Wichita Eagle

BANK ROBBERS QUICKLY CAPTURED.

A Sensational Crime Which Was Followed by an Exciting Chase.

The papers of rival cities have had some fun over the recent robber chase in Chicago, describing the "wild ride across the prairie" from Ninety-second street to South Chicago avenue, then up Woodlawn avenue, till the robbers abandoned their

CHARLES MULLEN. FRANK BENNETT. HARRY FEATHERSTONE. JOHN CORBETT.

team and ran "across prairie" again. It was in fact a very sensational chase, and though the robbers began and ended their flight in busy streets, they traversed some fine open spaces only to be caught with the plunder on them.

It was just noon when the cashier and other high officials of the Merchants' Exchange bank, of South Chicago, went to their lunch, leaving the bookkeeper, Frank Lynn, alone in the place and the doors of the vault unlocked. The strong box in the vault, containing some $10,000, was locked, but near it on the shelves were $1,000 in currency, in two packages, and $600 in coin. The building is on the corner of Ninety-second street and Commercial avenue. Bookkeeper Lynn, a pale and very quiet lad of 21, was sitting on his stool, his face buried in his book, when his attention was called, and, looking up, he saw two men moving rapidly toward the door that opens through the railing to the inner section, while a tall, blonde man stood at the cashier's window pointing two revolvers at him, with a profane order for him to keep still.

Lynn, however, moved toward the drawer which held his revolver, but by this time the two confederates were in the compartment. One fell upon him while the other grabbed the money. Lynn was kicked and beaten to insensibility, then thrown into the vault, and the door was closed. As the robbers went out they met Walter Willis, a bank employe, coming in. He saw evidences of robbery, opened the safe door, and heard the faint cry of Lynn, "The bank is robbed." The alarm was given at once, but the robbers were far away. They had stolen a horse and cart and located it near the bank. The hue and cry was raised, for the street was full of people, and within five minutes Lieut. Jenkins, of the South Chicago avenue station, with a squad of bluecoats, was in the patrol wagon and going at full gallop in the direction indicated by many who had noticed the mad speed of the previous flight.

The robbers were a mile ahead and provided for a relay, but they were doomed, for they had stolen a very old horse and a rather conspicuous cart, and were sighted before they could make the change. This part of their plan was rather ingenious. At the corner of Cottage Grove and South Chicago avenues one Charles Mullen, a "suspicious character," but not yet convicted of crime, lingered with his covered butcher wagon. The robbers reached him and made the transfer quickly; the horse they left dropping in the shafts from exhaustion; then with a fresh team and Mullen for driver they broke for the open prairie.

But the alarm had been sent in all directions, and the police had obtained a fresh team. As the robbers changed a faint yell was borne to their ears, and down the road came flying the load of bluecoats, the bare-headed driver leaning on the front board and lashing the team at every jump. The main point in the strategy—changing before the police could sight them—had failed, and it was henceforth only a race, hot and interesting. On Woodlawn avenue the robbers threw away their overcoats; then two of them jumped out and took it afoot across prairie lots. Mullen and the other were soon captured. The thief was John Corbett, and he had $89 of the bank's money in his pocket.

The other two were run to cover and captured in a new house, after having shot one man in the thigh. The big blonde proved to be Harry Featherstone, alias Hennessey. His companion, who pounded Bookkeeper Lynn, is Frank Bennett. These two are professional crooks, but Corbett is unknown to the police. And it was soon proved that the two professionals were the men who robbed the Allerton Packing company on Dec. 3. They got away with $5,200.

Wanted by the Russian Police.

The recent assassination of Gen. Seliverskoff in Paris has brought to light many strange facts about the despotism now ruling in Russia. Seliverskoff was even more licentious than cruel, and he was tricked at the last by a Paris woman who lured him to the place where he got his death blow. He was, however, a successful detective, and often boasted that he had sent more people to Siberia and the scaffold than any other ten men in the service.

STANISLAUS FAREWORSKI.

The nihilists got him at last, however, and captured some of his important papers. He was sent to Paris to break up the propaganda there and in Belgium and Switzerland, and there is a rumor that even Russian officials in France connived at his death, so generally was he hated. Padlewski, charged with giving the fatal blow, is believed to be in Bulgaria, where he is safer than elsewhere in Europe. The Russian government is straining every nerve to catch him and other refugees, and break up the foreign circles of nihilism, and their agents in Europe and America are working hard and are lavishly supplied with funds.

Will Hardly Live to Be Freaks.

A report from Cannes, France, is to the effect that two female children have been born there who are joined precisely as were the famous Siamese twins, Chang and Eng. The new freaks are sickly, and the chances of their living are said not to be good.

The Order of the Iron Hall.

There has been a large increase in the order throughout the southwest lately; the density in Missouri has been quite busy of late in organizing new branches. There has also been a good increase in Minnesota. The decision in favor of the order in that state has caused renewed interest in the order, and the increase in membership is the result.

MYSTIC MISCELLANY.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM MANY SECRET SOCIETY LODGE ROOMS.

Something About Col. Arthur C. Phillips, Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias in South Dakota—An Odd Fellow and a Mason—Other Items.

The following is condensed from a sketch originally appearing in The Knights' Sword and Helmet:

No name in the state of South Dakota is so familiar to the secret society men of the country at large as that of Col. Arthur C. Phillips, the grand chancellor of that state. His circle of acquaintances and friends, among the more prominent representatives of the Knights of Pythias, Masonic and I. O. O. F. fraternities is only bounded by the limits of our country.

Col. Phillips is but 31 years of age; has been a Knight of Pythias less than five years and an Odd Fellow and Mason but four years. In the Knights of Pythias Col. Phillips rapidly passed through the official chairs of his lodge, and was admitted into the grand lodge of Dakota at Watertown in June, 1887, where he was elected grand master of exchequer. At the next session, 1888, he was unanimously elected grand keeper of records and seal, and re-elected to that office at the 1889 session in Sioux Falls. The grand lodge session last June at Mitchell witnessed the dissolution of the old grand lodge of Dakota and the organization of the grand lodge of South Dakota, and at that time the representatives assembled showed their appreciation of his work by unanimously electing him grand chancellor. He is now discharging the duties of that highly responsible office with the same zeal and ability which has characterized his entire career.

COL. PHILLIPS.

In addition to the office of grand chancellor he also stands at the helm of the uniformed rank of his state (which is as yet without a regimental or brigade organization), having been appointed colonel and aid-de-camp upon the staff of the major general last spring. He organized the first division of the U. R. in the territory of Dakota in March, 1886.

In the I. O. O. F. his advancement has been hardly less rapid. From the time of his joining the order, in '88, up to the present time there has been no period that he has not held office. In 1888 he was at the same time noble grand of the subordinate lodge, chief patriarch of the encampment and captain of the Canton of P. M. He is considered one of the most thoroughly posted members of the order in the state.

In every branch of the Masonic order he holds membership, to the thirty-second degree of the Scottish and Knights Templar degree of the York rite. In El Riad temple of the Mystic Shrine he most creditably fills the office of "scherif al katabo." At the institution of Occidental consistory, A. A. S. R., thirty-second degree, two years ago, he was elected its chancellor, at which time he was also chosen master of Khuran Lodge of Perfection.

As a lawyer and newspaper writer Mr. Phillips has gained an enviable reputation.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR.

What the Founder Has Lived to See—Various Items.

Mr. Demaree is still a young man, yet he has lived to see the fraternity he formed June 30, 1873, in Louisville with seventeen members grow to be the greatest secret insurance society of national jurisdiction on earth. Grand lodges exist in every state, and subordinate lodges are found everywhere. Several lodges flourish in Canada, and at the supreme lodge meeting next May, in New Orleans, the extension of the order to foreign countries will be discussed.

The Knights of Honor, now seventeen years old, had 135,000 members in August, have paid $81,693,634.29 benefit claims, and its annual assessments are now twelve for each $1,000 insurance.

The new ladies council has thirty names on the application for charter. This council is to be composed exclusively of women, with a woman medical examiner.

The total amount paid in by the 170 deceased Knights of Honor, published in the December assessment circular, was $34,823.25, an average of $204.84, and the amount required to pay these claims is $331,000, nine of the number being half rate. Those who became members between 20 and 30 paid an average of but 7 7-10 per cent. on the amount of their benefits; 61 between 30 and 40 paid 9 2-10 per cent.; 81 between 40 and 50 paid 10 4-10 per cent., and 7 between 50 and 55 paid 35 8-10 per cent.

THE ROYAL ARCANUM.

Facts to Interest the Public and the Members of the Society.

This popular and progressive secret beneficiary order closed the year with a membership of about 112,000, having gained nearly 14,000 during 1890, or an average of nearly 1,200 per month. The total amount paid to beneficiaries reached nearly $15,000,000, which sum was realized by 143 assessments in thirteen years and six months, or less than one per month. The administration of the affairs of the order has been most satisfactory, and the well contented, growing membership have only words of commendation for the higher officers.

Royal Arcanum official reports give the membership, Oct. 1, 1890, as 108,974. Number of councils reported to date, 1,314.

The membership in Pennsylvania is 14,000, 2,000 in Philadelphia. There are seventeen councils in Philadelphia, and one in each of the near by towns.

A. O. U. W.

A Band Organized by Omaha Lodges—Various Items.

The United Workmen of Omaha have arranged to have a band, indeed they have a band, for the instruments, fourteen in number, have already arrived and the members are practicing. The band is the outcome of the joint enterprise of Union Pacific lodge, No. 17, Omaha lodge, No. 18 and North Omaha lodge, No. 159. The musical director of the new organization is George C. Allen. The members of the band are all members of the order except two.

Missouri gained 162 members during October, 149 during November, giving a total in good standing Dec. 1 of 22,914.

New lodges are forming at Mitchell, S. D., and Cavalier, N. D.

MASONIC.

The Inscription on the Corner Stone of the National Capitol—Notes.

Upon the corner stone of the Capitol at Washington is the following inscription upon a silver plate: "This southeast corner stone of the Capitol of the United States of America, in the city of Washington, was laid on the 18th day of September, 1793, in the thirteenth year of American independence, in the first year of the second term of the presidency of George Washington, whose virtues in the civil administration of his country have been as conspicuous and beneficial as his military valor and prudence have been useful in establishing her liberties, and in the year of Masonry 5793, by the president of the United States, in concert with the grand lodge of Maryland, several lodges under its jurisdiction, and Lodge No. 22, for Alexandria, Va."

The number of certificates in force in the Northwestern Masonic Aid association Jan. 1, 1890, was 53,040, an increase of 5,909 certificates in 1889. The sixteenth annual statement, which is verified by the insurance department of Illinois, is before us, and from it we learn that the association's assets amount to $347,551.80—a pretty healthy statement.

According to the report of the grand secretary, the Masonic year just closed has no equal in this jurisdiction for numerical increase, the totals for the state being—Initiated, 1,722; passed, 1,534; raised, 1,482, and membership, 29,717.

Bridgeport, Conn., is to have a Masonic hall costing $60,000 on ground worth $30,000.

The Masonic temple at Fort Worth, Tex., was destroyed by fire, Sept. 19, 1890.

Kansas has a Masonic lodge named "Ben-Hur."

W. H. Gayle, of Newport, Ky., was the oldest Knight Templar who attended the twenty-fourth triennial conclave at Washington, D. C. He was born Jan. 4, 1801. He was raised 1822, exalted 1826 and dubbed 1859. He is also a member of Ohio sovereign consistory. For a man of 90 years he is remarkably well preserved.

Vermont claims the honor of having the two oldest living Freemasons in America—John H. Hollenbach, past secretary of the grand lodge of Vermont, initiated in 1813 and now residing at Burling, and David McDaniel, of Johnston, Vt., initiated in 1814.

In India some lodges have four different books of the sacred law in use—the Bible, the Koran, the Zendavesta and the Mobobrahta in companionship with Europeans, Hindoos, Mohammedans and Parsees. Thus does Freemasonry unite those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance.

I. O. O. F.

News from the Grand Lodge of Australasia—Notes.

The following is from the report of the grand secretary of the supreme grand lodge of Australasia: The returns compiled to Dec. 31, 1889, show that in the jurisdiction of Australasia there are now five grand lodges and 224 subordinate lodges, with a membership of 19,084. The funds of the five grand lodges amount to £47,463, 9s. 1d. ($231,146.99), and the subordinate lodges to £77,954 11s. 6d. ($389,638.74), making a grand total of $620,785.73. During the triennial period the total payments on account of deaths amounted to $48,204.94, and of sickness to $180,142.34; to medical men for attendance on members and their families, and the provision of medicine, $292,200, to which may be also added a further sum given as extra relief in urgent cases of distress, and in donations safely approximating $14,610, which totals the magnificent sum of $535,157.28 expended in relief of sickness and distress by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Australasia.

According to the table published in The Odd Fellows Herald the average membership of the lodges in the order is 68. Massachusetts stands at the head with an average membership of 195, and Arkansas at the foot with an average of but 25 members, to each lodge. In Ontario the average is 76.50.

The cost of the S. G. L., Topeka, Kan., was $24,307.84. Rep. William McColl, of New Westminster, B. C., traveled 2,251 miles, and it cost the S. G. L. $312.12 for his attendance. The least paid any representative was $33.70, to Thomas Beattie, of Wamego, Kan.

The first encampment (Patriarchs Militant) organized was Jerusalem encampment, No. 1, at Baltimore June 14, 1827. There are now about 2,100 encampments with over 100,000 members.

The proposition before the S. G. L. to admit members at the age of 18 received 110 votes to 55 against, but as it requires a three-fourths vote to change the constitution it was not adopted.

Since 1861 no lodge in New Hampshire has forfeited its charter or given up its organization, and none is likely to for many years to come.

RED MEN.

Talk of Decreasing the Age of Admission to Eighteen Years.

Says The Arrow: "The matter of permitting palefaces at the age of 18 great suns to be adopted in our order is receiving much favorable consideration throughout the reservation of the United States. It certainly appears that such a law would be greatly beneficial toward increasing our membership, judging from the sentiments of a number of society journals devoted to the interest of the Improved Order of Red Men."

Matoka council No. 29, of Bangor, Pa., has moved into a new wigwam.

Mineolo council, D. of P., of Bethlehem, Pa., has leased a new and handsome wigwam.

A new council of the Degree of Pocahontas was instituted at Orange, Mass., recently.

Order of the World.

The Order of the World has been in active operation only about five months, and yet it has now a membership of over 2,000 and $3,000,000 of insurance has been issued. One of its new and distinctive features is the "incontestable policy." All policies issued by this order are incontestable after the second year. That is, if a man insures today, and evidence is not produced during the next two years that when he joined he made false affidavit as to his habits, condition of health, etc., then his policy will be paid at maturity without a question.

Order of Tonti.

Supreme Treasurer M. Burkhardt announces that he paid the trustees $20,000 of excess of relief fund, which has been placed to the credit of the excess of relief fund account. In his report he figures the total amount paid to the trustees to Nov. 25, 1890, to be $208,867.64. The grand total of reserve is $434,885.87, and the relief paid out to members aggregates $750,000.

Style in the Bedroom.

The latest fad of wealthy and fastidious ladies is a craze, not for crazy quilts, but silk sheets daintily embroidered. Sachets filled with some delicate perfume are fastened in the corners, and a flower corresponding to the one with which the sachets are filled is embroidered over the sheet. Old fashioned "puffs" or eiderdown quilts are filled inside with delicate perfumes, and one reclines not on but under a bed of roses. A new bedspread in marked contrast is made of coarse linen sheeting, embroidered all over in gold colored silk in bold, conventional designs, wrought in the longstem stitch known to our grandmothers.—New York Ledger.

Our Servants.

Mistress—Jean, I am getting tired of your carelessness. Just look at all that dust on the furniture; it has been lying there six months at the least.

Valet (on his dignity)—Then it isn't me as is to blame, for madame knows very well that I have only had the honor of being in her service for the last three months.—Le Petit Parisien.

SECRET SOCIETY NEWS.

GENERAL GOSSIP FROM THE HALLS OF THE FRATERNAL ORDERS.

A Brief Sketch of the Life and Work of Robert William Bell, Retiring Grand Master of Canadian Odd Fellows—From Other Societies.

Says The Dominion Odd Fellow:

Robert William Bell, M. D., Peterborough, who during the past year has filled the important position of grand master of the grand lodge of Ontario, is a native of Carleton Place, Lanark county, where he was born in 1851. In 1870 he entered McGill college, Montreal, graduating in medicine in 1873. He practiced several years in Carleton Place, and in 1876 removed to Peterborough. He is an enthusiastic volunteer, holding the position of major of the Fifty-seventh battery, Peterborough Rangers.

His Odd Fellow record begins in January, 1874, when he became a member of Stella lodge No. 125, Carleton Place, at its institution. He joined Brock encampment, Brockville, the following year, and is at present P. C. P. of Hiawatha encampment No. 66, Peterborough. He was elected to represent the above lodge at the grand sessions of 1876, St. Catharines, and he was at that time appointed grand chaplain, in which capacity he attended the next session in Belleville. Having removed to Peterborough he joined Peterborough lodge No. 111 in May of 1878, but subsequently withdrew and assisted in the resuscitation of Otonabee lodge No. 13 in 1882, visiting the grand lodge in Toronto that year to successfully present the petition for that purpose.

ROBERT W. BELL.

Dr. Bell attended the grand lodge as representative of Otonabee lodge in 1883, '84 and '85, serving every year on important committees. In 1885 he was appointed grand marshal. In this capacity he attended the grand lodge in London in 1886. In 1887 he was again elected representative of Otonabee lodge, and in grand lodge he was elected grand warden; in 1888 deputy grand master, and in 1889 grand master.

It will be seen that Dr. Bell has been an active and energetic Odd Fellow. He has served the grand lodge nearly every year since 1876 either upon the most important committees or as a grand officer, and his present high position may be justly regarded as a recognition of his abilities and active interest in the promotion of the welfare of the order.

The highly satisfactory manner in which Dr. Bell has discharged the onerous duties of grand master proves him to be possessed of executive ability, and now that he is about to make way for his successor his brethren throughout the jurisdiction have nothing but kind words and hearty good wishes. May he long live to aid in the advancement of the best interests of Odd Fellowship, and to wear the merited honors so heartily conferred on him by the order in Ontario!

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

A Magnificent Temple to Be Built in Chicago—Other Items.

A handsome building, known as the Pythian temple, is soon to be erected at the corner of Oakdale avenue and Clark street, in Lake View, a part of Chicago, at a cost of $200,000. It will contain a theatre, storerooms and a number of apartments for the Knights of Pythias. The knights will have a lodge room, banquet hall, drill hall, committee rooms and anterooms. The theatre will seat 1,400 persons. The stock company in charge of the enterprise expects the temple to be an architectural ornament to Lake View.

The least or minimum fee as charter members in organizing a Knights of Pythias lodge in Iowa is $10 for each petitioner. No lodge can be legally instructed where a less amount is collected from each.

A temple of the Pythian sisters is about to be organized and instituted at Oskaloosa, Ia.

The supreme lodge has given its sanction to the Pythian college which will be established at Gallatin, Tenn., under the management of the grand jurisdiction of Tennessee.

The National Weekly says Aldine Lodge, K. of P., of Chicago, has taken a new departure. It pays as a funeral benefit an amount equal to $1 for each member of the lodge, which now amounts to some $225, and will soon be $300.

A lodge of Knights of Pythias is now being organized at Sydney, New South Wales.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR.

Germania Lodge, of San Francisco, "the Pride of the Pacific Slope"—Notes.

Germania lodge, of San Francisco, instituted eleven years ago, well deserves the title which The Reporter has conferred upon it—"the Pride of the Pacific Slope." It has now a membership of 243. It pays a weekly sick benefit of $10, furnishes physicians to its members free, keeps disabled brothers in good standing, pays the dues and assessments of all of its members when they reach the age of 60; pays $50 to a member on the death of his wife. These are but a few of the excellent features adopted by this lodge. During its existence it has paid over $17,000 in sick benefits and donations to its members and their families, and has nearly $8,000 in bank. It is composed largely of Germans, the ritual being worked in that language.

The net gain in membership during September was 1,250, making the total membership Oct. 1 67,089.

This order, up to Nov. 15, 1890, had paid to the widows and orphans of the deceased members $32,251,034.26.

RED MEN.

Institution of New Tribes Shows the Steady Growth of the Order.

The new tribe is to be instituted in Northhampton county, Pa. A new tribe was instituted recently at South Bend, Ind.

A new council of the Degree of Pocahontas has been instituted at Omaha, Neb.

The great sachem of California is accompanied on his official visitations by the members of Tahoe Chieftains league in full uniform.

Great Senior Sagamore A. B. Alger, of Massachusetts, has been elected mayor of Cambridgeport, that state.

During the coming six moons the brothers of Indiana expect to increase the membership in that state to 5,000.

A new tribe has been instituted in Lackawanna county, Pa.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Milwaukee Pythians in Debt—Other News of the Order.

The city of Milwaukee took too big a thing on its hands when it ventured to entertain the Pythian conclave last summer or else the executive committee having the conclave in charge was of small account, for an indebtedness was left of $7,000. After long delay a meeting of the executive board was held recently. After a long and somewhat bitter debate new committees composed of energetic men were appointed to go out and raise the amount of the debt, and prevent the stain of the members of the board for the expense incurred in entertaining the city's invited guests.—Exchange.

The Western Knight is the name proposed for a new K. of P. monthly paper to be started at Ogden, Utah, by A. J. Weber, formerly of West Point, Ia.

The grand lodge of Ohio levies a per capita tax of fifty cents upon its 31,000 members.

Knights William H. Fleming and Ed T. Williams, of Vigilant lodge No. 2, of Augusta, Ga., have both been nominated for the legislature. They are young and rising lawyers.

The endowment rank has paid nearly $6,000,000 to heirs of deceased members.

Arkansas stands first in the endowment rank. One-third of its membership is represented.

From July 1 to date 810 new members have been added to the rank, and nearly $2,000,000 new endowment has been issued.

Supreme Secretary W. B. Kennedy reports the organization of thirty-five new sections of the endowment rank since the beginning of the present quarter.

In West Virginia the order has gained twelve lodges and 564 members during the past year.

Nearly all the lodges in Louisiana have raised the fee for the three ranks to $20.

Robert Downing, the well known tragedian, is a member of Daniel Webster lodge, No. 7, Washington, D. C.

I. O. O. F.

The Year's Work in Massachusetts—Other Items.

The grand master of the grand lodge of Massachusetts sums up his year's work as follows: "During the year I have instituted 5 subordinate and 10 Rebekah degree lodges, dedicated 9 halls, conducted 3 exemplifications, made 71 official visitations, granted 3 dispensations and given permission to 144 lodges to hold concerts, balls, entertainments, wear regalia, parade, etc." The grand secretary's report shows the total number of members admitted and reinstated to be 1,984, a net gain for the term of 1,261. The number of brothers relieved was 3,265; widowed families relieved, 211; amount for relief, $90,807.81; total receipts, $229,010.93. The estimate of the trustees of expenses for the grand lodge for the ensuing year is $6,100.

Past Grand Peter Putnam, of Beaverwyck lodge, New York, has been a member of the order for fifty-two years, and during that time has sat as representative in the grand lodge over twenty-five years.

The oldest member of the sovereign grand lodge is James P. Sanders, past grand sire, who resides at Yonkers, N. Y. He has been a continuous attendant at its sessions for thirty consecutive years.

Philadelphia has 191 lodges of Odd Fellows—148 subordinates, 36 encampments and 7 Rebekah lodges. The order in that city, as well as throughout Pennsylvania, is in a prosperous and progressive condition.

Columbus, O., has over 3,000 Odd Fellows.

AMERICAN LEGION OF HONOR.

Particulars of Assessments 190 and 191. Financial Statements.

Assessments 190 and 191 contained 71 deaths; New York containing 23, Pennsylvania 6, Louisiana, Missouri and Massachusetts 5 each, Maryland and Ohio 4 each, Texas and California 3 each, Virginia, Tennessee, Georgia, Mississippi, New Jersey and Wisconsin 2 each, and Arkansas and British Columbia 1 each. The amount received in the benefit fund since the date of organization, $17,694,841.62; relief advanced and returned to benefit fund, $1,112; total, $17,695,953.62. Total payments since date of organization, $17,646,642.21. Balance on hand Nov. 17, 1890, $4,311.41.

The monthly financial statement shows as follows: Cash receipts for assessments and relief benefits returned $225,301.41; disbursements paid, death claims, $200,000; relief benefits, $20,890; balance on hand, $4,311.41.

Twenty-four assessments were levied during the year, inclusive of the 5 per cent. set apart in the guarantee fund and the amount required to pay relief benefits. The reserve fund now amounts to nearly $400,000.

Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Knights of the Golden Eagle castles are conducted on the co-operative plan, each member paying alike and receiving the same amount of benefits—a very sensible, equitable system. Our colors have been recently planted in Florida.

Lieut. Gen. Louis E. Stilz has received the application for two commanderies in West Virginia, located at Charlestown and Wheeling.

The name of Culton commandery, No. 63, of Shamokin, Pa., has been changed to J. D. Barnes commandery, in honor of the G. M. of R. of Pennsylvania.

Deshong Castle, No. 346, of Chester, Pa., will celebrate their first anniversary on Feb. 26.

Fifty-nine castles were instituted in Pennsylvania in 1890.

Mme. Adam, the noted woman editor and author, is graceful and fascinating at 54. She has a large fortune and an immense capacity for work. She dresses simply and in the best of taste.

Diphtheria and Tonsilitis.

Diphtheria is a constitutional disease; it is in the blood, but it many times manifests itself locally in the throat. It often causes white spots to appear on the tonsils and even on other parts of the throat. But these white spots are far different in appearance from those seen in tonsilitis. A great number of persons are frightened as soon as they see white spots on the tonsils; but if there is no epidemic of diphtheria in the neighborhood do not, as a general thing, fear that the trouble is diphtheria. In nine cases out of ten it is tonsilitis.

A dangerous symptom in this case, however, is a bad sore throat without fever at the outset. I have seen the most fatal cases of diphtheria start in this way, and I dread such cases most of all. A troublesome sore throat before the fever comes on is suspicious, and needs a physician promptly. A fever, accompanied generally with coryza, but not always, followed by sore throat, is probably tonsilitis, and can be treated at home generally. We may get white spots in both cases. The white spots differ widely in the two diseases. In tonsilitis the white spots are merely dead cells that are broken down, disintegrated and are forced to the surface. They can be brushed away, but they are a trifling thing as compared with the spots in diphtheria.

Without going deeply into the subject of diphtheria at this time, I shall simply say that the spots in this disease are the appearance at the surface of the tonsils of a tenacious membrane. This membrane dips down into the surface of the tonsils, and if removed leaves a bleeding, ugly track behind it, which is later filled with another membrane just as tenacious.—A Physician in Boston Globe.

In Greece the groom is sprinkled with water on leaving home to meet his future bride. The bride must visit the oven in company with her father and mother if she would have a happy married life.

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