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A. L. CLARK,
Grand Master of Records.

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Knights of the Golden Eagle.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Grand Castle

OF

NEW JERSEY.

SESSION HELD IN THE HALL OF MERCER CASTLE, No. 23,
TRENTON, N. J.,

September 3d, 1900.

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PROCEEDINGS.

TRENTON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

The Seventeenth Annual Session of the GRAND CASTLE OF NEW JERSEY, KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE, convened in K. G. E. Hall, northeast corner Broad and Front Streets, in this city, on above date, at 10.15 o'clock A. M.

Grand Chief Jacob S. Kent presided, P. G. C. James E. Highley, No. 15, acting as Sitting Past Grand Chief, and P. C. T. C. Schanck, No. 64, as Grand Sir Herald.

The Grand Castle was opened in due form—officers present being:

Grand Chief—Jacob S. Kent,
Grand Vice-Chief—Arthur H. Hope,
Grand High Priest—Dr. J. B. Wainright,
Grand Master of Records—A. L. Clark,
Grand First Guardsman—S. Robert White,
Grand Second Guardsman—Henry W. Fronley,
Grand Trustees—A. Q. Bloom,
James E. Highley,

and a constitutional quorum.

The members of the committees present were :

Law—P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34 ; P. C. T. C. Schanck, No. 64 ; P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, No. 4.

Finance—P. C. E. H. Ginnelley, No. 23 ; P. G. C. F. A. Buren, No. 25.

Credentials—P. C. Thomas A. Warren, No. 3.

Printing—P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9 ; P. C. Charles King, No. 47 ; P. C. Dr. George W. Chamberlain, No. 66.

Appeals—P. C. T. K. Eastburn, No. 46 ; P. G. C. E. D. Senseman, No. 9 ; P. C. George F. Scheele, No. 28 ; P. C. Thomas B. Seals, No. 43.

The following Representatives answered roll-call :

James P. Beckley, No. 2,
Thomas Ziegler, No. 3,
George J. Robertson, No. 4,
George W. Smith, No. 7,
David F. Kay, No. 8,
E. D. Senseman, No. 9,
J. P. Marlatt, No. 12,
Charles H. Allen, No. 13,
A. B. Perkins, No. 17,
A. S. Bullock, No. 18,
W. J. Cook, No. 20,
James H. Keil, No. 22,
Charles T. Vansandt, No. 23,
Frank Allen, No. 25,
Mervin McCoy, No. 28,
Samuel Veale, No. 30,
T. E. Philhower, No. 32,
W. G. Lauer, No. 33,
A. F. Vannote, No. 34,
Daniel Bloch, No. 36,
William P. Bradley, No. 37,

William Sproat, No. 38,
J. S. Ashbridge, No. 39,
John Parkes, No. 41,
Edward Manning, No. 43,
L. P. Schmidt, No. 44,
S. A. McMaban, No. 46,
H. D. Chamberlain, No. 47,
A. R. Chatten, No. 50,
John H. Story, No. 51,
James Mackey, No. 54,
W. D. Robinson, No. 57,
H. Wainright, No. 59,
J. L. S. Braddock, No. 60,
Truman Hickman, No. 61,
I. B. Johnston, No. 62,
A. C. Robinson, No. 63,
T. C. Schanck, No. 64,
William Jordan, No. 66,
G. L. Moore, No. 71,
Charles W. Bennett, No. 72.

(During the roll-call it was announced by Past Grand Chief William H. Ruf, No. 34, that the chairman of the Committee on Credentials, Past Chief Tobias Grace, No. 50, was deceased.)

Grand Sir Herald John C. Risley entered and occupied his post.

The Grand Chief appointed P. C. J. P. Marlatt, No. 12, and P. C. Robert Marks, No. 34, to fill vacancies on the Committee on Credentials.

The reading of the minutes of the last regular session and special sessions were, on motion of P. C. George P. Sutton,

No. 9, dispensed with, and the proceedings approved as printed.

The Committee on Distribution, consisting of P. G. C; Walter A. Barrows, No. 4; P. C. Dr. George W. Chamberlain, No. 66; P. C. William Sproat, No. 38; P. C. Thomas Farrell, No. 23, having been appointed as provided by Constitution, reported as follows :

TRENTON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

To the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E. :

The Committee on Distribution would respectfully report, recommending that the various matters mentioned in the reports of Grand Officers be distributed as follows :

1. To the Committee on Good of the Order—

All those portions of the report of the Grand Chief found on pages 95, 96, 97 and 98, down to "Decisions," including Circular No. 1, on pages 96 and 97.

Also, the matter of "Resignations" and "Appointments," found on pages 98 and 99.

Also, "Dispensations," found on pages 99 and 100.

Also, "Recommendations," found on page 100.

Also, "Expense Account," on page 101.

Also, from report of Grand Master of Records, matter of Jersey City Castle, No. 37; Elmer, No. 52, and Newark, No. 19.

Also, "Membership and Finances of Subordinate Castles," on page 116, etc.

2. To the Committee on Law—

All the "Decisions," as reported.

Also, the matter of non-reporting by subordinate Castles, found in the report of the Grand Master of Records, page 109.

3. To the Finance Committee—

From the report of Grand Master of Records, "Receipts and Expenses," and the summaries thereto appended.

Also, "Resources and Liabilities."

Also, the entire report of Grand Keeper of Exchequer.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. BARROWS,
THOMAS FARRELL,
DR. G. W. CHAMBERLAIN,
WILLIAM SPROAT.

P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows moved the report of the committee be adopted. Agreed to.

The Grand Chief, in accordance with the foregoing report, appointed the following Committee on Good of the Order :

P. G. C. E. D. Senseman, No. 9,
 P. C. H. Wainright, No. 59,
 P. G. C. F. A. Buren, No. 25,
 P. C. David F. Kay, No. 8,
 P. C. Joseph W. Jackson, No. 3,

to whom was referred such portions of the preliminary reports as were called for by the Committee on Distribution.

P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, moved that this Grand Castle take a recess from 12.30 P. M. to 1.30 P. M. So ordered.

The report of the Grand Trustees was taken up, and, on motion of P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, approved as printed.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved that the report of the Supreme Representative stand approved as printed. Agreed to.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved that the report of the Committee on Printing be approved as printed. P. C. L. P. Schmidt, Representative from No. 44, raised an objection, that these reports should be read carefully before being adopted. Upon call for the question the motion of P. G. C. W. H. Ruf, No. 34, was adopted.

10.50 A. M., Grand Chief declared a recess for five minutes.

10.55 A. M., business resumed.

The Committee on Credentials reported as follows :

TRENTON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

To the Grand Chief, Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS :—We, your Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report that we have examined the certificates of the following Past Chiefs and Representatives, and find them correct.

THOMAS A. WARREN, P. C.,
J. P. MARLATT, P. C.,
ROBERT MARKS, P. C.,
Committee on Credentials.

PAST CHIEFS.

William Heintzman, No. 2,
E. J. Bolton, No. 3,
A. F. Brown, No. 3,
John Walker, No. 5,
Louis A. Ward, No. 5,
Joseph D. Friend, No. 6,
John H. Folk, No. 7,
Howard N. Adams, No. 7,
Richard Seymour, No. 8,
John Cosgrove, No. 8,
Frederick Wilkes, No. 8,
Harry H. Singleton, No. 8,
Thomas Dickerson, No. 8,
Thomas Gillmore, No. 8,
James W. Brown, No. 8,
John Glass, No. 8,
Francis Donnelly, No. 8,
George Bates, No. 8,
Samuel Best, No. 8,
P. J. Tierney, No. 8,
W. J. Crompton, No. 9,
Mahlon VanBooskirk, No. 9,
Gus Wilhelm, No. 9,
Fred Smith, No. 10,
Linwood Lounsbury, No. 10,
Charles Tschudy, No. 11,
Rodman Corson, No. 11,
Frank Wallace, No. 13,
Louis Ginenback, No. 13,
William Emmons, No. 14,
Frank Greenfield, No. 14,
William H. Sithens, No. 15,
Peter Morgan, No. 15,
William Dempsey, No. 18,
Charles E. Willey, No. 18,

F. M. Steiner, No. 20,
William H. Pearce, No. 20,
George H. Hoover, No. 21,
A. G. Bauer, No. 21,
George B. Clover, No. 22,
John E. Morton, No. 22,
Edward Evans, No. 22,
J. R. Fisher, No. 22,
James D. Brady, No. 23,
Alexis Gustavi, No. 23,
Thomas O. Plasket, No. 24,
Samuel Young, No. 25,
Frank Allen, No. 25,
C. H. Cranmer, No. 26,
Joseph P. Brown, No. 26,
William Pierce, No. 27,
John Schmidt, No. 28,
James Hammersley, No. 28,
Raymond S. Elwell, No. 30,
Clarence B. Watson, No. 31,
Benjamin F. James, No. 31,
Charles E. Rose, No. 33,
E. J. Probasco, No. 33,
Charles F. Yourison, No. 36,
Daniel Block, No. 36,
William P. Bradley, No. 37,
Herbert Dayton, No. 37,
Frank V. Reid, No. 37,
William S. Gray, No. 37,
Edward Tyrell, No. 37,
John C. Platt, No. 37,
Harvey Lynch, No. 37,
Lucian N. Boyer, No. 37,
Joseph M. Mills, No. 37,
W. V. Ash, No. 37,

William Longbottom, No. 38,
 J. W. Dilks, Sr., No. 39,
 Allen Ewan, No. 39,
 F. P. Carter, No. 40,
 Charles H. Nicholson, No. 40,
 Raymond H. Britton, No. 41,
 George Vogel, No. 41,
 Benjamin S. Fritts, No. 43,
 Austin Cramer, No. 43,
 William Hartpence, No. 43,
 John Reichenbach, No. 44,
 A. C. Goller, No. 44,
 Philip Spragg, No. 45,
 George L. Marshall, No. 45,
 Reeves Stretch, No. 46,
 Lemuel Coney, No. 46,
 William Gifford, No. 47,

William R. O'Brien, No. 47,
 B. B. Worden, No. 49,
 Emil Christensen, No. 50,
 William P. Story, No. 51,
 Joseph Vonan, No. 54,
 Theodore Hickman, No. 61,
 J. H. McDowell, No. 62,
 Elvin M. Hoffman, No. 63,
 William Peterson, No. 64,
 C. H. Bowman, No. 64,
 Conrad Robbins, No. 65,
 Philip Hoerber, No. 68,
 Thomas Pascoe, No. 70,
 John Hawkes, No. 71,
 E. L. Casner, No. 71,
 John Bauman, No. 71.

REPRESENTATIVES.

W. G. Morgan, No. 1,
 James P. Beckley, No. 2,
 Thomas Zeigler, No. 3,
 George J. Robertson, No. 4,
 T. G. Walker, No. 5,
 A. S. Stackhouse, No. 6,
 George W. Smith, No. 7,
 David F. Kay, No. 8,
 E. D. Senseman, No. 9,
 Charles Royal, No. 10,
 E. M. Roberts, No. 11,
 J. P. Marlatt, No. 12,
 Frank E. Robinson, No. 13,
 David A. Stout, No. 14,
 Theodore S. Burrows, No. 15,
 P. V. B. Stroud, No. 16,
 A. B. Perkins, No. 17,
 A. S. Bullock, No. 18,
 W. J. Cook, No. 20,
 W. M. Jeffries, No. 21,
 James H. Keil, No. 22,
 C. T. Vansandt, No. 23,
 L. M. Hansen, No. 24,
 Frank Allen, No. 25,
 W. J. Crane, No. 26,
 Harry Barrett, No. 27,
 Mervin McCoy, No. 28,
 Samuel Veal, No. 30,
 Dr. C. B. Phillips, No. 31,
 T. E. Philhower, No. 32,

W. G. Lauer, No. 33,
 A. F. Vannote, No. 34,
 George G. Danley, No. 35,
 Daniel Block, No. 36,
 William P. Bradley, No. 37,
 William Sproat, No. 38,
 J. S. Ashbridge, No. 39,
 M. H. Young, No. 40,
 John Parkes, No. 41,
 Edward Manning, No. 43,
 L. P. Schmidt, No. 44,
 William S. Andrews, No. 45,
 S. A. McMahan, No. 46,
 H. D. Chamberlain, No. 47,
 S. E. Frazee, No. 49,
 A. R. Chattin, No. 50,
 John H. Story, No. 51,
 James Mackey, No. 54,
 W. D. Robinson, No. 57,
 J. L. S. Braddock, No. 60,
 Truman Hickman, No. 61,
 I. B. Johnson, No. 62,
 A. C. Robinson, No. 63,
 T. C. Schanck, No. 64,
 William O'Neil, No. 65,
 William Jordan, No. 66,
 Fred Giermann, No. 68,
 G. L. Moore, No. 71,
 Charles W. Bennett, No. 72.

And the following Past Chiefs ready to receive the Past Chief's Degree :

W. B. Strang, No. 3,
 T. W. Veazey, No. 3,

George W. Smith, No. 7,
 W. J. Crompton, No. 9,

A. B. Perkins, No. 17,
 Charles E. Willey, No. 18,
 George H. Hoover, No. 21,
 Edward Evans, No. 22,
 Alexis Gustavi, No. 23,
 Samuel Young, No. 25,
 Frank Allen, No. 25,
 William Pierce, No. 27,
 John Schmidt, No. 28,
 James Hammersley, No. 28,
 A. Krueger, No. 28,
 Daniel Bloch, No. 36,

William P. Bradley, No. 37,
 J. S. Ashbridge, No. 39,
 A. R. Stryker, No. 41,
 Edward Manning, No. 43,
 B. Pullen, No. 45,
 S. A. McMahan, No. 46,
 H. D. Chamberlain, No. 47,
 William P. Story, No. 51,
 W. D. Robinson, No. 57,
 William Jordan, No. 66,
 John Hawkes, No. 71,
 John Bauman, No. 71.

[E. A. Baldauf, No. 23, and Truman Hickman, No. 61, were subsequently given the degree in the ante room.]

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved that the report be received, accepted, and the Past Chief's Degree conferred on those in waiting. Agreed to.

Grand Master of Records A. L. Clark stated that he had received a copy of resolutions adopted by Progressive Castle, No. 62, on the death of P. C. William T. DuBois.

P. C. D. F. Kay, No. 8, moved that the same be read. So ordered.

Resolutions were read.

P. G. C. James E. Highley, No. 15, moved that the resolutions be received and spread upon the records. Agreed to.

RESOLUTIONS

ON THE DEATH OF PAST CHIEF WILLIAM T. DuBOIS, NO. 62.

Sacred to the memory of P. C. William T. DuBois, who departed this life April 28th, 1900.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Almighty Ruler of the Heavenly Universe to call from our Castle one who was so faithful to his post;

WHEREAS, It is just that we pay a fitting tribute of recognition of his services to the Order;

Resolved, That while we deeply mourn the loss of our brother, that we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who has taken our brother from our midst, we drop the tear of sorrow for him who has gone to that land from whose bourne no traveler returns, knowing that our temporal loss is his gain.

Resolved, That we, the members of Progressive Castle, No. 62, hereby tender our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family for the loss they sustained, and we mingle our sorrow with theirs in mourning the loss of husband and father, and to us an honored member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Resolved, That a copy of this, our heartfelt testimonial of sympathy and sorrow, be forwarded to the family of our deceased Sir Knight and brother, and recorded on our minutes; and also a copy be sent to the Grand Master of Records, and one to the Supreme Master of Records; and that our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days.

ISAAC B. JOHNSON,
JONATHAN HUSTED,
S. KENARD KING,
Committee.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved that a committee of three be appointed to draft resolutions on the death of P. C. Tobias Grace, No. 50. Carried.

The committee named were: P. G. C. Walter A. Barröws, No. 4; Grand Master of Records A. L. Clark, No. 23; P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9.

The Past Chiefs named by the Committee on Credentials as being ready to receive the Past Chief's Degree were then introduced and instructed therein.

The following communication was read:

UNION CITY, IND., August 31st, 1900.

To the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.,

A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, Trenton, N. J.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS, GREETING:—We wish you a pleasant and most profitable session. May He who shapes the destinies of nations guide you into right paths, and crown your zealous endeavors for the up-building of mankind with the fruits of genuine *success*.

Sincerely Yours, in F., V. and H.,

S. M. HARLAN, S. V. C.

Grand Master of Records A. L. Clark moved the same be received and placed on the records. Agreed to.

Following are the reports of the officers as printed :

REPORT OF THE GRAND CHIEF.

PATERSON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey,
Knights of the Golden Eagle.*

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—The date has arrived when we are again assembled in annual session to consult together and legislate for the best interests of our Order for the coming year, review the work done in the past year, and exchange views on business that shall be brought to your notice at this session.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that, while we have not made large gains, our present membership throughout this jurisdiction will show a gain for the year of about ten per cent., which, if we can continue in the same ratio, will, in a few years, bring our Order in the front ranks of fraternal organizations, numerically, in this State. From reports and verbal conversations had with members from different localities in the State, I find that in almost all the Castles enthusiasm prevails, and that the good work is progressing with renewed vigor and activity—due, no doubt, to individual efforts by those who have the welfare of the Order at heart; and I would here say that each and every one should assist them to the extent of their ability, so as to show them that their action in behalf of our Order is appreciated and approved.

As per recommendation by the Committee on Good of the Order, I visited Jersey City, and after various attempts succeeded in getting from the former Master of Records of Jersey City Castle, No. 37 (defunct), the charter and all other properties of said defunct Castle, with the exception of one ritual, which I have since endeavored to obtain, but thus far have failed to do so.

The same committee also recommended that legal action be taken by the Grand Castle against members of Merchantville Castle, No. 29, for appropriating moneys of said Castle and dividing such funds among themselves. I would report that such action has been taken; that I have asked our legal adviser as to what is being done in the matter, and have received nothing definite in regard to same, save the information that the matter would come up for argument before session of Grand Castle convened.

Although the indebtedness of the Grand Castle under the term of my immediate predecessor was fully paid up at the expiration of his term, it left us with comparatively nothing in the hands of our Grand Keeper of Exchequer, and we were obliged to borrow three hundred dollars in anticipation of the per capita tax due January 1st, 1900, to meet necessary expenses. The above amount was kindly loaned us by Capital Castle, No. 28, and has since been repaid.

I had intended to visit each and every district in our State, as I believe the holding of district meetings to be beneficial to the Order at large; but my desire to replenish and keep some money at all times in the hands of the Grand Keeper of Exchequer, and the exchequer being at a very low ebb, must be my excuse for not getting to all the different sections of the jurisdiction, for I assure you it would have been a great pleasure to have met with you in your several places of meeting. However, I hope that I may still meet with you in the future. I have visited several Castles in different portions of this jurisdiction, and have been everywhere received with true knightly courtesy and respect, for which I return my sincere thanks.

While I have met the brothers on these joyful occasions, I have also met them when sadness prevailed. I refer to the funeral of P. C. Tobias Grace, of Sterling Castle, No. 50, of South Amboy. In Brother Grace we had a most exemplary member, one whose whole soul was devoted to the cause. May we hope that he has received his reward from the Supreme Chief of the Universe and been met with the message, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Also at the presentation to Monmouth Castle, No. 51, of a set of resolutions on the death of P. C. Isaac J. Grimshaw, a member of said Castle, and whose loss we all deeply deplore. As the resolutions stated, to know him was to love him. My earnest desire is that we may all eventually meet him in the realms of peace.

On September 22d, 1899, I issued the following:

OFFICIAL CIRCULAR No. I.

GRAND CASTLE OF NEW JERSEY, KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.
OFFICE OF THE GRAND CHIEF, 68 Main Street,

PATERSON, N. J., September 29th, 1899.

To the Noble Chief, Officers and Members of all Subordinate Castles in New Jersey.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—Having elected me to the highest post in this jurisdiction (that of Grand Chief) I wish to express my thanks for the honor conferred.

I am aware of the responsibilities connected with the position, and shall endeavor to discharge the duties pertaining to the office faithfully and fearlessly, in a manner alike honorable to the fraternity and myself.

Having placed me in this post, I shall ask in return from each and every one, that which you will look for from me, viz., a fulfillment of the trust committed to me, by asking you, one and all (disregarding the position you hold in the Order), to assist me in the work that is before us, of spreading out in the formation of new Castles, and in every honorable way to increase our membership in the Castles already in existence, for without your co-operation I cannot hope to accomplish the results which we all ardently wish to attain.

To the officers of each Castle I would say, attend every session of your Castle, if possible; and to the members thereof, attend each meeting, and by your presence encourage and sustain your officers in the discharge of their duties; by so doing you will be doing mutual good to each other, and also working for the future good of our beloved Order, and in my humble judgment we shall not be obliged to wait a long while before good results will be forthcoming.

The Grand Master of Records has furnished you with a list of my appointments of committees, District Grand Chiefs and Grand Instructors.

In my appointments I have endeavored to select those that will attend faithfully to the several duties assigned to them.

Believing that it will prove beneficial to the Order at large, I hereby grant a dispensation to all Castles within my jurisdiction, to reinstate and admit new members for the sum of THREE DOLLARS, also to confer two or more degrees on a candidate at any session. This dispensation to remain in force until September 1st, 1900.

There are other matters pertaining to the welfare of the Order of which I shall have occasion to call your attention later.

Hoping that these suggestions may be advantageous to the welfare of our beloved Order, and be received with the same feeling that prompts the issuance hereof, I remain,

Fraternally Yours in F., V. and H.,

JACOB S. KENT, *Grand Chief.*

Attest: A. L. CLARK, *G. M. of R.*

FUNERAL BENEFIT FUND.

The K. G. E. Funeral Benefit Fund of New Jersey went into operation March 1st, 1899, and on July 1st, 1900, having reached the 2000 mark, it now pays \$300 at the death of a member. I would by all means enjoin upon the various Castles not connected therewith the necessity of their doing so, as experience shows that they can now receive three times the amount paid by individual Castles, without increased cost to the members of each Castle; and also that in associating the Castle with the Fund the members of each Castle will be more punctual in their attendance and payment of dues, because they will feel that as members of the Fund they have more at stake, and consequently take a deeper interest in the Castle affairs.

NEW CASTLES.

A series of preliminary meetings was held during the months of January and February, resulting in the institution of Paterson Castle, No. 8, at the hall of Columbia Castle, No. 54, on Thursday evening, March 1st,

1900, on which occasion I was assisted by Grand Vice-Chief Hope, Grand High Priest Wainwright, and by the brothers of Mt. Everest, No. 38; Columbia, No. 54, and Passaic, No. 64. There were seventy-four names on the charter list, fifty-eight of whom had the three degrees conferred upon them.

Through the untiring efforts of Grand Vice-Chief Hope, and after holding preliminary meetings, Halcyon Castle, No. 37, of Perth Amboy, was instituted on Thursday evening, April 12th, 1900, at Knights of Pythias Hall, Smith and High Streets; and on this occasion I was assisted by Grand Vice-Chief Hope, Grand Master of Records A. L. Clark, Grand First Guardsman S. Robert White, and the degree team of Corinthian Castle, No. 47, of Asbury Park. Charter list of seventy names, fifty-eight of whom were present and had the degrees conferred upon them.

I wish to express my thanks to all who assisted in the foregoing institutions.

DECISIONS.

March 7th, 1900—Puritan Castle, No. 10, per L. S. Riggins, Master of Records.

Question—A member joined our Castle on February 20th, 1899, and paid March and April dues, and then did not pay any more dues until February 19th, 1900 (thus squaring his account for the year one day before he had belonged a year). Our By-Laws make a member beneficial after belonging one year. Is this brother beneficial now, or does he have to wait four weeks afterward?

Answer—He has to wait four weeks after becoming in good standing.

July 28th, 1900—Plumsted Castle, No. 66, New Egypt.

Question—At what time does the scaling down of benefits commence with a brother who has been under the care of the Relief Committee about seven months prior to the adoption of new By-Laws providing for the scaling down of benefits at certain points of time?

Answer—Immediately on the certified return of the By-Law with the approval of Law Committee and Grand Chief annexed thereto.

RESIGNATIONS.

September 13th, 1899. John C. F. Trachsel as Grand Trustee. Not accepted, and induced to remain.

September 27th, 1899. Robert S. Turton, Grand Instructor, Fifteenth District. Accepted.

November 16th, 1899. Accepted resignation of P. C. David Bartholomew as Grand Instructor of Fifteenth District.

December 9th, 1899. Accepted resignation of P. C. E. F. Grassman, District Grand Chief of Second District.

February 17th, 1900. Accepted resignation of P. C. W. R. Stone as Grand Instructor of Sixth District.

February 28th, 1900. Accepted resignation of P. C. Andrew B. Young as Grand Instructor of Seventeenth District.

May 29th, 1900. Accepted resignation of P. C. Stephen Whritenour as District Grand Chief of Eighteenth District.

APPOINTMENTS.

October 18th, 1899. Appointed P. C. David Bartholemew, of No. 71, as Grand Instructor of Fifteenth District, in place of Robert S. Turton, resigned.

November 16th, 1899. Appointed P. C. J. A. Drake, of No. 71, as Grand Instructor of Fifteenth District, in place of David Bartholemew, resigned.

December 2d, 1899. Appointed P. C. William G. Edge, of No. 2, as District Grand Chief for Second District, in place of E. F. Grassman, resigned.

February 17th, 1900. Appointed William R. Stone, of No. 36, for District Grand Chief of Sixth District (Castles 15, 36 and 53).

February 28th, 1900. Appointed P. C. James Mackey, of No. 54, as Grand Instructor for Seventeenth District, in place of Andrew B. Young, resigned.

February 28th, 1900. Appointed Emil Vierick, of No. 36, as District Grand Instructor for the Sixth District (Castles 15, 36 and 53).

May 7th, 1900. Appointed P. C. Edwin Williams, of No. 50, as District Grand Chief for Fifteenth District, in place of P. C. Tobias Grace, deceased.

DISPENSATIONS.

September 28th, 1899. Franklin Castle, No. 33. To suspend paying of sick benefits for six months. Refused. Reason: Castles control their own dues, benefits and assessments. See Article VII, Paragraph 24 of Section 3, Supreme Castle Constitution.

October 3d, 1899. Vineland Castle, No. 46. To confer more than one degree at a session. Granted in Circular No. 1.

October 18th, 1899. Stafford Castle, No. 26. To reinstate members for one dollar. Granted.

November 23d, 1899. Ivanhoe Castle, No. 5. To remove from present quarters. Granted. Also, to change hour of meeting on account of entertainment. Granted.

December 13th, 1899. Columbia Castle, No. 54. To dispense with session on account of holding ninth anniversary. Granted.

December 15th, 1899. Cœur de Lion Castle, No. 36. To elect officers on December 18th, instead of December 25th, said date occurring on a holiday. Granted.

December 26th, 1899. Lincoln Castle, No. 31. To hold public installation on January 9th, 1900, in Dickinson's Hall, Hurffville. Granted.

January 9th, 1900. Phoenix Castle, No. 70. To change night of meeting from Monday evening to Saturday evening; also, hall from corner Fourth and Federal Streets to corner of Third and Federal Streets. Granted.

January 12th, 1900. Mt. Everest Castle, No. 38, Columbia Castle, No. 54, and Star of Liberty Castle, No. 58. To hold meeting at Schilling's Hall on Saturday evening, January 13th, 1900, to install officers. Granted.

January 29th, 1900. Silver Cross Castle, No. 63. Asking for dispensation to admit members for one dollar. Refused. See Article II, Section 10, Subordinate Castle Constitution.

February 1st, 1900. Cumberland Castle, No. 65. To reinstate members for one dollar. Granted.

March 12th, 1900. To-Kalon Castle, No. 72. Asking for dispensation to dispense with meeting on the evening of April 6th, 1900. Granted.

April 14th, 1900. Red Cross Castle, No. 6. Asking for dispensation to admit candidates for one dollar. Refused. See Article II, Section 10, Subordinate Castle Constitution.

April 28th, 1900. Marlton Castle, No. 16. To change night of meeting from Tuesday evening to Friday evening. Granted.

CERTIFICATES GRANTED.

February 1st, 1900. I. S. Eckley, of Elmer Castle, No. 52 (defunct), Crusader's Degree, defunct certificate.

February 7th, 1900. George Oakley, of Victory Castle, No. 42 (defunct), Crusader's Degree, defunct certificate.

February 7th, 1900. Columbia Castle, No. 54, dismissal certificate for David F. Kay.

February 17th, 1900. I. P. Sorden, of Elmer Castle, No. 52 (defunct), Crusader's Degree, defunct certificate.

April 12th, 1900. Nine members of Halcyon Castle, No. 55 (defunct), to join Halcyon Castle, No. 37, defunct certificates.

June 27th, 1900. Frank E. Filer, of Camden Castle, No. 1 (defunct), Crusader's Degree, defunct certificate.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

That charters be granted No. 8 and No. 37, in lieu of dispensations under which they are now working, and that I be permitted to sign the same.

I would recommend that hereafter, or as soon as this can be made legal, all Castles be required to show that the per capita tax has been paid before the officers-elect be installed.

On August 1st, 1900, I received the following communication from A. H. Troth, Colonel and Aid-de-Camp:

PALMYRA, N. J., July 30th, 1900.

GRAND CHIEF JACOB S. KENT.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—On page 468 of the Grand Castle Proceedings, at Long Branch, N. J., 1898, on motion of P. C. J. L. Vehe, of Cross and Crown Castle, No. 25, an appropriation of fifty dollars was made to the Military Branch, and I being the Colonel at that time, had, up to that date, spent of my private means sixty-nine dollars for the good of our Order, and up to this time have received but twenty-five dollars on account.

Will you kindly inquire what is the reason that this is not paid? I consider it a debt of honor due me.

Yours in F., V. and H.,

A. H. TROTH,
Colonel and Aid-de-Camp.

The difficulty in above matter is to whom the balance of twenty-five dollars should be paid—to the ex-Colonel of the Military Branch or the present incumbent. I trust this Grand Session will determine the matter definitely.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

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| Postage, | \$3 32 |
| Traveling expenses, | 35 45 |
| Instituting No. 37, at Perth Amboy, | 15 00 |
| Total, | <u>\$53 77</u> |

In conclusion, permit me to state that I have endeavored to fulfill the duties of the post you saw fit to elect me to in a conscientious and economical manner, and it has been my aim to so conduct the affairs of the Grand Castle that there would remain a balance in the hands of the Grand Keeper of Exchequer sufficient to carry on the business of the Grand Castle without borrowing during the first few months of my successor in the post.

I also wish to thank my associate officers of the Grand Castle, the District Grand Chiefs, the Grand Instructors, and all those whom I have met in my official capacity, for the courteous treatment they have favored me with.

I must also speak a good word for our indefatigable brother and worker, Grand Master of Records Clark, whose untiring efforts in behalf of the Order are worthy of mention.

Again thanking you for the honor you have conferred upon me, I cheerfully surrender the gavel to my successor.

Fraternally yours in F., V. and H.

JACOB S. KENT, *Grand Chief.*

CONSOLIDATED REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT GRAND CHIEFS.

In arranging the reports of our District Grand Chiefs and Grand Instructors, I have noticed the unanimous expressions of hearty appreciation for the many acts of kindness extended to them by the Castles comprising the various districts, and their profound thanks to those who have so kindly assisted them in the discharge of their duties. I also wish to add my thanks to theirs, and state that in order to curtail the many repetitions I have omitted them from the said reports.

FIRST DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 13, 62, 65).—Frank E. Robinson, District Grand Chief, reports—

“With the able assistance of a team organized from members of No. 13, I have installed the officers of Nos. 13, 62 and 65 at the beginning of each term. I was unable to take the team to Port Norris on account of the distance, for we had to stay all night; but I received able assistance from the brothers of that Castle. Nos. 13 and 65 are holding their own, but No. 62 is having an up-hill pull; but I think she will come out all right. I think if the Grand Officers would pay more attention to this end of the State it would be a great benefit to the Order. We haven't seen a Grand Officer down here for a long while, and I don't know whether we would know one if we were to see him unless he told us.”

SECOND DISTRICT (Castle Nos. 2, 46, 61).—William Edge, District Grand Chief, reports—

“I have installed the officers of Millville Castle, No. 2; Vineland Castle, No. 46, and Excelsior Castle, No. 61, and find them in first-class condition. Vineland is doing a grand work, while Millville is pushing to the front. We are making gains by taking in young members.”

THIRD DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 11, 27, 44, 60).—C. E. C. Steelman, District Grand Chief, reports—

“I have installed the officers of Ocean Castle, No. 11, on the first of January, but did not visit the other Castles in the district until July, when, with the installation staff of Bayside Castle, I installed the officers of Ocean, No. 11, Antioch, No. 44, and visited Silver Star Castle, No. 27, but they were not ready to instal their officers, and I recommended that in the absence of the Representative that P. C. Hudson, of Silver Star, instal the officers of that Castle. I find that the Castles of the Third District are being very fortunate in membership and in financial matters, and are in a prosperous condition.”

FOURTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 5, 10).—T. M. Birchmeier, District Grand Chief, reports—

“Both of the Castles of my district have been very successful during the past year. Puritan, No. 10, has held her own in members, and made good financial gains. Ivanhoe, No. 5, has increased her membership and finances. Sorry to say I was not present to instal the Chiefs of Puritan, No. 10. Sir Knight Royal did the work for me. I also regret to state that Puritan, No. 10, held two or three sessions on the Death Benefit Fund, and voted to stay out by one vote. I think they have made a mistake. Ivanhoe, No. 5, held a session on the Death Benefit Fund and voted to go in the Fund. I installed the officers of Ivanhoe, No. 5, and they are composed of fine young, who take great pains in doing the floor work. I spent a pleasant evening with Ivanhoe, No. 5, in July, at the installing of the officers. Puritan, No. 10, is not taking the interest it did a year ago. Am sorry to say I have not visited the Castles as often as I wished, on account of my moving away to another field of labor.”

FIFTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 1, 30, 31, 39, 40).—W. H. Chew, District Grand Chief, reports—

“On receiving my commission I organized a team, which I am pleased with. Have visited each Castle as often as circumstances would permit, and made good financial gains. I have installed the officers of each Castle in due form. The Castles are in good financial standing. The gain in membership has been small, Lincoln, No. 31, being the only Castle that has made considerable increase, they having initiated ten and reinstated four. Blackwood, No. 1, though not increasing in membership, is holding its own and increasing financially. Volunteer, No. 30, has taken new life, and has a candidate for initiation. Owing to sickness No. 30 has had quite a drain on her exchequer. Lincoln, No. 31, owes much of the increase in her membership to a public installation given in January, which was very largely attended. Grand Master of Records Clark being present gave a very interesting talk on Eagledom, which was highly appreciated. After closing the Castle in public, all repaired to the dining room, where they did justice to the bounties of life. Clayton, No. 39, and Prospect, No. 40, are increasing financially. I am sorry that it has not been my privilege to meet you in this district during my term. I am sure that the Sir Knights would have been pleased. My intercourse with the Sir Knights has been most pleasant. To those Sir Knights who so kindly assisted me I am very grateful.”

SIXTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 15, 36, 53).—W. R. Stone, District Grand Chief, reports—

“Having been appointed to fill out the short term as District Grand Chief of the Sixth District, I am sorry to state, I have not been able to visit Nos. 15 and 53, something always preventing; but I trust the little assistance I could give them, that they are getting along nicely and will do all they can to help our great organization. In my own Castle, No. 36, we have had a very good year; January 1st, 1900, our membership was thirty-four. Soon after, death called away one of our worthy Past Chiefs; we also lost one by suspension. During the year, by the individual efforts of the brothers to assist the officers, we have initiated eleven and reinstated seven, making a gain of eighteen, or a membership of fifty at the present time. So you see we have been doing some work. I installed the officers of Cœur de Lion Castle at the proper time. Not hearing from Castles Nos. 15 and 53, I suppose their Past Chief installed them.”

SEVENTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 26, 45, 49).—C. K. Pullen, District Grand Chief, reports—

“The officers were installed at the proper time in January and July. I find

them in good condition financially, although Nos. 45 and 49 have had it heavy on them on account of sickness; but they still have a snug sum in the exchequer."

NINTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 24, 25).—W. H. Green, District Grand Chief, reports—

"Have installed the officers of Fidelity Castle, of Moorestown, and Cross and Crown Castle, of Camden, regularly, and find the two Castles in good condition. Both Castles have made an increase in membership during the year and also an improvement in their work."

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 20, 34, 47, 57, 72).—William J. Cook, District Grand Chief, reports—

"All the Castles in the district have been installed, except Wall, No. 57. Have tried hard to get them installed, but have failed; still, they are in good standing. It is lack of attendance and a very busy time of the year with them. I hope to have them installed soon. I find the district in good condition. I have visited all the Castles and have been treated very courteously by all Sir Knights."

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 37, 50 and 71).—Edwin Williams, District Grand Chief, reports—

"Having been appointed to fill the unexpired term of the lamented Sir Knight, Brother Tobias Grace, I would state that I have visited officially and installed the officers of the Castles in the Fifteenth District at the proper time and in due form."

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 32, 43, 63).—George Van Billiard, District Grand Chief, reports—

"I have visited the Castles in the district and installed their officers as per ritual and Constitution. Also find the Castles in good working order and improving. No. 63 is doing grandly since its days of adversity, and if no further misfortunes overtake it it is destined to become one of the leading Castles of the State in this locality. No. 43 is also moving forward at a great rate, and it will eventually become the banner Castle of this district. As for my own Castle, No. 32, it seems to be satisfied with present results. Having fought a hard fight to reach the point where it now is, it must need rest for a season, but probably in the near future it will again buckle on the armor and proceed to gain another victory."

NINETEENTH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 51, 59).—J. H. Story, District Grand Chief, reports—

"I have visited No. 59 several times during this term, and I find them growing nicely in membership as well as in finances. No. 51, of which I am a member, is also growing rapidly in membership; it numbers about one hundred and sixty members, and still growing. We haven't missed a month in a year that we have not had a candidate. I can't speak too highly of No. 51 and its members; it is a live Castle, and it is working hard to reach the two hundred mark, and I think that it will soon reach that number. We had a district meeting, which was held in Monmouth Castle, No. 51, on June 25th. The following Grand Officers were present: Grand Chief Kent, Vice-Chief Hope, High Priest Wainright, Past Grand Chief Ruf, Grand Master of Records A. L. Clark, and several members from No. 59. There was presented to

Monmouth Castle, No. 51, from the Grand Castle of New Jersey, a set of resolutions in behalf of our departed brother I. J. Grimshaw, having been engrossed by Grand Master of Records Clark in a very tasteful manner, and framed by Brother Trachsel. No. 51 extends to the Grand Castle their heartfelt thanks for this grand token. Having now served as District Grand Chief for five terms, this being my last, I cannot close without acknowledging the uniform courtesy extended to me during this period."

TWENTIETH DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 33, 41).—John Parkes, District Grand Chief, reports—

"During the term I have installed the officers of No. 41 in January and July. Was unable to instal officers of Franklin, No. 33, in January, owing to being hurt, and instructed the Representative of No. 33 to instal them. Have made Franklin Castle one visit in July and find they are not doing much work and have poor attendance. Flemington Castle, No. 41, is alive and doing some work, and am pleased to see the interest our members take in the Order."

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT (Castles Nos. 7, 12).—J. P. Marlatt, District Grand Chief, reports—

"During the term I have visited the Castles comprising this district, and find them in good condition financially and in membership. I have installed the officers and endeavored to do my duty in a satisfactory manner. During the term a district and public meeting was held in the rooms of No. 12, at which Grand Chief Kent and Grand Master of Records Clark were present and gave pleasant talks on the objects of the Order, and much good was done for Eagleism in this section. No. 12 is doing fairly well with prospects of increasing membership. No. 7, of Phillipsburg, is progressing rapidly, propositions or initiations nearly every session. The meetings are well attended by the officers and Sir Knights, showing their best wishes for the welfare of the Order."

REPORTS OF THE GRAND INSTRUCTORS.

SECOND DISTRICT.—E. H. Norbury, Grand Instructor, reports—

"I have not made any official visits to Nos. 2 and 46, but through inquiries from our Deputy Grand Chief I find they are making good advancement, taking in quite a number of new members, and are well up in the unwritten work. No. 61, of which I am a member, is progressing slowly, but surely, and makes a good showing in the unwritten work. Under the care of Noble Chief Camp and Vice-Chief Hoffman we are expecting a boom for the next six months."

THIRD DISTRICT.—W. S. Hewitt, Grand Instructor, reports—

"I have visited all the Castles in my district. I have gone over the work with them and I find them in good working order."

FOURTH DISTRICT.—Clarence Reinfried, Grand Instructor, reports—

“Considered from every point of view, this has been a fortunate year for the Fourth District. I have not, through various causes, been able to visit Puritan Castle more than once, but hope to visit them again before the session of the Grand Castle. I find Puritan Castle in good condition, from a numerical and financial point of view, but rather indifferent as to the foot and sword movements, etc. Have attended every session of Ivanhoe Castle, and would report conditions as to membership and finances satisfactory. The officers do fairly well in foot and sword movements.”

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.—George F. Betzler, Grand Instructor, reports—

“As you are aware, District No. 11 comprises but two Castles, and there is not much to report, from the fact that there is not much doing in our district. Financially both Castles are in fairly prosperous condition, but slow in gaining members, having entirely too many secret orders in our part of the State; but, so long as we can hold our own we have no reason to complain—that is about all the other Orders are doing. The degree work is performed about as well as in most country Castles, while the sword and foot movements might be improved upon; but, taking the material we have to work with, and considering the disadvantages we labor under in a country Castle, I flatter myself that we would come up to the average.”

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.—Jacob Theis, Grand Instructor, reports—

“I have performed the duties assigned to me to the best of my ability, with pleasure and for the good of the Order. I have visited my Castles as often as possible, and it gives me pleasure to find them in as good working order as can be expected.”

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.—Charles Harsell, Grand Instructor, reports—

“I have visited the Castles in the Sixteenth District and find them progressing nicely. No. 43 is the banner Castle, numbering about 150. Silver Cross is progressing as well as can be expected. I trust those Castles may grow in numbers and finances.”

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.—Robert M. Marks, Grand Instructor, reports—

“I have performed the duties of my post to the best of my ability. I have visited all the Castles and find them all in good working order.”

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.—James Mackey, Grand Instructor, reports—

“I have, during my term as Grand Instructor for the Seventeenth District, comprising Castles Nos. 38, 54, 58 (and No. 8 which has been instituted since my appointment), done my duty in regards to foot and sword movements. I have visited all the Castles and find them in good condition and improving in their tactics. No. 38 is getting back to her former place. No. 54 is going ahead nicely. No. 58 is also showing activity, and No. 8, the baby Castle, is a very lively baby for a six-months-old. They are making members very fast. If Nos. 38 and 54 do not watch out for themselves, No. 8 will get ahead of them. Of course, I have devoted more time to No. 8, because they needed more instructions than the other Castles. There is a movement on foot in the three Castles for a Temple, which I think will form in the near future.”

REPORT OF THE GRAND VICE-CHIEF.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., August 4th, 1900.

To the Grand Chief, Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, Knights of the Golden Eagle :

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS :—Will report that during the past year my visitations have been confined to about fifteen Castles. Have attended the district meetings at Long Branch and Freehold ; also, the institutions of Paterson Castle, No. 8, and Halcyon Castle, No. 37. While I had the pleasure of organizing the latter, the greatest pride I have is in the success the members of No. 37 are achieving. They have added fourteen members since the institution on April 12th, 1900.

Glad to report that No. 47 and No. 37 have both connected themselves with the State Funeral Benefit Fund. Just here let me add that I am personally indebted to P. C. Loring Reeves for the active part he has taken, not only in Corinthian but throughout the State, for the advancement of the State Funeral Benefit Fund. The officers and managers of the Fund are to be congratulated on the great success attending their efforts in its behalf. It will be the one great object in building up the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Most respectfully Yours in F., V. and H.,

ARTHUR H. HOPE,
Grand Vice-Chief.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SIR HERALD.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., August 13th, 1900.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—It is with a great deal of satisfaction that I can report an increase of members in this district. We are getting interested in the Death Benefit Fund and hope to have all the Castles join before the annual session.

I have visited all the Castles in this district and found them all interested in the work.

Trusting in the future success of our noble Order, I am

Yours in F., V. and H.,

JOHN C. RISLEY, *Grand Sir Herald.*

REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER OF RECORDS.

TRENTON, N. J., August 21st, 1900.

To the Grand Chief, Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—In accordance with my official duty, I herewith submit my report of the business, etc., of the Grand Castle for the past year, and trust it may meet with your approval.

Am happy to note a small but steady increase in numerical strength and finance. The revival has begun. Let us not sit idly by and permit others to outdo us in gaining new recruits, but rather be up and doing, striking while the iron is hot. May "Ten Thousand" be the watchword for the coming year.

The charter and books of Jersey City Castle, No. 37, have been received, one ritual being short, and efforts to obtain it have been unsuccessful.

Nothing has been heard definitely from Elmer, No. 52, although there is talk of reorganizing the same.

Newark Castle, No. 19, is virtually defunct, holding no meetings, making no reports and not paying any per capita tax. Efforts have been made to revive. We should not permit this Castle to pass away, located, as it is, in a large business centre, where so much good can be done for the benefit of our Order at large.

Efforts are being made to organize Castles in Jersey City, Princeton, Somerville and Plainfield.

I have repeatedly called the attention of this Grand Castle to the matter of Castles not reporting. No reports for the June term have been received from Nos. 19, 24, 27, 53 and 58, making five in all. Perfect statistics is an impossibility under such conditions. There are others whose

reports reach this office as late as August 14th, thus making it exceedingly hard to get our tables in proper shape for the printer in time to have them distributed at our annual sessions. A little more promptness in this matter would prove of vast benefit.

The following By-Laws and amendments to By-Laws of Castles have been attested and forwarded :

November 15th, 1899. Califon Castle, No. 32.
 November 24th, 1899. Franklin Castle, No. 33; Bayside Castle, No. 60; Passaic Castle, No. 64.
 March 22d, 1900. Corinthian Castle, No. 47; Clyde Castle, No. 34; To-Kalon Castle, No. 72.
 May 8th, 1900. Prospect Castle, No. 40.
 May 11th, 1900. Sterling Castle, No. 50.
 June 11th, 1900. Monmouth Castle, No. 51; Excelsior Castle, No. 61.
 July 12th, 1900. Paterson Castle, No. 8; Monarch Castle, No. 9; Progressive Castle, No. 62; Excelsior Castle, No. 61.
 July 13th, 1900. Plumsted Castle, No. 66; Ivanhoe Castle, No. 5; Capital Castle, No. 28.
 July 14th, 1900. Mt. Everest Castle, No. 38; To-Kalon Castle, No. 72.
 August 18th, 1900. Crusader's Castle, No. 14; Lincoln Castle, No. 31.
 August 22d, 1900. Ocean Castle, No. 11.
 August 24th, 1900. Mercer Castle, No. 23.

The amount of mail matter sent out reached 1431 pieces, at a cost of \$25.65.

All my intercourse with the Grand Officers, Masters of Records, District Grand Chiefs and Grand Instructors have been very pleasant, and I take this opportunity of thanking them for their continued courtesy, and extend best wishes to the entire jurisdiction.

A statement of the business of the Grand Castle for the fiscal year closing this date, together with a synopsis of the membership and finances of the subordinate Castles, summarized from the semi-annual reports, will be found on the succeeding pages.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

GRAND CASTLE.

RECEIPTS—PER CAPITA TAX.

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| 1899. | | | |
| Aug. | 15. | New Jersey Castle, No. 4, | \$ 8 10 |
| Nov. | 24. | Woodbury Castle, No. 15, | 13 50 |
| Dec. | 28. | Palmyra Castle, No. 22, | 18 54 |
| | 29. | Silver Cross Castle, No. 63, | 5 94 |
| 1900. | | | |
| Jan. | 1. | Capital Castle, No. 28, | 26 82 |
| | 2. | Bayside Castle, No. 60, | 8 10 |
| | | Volunteer Castle, No. 30, | 14 40 |
| | | Vineland Castle, No. 46, | 21 24 |
| | | Sterling Castle, No. 50, | 11 52 |
| | 3. | Excelsior Castle, No. 61, | 7 92 |
| | | Star of Bethlehem Castle, No. 68, | 19 62 |
| | 4. | Windsor Castle, No. 59, | 9 36 |
| | | Florence Castle, No. 18, | 16 56 |
| | | Phillipsburg Castle, No. 7, | 12 96 |
| | | Flemington Castle, No. 41, | 17 82 |
| | | Mercer Castle, No. 23, | 27 00 |
| | 6. | Passaic Castle, No. 64, | 9 72 |
| | | Burlington Castle, No. 21, | 15 30 |
| | | Ivanhoe Castle, No. 5, | 23 76 |
| | | Herald Castle, No. 17, | 7 20 |
| | 8. | Crusaders' Castle, No. 14, | 14 58 |
| | | Columbia Castle, No. 54, | 11 34 |
| | | Silver Star Castle, No. 27, | 5 22 |
| | | Prospect Castle, No. 40, | 17 28 |
| | | Warren Castle, No. 12, | 9 54 |
| | 9. | Lincoln Castle, No. 31, | 8 28 |
| | | Forked River Castle, No. 49, | 10 80 |
| | 10. | Bridgeton Castle, No. 13, | 24 66 |
| | | Monmouth Castle, No. 51, | 22 50 |
| | | Cœur de Lion Castle, No. 36, | 6 12 |
| | | Washington Castle, No. 3, | 33 20 |
| | | To-Kalon Castle, No. 72, | 7 20 |
| | 11. | Mount Everest Castle, No. 38, | 11 34 |
| | | Puritan Castle, No. 10, | 19 98 |
| | | Wall Castle, No. 57, | 6 30 |
| | | New Brunswick Castle, No. 71, | 21 42 |
| | 12. | Ocean Castle, No. 11, | 24 30 |
| | | Annandale Castle, No. 43, | 22 14 |
| | | Marlton Castle, No. 16, | 3 78 |
| | | Cumberland Castle, No. 65, | 24 30 |
| | 13. | Star of Liberty Castle, No. 58, | 5 47 |
| | | Clyde Castle, No. 34, | 13 50 |
| | | Antioch Castle, No. 44, | 18 72 |
| | | Stafford Castle, No. 26, | 9 36 |
| | | New Jersey Castle, No. 4, | 7 92 |
| | | Blackwood Castle, No. 1, | 2 70 |
| | | Leod Castle, No. 20, | 15 66 |
| | | Clayton Castle, No. 39, | 11 70 |
| | 15. | Windsor Castle, No. 59, | 36 |
| | | Califon Castle, No. 32, | 18 36 |
| | | Millville Castle, No. 2, | 21 06 |
| | 18. | Corinthian Castle, No. 47, | 35 10 |
| | 19. | Greenwich Castle, No. 53, | 12 60 |
| | | Carried forward, | \$772 17. |

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| | 1900. | Brought forward, | \$772 17 |
| Jan. | 19. | Wrightstown Castle, No. 35, | 10 80 |
| | | Red Cross Castle, No. 6, | 7 68 |
| | 20. | Monarch Castle, No. 9, | 25 38 |
| | 22. | Plumsted Castle, No. 66, | 8 46 |
| | 23. | Tuckerton Castle, No. 45, | 30 42 |
| | 25. | Phoenix Castle, No. 70, | 8 64 |
| | 26. | Fidelity Castle, No. 24, | 5 94 |
| Feb. | 5. | Franklin Castle, No. 33, | 16 02 |
| | 9. | Cross and Crown Castle, No. 25, | 12 96 |
| April | 4. | Progressive Castle, No. 62, | 8 10 |
| | | Woodbury Castle, No. 15, | 13 50 |
| June | 28. | Palmyra Castle, No. 22, | 18 36 |
| July | 2. | Star of Bethlehem Castle, No. 68, | 19 44 |
| | 3. | Cœur de Lion Castle, No. 36, | 8 46 |
| | 4. | Vineland Castle, No. 46, | 22 68 |
| | | Capital Castle, No. 28, | 28 62 |
| | 5. | Windsor Castle, No. 59, | 9 90 |
| | | Excelsior Castle, No. 61, | 7 56 |
| | 6. | Mercer Castle, No. 23, | 28 98 |
| | | Flemington Castle, No. 41, | 18 54 |
| | | Cumberland Castle, No. 65, | 25 02 |
| | 7. | Stafford Castle, No. 26, | 10 62 |
| | 9. | Phillipsburg Castle, No. 7, | 15 30 |
| | | Halcyon Castle, No. 37, | 12 60 |
| | | Ivanhoe Castle, No. 5, | 23 04 |
| | | Passaic Castle, No. 64, | 9 72 |
| | | Antioch Castle, No. 44, | 18 54 |
| 10. | | Columbia Castle, No. 54, | 10 26 |
| 11. | | Monmouth Castle, No. 51, | 26 28 |
| | | Silver Cross Castle, No. 63, | 5 08 |
| | | Ocean Castle, No. 11, | 28 94 |
| | | Puritan Castle, No. 10, | 19 98 |
| | | Mount Everest Castle, No. 38, | 11 52 |
| | | Clayton Castle, No. 39, | 11 52 |
| | | Marlton Castle, No. 16, | 3 24 |
| 12. | | Florence Castle, No. 18, | 17 28 |
| | | Corinthian Castle, No. 47, | 38 70 |
| | | Bridgeton Castle, No. 13, | 24 66 |
| | | Columbia Castle, No. 54, | 36 |
| 14. | | Red Cross Castle, No. 6, | 7 20 |
| 16. | | Warren Castle, No. 12, | 9 00 |
| | | Prospect Castle, No. 40, | 16 92 |
| | | Washington Castle, No. 3, | 35 28 |
| | | Herald Castle, No. 17, | 7 20 |
| | | New Jersey Castle, No. 4, | 8 82 |
| 17. | | Forked River Castle, No. 49, | 10 80 |
| 18. | | Millville Castle, No. 2, | 23 04 |
| | | Wall Castle, No. 57, | 6 66 |
| | | Sterling Castle, No. 50, | 11 16 |
| | | To-Kalon Castle, No. 72, | 7 02 |
| 20. | | Paterson Castle, No. 8, | 12 42 |
| | | Crusaders' Castle, No. 14, | 14 76 |
| 21. | | Bayside Castle, No. 60, | 8 28 |
| | | Plumsted Castle, No. 66, | 8 28 |
| | | Volunteer Castle, No. 30, | 14 40 |
| 23. | | Tuckerton Castle, No. 45, | 30 78 |
| | | Califon Castle, No. 32, | 18 54 |
| | | Cross and Crown Castle, No. 25, | 12 60 |
| 24. | | Monarch Castle, No. 9, | 25 56 |
| | | Burlington Castle, No. 21, | 15 84 |
| 26. | | Progressive Castle, No. 62, | 11 16 |
| | | Carried forward, | \$1710 99 |

| | | |
|------|-----------------------------------------|------------------|
| | Brought forward, | \$1710 99 |
| 27. | Phoenix Castle, No. 70, | 8 64 |
| | Annandale Castle, No. 43, | 24 12 |
| 30. | New Brunswick Castle, No. 71, | 21 78 |
| | Leod Castle, No. 20, | 15 30 |
| Aug' | 3. Fidelity Castle, No. 24, | 6 48 |
| | 3. Blackwood Castle, No. 1, | 3 06 |
| | 8. Lincoln Castle, No. 31, | 10 26 |
| 10. | Wrightstown Castle, No. 35, | 10 26 |
| | Franklin Castle, No. 33, | 14 94 |
| 11. | Woodbury Castle, No. 15, | 13 50 |
| 14. | Clyde Castle, No. 34, | 11 52 |
| | Total | \$1850 85 |

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| 1899. | MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS. | |
| Aug. 15. | New Jersey Castle, No. 4, special Supreme Castle tax | \$ 1 35 |
| Sept. 29. | Palmyra Castle, No. 22, supplies | 60 |
| Oct. 17. | Progressive Castle, No. 62, supplies | 1 00 |
| | 18. Capital Castle, No. 28, loan | 300 00 |
| Nov. 15. | Silver Cross Castle, No. 63, supplies | 12 00 |
| | 24. Woodbury Castle, No. 15, special Supreme Castle tax | 2 25 |
| | 29. Ivanhoe Castle, No. 5, dispensation | 50 |
| Dec. 22. | Red Cross Castle, No. 6, supplies | 1 00 |
| 1900. | | |
| Jan. 4. | Ocean Castle, No. 11, supplies | 2 25 |
| | 6. Passaic Castle, No. 64, supplies | 1 00 |
| | 11. New Brunswick Castle, No. 71, supplies | 40 |
| | 19. Greenwich Castle, No. 53, special Supreme Castle tax | 1 05 |
| | 24. Corinthian Castle, No. 47, supplies | 1 00 |
| | 31. J. S. Eckley, defunct certificate | 1 00 |
| Feb. 7. | Harry H. Singleton, charter fee, No. 8 | 35 00 |
| | Paterson Castle, No. 8, supplies | 5 40 |
| | George Oakley, defunct certificate | 1 00 |
| | Columbia Castle, No. 54, supplies | 1 00 |
| | 13. Progressive Castle, No. 62, supplies | 1 00 |
| | 16. J. P. Sorden, defunct certificate | 1 00 |
| Mar. 24. | Millville Castle, No. 2, supplies | 40 |
| | Annandale Castle, No. 43, supplies | 40 |
| | 24. To-Kalon Castle, No. 72, dispensation | 25 |
| April 4. | Silver Star Castle, No. 27, exchange of rituals | 5 00 |
| | 11. B. F. Henry, charter fee No. 37 | 35 00 |
| | 25. Halcyon Castle, No. 37, supplies | 5 40 |
| May 16. | Cross and Crown Castle, No. 25, supplies | 2 00 |
| | 16. Marlton Castle, No. 16, dispensation | 25 |
| | 31. To-Kalon Castle, No. 72, supplies | 1 00 |
| June 25. | To-Kalon Castle, No. 72, supplies | 40 |
| | 26. Progressive Castle, No. 62, supplies | 2 00 |
| | Total | \$2247 73 |

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| RECAPITULATION. | |
| Per capita tax | \$1850 85 |
| Supreme Castle special tax | 4 65 |
| Loan | 300 00 |
| Supplies | 41 25 |
| Dispensations | 1 00 |
| Charter fee | 70 00 |
| Exchange of rituals | 5 00 |
| | \$2272 75 |
| Balance on hand last report | 2 27 |
| Total | \$2275 02 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1899. Order. | | | |
| Dec. | 13. | 627 Walter A. Barrows, sheriff charges, No. 29 case | \$17 20 |
| | | 628 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, salary, | 100 00 |
| | | 029 E. D. Senseman, printing account | 102 00 |
| | | 630 J. Harris Cogill, expenses session 1899 | 56 84 |
| | | 631 Trenton Gas and Electric Co., office light | 2 00 |
| | | 632 Thos. Parry Sons, finishing badges | 21 31 |
| 1900. | | | |
| Jan. | 18. | 633 E. D. Senseman, account of printing | 50 00 |
| Feb. | 17. | 634 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, salary, | 200 00 |
| | | 635 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, incidentals | 53 64 |
| April | 7. | 636 Supreme Castle, account of per capita tax | 200 00 |
| | | 637 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, salary | 100 00 |
| | | 638 J. D. Barnes, editor, card in "Knights Golden Eagle," | 12 00 |
| | | 639 Estate of John Morgan, rent of Hall for session 1899 | 12 00 |
| | 13. | 640 Arthur H. Hope, organizer of No. 37 | 25 00 |
| | | 641 Jacob S. Kent, G. C., account of appropriation | 15 00 |
| May | 3. | 642 Supreme Castle, balance of per capita tax | 16 63 |
| | | 643 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, salary | 50 00 |
| July | 19. | 644 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, salary | 100 00 |
| | | 645 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, incidentals | 20 57 |
| Aug. | 11. | 646 E. D. Senseman, account of printing | 12 33 |
| | | 647 C. Ribsam, rent of office, 13 months to Aug. 1, 1900 | 108 33 |
| | | 648 Jacob S. Kent, expenses as G. V. C., session 1899. | 5 80 |
| | | 649 Trenton Gas and Electric Co., office light | 10 00 |
| | | 650 Samuel Mellor, Jr., printing | 3 75 |
| | | 651 William F. Smith, expenses on Committee on Revision of Constitution | 1 10 |
| | | 652 James E. Russell, 4 days' service as Supreme Representative. | 12 00 |
| | | 653 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, salary | 50 00 |
| | | 654 James H. McGill, organizer of No. 8 | 25 00 |
| | | 655 Capital Castle, No. 28, loan (\$300) and interest @ 5 per cent. (\$12.50) | 312 50 |
| | 14. | 656 Supreme Castle, supplies (\$90.99), balance on special assessment (\$8.25) | 99 24 |
| | 15. | 657 Jacob S. Kent, Grand Chief, acct. of appropriation | 43 08 |
| | | 658 Geo. W. Smith, editor "New Jersey Crusader," Grand Castle card | 12 00 |
| | | 659 F. A. Buren, Printing Committee expenses session 1898, and Finance Committee 1900 | 16 25 |
| | | 660 A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records, traveling expenses | 26 76 |
| Total | | | \$1892 33 |

RECAPITULATION.

| | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Mileage and hotel expenses, officers and committees, session 1899, | \$ 79 99 |
| Supreme Castle, annual dues, | 216 63 |
| Supreme Castle, special tax, | 8 25 |
| Supreme Castle, supplies, | 90 99 |
| Printing | 168 08 |
| Grand Chief, expenses | 58 08 |
| Grand officers' traveling expenses | 26 76 |
| Grand Master of Records, salary, | 600 00 |
| Postage and incidentals, Grand Master of Records | 74 21 |
| "Knights of the Golden Eagle," appropriation for card | 12 00 |
| "New Jersey Crusader," appropriation for card | 12 00 |
| Carried forward, | \$1346 99 |

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|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Brought forward | \$1346 99 | |
| Capital Castle, No. 28, loan and interest, | 312 50 | |
| Office rent and light | 120 33 | |
| Organizers' fees | 50 00 | |
| Supreme Representatives' expenses | 12 00 | |
| Miscellaneous: Finishing badges | \$21 31 | |
| Sheriff's fees in No. 29 case | 17 20 | |
| Rent of hall, session 1899 | 12 00 | |
| | <u>50 51</u> | \$1892 33 |
| Total receipts, | | \$2275 02 |
| Total expenditures | | 1892 33 |
| Balance on hand August 15th, 1900 | | \$382 69 |

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| ITEM I.—Expenses of Grand Chief, | | \$250 00 |
| Order 641. Grand Chief, expenses | \$15 00 | |
| 657. " " " " " | 43 08 | |
| Total, | <u>\$58 08</u> | |
| Balance unexpended | 191 92 | |
| | <u>\$250 00</u> | |
| ITEM II.—Salary of Grand Master of Records | | \$600 00 |
| Order 628. Grand Master of Records, salary | \$100 00 | |
| 634. " " " " " | 200 00 | |
| 637. " " " " " | 100 00 | |
| 643. " " " " " | 50 00 | |
| 644. " " " " " | 100 00 | |
| 653. " " " " " | 50 00 | |
| Total, | <u>\$600 00</u> | |
| ITEM III.—Incidental expenses of Grand Master of Records | | \$100 00 |
| Order 635. Grand Master of Records, incidentals | \$53 64 | |
| 645. " " " " " | 20 57 | |
| Total, | <u>\$74 21</u> | |
| Balance unexpended | 25 79 | |
| | <u>\$100 00</u> | |
| ITEM IV.—Printing | | \$300 00 |
| Order 629. E. D. Senseman, printing | \$102 00 | |
| 633. " " " " " | 50 00 | |
| 646. " " " " " | 12 33 | |
| 650. Samuel Mellor, Jr., " | 3 75 | |
| Total, | <u>\$168 08</u> | |
| Balance unexpended, | 131 92 | |
| | <u>\$300 00</u> | |

| MEMBERSHIP. | |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Membership, June 30th, 1899, | 5113 |
| Initiated | 561 |
| On withdrawal cards | 34 |
| Reinstated | 112 |
| Total | 5820 |

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|---------------------|------------|
| Errors | 2 |
| Withdrawn | 7 |
| Suspended | 460 |
| Deceased | 44 |
| Expelled | 2 |
| Resigned | 2 |
| | <u>517</u> |

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|------------------------------------|------|
| Membership June 30, 1900 | 5303 |
|------------------------------------|------|

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| From initiations, cards, etc., | \$2,077 97 |
| " dues and fines | 33,607 12 |
| " investments, | 23,380 25 |
| Total receipts | \$59,065 34 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Paid out for sick benefits | \$16,085 55 |
| " death " | 3,469 00 |
| " donations | 394 71 |
| Total relief | \$19,949 26 |
| Paid out for sundry purposes | \$19,496 30 |
| " investments | 15,565 02 |
| Total, | \$55,010 58 |
| On hand June 30th, 1900 | \$17,206 24 |
| Invested | 66,371 10 |
| Total fund | \$83,577 34 |

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|-------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Increase for year on Castles reported | \$5,324 76 |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------|

We have disbursed, since our organization in this State, for the relief of our afflicted brethren and families, about \$210,000.00. This represents only a fraction when compared with the combined outlay for such purposes by kindred organizations, and yet in this enlightened age there are those who say, "Secret societies are of no use." Comment is unnecessary. Priests and Levites there are, but good Samaritans may we always be.

Again thanking the officers and members of this Grand Castle for their continued kindness and courtesy, I am

Respectfully in F., V. and H.,

A. L. CLARK, *G. M. of R.*

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----|------------------------------|-------------|----------------|------|-----|---|------|---|----|-----|----|---|-----|------|---|---|-----|------|------|-----|--------|-----|----|----|
| 32 | California, | Hunterdon | Nov. 24, 1887. | 99 | 3 | 1 | 103 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 36 | 1 | 82 | 2 | 102 | 5 | 1 |
| 33 | Lambertville, | Hunterdon | Dec. 13, 1887. | 98 | 4 | 1 | 98 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 85 | 1 | 64 | 1 | 89 | 5 | 1 |
| 34 | Clyde, | Monmouth | Jan. 25, 1888. | 71 | 4 | 1 | 75 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 25 | 13 | 1 | 49 | 1 | 70 | 1 | 1 |
| 35 | Wrightstown, | Burlington | Feb. 24, 1888. | 61 | 3 | 1 | 61 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 16 | 1 | 41 | 1 | 65 | 1 | 1 |
| 36 | Cedar de Lion, | Gloucester | Mar. 12, 1888. | 34 | 1 | 1 | 34 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 20 | 13 | 1 | 13 | 1 | 34 | 4 | 1 |
| 37 | Paterson, | Passaic | Nov. 24, 1888. | 62 | 1 | 1 | 61 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 21 | 11 | 1 | 42 | 1 | 63 | 7 | 1 |
| 38 | Mt. Everest, | Gloucester | Dec. 8, 1888. | 68 | 1 | 1 | 68 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 23 | 42 | 1 | 23 | 1 | 65 | 3 | 1 |
| 39 | Clayton, | Gloucester | Feb. 6, 1889. | 105 | 3 | 2 | 111 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 93 | 1 | 78 | 1 | 95 | 4 | 1 |
| 40 | Prospect, | Hunterdon | Apr. 18, 1898. | 95 | 1 | 1 | 121 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 123 | 1 | 84 | 1 | 99 | 4 | 1 |
| 41 | Flemington, | Hunterdon | Apr. 29, 1890. | 124 | 3 | 1 | 129 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 17 | 1 | 91 | 1 | 123 | 6 | 1 |
| 42 | Annandale, | Hunterdon | Dec. 5, 1890. | 103 | 3 | 1 | 105 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 123 | 1 | 84 | 1 | 104 | 1 | 1 |
| 43 | Flemington, | Atlantic | Apr. 29, 1890. | 153 | 1 | 1 | 170 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 26 | 72 | 1 | 76 | 2 | 169 | 15 | 1 |
| 44 | Antioch, | Ocean | May 13, 1890. | 107 | 11 | 1 | 121 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 22 | 147 | 1 | 147 | 1 | 118 | 6 | 1 |
| 45 | Tuckerton, | Cumberland | June 2, 1890. | 202 | 5 | 2 | 209 | 1 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 28 | 99 | 1 | 99 | 1 | 195 | 3 | 1 |
| 46 | Vineyard, | Monmouth | June 9, 1890. | 59 | 1 | 1 | 62 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 106 | 1 | 106 | 1 | 60 | 3 | 1 |
| 47 | Corinthian, | Monmouth | Mar. 12, 1891. | 39 | 1 | 1 | 39 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 64 | 1 | 34 | 1 | 64 | 5 | 1 |
| 48 | Forked River, | Ocean | Apr. 15, 1891. | 65 | 1 | 1 | 68 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 42 | 1 | 42 | 1 | 125 | 2 | 1 |
| 49 | Forked River, | Middlesex | Apr. 15, 1891. | 65 | 1 | 1 | 68 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 42 | 1 | 42 | 1 | 125 | 2 | 1 |
| 50 | Sterling, | South Amboy | Apr. 23, 1891. | 111 | 16 | 1 | 128 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 20 | 103 | 1 | 103 | 1 | 125 | 2 | 1 |
| 51 | Monmouth, | Monmouth | Oct. 5, 1891. | 43 | 1 | 1 | 43 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 20 | 1 | 20 | 1 | 35 | 5 | 1 |
| 52 | Greenwich, | Gloucester | Oct. 5, 1891. | 67 | 1 | 1 | 63 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 51 | 1 | 51 | 1 | 63 | 3 | 1 |
| 53 | Clarksboro, | Gloucester | Dec. 12, 1891. | 52 | 1 | 1 | 52 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 17 | 33 | 1 | 33 | 1 | 35 | 3 | 1 |
| 54 | Columbia, | Passaic | Feb. 9, 1892. | 52 | 1 | 1 | 52 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 17 | 33 | 1 | 33 | 1 | 35 | 3 | 1 |
| 55 | Wall, | Monmouth | Feb. 9, 1892. | 52 | 1 | 1 | 52 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 17 | 33 | 1 | 33 | 1 | 35 | 3 | 1 |
| 56 | Star of Liberty, | Spring Lake | Feb. 23, 1892. | 36 | 1 | 1 | 36 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 30 | 1 | 30 | 1 | 41 | 1 | 1 |
| 57 | Windsor, | Monmouth | Mar. 5, 1892. | 50 | 2 | 1 | 61 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 47 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 41 | 1 | 1 |
| 58 | Windsor, | Monmouth | Mar. 5, 1892. | 50 | 2 | 1 | 61 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 47 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 41 | 1 | 1 |
| 59 | Windsor, | Atlantic | Apr. 12, 1892. | 48 | 1 | 1 | 46 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 35 | 1 | 19 | 1 | 54 | 1 | 1 |
| 60 | Excelsior, | Capa May | Apr. 12, 1892. | 48 | 1 | 1 | 46 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 35 | 1 | 19 | 1 | 54 | 1 | 1 |
| 61 | Excelsior, | Green Creek | July 16, 1892. | 48 | 1 | 1 | 48 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 92 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 45 | 2 | 1 |
| 62 | Progressive, | Cumberland | July 29, 1892. | 47 | 5 | 2 | 59 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 45 | 1 | 10 | 1 | 45 | 2 | 1 |
| 63 | Silver Cross, | White House | Aug. 3, 1892. | 50 | 4 | 1 | 57 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 45 | 1 | 22 | 1 | 45 | 2 | 1 |
| 64 | Passaic, | Hunterdon | Aug. 3, 1892. | 139 | 5 | 1 | 141 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 33 | 94 | 1 | 22 | 1 | 33 | 3 | 1 |
| 65 | Cumberland, | Passaic | Sept. 3, 1892. | 47 | 1 | 1 | 51 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 40 | 1 | 40 | 1 | 54 | 2 | 1 |
| 66 | Port Norris, | Ocean | Nov. 3, 1892. | 105 | 5 | 1 | 110 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 135 | 1 | 113 | 2 | 135 | 4 | 1 |
| 67 | New Egypt, | New Egypt | Nov. 3, 1892. | 105 | 5 | 1 | 110 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 135 | 1 | 113 | 2 | 135 | 4 | 1 |
| 68 | Star of Bethlehem, | Mercer | Dec. 23, 1892. | 57 | 1 | 1 | 57 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 47 | 8 | 1 | 86 | 1 | 107 | 4 | 1 |
| 69 | Camden, | Camden | Feb. 27, 1893. | 119 | 1 | 1 | 120 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 109 | 19 | 1 | 86 | 1 | 147 | 6 | 1 |
| 70 | Phoenix, | Middlesex | Feb. 27, 1893. | 119 | 1 | 1 | 120 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 109 | 19 | 1 | 86 | 1 | 147 | 6 | 1 |
| 71 | New Brunswick, | Middlesex | Apr. 4, 1895. | 48 | 1 | 1 | 48 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 119 | 48 | 1 | 101 | 1 | 119 | 4 | 1 |
| 72 | To-Kalon, | Monmouth | Apr. 4, 1895. | 48 | 1 | 1 | 48 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 40 | 1 | 29 | 1 | 40 | 4 | 1 |
| | Total, | | | 5113 | 146 | 5 | 5423 | 1 | 2 | 287 | 17 | 2 | 309 | 4997 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1337 | 3603 | 22 | 154997 | 251 | 1 | 17 |

† Error last report. *No report. † June report included. ‡ Two terms.

Financial Statement of the Subordinate Castles for the Term ending December 31st, 1899.

| No. OF CASTLE. | RECEIPTS. | | | | | | EXPENSES. | | | | | | ON HAND AND INVESTED. | | | | |
|----------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------|----------------|---------------------|------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|----------------------|
| | Initiation Fees, Cards and Reinstatement | Dues and Fines. | Investments, &c. | Total Receipts. | On hand June 30, 1899 | Total. | Sick Benefits. | Burial of the Dead. | Donations. | Total Relief. | Sundry Purposes. | Investments. | Total. | On hand December 31, 1898 | Invested. | Total Fund. | Increase or Decrease |
| 1 | \$3 00 | \$43 75 | | \$46 75 | \$4 79 | \$51 96 | | | \$534 13 | \$2 96 | | | \$22 96 | \$1 61 | \$27 00 | \$16 00 | \$23 79 |
| 2 | 5 00 | 389 21 | \$54 20 | 928 41 | 76 59 | 1005 00 | \$574 13 | \$60 00 | 230 54 | \$102 00 | | | 966 67 | 38 33 | 2738 36 | 174 99 | 2738 36 |
| 3 | 14 00 | 726 48 | 82 50 | 822 98 | 611 00 | 1434 89 | 293 00 | | 297 11 | 363 80 | 90 00 | | 750 91 | 683 97 | 2828 45 | 3512 42 | 214 72 |
| 4 | | 189 74 | 156 00 | 345 74 | \$22 55 | 323 19 | 80 00 | 100 00 | 180 00 | 60 64 | 27 00 | | 267 64 | 55 55 | 221 00 | 270 55 | 49 10 |
| 5 | | 334 28 | 314 33 | 648 61 | 594 53 | 1243 14 | 135 00 | 30 00 | 165 00 | 264 70 | 660 00 | | 1089 70 | 153 44 | 2590 00 | 2743 44 | 218 91 |
| 6 | | 117 17 | 700 00 | 817 17 | 49 62 | 866 79 | 180 00 | | 108 00 | 35 61 | 700 00 | | 843 61 | 23 18 | 700 00 | 723 18 | 172 44 |
| 7 | 14 00 | 106 45 | 54 42 | 264 87 | 130 66 | 395 53 | 204 00 | 50 00 | 254 00 | 208 01 | | | 208 01 | 187 52 | 1407 06 | 187 52 | 56 86 |
| 8 | 6 00 | 541 88 | 85 00 | 632 88 | 175 02 | 807 90 | 204 00 | 50 00 | 254 00 | 363 28 | 90 00 | | 707 28 | 100 62 | 1407 06 | 1507 68 | 68 13 |
| 9 | | 282 99 | 2 25 | 285 24 | 385 21 | 670 45 | 70 00 | 50 00 | 125 00 | 141 96 | 108 00 | | 374 96 | 205 49 | 1885 50 | 1800 99 | 18 28 |
| 10 | 16 00 | 428 45 | 17 10 | 561 55 | 148 83 | 710 38 | 160 00 | 50 00 | 220 00 | 264 66 | 120 00 | | 604 66 | 105 72 | 3240 00 | 3343 72 | 79 89 |
| 11 | 3 00 | 159 61 | 76 33 | 238 94 | 28 79 | 267 73 | 25 00 | | 25 00 | 56 73 | | | 81 73 | 186 00 | 5984 57 | 6032 54 | 100 22 |
| 12 | 20 00 | 795 59 | 158 00 | 943 59 | 18 48 | 962 07 | 279 00 | 100 00 | 379 00 | 415 20 | 120 00 | | 914 20 | 47 87 | 1496 26 | 1507 68 | 100 22 |
| 13 | 13 00 | 287 45 | 132 68 | 433 13 | 948 10 | 1381 23 | 211 24 | | 211 24 | 264 95 | 60 00 | | 184 14 | 845 04 | 2650 00 | 2341 24 | 56 21 |
| 14 | | 159 73 | | 159 73 | 46 36 | 206 09 | 60 00 | | 60 00 | 64 14 | 60 00 | | 124 24 | 21 95 | 100 00 | 2671 95 | 1779 06 |
| 15 | | 47 18 | | 47 18 | 117 64 | 164 82 | 55 00 | | 55 00 | 17 24 | 66 00 | | 119 37 | 100 08 | 1149 48 | 1249 48 | 66 53 |
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| 17 | | 294 46 | | 294 46 | 266 36 | 560 82 | 117 00 | | 117 00 | 305 25 | 66 00 | | 482 25 | | | | |
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| 33 | 16 00 | 213 42 | 13 53 | 227 05 | 163 00 | 163 00 | 129 23 | 166 00 | 297 33 | 70 18 | 183 81 | | | | |
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| 35 | 182 00 | 182 00 | 209 81 | 392 84 | 76 00 | 30 00 | 68 80 | 90 00 | 264 80 | 128 01 | 2143 01 | | | | |
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| 41 | 27 00 | 324 55 | 132 89 | 812 80 | 95 00 | 103 00 | 154 80 | 361 00 | 349 80 | 483 00 | 64 80 | | | | |
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| 57 | 7 00 | 165 58 | 45 03 | 212 51 | 68 00 | 68 00 | 61 16 | 50 00 | 179 16 | 33 35 | 62 80 | | | | |
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| 31 | Lincoln | Hurffville | Gloucester | Nov. 22, 1887 | 46 | 10 | 4 | 60 | 3 | 3 | 57 | 10 26 | 15 | 42 | 57 | 2 | I | |
| 32 | Calton | Calton | Hunterdon | Nov. 24, 1887 | 49 | 6 | | 108 | 5 | 5 | 103 | 18 34 | 18 | 85 | 103 | 7 | I | |
| 33 | Franklin | Lambertville | Hunterdon | Dec. 13, 1887 | 89 | | | 89 | 1 | 1 | 83 | 14 94 | 24 | 59 | 83 | 5 | I | |
| 34 | Clyde | Manasquan | Monmouth | Jan. 25, 1888 | 75 | | | 75 | 11 | 11 | 6 | 11 52 | 1 | 22 | 64 | 5 | I | |
| 35 | Wrightstown | Wrightstown | Burlington | Feb. 24, 1888 | 60 | | | 60 | 3 | 3 | 47 | 18 26 | 19 | 38 | 57 | 3 | I | |
| 36 | Ceur de Lion | Swedesboro | Gloucester | Mar. 12, 1888 | 34 | 6 | 6 | 49 | 1 | 1 | 57 | 18 46 | 1 | 23 | 47 | 3 | I | |
| 37 | Halcyon | Perth Amboy | Middlesex | Apr. 12, 1900 | 63 | 6 | 10 | 69 | 1 | 1 | 70 | 12 60 | 9 | 61 | 70 | 1 | I | |
| 38 | Mt. Everest | Paterson | Passaic | Nov. 24, 1833 | 63 | 2 | | 65 | 1 | 1 | 64 | 11 55 | 2 | 43 | 64 | 1 | I | |
| 39 | Prospect | Clayton | Gloucester | Dec. 8, 1888 | 93 | | | 93 | 2 | 2 | 94 | 11 52 | 23 | 41 | 64 | 5 | I | |
| 40 | Flemington | Pitman Grove | Gloucester | Feb. 6, 1889 | 93 | 1 | | 95 | 2 | 2 | 94 | 18 92 | 23 | 1 | 94 | 5 | I | |
| 41 | Flemington | Flemington | Hunterdon | Apr. 18, 1895 | 97 | 9 | | 108 | 3 | 3 | 103 | 18 54 | 15 | 88 | 103 | 13 | I | |
| 42 | Annandale | Annandale | Hunterdon | Dec. 5, 1889 | 123 | 12 | 1 | 141 | 6 | 6 | 134 | 24 12 | 2 | 109 | 134 | 6 | I | |
| 43 | Annandale | Annandale | Hunterdon | Dec. 5, 1889 | 123 | 12 | 1 | 141 | 6 | 6 | 134 | 24 12 | 2 | 109 | 134 | 6 | I | |
| 44 | Antiochton | Egg Harbor | Atlantic | April 29, 1890 | 106 | 6 | 2 | 110 | 7 | 7 | 103 | 18 58 | 24 | 77 | 103 | 8 | I | |
| 45 | Tuckerton | Tuckerton | Ocean | May 13, 1890 | 118 | 11 | 2 | 171 | 1 | 1 | 174 | 30 78 | 20 | 147 | 171 | 24 | I | |
| 46 | Vineland | Vineland | Cumberland | June 9, 1890 | 118 | 11 | 2 | 171 | 1 | 1 | 174 | 30 78 | 20 | 147 | 171 | 24 | I | |
| 47 | Corinthian | Asbury Park | Cumberland | June 9, 1890 | 118 | 11 | 2 | 171 | 1 | 1 | 174 | 30 78 | 20 | 147 | 171 | 24 | I | |
| 48 | Forked River | Forked River | Monmouth | Mar. 12, 1891 | 195 | 24 | | 210 | 1 | 1 | 215 | 38 70 | 29 | 97 | 210 | 11 | I | |
| 49 | Sterling | South Amboy | Ocean | Mar. 12, 1891 | 64 | 2 | | 62 | 1 | 1 | 60 | 10 80 | 18 | 42 | 60 | 2 | I | |
| 50 | Greenwich | Greenwich | Middlesex | April 15, 1891 | 64 | | | 64 | 2 | 2 | 62 | 11 10 | 30 | 32 | 62 | 8 | I | |
| 51 | Greenwich | Greenwich | Middlesex | April 23, 1891 | 125 | 24 | 3 | 152 | 5 | 5 | 149 | 26 28 | 2 | 123 | 149 | 14 | I | |
| 52 | Greenwich | Greenwich | Gloucester | Oct. 5, 1891 | 35 | | | 35 | 2 | 2 | 33 | ★ | 15 | 29 | 35 | 3 | I | |
| 53 | Wall | Wall | Passaic | Dec. 12, 1891 | 35 | 5 | | 37 | 6 | 6 | 37 | 10 62 | 12 | 47 | 37 | 3 | I | |
| 54 | Star of Liberty | Pompton Lakes | Monmouth | Feb. 9, 1892 | 35 | 2 | | 37 | 1 | 1 | 37 | 6 66 | 17 | 20 | 37 | 1 | I | |
| 55 | Windsor | Windsor | Passaic | Feb. 23, 1892 | 41 | 1 | | 41 | 1 | 1 | 41 | ★ | 14 | 27 | 41 | 1 | I | |
| 56 | Bayside | Farmingdale | Monmouth | Mar. 5, 1892 | 51 | 1 | 1 | 56 | 1 | 1 | 55 | 8 28 | 19 | 35 | 55 | 3 | I | |
| 57 | Excelsior | Somers' Point | Atlantic | Mar. 18, 1892 | 45 | 1 | | 44 | 1 | 1 | 40 | 8 28 | 19 | 35 | 40 | 2 | I | |
| 58 | Excelsior | Green Creek | Cape May | April 12, 1892 | 45 | 1 | 12 | 44 | 2 | 2 | 42 | 17 56 | 19 | 27 | 42 | 2 | I | |
| 59 | Excelsior | Bridgeton | Cumberland | July 29, 1892 | 45 | 16 | 2 | 75 | 1 | 1 | 73 | 11 10 | 17 | 35 | 73 | 2 | I | |
| 60 | Excelsior | White House | Hunterdon | July 29, 1892 | 45 | 16 | 2 | 75 | 1 | 1 | 73 | 5 94 | 11 | 21 | 73 | 1 | I | |
| 61 | Excelsior | White House | Hunterdon | July 29, 1892 | 45 | 16 | 2 | 75 | 1 | 1 | 73 | 5 94 | 11 | 21 | 73 | 1 | I | |
| 62 | Excelsior | White House | Hunterdon | July 29, 1892 | 45 | 16 | 2 | 75 | 1 | 1 | 73 | 5 94 | 11 | 21 | 73 | 1 | I | |
| 63 | Silver Cross | Passaic | Passaic | Aug. 3, 1892 | 53 | 4 | | 58 | 4 | 4 | 53 | 9 72 | 15 | 39 | 53 | 3 | I | |
| 64 | Silver Cross | Passaic | Passaic | Aug. 3, 1892 | 53 | 4 | | 58 | 4 | 4 | 53 | 9 72 | 15 | 39 | 53 | 3 | I | |
| 65 | Cumberland | Port Norris | Cumberland | Sept. 3, 1892 | 135 | 1 | 5 | 144 | 1 | 1 | 139 | 23 28 | 19 | 120 | 139 | 8 | 2 | |
| 66 | Plumsted | New Egypt | Ocean | Nov. 5, 1892 | 47 | 1 | 2 | 49 | 2 | 2 | 48 | 18 44 | 14 | 32 | 48 | 7 | 2 | |
| 67 | Star of Bethlehem | Trenton | Mercer | Dec. 23, 1892 | 109 | 4 | 1 | 114 | 5 | 5 | 108 | 18 44 | 21 | 80 | 108 | 10 | 1 | |
| 68 | Star of Bethlehem | Camden | Camden | Feb. 20, 1893 | 48 | | | 48 | 1 | 1 | 48 | 18 44 | 16 | 34 | 48 | 4 | 1 | |
| 69 | Phoenix | New Brunswick | Middlesex | Feb. 27, 1894 | 119 | 6 | 2 | 125 | 3 | 3 | 121 | 21 78 | 18 | 103 | 121 | 11 | 1 | |
| 70 | New Brunswick | Long Branch | Monmouth | April 4, 1895 | 40 | 2 | | 42 | 3 | 3 | 39 | 7 62 | 12 | 27 | 39 | 1 | 1 | |
| 71 | To-Kalon | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 72 | Totals | | | | 4997 | 415-29 | 70-55111 I | 5173-27 | 2,208-5,593 | 5,201-3,661-3996 | 6 | 15,5393 | 4124 | 1 | 27 | 9 | | |

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Financial Statement of the Subordinate Castles for the Term ending June 30th, 1900.

| NO. OF CASTLE. | RECEIPTS. | | | | | | | | | | EXPENSES. | | | | | | | ON HAND AND INVESTED. | | | |
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| | Initiation Fees, Cards and Reinstatements | Dues and Fines. | Investments, &c. | Total Receipts. | On hand December 31, '97. | Total. | Sick Benefits. | Burial of the Dead. | Donations. | Total Relief. | Sundry Purposes. | Investments. | Total. | On hand June 30, 1899. | Invested. | Total Fund. | Increase or Decrease. | | | | |
| 1. | 9.00 | \$32 | | \$38.75 | \$19.00 | \$57.75 | \$4.00 | | | \$21.40 | | \$54.40 | \$32.35 | \$2406.00 | \$32.35 | \$13.35 | | | | | |
| 2. | 32.00 | 401.29 | \$936.11 | 1059.40 | 38.33 | 1107.73 | 599.00 | | 659.00 | 243.18 | | 923.18 | 114.55 | | 2520.55 | \$17.81 | | | | | |
| 3. | 19.00 | 750.75 | 83.00 | 852.73 | 683.97 | 1536.70 | 503.00 | \$110.00 | 615.00 | 366.70 | 152.50 | 1132.20 | 464.50 | 3122.15 | 3526.65 | 14.23 | | | | | |
| 4. | 21.00 | 234.10 | | 255.10 | 55.55 | 310.65 | 180.00 | | 180.00 | 148.97 | 24.00 | 352.97 | 42.32 | 245.00 | 202.68 | 173.87 | | | | | |
| 5. | 30.00 | 435.02 | 790.37 | 1235.39 | 153.41 | 1408.83 | 270.00 | | 270.00 | 209.01 | 60.00 | 539.01 | 869.82 | 1950.00 | 2819.82 | 76.38 | | | | | |
| 6. | 45.00 | 109.70 | 732.08 | 841.78 | 23.18 | 864.96 | 102.00 | | 177.00 | 45.46 | 600.00 | 822.46 | 42.50 | 600.00 | 642.50 | 185.83 | | | | | |
| 7. | 215.00 | 111.45 | 67.22 | 376.77 | 187.52 | 564.29 | 83.50 | | 83.50 | 166.41 | 15.00 | 264.91 | 299.38 | 15.00 | 314.38 | 126.86 | | | | | |
| 8. | 23.00 | 499.00 | 475.60 | 997.60 | 100.62 | 1098.22 | 493.00 | | 593.00 | 94.92 | 200.00 | 291.92 | 61.50 | 200.00 | 231.53 | 21.53 | | | | | |
| 9. | 3.00 | 456.86 | 702.36 | 1162.22 | 293.19 | 1487.71 | 215.00 | 2.00 | 267.00 | 132.56 | 616.75 | 1091.61 | 61.50 | 1171.86 | 1178.45 | 120.23 | | | | | |
| 10. | 70.50 | 491.58 | 114.15 | 676.23 | 105.72 | 781.95 | 292.00 | | 292.00 | 195.55 | 120.00 | 610.55 | 441.43 | 2015.48 | 2456.88 | 275.83 | | | | | |
| 11. | 9.00 | 102.61 | 1.01 | 202.62 | 186.00 | 388.62 | 6.00 | 19.00 | 25.00 | 94.42 | | 119.42 | 171.40 | 3366.00 | 3331.49 | 185.68 | | | | | |
| 12. | 13.00 | 630.82 | 3950.00 | 4602.82 | 47.87 | 4650.69 | 272.00 | | 373.50 | 301.33 | 105.00 | 774.83 | 3875.86 | 2027.51 | 5903.37 | 1190.17 | | | | | |
| 13. | 12.00 | 287.82 | 162.64 | 450.46 | 84.01 | 1307.55 | 214.74 | | 214.74 | 290.26 | 60.00 | 565.03 | 743.45 | 1556.20 | 2293.75 | 142.43 | | | | | |
| 14. | | 180.25 | 2786.00 | 2975.25 | 21.95 | 2997.20 | 183.00 | 5.25 | 188.25 | 84.42 | 2560.00 | 2832.67 | 164.53 | 2710.00 | 2874.53 | 202.58 | | | | | |
| 15. | | 58.77 | | 58.77 | 92.58 | 151.35 | 85.00 | | 85.00 | 10.53 | 60.55 | 104.53 | 46.82 | 1103.95 | 146.82 | 145.56 | | | | | |
| 16. | | 105.15 | 100.00 | 205.15 | 100.08 | 305.23 | 105.50 | 2.00 | 123.50 | 70.15 | 66.55 | 256.20 | 49.00 | 1103.95 | 1158.68 | 149.50 | | | | | |
| 17. | | 334.73 | 18.00 | 364.73 | 75.57 | 443.30 | 205.00 | | 205.00 | 66.27 | 70.75 | 342.04 | 101.28 | 1472.46 | 1573.68 | 97.16 | | | | | |
| 18. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 20. | | 181.25 | 21.05 | 205.30 | 259.77 | 456.07 | 150.00 | | 225.00 | 89.38 | | 314.38 | 141.69 | 736.30 | 878.19 | 109.08 | | | | | |
| 21. | | 439.51 | 43.55 | 486.06 | 1110.30 | 1605.15 | 684.02 | | 694.02 | 118.63 | 300.00 | 1125.00 | 582.80 | 1805.00 | 2302.80 | 1338.59 | | | | | |
| 22. | | 403.80 | | 413.80 | 176.67 | 590.47 | 125.00 | 10.00 | 235.00 | 147.74 | 150.00 | 532.74 | 58.03 | 5270.17 | 5334.20 | 1428.11 | | | | | |
| 23. | | 533.75 | 430.22 | 1073.47 | 519.74 | 1593.21 | 489.00 | | 689.00 | 436.00 | 117.00 | 1242.00 | 351.21 | 47.00 | 398.21 | 1251.78 | | | | | |
| 24. | | 208.62 | | 345.01 | 208.62 | 553.63 | 272.00 | | 372.00 | 119.09 | 30.45 | 521.34 | 32.29 | 561.00 | 593.29 | 1747.12 | | | | | |
| 25. | | 181.03 | 132.40 | 322.43 | 200.34 | 522.77 | 85.00 | 50.00 | 85.00 | 212.81 | | 297.81 | 224.96 | 1040.10 | 1265.06 | 1107.78 | | | | | |
| 26. | | 670.95 | | 718.95 | 2207.91 | 2923.86 | 335.00 | | 335.00 | 239.87 | | 764.87 | 2188.99 | 300.00 | 2458.99 | 148.92 | | | | | |
| 27. | | 216.82 | 501.50 | 718.32 | 82.53 | 721.05 | 132.00 | | 132.00 | 101.45 | 100.00 | 333.45 | 387.60 | 2813.07 | 3200.67 | 13.27 | | | | | |
| 28. | | 143.85 | | 190.85 | 80.72 | 271.57 | 20.00 | | 50.00 | 15.45 | 42.00 | 244.21 | 27.34 | 625.05 | 652.42 | 111.38 | | | | | |

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| Total | \$1510 72 | \$17,087 25 | \$16,341 39 | \$34,039 36 | \$14,734 10 | \$49,673 46 | \$9476 64 | \$2044 00 | \$282 05 | \$11803 29 | \$10,015 02 | \$10648 91 | \$3,246 72 |
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★No report.

*Overdrawn.

Increase \$1,06 18
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REPORT OF THE GRAND TRUSTEES.

TRENTON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

To the Grand Chief, Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—Your Trustees beg leave to report the valuation of the property of the Grand Castle as follows, less discount for wear and tear, for the year of 1900.

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| 1 office carpet | \$38 60 |
| 2 " oak desks | |
| 2 " revolving chairs } | 66 00 |
| 6 " arm chairs } | |
| 6 spittoons | 2 50 |
| 1 safe | 60 00 |
| 1 cabinet book-case | 22 60 |
| 1 letter press | 3 00 |
| 1 genuine skull, articulated | 6 00 |
| 4 stereopticon slides and curtain for Third Degree | 6 00 |
| 1 cross and crown | 4 00 |
| 1 guidon | 4 00 |
| 21 District Grand Chiefs' badges and jewels | 22 25 |
| 20 Grand Instructors' | 22 50 |
| 9 Grand Officers' badges | 9 00 |
| 1 trunk for paraphernalia | 5 25 |
| 2 screens | 6 50 |
| | <u>\$273 20</u> |
| 1899 valuation on above | \$188 41 |
| 2 window draperies | 5 67 |
| 1 large curtain | 1 50 |
| | <u>\$195 58</u> |
| Less 10 per cent. for 1900 | 19 55 |
| | <u>\$176 03</u> |
| 1 seal | 3 00 |
| 2 dozen ode cards (German) @ \$1.20 | 2 40 |
| 1 funeral ceremony | 1 00 |
| 4 dismissal certificates @ \$1.00 | 4 00 |
| 9 withdrawal cards @ \$1.00 | 9 00 |
| 3 drill manuals @ \$1.00 | 3 00 |
| 1 silk regulation flag and pole | 31 50 |
| | <u>\$229 93</u> |

Respectfully submitted in F., V. and H.,

A. Q. BLOOM, P. C.,
 JAMES E. HIGHLEY, P. G. C.,
 JOHN C. F. TRACHSEL, P. G. C.,
Grand Trustees.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

TRENTON, N. J., August 15th, 1900.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:— Your Finance Committee most respectfully report that they have this day examined all books and accounts in the office of the Grand Master of Records and the Grand Keeper of Exchequer, audited the same and found them correct.

We take great pleasure in presenting the following financial statement :

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| Balance on hand at last session | \$2 27 |
| Receipts during year ending August 15th, 1900, | 2275 02 |
| Total | \$2277 29 |
| Expenditures during the year | 1894 60 |
| Balance in hands of Keeper of Exchequer, | \$382 69 |

Your committee have continued the policy of paying every outstanding account against this Grand Castle, and the above statement is an absolutely true credit balance, with not a debt of one cent against this body.

We desire to call the attention of this Grand Castle to the almost infinitesimal expense account of your Grand Chief, for, without a doubt, he has sacrificed time for honor, and paid a large share of his expenses from his private funds. Such acts of unselfish loyalty and charitable integrity should receive just recognition from this Grand Castle.

We most earnestly recommend :

1. That this Grand Castle hereby instructs the Grand Master of Records to have only five hundred copies of the Proceedings of this session printed.

2. That the per capita tax be thirty-six cents per annum for this year.

3. That the resolution as to restriction of officers attending district meetings, institutions, etc., at the expense of this Grand Castle remain in force until changed.

4. That hereafter this Grand Castle require a written report of expenditures from any committee, officer, person, association or branch of this Order to whom it may vote any of its funds.

We also recommend the following appropriations :

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| Expenses of Grand Chief | \$250 00 |
| Salary of Grand Master of Records | 600 00 |
| Incidentals of Grand Master of Records | 100 00 |
| Printing | 300 00 |
| Dues to Supreme Castle | 225 00 |
| Supplies from Supreme Castle | 150 00 |
| Rent of office | 100 00 |
| Card in K. G. E. paper | 12 00 |
| Card in New Jersey Crusader | 12 00 |
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| | \$1749 00 |

INCOME : Per capita on 5000 members @ 36 cents, \$1800.00.

It is with profound pleasure that we call especial attention to the accounts of the now retiring Grand Keeper of Exchequer, who for the past five years has displayed such neatness and accuracy with the books of his office that it has made it a positive pleasure to audit them.

And of the Grand Master of Records we would say to this Grand Castle that in P. G. C. Clark they have a perfect Past Grand Master in the art. His system, methods and artistic ability, combined with energy, exactness, dispatch and neatness place him pre-eminently in the first rank of grand lodge secretaries.

Fraternally submitted in F., V. and H.,

E. H. GINNELLEY,
F. A. BUREN.
Finance Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW.

MANASQUAN, N. J., August 8th, 1900.

To the Grand Chief, Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—Your Committee on Law would respectfully submit their report for the past year. After making such corrections as we deemed necessary, so as to conform to the Constitution, we have approved the By-Laws of Nos. 72, 8 and 72.

And amendments to By-Laws Nos. 32, 60, 33, 64, 47, 34, 61, 50, 51, 40, 5, 28, 66, 61, 62, 9, 38, 14, 31.

Respectfully submitted in F., V. and H.,

WILLIAM H. RUF, P. G. C.,
WALTER A. BARROWS, P. G. C.,
T. C. SCHANK, P. C.,
Law Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPREME REPRESENTATIVE.

PALMYRA, N. J., August 1st, 1900.

To the Grand Castle of New Jersey, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—Your Representative to the Supreme Castle begs to submit the following as his report:

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| The Supreme Master of Records, Brother A. C. Lyttle, reported the total number of Castles in the Order | 804 |
| Number of members | 57,414 |
| Number of members admitted (1898) | 6,802 |
| Number of Past Chiefs | 13,838 |
| Receipts of Castles | \$473,599 28 |
| Paid for relief | 187,431 18 |
| Total worth of Castles | 957,299 32 |
| Increase during year | 33,232 54 |
| The special assessment of 5 cents per capita on all members of Castles and Temples for the benefit of the Supreme Castle amounted to | 2,234 22 |
| The Supreme Finance Committee reported balance on hand last report | 557 98 |
| Received during term | 6,869 36 |
| Total | \$7,427 34 |
| Paid out as per orders | 6,581 19 |
| Balance | \$846 15 |

The Knights of the Golden Eagle Death Benefit Fund was reported in quite bad shape, but I think from the action taken by the Supreme Castle, and the committee in whose hands it has been placed, it is destined to be of great benefit to the Order in general.

The Supreme Castle decided by a vote of 20 to 10 to indefinitely postpone taking any action whatever looking to conferring honors of Past Grand Chief on any one recommended for same by the various Grand Castles.

The Committee on Appeals reported on the case of W. B. Smith *vs.* (the Grand Castle of New Jersey) Ocean Castle, No. 11, that the matter be referred back to the Castle, as there was no appeal. Committee sustained.

In the case of Aaron Burr, Crusader's Castle, No. 14, the matter was referred back to the Grand Castle, and requested to give the case a proper hearing.

The Grand Castle of New Jersey was again honored by the Supreme Castle in the election of P. G. C. W. H. Ruf to the post of Supreme Second Guardsman. And may success attend him.

Our Grand Castle was ably represented by W. C. Hunter, Supreme Chief; James E. Highley, Past Grand Chief; W. H. Ruf, Past Grand Chief; A. L. Clark, Grand Master of Records; Walter A. Barrows, Past Grand Chief.

The Supreme Chief, John B. Roberts, complimented New Jersey with the following appointments on his committees: Committee on Finance, James E. Highley and W. C. Hunter, P. S. C.; Appeal Committee, Walter A. Barrows, chairman.

For further particulars and information I would refer you to the printed proceedings.

Again taking the opportunity of thanking the Grand Castle of New Jersey for the honors conferred upon me, I am

Fraternally in F., V. and H.,

JAMES E. RUSSELL,
Supreme Representative.

P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, moved we go into the nomination and election of officers for the ensuing year. Agreed to.

P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, No. 4, moved that where only one nominee appeared for any office, the Grand Master of Records be authorized to cast the vote for the Grand Castle. So ordered.

The Grand Chief appointed P. C. A. Q. Bloom, No. 28, and P. C. William M. R. Brown, No. 18, as tellers.

GRAND CHIEF.

P. C. Dr. E. H. Ginnelley, No. 23, nominated G. V. C. Arthur H. Hope, No. 47, for Grand Chief. Seconded by P. C. W. J. Cook, No. 20. Nominations for Grand Chief closed.

G. V. C. Arthur H. Hope, receiving all the votes cast, was declared elected as Grand Chief, and accepted.

GRAND VICE-CHIEF.

P. S. C. William C. Hunter, No. 36, nominated G. S. H. John C. Risley, No. 11, for Grand Vice-Chief. Seconded by P. C. L. P. Schmidt, No. 44. Nominations for Grand Vice-Chief closed.

G. S. H. John C. Risley receiving all the votes cast, was declared elected as Grand Vice-Chief, and accepted.

GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, nominated G. H. P. Dr. J. B. Wainright, No. 34, for Grand High Priest.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, nominated P. C. Dr. George W. Chamberlain, No. 66.

The latter nominee thanked the Grand Castle for their kind intentions, stating that as the present Grand High Priest had but one more year to serve, he would gracefully decline the nomination in his favor. The declination was received with loud applause.

Nominations for Grand High Priest closed.

G. H. P. Dr. J. B. Wainright receiving all the votes cast, was declared re-elected as Grand High Priest, and accepted.

GRAND KEEPER OF EXCHEQUER.

P. C. Charles E. King, Jr., No. 47, nominated P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, for Grand Keeper of Exchequer.

Representative Mervin McCoy, No. 28, nominated P. C. Thomas Farrell, No. 23.

Nominations for Grand Keeper of Exchequer closed.

Number of votes cast—122.

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| P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, received | 99 |
| P. C. Thomas Farrell, No. 23, received | 22 |
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P. C. George P. Sutton having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected as Grand Keeper of Exchequer, and accepted.

GRAND MASTER OF RECORDS.

P. S. C. William C. Hunter, No. 36, nominated G. M. of R. A. L. Clark, No. 23.

Nominations for Grand Master of Records were closed.

P. G. C. George J. Robertson, No. 4, moved that P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, No. 4, be authorized to cast the Grand Castle vote. Agreed to.

G. M. of R. A. L. Clark, receiving all the votes cast, was declared re-elected as Grand Master of Records, and accepted.

The following telegram was read, and ordered spread on the minutes :

PHILADELPHIA, PA., September 3d, 1900.

Grand Castle, K. G. E.,

Broad and Front Streets, Trenton, N. J.

GREETINGS:—I regret inability to attend, wishing you every success and a glorious future.

JAMES E. RUSSELL, *P. G. C.*

GRAND SIR HERALD.

Representative George W. Smith, No. 7, nominated P. C. Thomas B. Seals, No. 43, for Grand Sir Herald.

P. C. W. H. Green, No. 25, nominated P. C. John L. Vehe, No. 25.

P. C. William Sproat, No. 38, nominated G. F. G. S. Robert White. No. 72.

Nominations for Grand Sir Herald closed.

12.10 P. M., recess declared for five minutes.

12.15 P. M., business resumed.

Number of votes cast—124.

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| P. C. Thomas B. Seals, of No. 43, received | 64 |
| P. C. John L. Vehe, No. 25, received | 18 |
| G. F. G. S. Robert White, No. 72, received | 42 |

P. C. Thomas B. Seals, No. 43, having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared elected as Grand Sir Herald, and accepted.

The hour of 12.30 P. M. having arrived, the Grand Chief declared a recess until 1.30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Castle re-assembled pursuant to recess at 1.40 P. M.

Nominations and elections were continued as follows :

GRAND FIRST GUARDSMAN.

G. V. C.-elect John C. Risley, No. 11, nominated P. C. Lorenz Krein, No. 44, for Grand First Guardsman.

P. C. George F. Scheele, No. 28, nominated G. S. G. Henry W. Fronley, No. 28.

P. C. Henry Opel, No. 5, nominated P. C. Clarence Reinfried, No. 5.

Nominations for Grand First Guardsman closed.

Number of votes cast—100.

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| P. C. Lorenz Krein, No. 44, received | 8 |
| G. S. G. H. W. Fronley, No. 28, received | 70 |
| P. C. Clarence Reinfried, No. 5, received | 22 |

P. C. Henry W. Fronley, No. 28, having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared elected as Grand First Guardsman, and accepted.

GRAND SECOND GUARDSMAN.

G. F. G.-elect H. W. Fronley, No. 28, nominated P. C. Robert S. Turton, No. 71, for Grand Second Guardsman.

Nominations were closed.

P. C. Robert S. Turton, No. 71, receiving all the votes cast, was declared elected as Grand Second Guardsman, and accepted.

TRUSTEE—THREE-YEAR TERM.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, nominated retiring Trustee, A. Q. Bloom, No. 28.

Nominations were closed.

P. C. A. Q. Bloom, No. 28, having received all the votes cast, was declared re-elected as Trustee for three years, and accepted.

The following letter of resignation from Trustee John C. F. Trachsel, No. 25, was read, and the resignation accepted on motion of P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., August 24th, 1900.

To the Grand Chief, Officers and Sir Knights, K. G. E., of New Jersey.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS :—During this past year I have felt that I have occupied a post in the Grand Castle to which I was not entitled—Grand Trustee—for the reason that I have not been able to give the attention to the Order to which it was justly entitled. Many calls I have been compelled to refuse; in fact, I have not visited any Castle this year, not even my own, No. 25. Now I do feel that a Grand Officer should give some time and attention to the Order, and if he cannot do so he has no right to deprive others who would do much for the Order. Honors belong to those who are actively engaged in the work of the Order, and are an incentive to harder work and reward; and to that end I ask your consideration, and kindly grant my retiring as Grand Trustee. I shall always feel it a pleasure to do whatever lays in my power for the Order or the brethren.

I regret to state that I shall be unable to be present at the session.

Fraternally Yours in F., V. and H.,

JOHN C. F. TRACHSEL.

Nominations were then opened for Grand Trustee, to fill unexpired term of two years of P. G. C. J. C. F. Trachsel, resigned.

P. G. C. James E. Highley, No. 15, nominated P. G. C. F. A. Buren, No. 25.

Nominations closed.

P. G. C. F. A. Buren, receiving all the votes cast, was declared elected as Grand Trustee for two years, and accepted.

The tellers were discharged with thanks.

President George W Chamberlain, No. 66, of the Funeral Benefit Fund, made a statement of the aims, objects and condition of said association, asking that the Castles of the State take hold of the matter. His speech was received with great favor.

The Committee on Good of the Order reported as follows :

TRENTON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

We, your Committee on Good of the Order, would recommend—

That the matter in the report of the Grand Chief on page 3 down to last paragraph be approved.

That the matter of Merchantville Castle, No. 29, being in the hands of counsel, remain as at present.

That the Grand Chief and Grand Castle officers be congratulated on the good financial showing of the Grand Castle for the year.

That the matter of dispensations be referred to the Law Committee.

That the recommendation of the Grand Chief in the matter of Nos. 8 and 37 be approved.

That the recommendation in reference to per capita tax be not approved, being in conflict with the Ritual, which provides that the order for the per capita tax shall be drawn prior to installation.

That all other portions of the Grand Chief's report referred to this committee be approved.

E. D. SENSEMAN,
DAVID F. KAY,
F. A. BUREN,
H. WAINRIGHT,
JOSEPH W. JACKSON,
Committee.

P. S. C. William C. Hunter moved that the report be approved as read. Agreed to.

The Committee on Law reported as follows :

TRENTON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

To the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.:

The Committee on Laws, to whom was referred the matter of decisions as they appear in the report of the Grand Chief, would respectfully report that nearly all the questions which appear to have been asked of the Grand Chief evidence a lack of study of our laws and the Ritual on the part of those asking the questions. With but few exceptions the questions asked are of an entirely unnecessary character ; and while our worthy Grand Chief, in his exceeding good nature, and with much patience, has answered these questions, still it does not seem to your committee desirable that the same should appear in our printed proceedings ; or that your committee should now criticise the wisdom or correctness of the answers made.

Your committee recommend that, with the exceptions noted below, all the questions and answers appearing in the report of the Grand Chief under the head of decisions, have no place in the printed proceedings of this Grand Castle session.

With reference to the question from Plumsted Castle, No. 66, found on page 6, together with answer thereto, we are of opinion that the Grand Chief has misunderstood the effect of the change in the by-law, and his answer is in error.

When a legally enacted by-law is received back by a Castle with the approval of the Law Committee and Grand Chief attached thereto, duly certified by the seal of the Grand Castle, thereupon such by-law begins to operate as the rule of conduct of affairs of the Castle.

In this case a by-law was so attested back to No. 66, which provided—

BENEFITS.

For the first week's sickness \$2.00 ; for twelve weeks thereafter \$4.00 per week ; for the next succeeding thirteen weeks \$3.00 per week ; and for the remainder of such sickness or disability \$2.00 per week.

Under this by-law, at the time it went into effect, to wit, at the time of its certified return to the Castle, it applied equally to every member of the Castle.

While one member may have been receiving full benefits for many weeks under the old by-law, and while his right to benefits could not be affected by the change made in the law scaling down the benefits in case of protracted disability, still the change in the by-law did at once affect the amount of weekly benefits to which he would be entitled ; and one who

had then been drawing benefits weekly for thirteen weeks at \$4.00 per week would thereafter, for thirteen succeeding weeks, be entitled to but \$3.00; and so on.

It is not the provision of the by-law when sickness began that fixes the amount of benefits later on to be paid, but it is the provision of the by-law which is in force for the week for which the benefit is demanded that determines the amount of benefit for that week.

The courts of the land uphold this view of the matter. We recommend that the answer of the Grand Chief to Castle No. 66, be stricken out, and this answer inserted :

Answer—Immediately on the certified return of the by-law with the approval of Law Committee and Grand Chief annexed thereto.

With reference to question from Puritan Castle, No. 10, and answer thereto, found on page 12—

A careful reading of Articles VIII and IX of Subordinate Castle Constitution readily discloses : (1) What is meant by "good standing," and that to be entitled to benefits the member must be in good standing. And when a member allows his arrearages to accumulate until he shall be in arrears in a sum aggregating the amount of charges for dues for one quarter, he shall thereupon, at such date, * * become not in good standing, and he shall continue to remain not in good standing until all such arrearages and all intervening charges have been fully paid, and for four full weeks after he shall have squared his account.

We recommend the answer of the Grand Chief be struck out and this answer inserted :

Answer—He has to wait four weeks after becoming in good standing.

The Castle is not liable for benefits for a sickness or disability which was incurred or began while a member was "not in good standing," or which began during his first year of membership.

In relation to the matter of non-report by Castles, mentioned by the Grand Master of Records on page 21—

In the opinion of the Law Committee the conduct of these delinquent Castles is such as warrants the infliction on these Castles of the discipline provided in our laws.

We recommend at this time, however, that whenever it shall happen that a Castle shall become grievously delinquent in making report, that a circular letter be addressed to every officer and member of such Castle, detailing the facts and quoting the law. We feel assured there will be

virtue enough in some officer or member to stir up the proper officer to the performance of the duty for which he is paid a salary.

WILLIAM H. RUF,
T. C. SCHANCK,
WALTER A. BARROWS,
Committee.

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P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, No. 4, moved that the report of the Committee on Law be received and acted upon seratim. Agreed to.

P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows moved that all decisions of the Grand Chief, as printed, with two exceptions, be struck out, and omitted from the printed proceedings. So ordered.

P. C. Charles E. King, Jr., No. 47, moved that the report of the Committee on Law, as far as it relates to Plumsted Castle, No. 66, be adopted. Agreed to.

P. S. C. W. C. Hunter, No. 36, moved that the report of the Committee on Law, so far as it relates to Puritan Castle, No. 10, be adopted. Agreed to.

P. S. C. William C. Hunter moved the adoption of the report of the Committee on Law as a whole. Carried.

The following letter from the chairman of the Committee on Appeals was read :

CAMDEN, N. J., August 6th, 1900.

MR. A. L. CLARK, *G. M. of R.* :

No matter of appeal lies before the Grand Castle. All differences have been settled by diplomacy, and there has been no need of calling the Committee on Appeals together during the term. I congratulate the administration in this connection, for it at least indicates a most peaceful jurisdiction. The expense of the committee has been confined to the use of a few stamps, for which no bill will be rendered.

Faithfully Yours,

F. WAYLAND POTTER,
Chairman.

P. S. C. William C. Hunter, No. 36, moved that the same be received as the committee's report, and approved as read. So ordered.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved that the report of the Committee on Finance be taken up and considered seratim. Carried.

The report was read and each item approved. The following addition being made :

Card in "New Jersey Crusader," \$12.00

P. S. C. William C. Hunter, No. 36, moved the adoption of the report of the Committee on Finance as a whole. Agreed to.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved that the reports of the Grand Keeper of Exchequer and Grand Master of Records stand approved as printed. Agreed to.

P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, No. 4, moved that the revision of the Constitution be recommitted to a new committee to report at next session. So ordered.

P. G. C. James E. Highley, No. 15, moved that the balance of appropriation of \$50.00 (amounting to \$25.00), as authorized at the session held in Long Branch, be paid to ex-Colonel A. H. Troth, providing that he will give a receipt in full. Agreed to.

P. G. C. James E. Highley, No. 15, moved that an appropriation of \$50.00 be made to the Military Branch.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved to amend by adding the words : "And that a report of the Military Branch be made to the Grand Castle by the Colonel, giving number of commanderies and membership in the State."

The amendment was accepted by the maker of the motion, and the motion as amended was agreed to.

P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, No. 4, moved that Crusader's Castle, No. 14, K. G. E., of N. J., be instructed by this Grand Castle to reinstate Aaron Burr within two weeks, and give him a new trial. Carried.

The amendments to the Constitution, offered last session, were read as follows :

Amend Article II, Section 1, of Grand Castle Constitution, as follows :

Strike out the words, "First week in September" and insert "Third week in September."

P. S. C. William C. Hunter, No. 36, moved that the amendment as read be adopted. Not agreed to.

Amend Article II, Section 1. SESSIONS.

By striking out the entire section and inserting in lieu thereof—

"There shall be one stated session of the Grand Castle held each year, during the first week in September, in the city of Trenton."

P. S. C. William C. Hunter, No. 36, moved that the amendment as read be adopted. The motion was declared lost.

P. G. C. James E. Highley, No. 15, moved that when we adjourn, we do so to meet in Atlantic City on Labor Day, 1901.

P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows raised a point of order that the motion was out of order, inasmuch as we cannot adjourn to meet again. The Grand Chief decided the point of order well taken, and declared the motion out of order.

The following resolution was read :

TRENTON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

To the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS :—The undersigned respectfully offer the following for the consideration of this Grand Castle :

WHEREAS, The "New Jersey Crusader," adopted at the last Grand Castle session as the official organ of the Knights of the Golden Eagle of the State of New Jersey, has come fully up to the requirements of a representative society journal ; and

WHEREAS, The membership throughout the State has not shown a disposition to support the publication to the extent that its worth merits ;

Resolved, That we commend the "Crusader" to the membership at large for a more liberal support in the matter of subscriptions and correspondence, knowing that its influence for the welfare of the Order will be thereby greatly increased ;

Resolved, That for the ensuing year an appropriation as liberal as possible be allowed by this Grand Castle for the support of the "Crusader" in the work it is doing for the Order.

Submitted in F. V. and H.,

WILLIAM C. HUNTER, P. S. C.
 WILLIAM H. RUF, P. G. C.
 A. L. CLARK, P. G. C.
 GEORGE F. SCHEELE, P. C.
 A. Q. BLOOM, P. C.
 CLARENCE REINFRIED, P. C.
 J. B. WAINRIGHT, P. C.
 GEORGE PARKER SUTTON, P. C.
 CHARLES E. KING, JR., P. C.
 DR. G. W. CHAMBERLAIN, P. C.

P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, moved that the resolution be adopted. So ordered.

P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, moved that an appropriation of \$50.00 be made to the "New Jersey Crusader." Agreed to.

P. C. Charles E. King, Jr., No. 47, moved that we go into nomination and selection of place for the next annual meeting. Carried.

P. G. C. James E. Highley, No. 15, named Atlantic City.

P. C. Dr. George W. Chamberlain, No. 66, named Manasquan.

P. S. C. William C. Hunter, No. 36, named Swedesboro.

P. C. Thomas B. Seals, No. 43, named Flemington.

By consent, P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, withdrew Manasquan.

FIRST BALLOT.

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| Atlantic City received | 25 votes |
| Swedesboro received | 37 votes |
| Flemington received | 39 votes |

No choice.

P. S. C. W. C. Hunter, 36, withdrew Swedesboro by permission.

SECOND BALLOT.

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| Atlantic City received | 43 votes |
| Flemington received | 63 votes |

Flemington was therefore declared the place for holding the next annual session.

P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, No. 4, moved that we go into installation of officers. So ordered.

P. S. C. William C. Hunter, No. 36, acting as Supreme Chief, assisted by P. G. C. Walter A. Barrows, No. 4, as Supreme High Priest; P. G. C. James E. Highley as Past Supreme Chief; Lieut.-Gen'l H. P. Reinicke, of Pennsylvania, as Supreme Vice-Chief; S. S. G. William H. Ruf, No. 34, as Supreme Sir Herald; P. G. C. E. D. Senseman, No. 9, as Supreme Master of Records, proceeded to install the officers-elect as follows:

Past Grand Chief—Jacob S. Kent.
 Grand Chief—Arthur H. Hope.
 Grand Vice-Chief—J. C. Risley.
 Grand High Priest—Dr. J. B. Wainright.
 Grand Master of Records—A. L. Clark.

Grand Keeper of Exchequer—George P. Sutton.

Grand Sir Herald—Thomas B. Seals.

Grand First Guardsman—H. W. Fronley.

Grand Second Guardsman—(absent).

Grand Chief Hope addressed the Grand Castle.

P. S. C. William C. Hunter then, on behalf of the Grand Castle, presented an elegant Past Grand Chief's badge and jewel to sitting P. G. C. Jacob S. Kent, which was received by him in well-chosen remarks.

G. M. of R. A. L. Clark moved that we go into the nomination and election of a Supreme Representative. Agreed to.

P. G. C. E. D. Senseman, No. 9, nominated P. G. C. Jacob S. Kent, No. 54. Nominations closed.

The Grand Chief appointed P. C. C. E. King, Jr., No. 47, and P. C. George W. Smith, No. 7, as tellers.

P. G. C. Jacob S. Kent having received all the votes cast, was declared elected as Supreme Representative, and accepted.

The tellers were discharged with thanks.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved that the printed report of the Funeral Benefit Fund be embodied in the printed proceedings. Carried.

The following petition was presented and read :

TRENTON, N. J., September 3d, 1900.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS :—We, the undersigned Past Chiefs of Capital Castle, No. 28, of New Jersey, most respectfully petition your honorable body to confer the honors of Past Chief upon Sir Knight Thomas Chapman, for services rendered, as follows : Elected twice to the post of Vice-Chief of the Castle, and served both terms faithfully and conscientiously ; yet, owing to circumstances over which he had no control, was obliged to voluntarily relinquish serving as Noble Chief, thus

losing his chances of advancement. As his servitude has equalled the lawful requirement to obtain said honors, we pray that the same may be granted as a just reward to a faithful Knight.

GEORGE F. SCHEELE,
A. Q. BLOOM,
LEWIS H. WHITE,
GEORGE H. HARD,
A. KRUEGER,
JOHN SHMIDT,
GEORGE T. JENKINS,
MERVIN MCCOY,
ELMER E. HARLE,
J. W. YOUNG,
JOHN S. KITTLE.

G. M. of R. A. L. Clark moved that the request be complied with. Agreed to.

P. G. C. James E. Highley, No. 15, moved that a Past Grand Chief badge and jewel be procured for our retiring Grand Keeper of Exchequer, J. Harris Cogill, as a token of our appreciation of his services; and that G. M. of R. A. L. Clark be authorized to present the same on behalf of the Grand Castle, in the hall of Mercer Castle, No. 23, at Trenton. Agreed to.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, moved that \$5.00 be paid to the janitor of the hall for services rendered. So ordered.

The following amendment to the Constitution was laid over for one year, under the rules:

Amendment to Article XIV, Constitution, after the word "Records," on line eight (8), add the following—

"Any Castle failing to send the semi-annual report to the Grand Master of Records within thirty (30) days after the close of the term, shall be fined five dollars (\$5.00); and no Castle shall receive the semi-annual pass-word until the fine is paid."

W. H. RUF, No. 34, P. G. C.
GEORGE P. SUTTON, No. 9, P. C.

Representative S. A. McMahan, No. 46, moved that the first Thursday in August be set apart as anniversary day at Atlantic City. So ordered.

G. M. of R. A. L. Clark moved the appointments of the Grand Chief be approved when made. Agreed to.

G. M. of R. A. L. Clark moved that the thanks of this Grand Castle be extended to Past Supreme Chief William C. Hunter for services in installing our officers. Agreed to.

P. G. C. William H. Ruf moved that the resolutions on the death of P. C. Tobias Grace, No. 50, to be drawn up by the committee already named, be printed in the proceedings. Agreed to.

No further business appearing, the Grand Castle, at 6.30 P. M., closed to meet in annual session, in Flemington, on the first Monday in September, 1901.

Attest :



A. L. Clark

Grand Master of Records.

(The Grand Master of Records takes this opportunity to extend his thanks to P. G. C. William H. Ruf, No. 34, and P. C. George P. Sutton, No. 9, for their valuable assistance during the session, assuring them that their work was highly appreciated.)

Roster of Members in Attendance.

| NAME. | RANK. | CASTLE. |
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| J. P. Beckley | Representative | Millville, No. 2. |
| Thomas A. Ziegler | Representative | Washington, No. 3. |
| Geo. J. Robertson, P. G. C. | Representative | New Jersey, No. 4. |
| George W. Smith | Representative | Phillipsburg, No. 7. |
| David F. Kay | Representative | Paterson, No. 8. |
| E. D. Senseman, P. G. C. | Representative | Monarch, No. 9. |
| J. P. Marlatt | Representative | Warren, No. 12. |
| Charles H. Allen | Representative | Bridgeton, No. 13. |
| Abraham B. Perkins | Representative | Herald, No. 17. |
| A. S. Bullock | Representative | Florence, No. 18. |
| William J. Cook | Representative | Leod, No. 20. |
| James H. Keil | Representative | Palmyra, No. 22. |
| Charles T. Vansant | Representative | Mercer, No. 23. |
| Frank Allen | Representative | Cross and Crown, No. 25. |
| Mervin McCoy | Representative | Capital, No. 28. |
| Samuel W. Veale | Representative | Volunteer No. 30. |
| T. E. Philhower | Representative | Califon, No. 32. |
| W. G. Lauer | Representative | Franklin, No. 33. |
| A. F. Vannote | Representative | Clyde, No. 34. |
| Daniel Bloch | Representative | Cœur de Lion, No. 36. |
| William P. Bradley | Representative | Halcyon, No. 37. |
| William Sproat | Representative | Mount Everest, No. 38. |
| John S. Ashbridge | Representative | Clayton, No. 39. |
| John Parkes | Representative | Flemington, No. 41. |
| Edward Manning | Representative | Annandale, No. 43. |
| L. P. Schmidt | Representative | Antioch, No. 44. |
| S. A. McMahan | Representative | Vineland, No. 46. |
| H. D. Chamberlain | Representative | Corinthian, No. 47. |
| A. R. Chatten | Representative | Sterling, No. 50. |
| J. H. Story | Representative | Monmouth, No. 51. |
| James Mackey | Representative | Columbia, No. 54. |
| W. D. Robinson | Representative | Wall, No. 57. |
| H. Wainright | Representative | Windsor, No. 59. |
| J. L. S. Braddock | Representative | Bayside, No. 60. |
| Truman Hickman | Representative | Excelsior, No. 61. |
| Isaac B. Johnson | Representative | Progressive, No. 62. |
| A. C. Robinson | Representative | Silver Cross, No. 63. |
| T. C. Schanck | Representative | Passaic, No. 64. |
| William Jorden | Representative | Plumsted, No. 66. |
| Granville L. Moore | Representative | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| Charles W. Bennett | Representative | To-Kalon, No. 72. |
| Thomas A. Warren | Past Chief | Washington, No. 3. |
| William B. Strang | Past Chief | Washington, No. 3. |
| Jossep S. Ernst | Past Chief | Washington, No. 3. |
| Fred Simon | Past Chief | Washington, No. 3. |
| Joseph W. Jackson | Past Chief | Washington, No. 3. |
| Thomas W. Vesey | Past Chief | Washington, No. 3. |
| James H. Spence | Past Chief | Washington, No. 3. |
| Walter A. Barrows | Past Grand Chief | New Jersey, No. 4. |
| Henry Opel | Past Chief | Ivanhoe, No. 5. |

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| Clarence Reinfried | Past Chief | Ivanhoe, No. 5. |
| George P. Sutton | Past Chief | Monarch, No. 9. |
| R. M. Coffman | Past Chief | Monarch, No. 9. |
| P. K. Eldridge | Past Chief | Monarch, No. 9. |
| Charles F. Middleton | Past Chief | Monarch, No. 9. |
| Samuel E. Wall | Past Chief | Monarch, No. 9. |
| Charles E. Lane | Past Grand Chief | Monarch, No. 9. |
| William J. Crompton | Past Chief | Monarch, No. 9. |
| William L. Skinner | Past Chief | Monarch, No. 9. |
| William S. Hewitt | Past Chief | Ocean, No. 11. |
| Oliver F. Johnston | Past Chief | Warren, No. 12. |
| Col. C. B. Greenfield | Past Chief | Crusaders', No. 14. |
| James E. Highley | Past Grand Chief | Woodbury, No. 15. |
| William M. R. Brown | Past Chief | Florence, No. 18. |
| Charles A. Willey | Past Chief | Florence, No. 18. |
| Fred P. Cook | Past Chief | Leod, No. 20. |
| George H. Hoover | Past Chief | Burlington, No. 21. |
| William G. Frank | Past Chief | Palmyra, No. 22. |
| E. W. Evans | Past Chief | Palmyra, No. 22. |
| William Dalrymple | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| William S. Mills | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| Michael Morohn | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| Peter Patschkowski | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| Dr. E. H. Ginnelley | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| Gilbert F. Smith | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| A. Gustavi | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| E. A. Baldauf | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| Charles M. Price | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| A. L. Clark | G. M. of R. | Mercer, No. 23. |
| G. W. Stryker | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| Thomas Farrell | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| G. A. Reynolds | Past Chief | Mercer, No. 23. |
| F. A. Buren | Past Grand Chief | Cross and Crown, No. 25. |
| John L. Vehe | Past Chief | Cross and Crown, No. 25. |
| William H. Green | Past Chief | Cross and Crown, No. 25. |
| Samuel S. Young | Past Chief | Cross and Crown, No. 25. |
| William Pierce | Past Chief | Silver Star, No. 27. |
| Henry W. Fronley | G. Second Guardsman | Capital, No. 28. |
| J. W. Young | Past Chief | Capital, No. 28. |
| John S. Kiitle | Past Chief | Capital, No. 28. |
| A. Q. Bloom | Past Chief | Capital, No. 28. |
| George T. Jenkins | Past Chief | Capital, No. 28. |
| George F. Scheele | Past Chief | Capital, No. 28. |
| James Hammersley | Past Chief | Capital, No. 28. |
| Albert Krueger | Past Chief | Capital, No. 28. |
| John Schmidt | Past Chief | Capital, No. 28. |
| Walter H. Chew | Past Chief | Lincoln, No. 31. |
| George W. Creveling | Past Chief | Califon, No. 32. |
| W. H. Ruf | S. Second Guardsman | Clyde, No. 34. |
| J. B. Wainright, M. D. | Grand High Priest | Clyde, No. 34. |
| F. B. Woodley | Past Chief | Clyde, No. 34. |
| Samuel Garrison | Past Chief | Clyde, No. 34. |
| Robert M. Marks | Past Chief | Clyde, No. 34. |
| William C. Hunter | Past Supreme Chief | Cœur de Lion, No. 36. |
| C. K. Mayer | Past Chief | Cœur de Lion, No. 36. |
| Emil Geiger | Past Chief | Mount Everest, No. 38. |
| David Sproat | Past Chief | Mount Everest, No. 38. |
| James H. Dean | Past Chief | Flemington, No. 41. |
| Asher R. Stryker | Past Chief | Flemington, No. 41. |
| Thomas B. Seals | Past Chief | Annandale, No. 43. |
| L. Krein | Past Chief | Antioch, No. 44. |
| B. Pullen | Past Chief | Tuckerton, No. 45. |
| T. R. Eastburn | Past Chief | Vineland, No. 46. |

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| Charles E. King, Jr. | Past Chief | Corinthian, No. 47. |
| G. A. Lippincott | Past Chief | Corinthian, No. 47. |
| Arthur H. Hope | Grand Vice-Chief | Corinthian, No. 47. |
| Charles Vandegrift | Past Chief | Sterling, No. 50. |
| William P. Story | Past Chief | Monarch, No. 51. |
| Jacob S. Kent | Grand Chief | Columbia, No. 54. |
| George H. Stilwell | Past Chief | Wall, No. 57. |
| Thomas W. McPherson | Past Chief | Silver Cross, No. 63. |
| George F. Betzler | Past Chief | Plumsted, No. 66. |
| Jacob R. Goff | Past Chief | Plumsted, No. 66. |
| Dr. G. W. Chamberlain | Past Chief | Plumsted, No. 66. |
| Fred Engler | Past Chief | Star of Bethlehem, No. 68. |
| John Bauman | Past Chief | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| John Hawkes | Past Chief | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| Albert R. Reeves | Past Chief | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| James A. Drake | Past Chief | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| Robert S. Turton, | Past Chief | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| Thomas Depuy, | Past Chief | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| William F. DePew | Past Chief | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| James Hardy | Past Chief | New Brunswick, No. 71. |
| S. Robert White | G. First Guardsman | To-Kalon, No. 72. |
| Harry P. Reinicke | Lieut. Gen'l M. B. | Harris, No. 20, of Pa. |

SPECIAL SESSIONS.

The following special sessions for conferring the Past Chief's Degree were held during the year, at which the Past Chiefs named were admitted to membership in the Grand Castle:

Schilling's Hall, 64 Main Street, Paterson, N. J., January 13th, 1900, Grand Chief Kent presiding.

Past Chiefs admitted:

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| William W. Smith, No. 38. | Samuel Meek, No. 38. |
| John A. West, No. 38. | Thomas Bennett, No. 54. |
| Charles Bell, No. 38. | John E. Whalon, No. 54. |
| Emil Geiger, No. 38. | John J. Black, No. 58. |
| William H. Talmadge, No. 58. | |

Hall of Ivanhoe Castle, No. 5, Salem, N. J., January 16th, 1900, Grand Master of Records Clark acting as Grand Chief, P. G. C. W. J. Freas as Grand Sir Herald, P. C. Henry Opel as Grand High Priest, P. C. George Dixon as Grand Vice-Chief.

Past Chiefs admitted:

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| Samuel Spears, No. 5. | Robert S. Reeves, No. 5 |
| David B. Hurley, Jr., No. 5. | T. G. Walker, No. 5. |

Hall of Mercer Castle, No. 23, Trenton, N. J., February 22d, 1900, Grand Master of Records Clark acting as Grand Chief, P. C. Asher Lovett, No. 23, as Grand High Priest; P. C.

Jacob Young, No. 28, as Past Grand Chief; P. C. J. S. Kittle, No. 28, as Grand Vice-Chief; P. C. Fred Giermann, No. 68, as Grand Master of Records; Grand Second Guardsman H. W. Fronley at position, and P. C. William G. Zeigler, No. 23, as Grand Sir Herald.

Past Chiefs admitted :

Charles M. Philps, No. 23.
 Gilbert F. Smith, No. 23.
 Peter Patschkowske, No. 23.
 Williston Young, No. 28.
 Walter Smith, No. 28.

Charles Parent, No. 28.
 William Schroeder, No. 68.
 Peter Ringle, No. 68.
 Rudolph Domres, No. 68.
 Fred Engler, No. 68.

Hall of Warren Castle, No. 12, Washington, N. J., March 28th, 1900, Grand Chief Jacob S. Kent presiding, P. C. J. P. Marlatt, No. 12, acting as Grand High Priest; P. C. Thomas B. Seals, No. 43, as Grand Sir Herald; P. C. O. F. Johnston, No. 12, as Grand First Guardsman; Grand Master of Records Clark at position.

Past Chiefs admitted :

William H. Eckhardt, No. 7.
 John V. Hagerman, No. 7.
 William H. Andrews, No. 12.

Henry Slater, No. 12.
 Seward Wear, No. 32.
 G. W. Creveling, No. 32.

William M. Pace, No. 43.

Hall of To-Kalon Castle, No. 72, Long Branch, N. J., May 18th, 1900, Grand Chief Jacob S. Kent presiding, Grand High Priest Wainright at position, P. G. C. William H. Ruf acting as Grand Sir Herald, D. G. C. William J. Cook, No. 20, as Grand First Guardsman; P. C. H. B. Alexander, No. 47, as Grand Second Guardsman; Grand Master of Records Clark at position.

Past Chiefs admitted :

H. D. Harvey, No. 20.
 Harry Ruf, No. 34.
 J. W. VanHouten, No. 34.

A. F. Vannote, No. 34.
 Charles Lippincott, No. 47.
 H. B. Seymour, No. 72.

W. S. VanBrunt, No. 72.

Hall of Passaic Castle, No. 64, Passaic, N. J., May 25th, 1900, Grand Chief Jacob S. Kent presiding, P. C. Thomas Connolly, No. 54, acting as Grand High Priest; P. C. T. C. Schanck, No. 64, as Grand Sir Herald; P. C. Walter Hawkins, No. 62, of Pennsylvania, as Grand First Guardsman; P. C. John Kinney, No. 64, as Grand Master of Records.

Past Chiefs admitted :

Nelson Van Riper, No. 64.
A. Reichert, No. 64.

E. Lullwitz, No. 64.
John F. Rowe, No. 64.

Hall of Monmouth Castle, No. 51, Freehold, N. J., June 25th, 1900, Grand Chief Jacob S. Kent presiding, Grand High Priest Wainright at position; Past Grand Chief, William H. Ruf; Grand Vice-Chief, A. H. Hope; P. C. Charles A. Campbell, No. 51, as Grand First Guardsman.

Past Chiefs admitted :

Asher Errickson, No. 51.
James Vankirk, No. 51.
Albert P. Applegate, No. 51.

Joseph C. Windsor, No. 59.
Wm. Edward Palmer, No. 59.
William Stanford, No. 59.

INSTITUTIONS.

RED MEN'S HALL,

302 Main St., Paterson, N. J., March 1st, 1900.

Paterson Castle, No. 8, was instituted on above date, the ceremonies being performed by Grand Chief Jacob S. Kent, assisted by Grand Vice Chief Arthur H. Hope, Grand High Priest J. B. Wainright, and Sir Knights from Nos. 38, 54 and 64. The three degrees were conferred in full, followed by the institution ceremonies.

On Wednesday evening, March 7th, the officers were installed as follows :

Past Chief—William Douglass.
 Noble Chief—Richard Seymour.
 Vice Chief—George Bates.
 High Priest—Francis Donnelly.
 Venerable Hermit—Frederick Wilkes.
 Sir Herald—James W. Brown.
 Master of Records—Harry H. Singleton.
 Clerk of Exchequer—David F. Kay.
 Keeper of Exchequer—Patrick J. Tierney.
 Worthy Bard—Otto Sell.
 Worthy Chamberlain—John Glass.
 Ensign—Thomas Dickerson.
 Esquire—Samuel Best.
 First Guardsman—Thomas Gillmore.
 Second Guardsman—John Cosgrove.

Number of names on application for charter 78—fifty-eight of whom were present and received the degrees.

Castles represented, Nos. 34, 38, 47, 54 and 64.

Organizer, James H. McGill.

A. L. CLARK, *G. M. of R.*

K. OF P. HALL,
Perth Amboy, N. J., April 12th, 1900.

Halcyon Castle, No. 37, was regularly instituted at above place and date, the ceremonies being conducted by Grand Chief Jacob S. Kent, assisted by Grand Vice-Chief A. H. Hope, Grand Master of Records A. L. Clark and Grand First Guardsman S. Robert White, and Sir Knights from Corinthian Castle, No. 47.

The three degrees were conferred in full by degree staff of No. 47, as follows :

Past Chief—Arthur H. Hope, G. V. C.
Noble Chief—John F. Knox.
Vice-Chief—Henry D. Chamberlain.
High Priest—Edgar Bills.
Venerable Hermit—S. Robert White, No. 72.
Sir Herald—J. Frank Cobb.
Worthy Chamberlain—Henry Bresnahan.
Ensign—George C. Davis.
Esquire—Charles T. Lippincott.
L.—A. H. Hope.
F. K.—Dr. Reese H. Bell.
Worthy Bard—Albert Gifford.
First Guardsman—Jesse S. Clayton.
Second Guardsman—Claude J. Wiseman.

The work was performed in a highly creditable manner.

The following officers were installed :

Past Chief—William P. Bradley.
Noble Chief—William Bath.
Vice-Chief—George Mack.
High Priest—L. N. Boyer.
Venerable Hermit—Harvey Lynch.
Master of Records—John C. Platt.
Clerk of Exchequer—William G. Gray.

Keeper of Exchequer—William Werner.
 Sir Herald—Edward Tyrell.
 Worthy Chamberlain—William Rickwood:
 Worthy Bard—Joseph Thomas:
 Ensign—H. Dayton.
 Esquire—F. Reed.
 First Guardsman—William V. Ash,
 Second Guardsman—J. Mills.

Number of names on application for charter, 68; present and uniting, 58, of whom the following possessed defunct certificates from Halcyon Castle, No. 55, defunct, which were duly filed with the application:

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| P. C. P. H. Golden, | P. C. William Rickwood, |
| P. C. William Werner, | P. C. B. Frank Henry, |
| P. C. G. W. Mack, | P. C. Edward H. Tyrell, |
| P. C. John A. Henry, | P. C. William Bath, |
| | N. V. Leigh. |

Castles represented were Nos. 23, 47, 54, 71 and 72.

Organizer, A. H. Hope, of Asbury Park.

A. L. CLRAK, *G. M. of R.*

INSTALLATION OF GRAND FIRST GUARDSMAN.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., October 27th, 1899.

To the Grand Castle of New Jersey, K. G. E.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—As per direction of Supreme Chief William C. Hunter, on October 20th, 1899, I went to Long Branch, and at a regular session of To-Kalon Castle, No. 72, with Grand Vice-Chief A. H. Hope acting as Supreme Sir Herald, Past Chief L. M. Reeves, of No. 47, as Supreme High Priest, we installed Brother White as Grand First Guardsman.

Yours Fraternally in F., V. and H.,

P. C. J. FRANK COBB.

The Committee appointed by the Grand Castle to draft a suitable minute upon the death of Past Chief Tobias Grace respectfully report the following :

In Memoriam.

TOBIAS GRACE, PAST CHIEF OF STERTING CASTLE, No. 50, KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE OF NEW JERSEY.

He became a member of the Grand Castle in 1898, and departed this life April 25th, 1900. His association with us was confined to two annual sessions; but short as was the term of our fellowship with him, still it was sufficient to exemplify to us the stable worth of his character as a man and his unflagging zeal for the prosperity and good name of the Order.

Directly on his admission he took an active part in the business of the Grand Castle, and was elected Grand First Guardsman, and at the session of 1899 he was appointed chairman of the Committee on Credentials.

The quietness of his demeanor and the methodical methods of thought and action which characterized him lent dignity to him, and he added dignity to the Order by his membership therein.

He was a reliable member and gave promise of great usefulness in the Order, which had his hearty love and earnest support. We deplore his seemingly untimely death, yet we rejoice in the fact that in the closing hours of this earthly life he was fully resigned to God's will, and was happy in the full assurance of hope of eternal life, which so soon became fruition.

In his life, and no less in his death, he was an exemplification of confidence in God, who directs and governs in the affairs of men and does all things well.

We cherish his memory and the hope he so feelingly expressed of meeting in the happy home beyond the sighing and the weeping.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. BARROWS, P. G. C.,

A. L. CLARK, P. G. C.,

GEORGE P. SUTTON, P. C.,

Committee.

In Memoriam.

TO OUR DEPARTED PAST CHIEFS.

- P. C. Henry Bomhoff, Millville Castle, No. 2.
Died March 21st, 1900.
- P. C. Marble Cowperthwaite, Red Cross Castle, No. 6.
Died April 5th, 1900.
- P. C. Charles T. Smith, Cœur de Lion Castle, No. 36.
Died February 16th, 1900.
- P. C. Isaiah Boody, Vineland Castle, No. 46.
Died December 3d, 1899.
- P. C. James Van Brunt, Corinthian Castle, No. 47.
Died June 8th, 1900.
- P. C. Tobias Grace, Sterling Castle, No. 50.
Died April 25th, 1900.
- P. C. Isaac J. Grimshaw, Monmouth Castle, No. 51.
Died September 2d, 1899.
- P. C. E. H. Warner, Wall Castle, No. 57.
Died October 12th, 1899.
- P. C. John E. Frazee, Windsor Castle, No. 59.
Died April 14th, 1900.
- P. C. William T. DuBois, Progressive Castle, No. 62.
Died April 28th, 1900.
- P. C. Charles D. Whittaker, Cumberland Castle, No. 65.
Died March 10th, 1900.
- P. C. Samuel M. Chafey, Plumsted Castle, No. 66.
Died April 12th, 1900.
- P. C. A. A. Cannon, New Brunswick Castle, No. 71.
Died June 8th, 1900.

In Memoriam.

William Camberon, Millville Castle, No. 2.
Died November 22d, 1899.

William C. Hoffman, Washington Castle, No. 3.
Died September 24th, 1899.

Griffith W. Owens, New Jersey Castle, No. 4.
Died November 15th, 1899.

Frank C. Brittain, Monarch Castle, No. 9.
Died March 9th, 1900.

Samuel H. Kirk, Monarch Castle, No. 9.
Died April 15th, 1900.

M. Clift Green, Monarch Castle, No. 9.
Died May 26th, 1900.

Jacob Davis, Bridgeton Castle, No. 13.
Died November 18th, 1899.

Ebenezer Whitaker, Bridgeton Castle, No. 13.
Died January 17th, 1900.

Joseph M. Brick, Marlton Castle, No. 16.
Died September 5th, 1899.

Charles Ferguson, Leod Castle, No. 20.
Died May 13th, 1900.

Harry Fox, Palmyra Castle, No. 22.
Died June 1st, 1900.

R. Lowber Temple, Palmyra Castle, No. 22.
Died June 13th, 1900.

John Chapman, Mercer Castle, No. 23.
Died March 1st, 1900.

A. M. Hickson, Capital Castle, No. 28.
Died February 1st, 1900.

In Memoriam.

William Wilde, Capital Castle, No. 28.
Died April 22d, 1900.

John Sproat, Franklin Castle, No. 33.
Died April 28th, 1900.

Abram P. Barrow, Annandale Castle, No. 43.
Died August 9th, 1899.

Solomon Shourds, Tuckerton Castle, No. 45.
Died September 15th, 1899.

Louis F. Sprecker, Vineland Castle, No. 46.
Died September 23d, 1899.

Jacob Heaton, Vineland Castle, No. 46.
Died April 26th, 1900.

Mell C. Pittinger, Corinthian Castle, No. 47.
Died July 6th, 1899.

Joseph R. Davison, Monmouth Castle, No. 51.
Died May 18th, 1900.

Benjamin Brown, Columbia Castle, No. 54.
Died January 25th, 1900.

Kinsey P. Shropshire, Cumberland Castle, No. 65.
Died October 16th, 1899.

Jacob C. Shull, Cumberland Castle, No. 65.
Died March 11th, 1900.

Charles A. Harker, Plumsted Castle, No. 66.
Died June 15th, 1900.

John Rath, Jr., Star of Bethlehem Castle, No. 68.
Died January 3d, 1900.

H. H. Emmons, To-Kalon Castle, No. 72.
Died October 29th, 1899.

Roster of Past Grand Chiefs.

GRAND CASTLE OF NEW JERSEY.

| NAME. | CASTLE. | No. |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|
| John P. Price, | Ivanhoe, | 5 |
| Oliver P. Darlington* | " | 5 |
| Joseph J. Chester, | Millville, | 2 |
| George J. Robertson, | New Jersey, | 4 |
| William J. Freas, | Ivanhoe, | 5 |
| Charles O. Pedrick, | Washington, | 3 |
| Joseph C. Rubicam,* | Camden,** | 1 |
| George A. Bingham† | " ** | 1 |
| Joseph H. Minnett* | " ** | 1 |
| William A. Garrison* | Millville, | 2 |
| Henry F. Bacon,* | Ivanhoe, | 5 |
| Irving W. Kelly, P. S. C., | Trenton,†† | 7 |
| Horace J. Parks, | Monarch, | 9 |
| Joseph T. Fortiner,† | Camden,** | 1 |
| H. Frank Pettit* | Washington, | 3 |
| F. A. Buren, | Cross and Crown, | 25 |
| William N. Hewitt* | Bridgeton | 13 |
| George L. Frazee* | Monarch, | 9 |
| F. Wayland Potter, | Washington, | 3 |
| Joseph Arnold*** | Bridgeton, | 13 |
| Robert M. Foust, | Woodbury, | 15 |
| William C. Hunter, P. S. C. | Cœur de Lion, | 36 |
| James E. Highley, | Woodbury, | 15 |
| E. D. Senseman, | Monarch, | 9 |
| John C. F. Trachsel, | Cross and Crown, | 25 |
| Walter A. Barrows, | New Jersey, | 4 |
| Daniel M. Stevens, | Washington, | 3 |
| William H. Ruf, | Clyde, | 34 |
| A. L. Clark, | Mercer, | 23 |
| Charles E. Lane, | Monarch, | 9 |
| James E. Russell, | Palmyra, | 22 |
| Jacob S. Kent, | Columbia, | 54 |
| J. Harris Cogill, | Mercer, | 23 |

*Suspended.

†Deceased.

**Defunct.

***Withdrawn.

††Consolidated with No. 23.

ORGANIZATION

OF THE

GRAND CASTLE OF NEW JERSEY

The Grand Castle of New Jersey was organized in the city of Camden, July 16th, 1884. Subsequent regular sessions have been held as follows:

| No. | PLACE. | DATE. | GRAND CHIEF. | CASTLE. |
|-----|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| 1 | Salem, . . . | Mar. 3d, 1885, . . . | Joseph H. Minnett, | 1 |
| 2 | Trenton, . . . | Mar. 2d, 1886, . . . | William A. Garrison, | 2 |
| 3 | Camden, . . . | Mar. 2d, 1887, . . . | Henry F. Bacon, . . | 5 |
| 4 | Millville, . . . | Sept. 1st, 1887, . . . | Irving W. Kelly, . . | 7 |
| 5 | Burlington, . . . | Sept. 5th, 1888, . . . | Horace J. Parks, . . | 9 |
| 6 | Bridgeton, . . . | Sept. 3d, 1889, . . . | H. Frank Pettit, . . | 3 |
| 7 | Trenton, . . . | Sept. 2d, 1890, . . . | William N. Hewitt, | 13 |
| 8 | Paterson, . . . | Sept. 7th, 1891, . . . | F. Wayland Potter,* | 3 |
| 9 | Woodbury, . . . | Sept. 6th, 1892, . . . | F. Wayland Potter, | 3 |
| 10 | Asbury Park, . . . | Sept. 4th and 5th, 1893, | Joseph Arnold, . . . | 13 |
| 11 | Trenton, . . . | Oct. 2d and 3d, 1894, | Robert M. Foust, . . | 15 |
| 12 | New Brunswick, . . . | Oct. 1st and 2d, 1895, | William C. Hunter, | 36 |
| 13 | Atlantic City, . . . | Sept. 8th and 9th, 1896, | Walter A. Barrows, | 4 |
| 14 | Jersey City, . . . | Sept. 7th, 1897, . . . | William H. Ruf, . . . | 34 |
| 15 | Long Branch, . . . | Sept. 5th and 6th, 1898, | Charles E. Lane, . . . | 9 |
| 16 | Camden, . . . | Sept. 4th and 5th, 1899, | James E. Russell, . . . | 22 |
| 17 | Trenton, . . . | Sept. 3d, 1900 . . . | Jacob S. Kent, . . . | 54 |

*Grand Vice-Chief presided in absence of Grand Chief Frazee.

Statistics of Counties.

SUMMARIZED FROM SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS,

TERM ENDING, JUNE 30th, 1900.

The Order is now established in fifteen counties, distributed as follows (including admissions, financial standing and average membership per Castle):

| COUNTY. | CASTLES. | MEMBERSHIP. | AVERAGE. | ADMISSIONS. | VALUATION. |
|----------------------|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| Atlantic | 4 | 334 | 83 | 30 | \$6,369 42† |
| Burlington | 10 | 605 | 60 | 21 | 15,778 93† |
| Camden | 5 | 473 | 95 | 27 | 5,908 97 |
| Cape May | 1 | 42 | 42 | | 1,830 01 |
| Cumberland | 5 | 592 | 118 | 71 | 13,483 73 |
| Essex | 1 | 30 | 30 | | † |
| Gloucester | 7 | 452 | 65 | 31 | 10,888 38† |
| Hunterdon | 5 | 456 | 91 | 34 | 4,298 62 |
| Mercer | 3 | 428 | 143 | 46 | 33,50 39 |
| Middlesex* | 3 | 253 | 84 | 76 | 3,525 55 |
| Monmouth | 6 | 556 | 93 | 57 | 4,805 04 |
| Ocean | 5 | 421 | 84 | 13 | 5,755 12 |
| Passaic* | 5 | 287 | 57 | 80 | 1,722 90† |
| Salem | 2 | 239 | 119 | 12 | 5,276 70 |
| Warren | 2 | 135 | 67 | 16 | 583 58 |
| Total | 64 | 5303 | 82 | 514 | \$83,577 34 |

*New Castles included.

†Five Castles not reported. Valuation not included.

REPORT

OF THE

K. G. E. FUNERAL BENEFIT FUND OF NEW JERSEY.

TRENTON, N. J., August 20th, 1900.

To the K. G. E. Funeral Benefit Fund of New Jersey.

SIR KNIGHTS AND BROTHERS:—The Board of Managers desire to present the following report of the business transacted and condition of the Fund at the close of this Grand Castle year:

MEMBERSHIP.

INCREASE AND DECREASE DURING THE YEAR.

| No. | NAME OF CASTLE. | 1899 September. | October. | November. | December. | 1900 January. | February. | March. | April. | May. | June. | July. | August. |
|-----|-----------------|--------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-----------|--------|--------|------|-------|-------|---------|
| 23 | Mercer | 142 | 143 | 143 | 145 | 149 | 151 | 156 | 155 | 150 | 153 | 160 | 163 |
| 66 | Plumsted | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 49 | 49 | 48 | 48 | 46 | 46 |
| 26 | Stafford | 50 | 50 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 52 | 57 | 57 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 58 |
| 35 | Wrightstown | 61 | 61 | 61 | 61 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 59 | 59 | 59 | 59 | 57 |
| 9 | Monarch | 123 | 133 | 133 | 134 | 134 | 134 | 134 | 137 | 137 | 137 | 135 | 137 |
| 41 | Flemington | 95 | 95 | 98 | 99 | 99 | 98 | 97 | 100 | 103 | 103 | 103 | 104 |
| 31 | Lincoln | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 55 | 59 | 60 | 57 | 57 | 57 | 57 |
| 70 | Phoenix | 57 | 51 | 51 | 50 | 48 | 49 | 49 | 49 | 47 | 48 | 48 | 48 |
| 51 | Monmouth | 110 | 110 | 116 | 116 | 123 | 129 | 139 | 139 | 144 | 142 | 144 | 143 |
| 59 | Windsor | 58 | 58 | 58 | 58 | 54 | 55 | 55 | 56 | 55 | 55 | 55 | 55 |
| 72 | To-Kalon | 45 | 44 | 41 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 37 | 37 | 37 | 39 | 39 |
| 12 | Warren | 41 | 37 | 38 | 34 | 34 | 37 | 37 | 39 | 39 | 39 | 42 | 41 |
| 64 | Passaic | 53 | 53 | 53 | 54 | 54 | 54 | 56 | 55 | 58 | 58 | 54 | 53 |
| 3 | Washington | 181 | 182 | 182 | 182 | 177 | 179 | 179 | 185 | 185 | 180 | 187 | 187 |
| 34 | Clyde | 65 | 57 | 60 | 60 | 63 | 63 | 63 | 63 | 63 | 64 | 64 | 64 |
| 40 | Prospect | 98 | 95 | 97 | 97 | 95 | 94 | 95 | 95 | 94 | 94 | 94 | 94 |
| 7 | Phillipsburg | 69 | 69 | 72 | 72 | 72 | 74 | 75 | 75 | 79 | 83 | 84 | 86 |
| 1 | Blackwood | 14 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 |
| 47 | Corinthian | | | | | | 126 | 143 | 147 | 151 | 153 | 152 | 153 |
| 4 | New Jersey | | | | | | 46 | 46 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 49 | 49 |
| 36 | Cœur de Lion | | | | | | | 35 | 44 | 47 | 47 | 49 | 50 |
| 61 | Excelsior | | | | | | | | 38 | 40 | 40 | 41 | 42 |
| 28 | Capital | | | | | | | | 152 | 154 | 157 | 158 | 159 |
| 57 | Wall | | | | | | | | | 25 | 25 | 25 | 26 |
| 37 | Halcyon | | | | | | | | | | 70 | 70 | 73 |
| 50 | Sterling | | | | | | | | | | 62 | 62 | 62 |
| 25 | Cross and Crown | | | | | | | | | | 53 | 55 | 84 |
| 5 | Ivanhoe | | | | | | | | | | 127 | 126 | 124 |
| 62 | Progressive | | | | | | | | | | | 61 | 61 |
| 63 | Silver Cross | | | | | | | | | | | 31 | 31 |
| | Total | 1357 | 1347 | 1362 | 1363 | 1362 | 1558 | 1641 | 1859 | 1894 | 2222 | 2326 | 2363 |

| No. | NAME OF CASTLE. | MEMBERS ADDED. | MEMBERS CANCELED. | PRESENT MEMBERSHIP. | ADVANCE FEES. | BENEFICIARY ASSESSMENT. | GENERAL FUND. | ARRARAGES. | TOTAL. | DEATHS. | BENEFITS PAID BY THE FUND. |
|-----|---------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|------------|-----------|----------|----------------------------|
| 23 | Mercer | 37 | 16 | 163 | \$9 25 | \$209 20 | \$7 25 | .. . . . | \$225 70 | 2 | \$500 00 |
| 66 | Plumsted | 2 | 3 | 46 | 50 | 66 20 | 2 35 | .. . . . | 60 05 | 2 | 400 00 |
| 26 | Stafford | 11 | 3 | 58 | 2 75 | 77 40 | 2 55 | \$0 10 | 82 80 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 35 | Wrightstown . . . . . | .. . . . | 4 | 57 | .. . . . | 82 00 | 3 00 | .. . . . | 85 00 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 9 | Monarch | 26 | 12 | 137 | 6 50 | 184 00 | 6 70 | 1 40 | 199 50 | 2 | 400 00 |
| 41 | Flemington | 18 | 8 | 104 | 4 50 | 139 50 | 4 95 | .. . . . | 148 95 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 31 | Lincoln | 14 | 5 | 57 | 3 50 | 76 40 | 2 30 | .. . . . | 82 20 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 70 | Phoenix | 2 | 11 | 48 | 50 | 67 80 | 2 40 | .. . . . | 71 15 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 51 | Monmouth | 48 | 16 | 143 | 12 00 | 185 00 | 5 80 | .. . . . | 202 80 | 2 | 300 00 |
| 59 | Windsor | 3 | 6 | 55 | 75 | 77 70 | 2 65 | .. . . . | 81 10 | 1 | 200 00 |
| 72 | To-Kalon | 2 | 8 | 39 | 50 | 54 20 | 2 00 | .. . . . | 56 70 | 1 | 100 00 |
| 12 | Warren | 13 | 12 | 41 | 3 25 | 52 00 | 1 70 | 2 55 | 60 40 | 1 | .. . . . |
| 64 | Passaic | 7 | 6 | 53 | 1 75 | 77 10 | 2 70 | .. . . . | 81 55 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 3 | Washington | 19 | 10 | 187 | 4 75 | 255 00 | 8 80 | 1 50 | 269 95 | 2 | 100 00 |
| 34 | Clyde | 11 | 12 | 64 | 2 75 | 86 50 | 2 95 | 1 05 | 93 25 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 40 | Prospect | 5 | 9 | 94 | 1 50 | 132 30 | 4 65 | .. . . . | 138 45 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 7 | Phillipsburg | 18 | 1 | 86 | 4 50 | 107 20 | 3 60 | .. . . . | 115 30 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 1 | Blackwood | 3 | .. . . . | 17 | 75 | 22 70 | 1 45 | .. . . . | 24 90 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 47 | Corinthian | 156 | 3 | 153 | 39 00 | 148 60 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 187 60 | 1 | 200 00 |
| 4 | New Jersey | 49 | .. . . . | 49 | 12 25 | 47 80 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 60 05 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 36 | Cœur de Lion | 51 | 1 | 50 | 12 75 | 37 20 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 49 95 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 61 | Excelsior | 42 | .. . . . | 42 | 10 50 | 24 20 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 34 70 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 28 | Capital | 160 | 1 | 159 | 40 25 | 93 60 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 133 85 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 57 | Wall | 26 | .. . . . | 26 | 6 50 | 10 00 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 16 30 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 37 | Halcyon | 73 | .. . . . | 73 | 18 25 | 14 00 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 32 25 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 50 | Sterling | 62 | .. . . . | 62 | 15 75 | 12 15 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 27 90 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 25 | Cross and Crown | 87 | 3 | 84 | 21 75 | 10 40 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 32 15 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 5 | Ivanhoe | 127 | 3 | 124 | 31 75 | 24 80 | .. . . . | .. . . . | 56 55 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 62 | Progressive | 65 | 4 | 61 | 16 25 | .. . . . | .. . . . | .. . . . | 16 25 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| 63 | Silver Cross | 31 | .. . . . | 31 | 7 75 | .. . . . | .. . . . | .. . . . | 7 75 | .. . . . | .. . . . |
| | Totals | 1168 | 157 | 2363 | \$292 75 | \$2378 75 | \$67 80 | \$6 05 | \$2745 15 | 14 | \$2200 00 |

RECAPITULATION.

Number of Castles last report, 18; membership, 1360—and continued as follows:

| | | | | |
|-------|------------|----|-----------------------------|------|
| 1899. | September. | 18 | Castles and a membership of | 1357 |
| | October. | 18 | “ “ | 1347 |
| | November | 18 | “ “ | 1362 |
| | December | 18 | “ “ | 1363 |
| 1900. | January | 18 | “ “ | 1362 |
| | February | 20 | “ “ | 1558 |
| | March | 21 | “ “ | 1641 |
| | April | 23 | “ “ | 1859 |
| | May | 24 | “ “ | 1894 |
| | June | 28 | “ “ | 2222 |
| | July | 30 | “ “ | 2326 |
| | August | 30 | “ “ | 2263 |

Average death rate for year, 1 to 123.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

| | | ADVANCE FEES. | BENEFICIARY. | GENERAL. |
|-------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1899. | September | | \$1 20 | 30 |
| | October | | 3 80 | 95 |
| | November | | 4 60 | 1 15 |
| | December | | 2 40 | 60 |
| 1900. | January | | 4 00 | 1 00 |
| | February | | 41 80 | 10 45 |
| | March | | 17 00 | 4 25 |
| | April | | 46 00 | 11 50 |
| | May | | 11 00 | 2 75 |
| | June | | 66 60 | 16 65 |
| | July | | 24 60 | 6 15 |
| | August | | 11 20 | 2 80 |
| | Total, | | <u>\$234 20</u> | <u>\$58 55</u> |

ASSESSMENTS.

| | | | | |
|-------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1899. | September | Acct. of July assessment for | General Fund, | \$0 70 |
| | October | Whole assessment No. 3 . . | \$265 60 | |
| | December | Half " " No. 4 . . | 135 10 | |
| 1900. | January | General Fund assessment . . | | 67 10 |
| | February | Half " " No. 5 . . | 135 30 | |
| | April | Whole " " No. 6 . . | 319 80 | |
| | May | " " " No. 7 . . | 328 10 | |
| | June | " " " No. 8 . . | 372 90 | |
| | July | " " " No. 9 . . | 379 00 | |
| | August | " " " No. 10 . . | 442 75 | |
| | | | <u>\$2612 75</u> | |
| | Arrearages | | 5 40 | 65 |
| | | | <u>\$2618 15</u> | <u>\$127 00</u> |

DISBURSEMENTS.
BENEFICIARY FUND.

| NAME. | CASTLE. | AGE. | ADMITTED. | DIED. | CAUSE. | *DISAPPROVED. | BENEFICIARY. | BENEFIT. | WARRANT. |
|------------------------------|---------|------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|----------|
| I. J. Grimshaw | 51 | 69 | 1899, Nov. 14. | 1899, Sept. 2. | Heart failure following operation for strangulated hernia. | 1899, Sept. 15. | Susan F. Grimshaw. | \$100 00 | 4 |
| William C. Hoffman | 3 | 62 | 1899, Feb. 2. | 1899, Sept. 24. | Diarrhoea and hepatic carcinoma. | 1899, Nov. 1. | Adelina P. Hoffman. | 100 00 | 5 |
| Harry H. Emmons | 72 | 32 | 1899, Jan. 9. | 1899, Oct. 20. | Nephritis, gastritis and malarial fever. | 1899, Nov. 17. | Mrs. Susie Emmons. | 100 00 | 6 |
| John Chapman | 23 | 33 | 1898, May 19. | 1900, March 1. | Pulmonary tuberculosis. | 1900, Mar. 21. | Mary F. Chapman. | 200 00 | 7 |
| Samuel M. Chafey | 66 | 39 | 1898, June 3. | 1900, April 12. | Heart failure. | 1900, April 24. | Alberta G. Chafey. | 200 00 | 8 |
| Samuel H. Kirk | 9 | 30 | 1898, Aug. 9. | 1900, April 15. | Acute bronchitis followed by endo- carditis. | 1900, May 5. | Mary S. Kirk. | 200 00 | 9 |
| John E. Frazee | 59 | 28 | 1898, Dec. 13. | 1900, April 14. | Pneumonitis. | 1900, May 11. | Sarah B. Frazee. | 200 00 | 10 |
| M. Clift Green | 9 | 65 | 1898, Aug. 9. | 1900, May 26. | Valvular disease of the heart | 1900, June 5. | Almira F. Green. | 200 00 | 11 |
| Joseph R. Davison | 51 | 57 | 1900, Nov. 14. | 1900, May 18. | Phthisis. | 1900, June 8. | Ellen Davison. | 200 00 | 12 |
| James Van Brunt | 47 | 28 | 1900, Feb. 3. | 1900, June 8. | Cerebral meningitis. | 1900, June 15. | Rachel Shible. | 200 00 | 13 |
| Charles A. Harker | 66 | 28 | 1898, June 3. | 1900, June 15. | Septicæmia due to peritonitis. | 1900, June 21. | Susan Harker. | 200 00 | 14 |
| William R. Welsh | 12 | 39 | 1899, Jan. 9. | 1900, July 5. | Carotid artery and vein being sev- ered. | 1900, Aug. 4. | Mrs. Emma Howell. | 300 00 | 15 |
| William J. Howell | 23 | 36 | 1899, Feb. 2. | 1900, July 29. | Melancholic poisoning, contracted in Colon, Central America. | 1900, *Aug. 20. | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| S. D. Turton | 3 | 67 | 1900, July 7. | 1900, July 14. | Angina pectoris, with muscular de- generation of heart. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| | | | | | | | Total | \$2200 00 | |

* Non-beneficial.

† Claim referred to annual meeting, as no heirs have been found.

GENERAL FUND.

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Office supplies and Postage | \$34 15 |
| W. H. Ruf, expenses attending 5 meetings of Board of Managers, . . . | 19 50 |
| Dr. J. B. Wainright, expenses attending 4 meetings of Board of Managers, . . . | 15 60 |
| Dr. G. W. Chamberlain, expenses attending 4 meetings of Board of Managers, . . . | 12 00 |
| George P. Sutton, expenses attending 3 meetings of Board of Managers . . . | 6 01 |
| W. A. Barrows, counsel, expenses attending 2 meetings of Board of Managers, | 2 85 |
| E. D. Senseman, printing | 22 75 |
| Samuel Mellor, Jr., printing | 10 00 |
| W. H. Miers, officers' bond | 3 75 |
| A. L. Clark, Secretary, 6 months' salary | 25 00 |
| Total, | <u>\$151 61</u> |

RECAPITULATION.

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Total Receipts, Beneficiary Fund | \$2,618 15 |
| Balance on hand at last report | 344 00 |
| Total, | <u>\$2,962 15</u> |
| Twelve claims paid | 2,200 00 |
| Balance deposited in New Jersey Trust and Safe Deposit Company to credit of George P. Sutton, Treasurer | <u>\$762 15</u> |
| Total receipts General Fund | \$127 00 |
| Balance on hand at last report | 38 56 |
| Total | <u>\$165 56</u> |
| Less warrants for expenses | 151 61 |
| Balance deposited in New Jersey Trust and Safe Deposit Company to credit of George P. Sutton, Treasurer | <u>\$13 95</u> |

For the year eight assessments (six whole and two halves) have been called for Beneficiary Fund, assessments having been waived for the months of September, November, January and March. As was foretold by the Provisional Board of Managers at the last session, the Fund has benefitted Castles which are members thereof and the Order in general in New Jersey. The fact being we now have a little less than one-half the membership enrolled. These Castles have made a net increase in membership of about 150, while the Castles that are not members of the Fund, comprising *more* than half the entire membership, have only made a net increase of about 25. We feel that this is a strong argument in favor of the Funeral Benefit Fund.

Respectfully submitted in F., V. and H.,

P. C. DR. GEO. W. CHAMBERLAIN, President,
P. C. GEO. P. SUTTON, Treasurer,
P. G. C. A. L. CLARK, Secretary,
P. G. C. WILLIAM H. RUF,
P. C. DR. J. B. WAINRIGHT,
GRAND CHIEF JACOB S. KENT, *ex-officio*,
Board of Managers.

CASTLE DIRECTORY.

| No. | NAME. | LOCATION. | COUNTY. | MASTER RECORDS. | ADDRESS. | MEETS. | PLACE OF MEETING. |
|-----|------------------|---------------|------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Blackwood | Blackwood | Camden | H. B. Morgan | Blackwood | Thursday | W. C. T. U. Hall. |
| 2 | Milville | Milville | Cumberland | Joseph W. Hall | 530 North Eighth St. | Thursday | K. G. E. Hall. |
| 3 | Washington | Camden | Camden | Sidney W. Jackson | 11 S. Thirty-fourth St. | Friday | Fifth and Pine Streets. |
| 4 | New Jersey | Camden | Burlington | Geo. J. Robertson | Mount Holly | Thursday | Red Men's Hall. |
| 5 | Ivanhoe | Salem | Burlington | Henry Opel | Salem (Box 339) | Tuesday | Mecum Building. |
| 6 | Red Cross | Medford | Burlington | A. S. Stackhouse | Medford | Thursday | I. O. O. Hall. |
| 7 | Phillipsburg | Phillipsburg | Warren | Charles W. Gelpke | 107 Bullman Street | Monday | Gwinner's Hall. |
| 8 | Pateron | Pateron | Passaic | Harry H. Singleton | 421 Straight Street | Wednesday | Druid's Hall. |
| 9 | Monarch | Camden | Camden | E. D. Senseman | Third and Arch Sts. | Wednesday | Fourth and Market Sts. |
| 10 | Puritan | Quinton | Salem | L. S. Riggins, Jr. | Quinton | Monday | K. G. E. Hall. |
| 11 | Ocean | Atlantic City | Atlantic | William J. Black | 4 N. Mississippi Ave. | Monday | Odd Fellows' Hall. |
| 12 | Warren | Washington | Warren | Jos. M. Chamberlain | 186 W. Washing'n Av. | Wednesday | Red Men's Hall. |
| 13 | Bridgeton | Bridgeton | Cumberland | Joseph H. Garwood | 100 Marion Street | Tuesday | Eagle Hall. |
| 14 | Crusaders | Burlington | Burlington | William F. Smith | Box 716 | Wednesday | Masonic Hall. |
| 15 | Woodbury | Woodbury | Gloucester | Theo. S. Burrows | Woodbury | Tuesday | Red Men's Hall. |
| 16 | Marlton | Marlton | Burlington | Wm. H. Sowby | Marlton | Friday | Red Men's Hall. |
| 17 | Herald | Beverly | Burlington | C. L. Hazzard | Beverly | Thursday | K. of P. Hall. |
| 18 | Florence | Norfolk | Burlington | Robert Cottam | Box 28 | Tuesday | Odd Fellows' Hall. |
| 19 | Newark | Newark | Essex | G. K. Hersey | 264 Lafayette Street | Thursday | Town Hall. |
| 20 | Leod | N. Pleasant | Ocean | H. C. Shoemaker, Jr. | Point Pleasant | Tuesday | 210 Market Street. |
| 21 | Burlington | Burlington | Burlington | Joseph H. Matlack | Burlington | Thursday | John Arnold Hall |
| 22 | Palmyra | Palmyra | Burlington | F. S. Day | Palmyra | Wednesday | Red Men's Hall. |
| 23 | Mercer | Trenton | Mercer | A. L. Clark | 222 North Willow St. | Thursday | Society Hall. |
| 24 | Fidelity & Crown | Moorestown | Burlington | J. Lewis Edwards | Moorestown | Friday | Greenwald's Hall. |
| 25 | Cross & Crown | East Camden | Camden | John L. Vehe | 125 S. 5th St., Phila. | Monday | Sigel's Hall. |
| 26 | Stratford | Manahawken | Ocean | Geo. E. Bennett | Manahawken | Tuesday | Predmore Hall. |
| 27 | Silver Star | May's Landing | Atlantic | A. G. Stewart, Jr. | May's Landing | Thursday | Veal's Hall. |
| 28 | Capitan | Trenton | Mercer | F. Ellis Scheele | 238 Bayard Street | Wednesday | Cor. Hudson and Mott St. |
| 30 | Vincent | Flasboro | Gloucester | W. H. Chevrette | Flasboro | Wednesday | Association Hall. |
| 31 | Lincoln | Califonville | Gloucester | George Van Billiard | Califonville (Box 5) | Tuesday | Davenport Hall. |
| 32 | Califon | Califonville | Hunterdon | Wm. A. M. Mount | Box 99 | Saturday | Cooley Hall. |
| 33 | Franklin | Manassquan | Hunterdon | Willis A. Mount | Manassquan | Tuesday | K. G. E. Hall. |
| 34 | Wrightstown | Wrightstown | Mercer | Albert Watson | Wrightstown | Thursday | K. G. E. Hall. |
| 35 | Cesar de Lion | Swedesboro | Gloucester | C. K. Platt | Swedesboro | Tuesday | Masonic Hall. |
| 36 | Hatcyon | Perth Amboy | Middlesex | John C. Platt | 93 High Street | Monday | Dana Hall, Smith St. |
| 38 | Mt. Everest | Pateron | Passaic | John M. Orr | 74 Pennington Street | Tuesday | Harmony Hall. |
| 39 | Clayton | Clayton | Gloucester | R. T. Haines | Clayton (Box 177) | Monday | K. of P. Hall. |
| 40 | Prospect | Pitman Grove | Gloucester | William S. Rink | Pitman Grove (Box 46) | Thursday | K. G. E. Hall. |
| 41 | Flemington | Flemington | Hunterdon | James H. Dean | Box 247 | Tuesday | K. G. E. Hall. |

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| 43 | Anandale | Hunterdon | Thomas B. Seals | Anandale (Box 111) | Thursday | Anandale Hall. |
| 44 | Angoch | Atlantic | L. P. Schmidt | Egg Harbor City | Tuesday | Golden Eagle Hall. |
| 45 | Tuckerton | Burlington | J. W. Horner | Tuckerton | Friday | Town Hall |
| 46 | Vineyard | Cumberland | Joseph Mason | Vineland | Thursday | G. A. R. Hall |
| 47 | Corinthian | Monmouth | Edgar Bills | Box 822 | Monday | Winkler's Hall. |
| 49 | Forked River | Ocean | Frank P. Wilbert | Forked River | Thursday | Fidelity Hall. |
| 50 | Sterling | Middlesex | Walter Watts | 27 Main Street | Saturday | K. of R. Hall |
| 51 | Monmouth | Monmouth | John W. Hess | Freehold | Monday | G. A. R. Hall. |
| 53 | Greenwich | Gloucester | Henry L. Haines | Clarksboro | Monday | Clark's Hall. |
| 54 | Wilmington | Passaic | David E. Kent | 2 West Canal Street | Thursday | 322 Main Street. |
| 57 | Star of Liberty | Passaic | P. C. Brown | Spring Lake | Thursday | Eagle Hall |
| 59 | Windsor | Passaic | A. W. VanSaun | Pompton Plains | Tuesday | DuPong's Hall |
| 60 | Bayside | Monmouth | W. B. Goodenough | Farmingdale | Tuesday | Red Men's Hall. |
| 61 | Excelsior | Atlantic | C. E. C. Steelman | Somers' Point | Friday | Clark & English Hall. |
| 62 | Progressive | Cape May | Wm. F. McKean | Fishing Creek | Tuesday | K. C. F. Hall. |
| 63 | Silver Cross | Cumberland | I. B. Johnson | 286 E. Commerce St. | Saturday | K. of M. Hall. |
| 64 | Passaic | Hunterdon | William B. Pickell | White House Station | Friday | Stillwell's Hall |
| 65 | Cumberland | Passaic | Adolph Reichert | 204 Third Street | Friday | Red Men's Hall. |
| 66 | Thumsted | Cumberland | Oscar Buzby | Port Norris | Tuesday | K. of P. Hall. |
| 68 | New Brunswick | Ocean | George F. Betzler | 122 Hewitt Street | Monday | Mess' Hall. |
| 70 | Lucern | Mercer | Fred Giermann | 714 South Clinton Ave. | Friday | Third and Federal Sts. |
| 71 | New Brunswick | Camden | I. M. Hoey | 9 Hartwell Street | Saturday | Peoples' National Bank. |
| 72 | To-Kalon | Middlesex | Robert S. Turton | Long Branch | Tuesday | Amoch Lodge Room. |
| | | Monmouth | S. Robert White | | Friday | |

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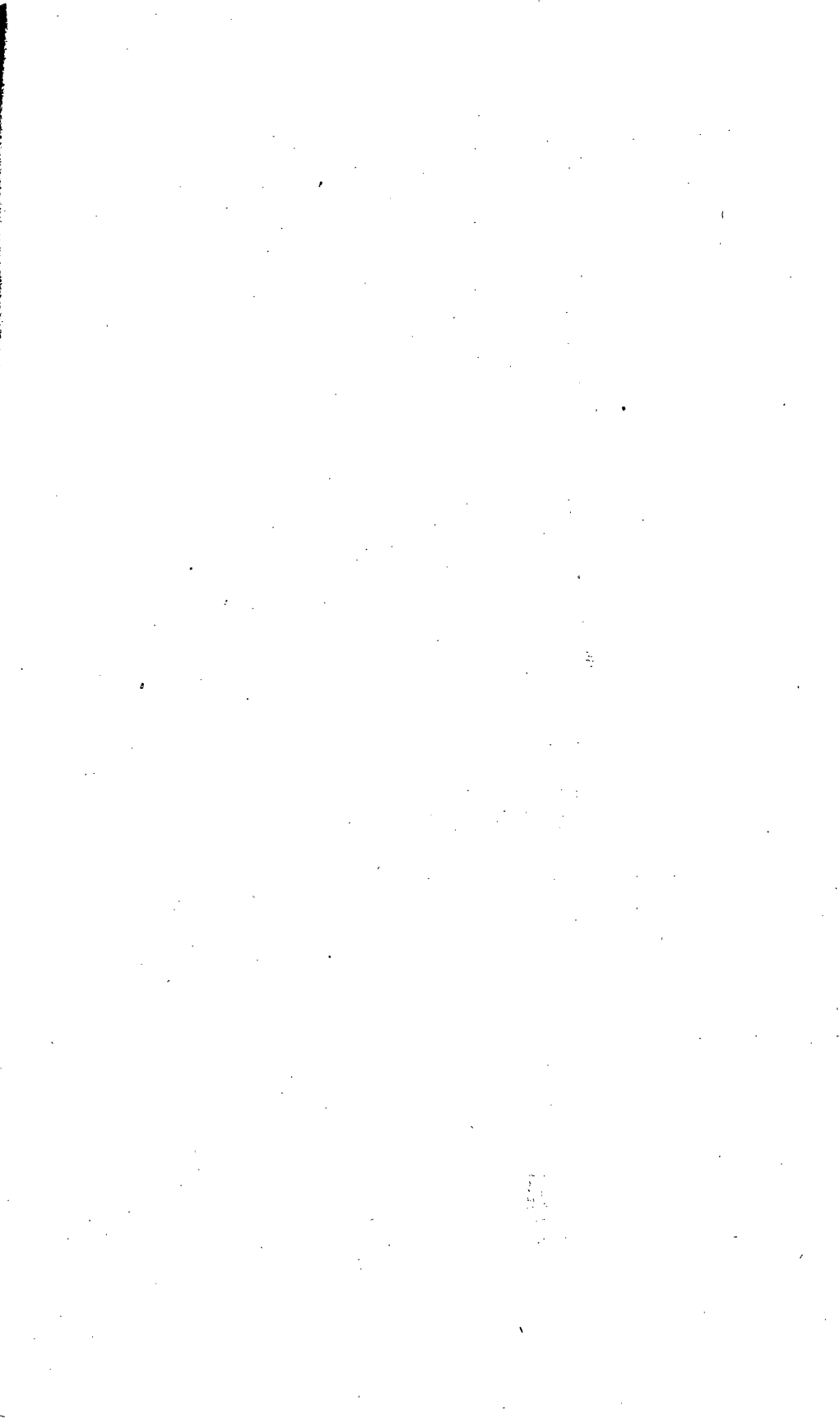
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