

On the 8th and 11th, receptions were given to the Supreme Chief Ranger and his Colleagues and to the three High Chiefs of the High Courts of Ontario. An immense quantity of literature and Forestric emblems was distributed. The tent was elegantly furnished and gaily decorated with bunting. The three worthy brothers in charge made admirable hosts. Everybody was happy.

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### Bro. C. C. Whale.

For ten years Bro. Whale has been actively engaged in Ontario promoting the interests of Independent Forestry. The commanding position enjoyed by the Order in the premier province of the Dominion was largely secured by his long and valuable services. Every part of the province has been visited by him more than once. He has installed 1 more courts, and secured by personal solicitation more members than any other man in the Order. We have never known him to fail in building up a weak court, or in adjusting a difficulty. With the division of Ontario into three jurisdictions, his position as Inspector for the province was abolished; each one of the three High Courts would have been pleased did financial ability admit of it to secure his services. We are glad to know that the Supreme Chief, who never misses an opportunity to advantage the Order, has retained the services of Bro. Whale. We understand that the High Court of Nova Scotia, where the work needs stimulating, is to enjoy his presence and work for a while and that later on he may work in parts of Ontario. We congratulate Bro. Whale on his wider sphere of activity. We will look for a boom in Nova Scotia.

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### Labor Day.

Monday, Sept. 7th, is known as Labor Day in the Dominion of Canada, and is a public holiday. In Toronto, it was observed by all as a holiday, and celebrated by an immense trades procession, that took considerably over an hour to pass a given point. We watched with interest the march past of the great industrial army that contributes so much to the making of Canada. We realized the great numerical and political power of the "workingman," and the vital importance of having capital and labor at all time in sympathetic co-operation.

Among the different branches of labor we noticed many members of our Order, and

noted how much the benefits they had secured in the I.O.F. meant to them and their families. Probably not one man in two had anything standing between his family and want but the wage that he earned. Enough while he enjoyed life and health to earn it, but sure to cease at his death, and with it the support of his family would vanish. It ought to need no argument to lead every workingman to secure for his family and himself the protection that Orders like the I.O.F. secures.

In the procession were many fine specimens of the work turned out in many a Toronto establishment, showing the city to be a great industrial centre. Not the least interesting of what we saw was a dray with two immense blocks of cut stone, and labelled "Foresters' Temple." All honor to labor! May every workingman have the opportunity to toil, and receive an adequate wage for his work.

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### Canada's Great Fair.

It certainly was "bigger and better than ever," and that is saying a good deal. President Withrow, Manager Hill, and the directorate generally are to be felicitated on the success of the Fair. The exhibits were attractive, the arrangements complete, the crowds immense, remunerative and good-natured. Barring the fatal accident to one of the performers, no casualty marred the proceedings. The consideration shown our people at the I.O.F. tent by the management was all they could desire. Manager Hill has received a great many suggestions as to the way in which the "show" should be managed. We have ideas, but we refrain from submitting them. When we attended we enjoyed ourselves, though we came very near having a grievance, through some thief sneaking away a chair for which we paid "a quarter" one evening when we attended with "company," and couldn't get any of the seats for which we paid in the grand stand.

The International Dog and Cat Show held by the Industrial Exhibition Association, under the management of Bro. C. A. Stone, proved a grand success in every particular. The finest dogs of the United States and Canada were upon exhibition, and the Cat Show, which was a new departure, and held in the same building as the dogs, made quite a hit. The Persian, Siamese and Australian cats were a sight worth seeing, as was proved by some 27,000 people paying for admission.