The Canadian Order of Foresters.

For 20 years this society has been doing business, and each year it has been growing in strength and influence. The following table, which gives the standing of the order since its organiztion in 1879, will show how it has prospered:

Year ending May 31.	Membership.	Claims Paid	Increase in Reserve	Total Reserve
1880	$ 850	$5,888 50	$ 888 50	$ 888 50
1881	11,710	5,000 00	2,158 50	3,047 00
1882	2,110	11,000 00	604 10	3,651 10
1883	2,901	15,000 00	563 78	4,216 24
1884	3,500	11,000 00	2,737 59	6,952 87
1885	4,305	23,000 00	31 66	6,984 53
1886	5,131	23,000 00	9,539 22	16,524 35
1887	5,758	28,000 00	14,786 31	31,310 69
1888	7,261	30,000 00	25,501 66	56,812 35
1889	8,625	41,001 10	21,473 16	80,285 51
1890	10,382	51,800 00	27,728 49	108,014 00
1891	12,514	60,200 00	33,219 65	141,233 65
1892	14,208	69,000 00	46,974 78	191,208 43
1893	16,495	74,059 83	61,576 04	252,784 47
1894	18,641	88,000 00	70,463 09	323,247 56
1895	20,791	103,647 10	70,297 02	393,544 68
1896	22,671	104,647 19	82,976 73	476,521 81
Bal. 1896 7 mos	24,092	69,156 15	48,658 12	525,179 43
1897	27,165	152,352 53	67,587 08	592,766 11
1898	30,789	113,937 06	108,407 24	701,173 75

In November, 1895, the insurance premiums payable by the members were put upon a sliding scale, and since that time the surplus in the insurance fund has been rapidly increasing, and today it is over $823,000, all of which is invested in gilt-edged securities in the Dominion of Canada, to which the operations of the society are confined. The membership is upward of 33,000, distributed in every province of the Dominion, and is growing unprecedently. The society issues insurance policies for $500, $1000, $1500 and $2000, at the following rates, the fees being paid monthly in advance:

Between the Age of	On $500	On $1000	On $1500	On $2000
18 to 25	.35c	60c	90	$1.20
25 to 30	.40c	65c	98c	1.30
30 to 35	.45c	70c	$1.05	1.40
35 to 40	.40c	85c	1.28	1.70
40 to 45	.55c	$1.00	1.50	2.00

Not a dollar of the money collected for the insurance fund is or has been used for the expenses of management. Over two million dollars have been paid to members and their dependents since the organization of the society.

The Sick and Funeral Benefit Branch is a very popular department, and upwards of 16,000 of the members of the society are participating in this feature of the order. The benefits are $3 per week for the first two weeks of illness and $5.00 per week for the succeeding ten weeks, and $56 during any year, besides a funeral benefit of $30. The fees, payable monthly in advance are as follows:

Between 18 and 25 years... 25 cents
" 25 and 30 years....30 cents
" 30 and 35 years... 35 cents
" 35 and 40 years....40 cents
" 40 and 45 years....45 cents

During the year 1898 over $43,000 was paid out in sick and funeral benefits, and $143 000 in death benefits. All physically and morally qualified males between 18 and 45 years of age, who are not debarred on account of their occupation are accepted for membership.

For further particulars enquire of any of the officers or members of the order or address

R. ELLIOTT, THOS. WHITE
H. C. R. Ingersoll, High Sec. Brantford.
Or ERNEST GARTUNG, S. O. Brantford.

Important Announcement

We hereby beg to announce to our customers that we have sold our Grocery Business to Messrs. R. F. Maddigan & Co., and would solicit a continuance of the patronage so liberally extended to us in the past.

W. GRANT & CO.

In connection with the above we take this opportunity of informing the customers of the above firm, and the public generally, that we have in stock a full line of General Groceries, which will be sold cheap for cash. Free delivery of goods to all parts of the city.

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THE MORNING GUARDIAN

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 1900.

THE BY-ELECTINOS.

The three by-elections which were contested have now been heard from. Sherbrooke, which had an unbroken Conservative record since confederation, has returned the opposition candidate, Mr. McIntosh, though it is now stated by a narrow and greatly reduced majority.

In Winnipeg Mr. Martin, Independent Liberal, is returned by a reported majority of 60. In the election he received the support of the Liberal newspapers, and was no doubt elected by Liberal votes, while the Conservative vote appears to have been thrown for Pattee, the so-called Labor candidate, who ran in opposition.

In Lotbiniere, which has an unbroken Liberal record, two Liberals were in the field, Boisvert being the party nominee while Fortier, who is opposed to the sending of Canadian troops to South Africa without the direction of Parliament, was elected. The latter received most of the Opposition vote, but except on the Contingent matter, may be expected to give the Laurier Government a general support.

Both parties may be said to have fairly held their own in the seven by-elections just held, in four of which supporters of the Government were returned by acclamation. These contests do not appear to give much indication of the reaction in public sentiment for which the Opposition hoped. The greater independence of the Liberal candidates returned in Winnipeg and Lotbiniere is fairly well balanced by the greatly reduced Conservative majority in Sherbrooke.

Prince George of Greece, after a year spent as Governor of Crete, to which position he was appointed by the great powers, recently returned to Athens on a visit and was most enthusiastically received. He has succeeded well in Crete, having pacified that distracted Island in quite a remarkable way. Mohammedans and Christians alike respect him, and he has been able to dispense with all but 1,200 of the foreign troops which were quartered on the Island a year ago. Prince George is of almost gigantic stature, has a bluff, hearty manner, abundant good nature and a level head.

Kuang Su, Emperor of China, is reported to have been deposed and to have committed suicide, though it is probable that he has been murdered. He was born 15th August, 1871, and nominally succeeded to the crown on 12th January, 1875. The Emperor, though nominally the sovereign of four hundred millions of people, in reality never ruled at all. The real ruler has been his aunt, the Empress Dowager, who appears to have been able by intrigue and force to keep the youthful Emperor first in leading strings and later as a prisoner in his palace. The end has now come and whether by murder or suicide will not materially change the aspect of China's affairs while the real ruler retains her bad eminence at Pekin.

The news from the seat of war indicates that the forward movement of Gen. Warren has met with a check, but it does not follow that he has sustained a serious, much less a disastrous reverse. Nor is any sufficient warrant shown for the fear that Lord Dundonald has fallen into a trap. We hope and trust that he will turn up again all right. On the other hand we have a most assuring account from Ladysmith, which apparently can take care of itself. The Boers appear to have been badly punished at Spion Kop and in addition to many killed lost 160 prisoners. In the mean time more troops are arriving in Cape Colony which must presently enable Methuen, French and Gatacre to resume offensive operations. The situation may have some unpleasant features but does not justify despondency.

A Russian military writer, M. Block, arguing that war will yet become impossible, points out the different conditions between the British Boer War and the Franco German war of 30 years ago. The rifleman now goes on the battlefield equipped with a weapon from which he can shoot twelve times as many bullets per minute at twice the range and three times the penetrative power of the rifle of 1870. These conditions, with greater accuracy and a lower trajectory make the rifle of today about 40 times as effective as the needle gun with which Germany conquered France. There has been an equal or greater advance in artillery and projectiles, it being claimed that a French battery of today is at least 116 times more deadly than the battery which was used in the war with Germany. Greater range, greater accuracy, rapidity of fire many times multiplied, more deadly shrapnel and shells make up the difference. "To now attack an intrenched position successfully the attacking force ought to be eight to one" says the Russian writer "It is calculated that 100 men in a trench would be able to put out of action 336 out of 400 who attacked them, while they were crossing a fire-zone only 300 yards wide. Everybody will be intrenched in the next war. It will be a great war of intrenchments. The spade will be as indispensable to a soldier as his rifle."

"Pride Goeth Before a Fall."

Some proud people think they have strong constitutions, and ridicule the idea of disease. Such people neglect their health, let the blood run down, and their stomach, kidneys and liver become deranged.

Don't be foolish about your health. Use Hood's Sarsaparilla and you will prevent the fall and save your pride.

Running Sore—"My mother was troubled with rheumatism in her knee for a number of years, and it broke out into a running sore. She took three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and is now well. Hood's Olive Ointment helped to heal the eruption." MRS. JOHN FARR, Cloverlawns, Ancaster, Ont.

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Hood's Sarsaparilla Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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We guarantee that these Plasters will relieve pain quicker than any other. Put up only in 25c. tin boxes and $1.00 yard rolls. The latter allows you to cut the Plaster any size.

Every family should have one ready for an emergency.

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Beware of Imitations

Hundreds of remnants at the big remnant sale today. See our ad. Moore & McLeod. 27 1i

High Grade Kerosene Oil

Our Kerosene Oil is giving splendid satisfaction this year. Our sales of it are steadily increasing, showing that the people know a good thing when they get it.

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When your can is empty, send it to us, and we will fill it with first-class Oil at a very low price.

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Read to-day's Prices,
There is Money in it for You.

A Clean Sheet Movement of Sheetings

80 in. English Plain Sheeting for.............. 25c
80 in, Extra Heavy English Plain Sheeting for.. 27c
80 in. " Fine " Soft Bound Thread Sheeting for.......... 26c
81 in. Extra Heavy Twill Sheeting for........ 24c
81 in. Heavy Soft Thread English Twill for.... 28c
72 in, Plain Sheeting for.......... 19c
80 in, " " "......... 27c
72 in. " " "......... 28c
42 in. Circular Pillow Cotton for.......... 13c

The above pieces have been reduced 25 per cent.

Twenty dozen Disabled Towels, but not through soaking. Their selling power is cripled by being slightly soiled on the double ends. They go on our Bargain Table tomorrow morning sharp 10 o'clock, at 20 per cent; all pure Irish flax Linen.

The following is our clearing prices on good reliable stock taken from reserve. We could not buy at the following prices:

Heavy Huck Oatmeal design Irish Linen Towels 18 x 36.......... $1.44
This Towel is well worth 50c a dozen more.
22 x 40 Huck Towel with fast color border.... $1.92
This Towel is generally sold at 22c each.
24 x 45 Huck Towel fast border fringed end at.......... $2.40 worth $3.00

Glass Towelling 16 inches wide.......... 8½c
" " 19 " "......... 6c
" " 20 " "......... 7c
" " 23 " "......... 7½c
" " 23 " "......... 8c
" " 25 " "......... 13c
Huckaback Towelling 27 inches wide......... 15c
" " 26 " "......... 18c
" " 27 " "......... 14c
" with red border 26 inches wide.... 16c
Linen Dowlas Towelling 27 inches wide......... 15c
" " " 29 " "......... 13c
" " " 24 " "......... 12c
Butchers' Linen 36 " "......... 20c
20 dozen real Huck Towels fast color border 18 x 36.......... $1.35 a doz.
Another Seller—pure white Huck Towel 20 x 38.......... $1,44 worth 17c each
Towelling by the yard, fairly good Towelling...... 4c
Nice Brown Twill Towelling cold border...... 5c
" Bleached " " " 18 in...... 6c
" " " " " "...... 7c
Heavy Huck Towelling cold border 18 in...... 8c
Heavy Bleached Towelling cold border 18 in...... 11c
Extra Heavy Bleached Towelling cold border 18 in.......... 14c

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Unbleached Table Damask, Daisy designs 48 in. wide at.......... 18c
Unbleached Table Dmask Pansy design 52 in. wide at.......... 23c
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Unbleached Table Damask Fern and Rose design 56 in. wide at.......... 27c
Half Bleached Table Damask Clover Leaf design 56 in. wide at.......... 28c
Half Bleached Table Damask Rose Leaf design 60 in. wide at.......... 33c
Heavy Unbleached Table Damask Block design 62 in. wide at.......... 35c
Unbleached Table, Damask Fern design 56 in.
Full Bleached all pure Linen Table Damask 52 in wide at.......... 33
Full Bleached all pure Linen Table Damask Rose Bud design 60 in. wide at.......... 39
Fine Bleached all pure Linen Table Damask Leaf wide at.......... 35c
Heavy Unbleached Table Damask Block design 58 in. wide at.......... 35c
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Heavy Half Bleached Table Damask Dalhin and Wheat design 58 in. wide at.......... 49c
Heavy Half Bleached Table Damask 64 in. wide at 49c
Heavy Unbleached Table Damask Daisy design 58 in. wide at.......... 52c
Fine Half Bleached Table Damask Shamrock design 64 in. wideat.......... 59c
design 60 in. wide at.......... 48
Fine Bleached all pure Linen Table Damask Maple Leaf design 62 in. wide at.......... 48
Fine Bleached all pure Irish Linen Table Damask Lilly of the Valley design 62 in. wide at.......... 58
Fine Bleached pure Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Pansy design 64 in. wide at.......... 60
Fine Bleached pure Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Buttercup design 68 in. wide at.......... 59
Fine Bleached pure Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Leaf design 62 in. wide at.......... 64
Fine Bleached pure Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Grape Vine design 72 in. wide at.......... 65
Heavy Full Bleached pure Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Honey Suckle design 68 in wide at.......... 69
Heavy Fine Bleached pure Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Ivy design 62 in. wide at.......... 75
Heavy Fine Bleached pure Irish Linen Table Damask Maple Leaf design 68 in. wide at.......... 80
Heavy Fine Full Bleached pure Irish Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Heather and Poppy design 72 in. wide at.......... 84
Extra Fine Full Bleached pure Irish Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Fern design 72 in. wide at.......... 90
Extra Fine Full Bleached pure Irish Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Pansy and Fern design 68 in. wide at.......... 90
Extra Fine Full Bleached pure Irish Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Shamrock and Fern design 72 in. wide at.......... $1.00
Extra Fine Full Bleached pure Irish Linen Satin Finish Table Damask Pansy and Shamrock design 72 in. wide at.......... $1.00

Many of the above are placed 25 to 33 1-3 less than regular prices

Hotel keepers and thrifty house wives will do well to inspect our lot before purchasing elsewhere.

23 doz. Fine Bleached Linen Damask Table Napkins, Hemmed, Irish manufacture, all pure linen; sizes ⅝ x ⅝; prices per doz. 72c 96c, $1 08. $1.18, $1.32.

19 doz. Fine Bleached Linen Damask Table Napkins, unhemmed, superior quality and finish; iIrish manufacture. oral and conventional patterns; size ⅝ x ⅝, price per doz. $1.25, $1.56. $1.80.

11 doz. Fine Bleached pure Irish Linen Damask Table Napkins; assortedpatterns, unhemmed, extra fine, Satin finish; size ⅝ x ⅝, $2.15 and $2,60.

9 doz. Fine Bleached Linen Damask Table Napkins, guaranteed pure Irish Linen, in new damask patterns; size ¾ x ¾, price per doz. $2.50.

13 doz. Extra Heavy Full Bleached Double Damask Table Napkins, guaranteed pure linen, choice new patterns size ¾ x ¾, price per doz. $3 and $3.50.

5 doz. Extra Fine Satin Finished Double Demask Table Napkins, full bleached and all pure linen, new exclusive patterns, size ⅝ x ⅝, price $4.

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