

(SPECIAL.)
OFFICIAL CIRCULAR NO. 5.

GRAND LODGE OF KY. KNIGHTS OF HONOR.

OFFICE OF GRAND DICTATOR.

GREENVILLE, KY., Nov. 2, 1885.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.:

Reports from all the states and territories of the union, indicate a general renewal of interest and a good healthy increase of membership to our entire organization. While we are adding to our membership, and doing remarkably well in Kentucky, there is no reason why we cannot do better, therefore I *earnestly request you* to assist me in building up the order in our own state, by securing *one* application for membership for your *own* Lodge, by its next meeting, or as soon thereafter as possible. You doubtless have many male friends between the ages of eighteen and fifty years, in your immediate vicinity, who, if solicited by laying the merits of the Knights of Honor before them, could easily be induced to become connected with us. It will only require a little exertion upon your part to secure a new member. Will you do so? If each and every Knight of Honor in this Grand Jurisdiction, will comply with this request, our membership in Kentucky, will be increased from *seven* thousand to *fourteen* thousand. To discharge my full duty as Grand Dictator, to the brotherhood in this State, I need and desire the assistance of every Knight of Honor within our boundary. Therefore I ask it of *you* in the manner above stated. There is no fraternal organization in the world, that can excell the record of the Knights of Honor, therefore no member can hesitate to ask a friend to join us.

Only think of it! on the 30th day June last, we celebrated our Twelfth Anniversary, and in that short time we have paid nearly **sixteen millions of dollars** to the widows and orphans of our deceased members, at an annual average cost to a member under 45 years of \$13.62 for carrying a \$2,000 benefit, \$6.81 per thousand.

A blank **application for membership** is herewith enclosed. Please do not cast it aside, but use it for the best interests of the order in which you and I and every Knight of Honor have a mutual interest.

Please be present at the next meeting of your Lodge if possible. It will encourage your officers in their work and inspire new zeal and energy to your brother members.

I desire to call your attention to another very

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matter. Heretofore only Past Dictators have been commissioned as State Deputy Grand Dictators to institute Lodges, Hereafter I will grant a special commission to any Third Degree member of the Order, to institute lodges in this State, provided satisfactory reasons are given to me that good and effective work *can and will be done*. I have determined to commission only those who will *work*. It may not be generally known that the whole charter fee of

\$100.00

is paid to a deputy for his services in instituting a Lodge. There is a large amount of territory in Kentucky to be worked up. There are over sixty counties in which we have no lodges! It is an easy matter for an energetic deputy to institute from two to four lodges per month. Can you do any good in this direction? If so let me hear from you as soon possible through the Dictator and Reporter of your Lodge. With fraternal regards, I am,

Yours in O. M. A.



ATTEST:

J. A. DEMAREE,
Grand Reporter.

WM. H. YOST, JR.
Grand Dictator.