. V. Russell and Thos. Murray, High Auditors.

Woodstock was chosen as the place of meeting next year.

E. J. Todd, Col. Markham, John A. Sinclair and D. G. Lingley were appointed a committee to report on Royal Forestry, as recommended by the committee on state of the order.

The high chief ranger appointed the following officers: Rev. Thos. Marshall, H. Orator; W. P. Taylor, H. J. Sec.; John B. Barton, H. Organizer; R. T. Maltby, H. S. W.; H. W. Woods, H. J. W.; A. Hastings, H. M.; H. A. Ryan, H. Con.; T. H. Colter, H. Mess.; R. W. Mitchell, H. S. B.; W. W. Melville, H. J. B.

The report of the committee on constitution and laws was taken up again

and several sections adopted. One section provided that a resolution increasing the rates paid by subordinate courts to high court should not be considered by the high court unless two months' notice had been given to the subordinate courts.

The S. C. R. said it was imparative that all assessments must be paid before the first of each month. If not, the members stood suspended, and only the supreme court could take action in the matter. The supreme executive had no power to pay a mortuary benefit in such a case. He therefore urged that all members pay before the beginning of the month.

Replying to Col. Markham, the supreme chief said that where two courts amalgamated there was no necessity to make any change in the policy of members going from one court into membership in the other.

In reply to Mr. Kinghorn, the chief said that if the members of a court voted in a body to take their cards and all of them join another court, their certificates would not be invalidated. It would not be strictly constitutional for all of them to receive cards, but there would probably be no objection to that course.

Mr. Kinghorn said he hoped no courts would take this unconstitutional method of amalgamation with other courts, though as a matter of fact it had been done in two cases he knew of.

Mr. Chapman reported for the finance committee as follows:

"We regret that the amounts due from subordinate courts has been increased during the past year, but we feel that the indebtedness for dues and supplies will be promptly paid. The changes made in the constitution at the last session of the supreme court has decreased the ability of the subordinate courts to pay the amounts due for charter fees, and we recommend that all subordinate courts in arrears, having twenty members or over, be required to pay the full charter fee, and that all subordinate courts having less than twenty members be released from said indebtedness on payment of the amount received by them from their members for charter or initiation fees; and we are pleased to report that the S. C. R. has assured your committee that as soon as these arrears are paid as aforesaid the supreme executive will relieve the high court of the payment of an amount equal to that remitted to the subordinate courts."

This was adopted.

It was resolved to pay the same mileage to past executive officers as the delegates at the next meeting of high court. W. W. Wells, M. P. P., read a brief report from the representatives of high court to the last session of supreme court.—Adopted.

The court adjourned to meet again for the installation of officers after the public meeting.

The Foresters had a great demonstration this evening. After a parade, headed by the Sussex band and participated in by a detachment of Royal Foresters, in uniform, an out-door meeting was held, addresses being delivered from the rear platform of the railway station. The street was packed with people. Ald Macrae introduced the speakers, Hon. H. R. Emmerson, Dr. Oronyhatekha and Harry A. Collins, who were received with hearty applause and delivered eloquent speeches in praise of Forestry. The excellent band of Sussex played selections.

After the speeches the delegates assembled again in the Oddfellows' hall and the Supreme Chief Ranger installed the newly elected officers, being assisted by Supreme Treasurer Collins, Hon. Mr. Emmerson, E. J. Todd and Bros. Neil, Lawson, Brass and Brooks of the Royal Foresters of St. John.

Mr. Macrae thanked the members for his election and pledged himself to labor zealously for the order during his term of office. He urged that companion courts be established.

Judge Wedderburn, in tones of very deep feeling, expressed his thanks for the testimonial granted him last year for his services to the order. Universal regret was expressed that the judge's health would not permit him to take an active part in proceedings of this high court.

Thanks were voted to supreme court officers who attended high court, Dr. Oronyhatekha briefly spoke in glowing tribute to his colleagues, and the eloquent Irishman, Harry A. Collins, delighted the court by his witty and very happy responses.

Hon. Mr. Emmerson paid a warm tribute to the press of New Brunswick, and moved a vote of thanks to the press and its representatives present.—Thanks were also voted to transportation companies, the local committee of Foresters, etc., and the court adjourned.

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The Star Line steamers between Fredericton and St. John have made the same arrangements as the C. P. Railway, as has also the Temiscouta Railway.

The Intercolonial Railway will charge full tariff rates going and return freight free if unsold. All lines connecting with the I. C. R. make the same terms as does the Shore Line Railway and the various steamship lines coming to St. John.

In the 1899 Prize List of the St. John Exhibition, a sweep-stakes Class for Carriage Horses has been added, in which over \$300 is put up in prizes. Horses that have been exhibited in other classes and won prizes will also be allowed to enter in this class. They will be shown in harness, and the harness and equipment will be considered in making the awards. There are sections in the class for tandems and four in hands as well as for matched teams.

In the Cattle Classes the prizes have also been increased. Prizes will this year be given for a breeders young herd and also for both two year old cows and two year old heifers in all the pure bred cattle classes.

In the dairy grade class a prize has been added for the best herd of four grade cows over one year old, at least three to be in milk.

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