

## Notes.

The Supreme Chief Ranger, during his recent visit to New York, made arrangements for the introduction of the Order into Pennsylvania and Connecticut.

Court Sydenham proposes early in December, to give a concert for the benefit of the poor of that town. This is most commendable, and we hope the entertainment will be largely patronized.

The proscription to initiate placed by the Supreme Chief Ranger on Court Mentor and other Courts, when typhoid or typho-malarial fever was prevailing to an alarming extent, has happily been removed; the causes thereof having passed away.

The "Joker" will accept our most sincere thanks for the receipt of the annual gift of those magnificent and delicious trout that are to be found only in the cold waters of our northern lakes. For a season we shall live like a king. May the "Joker's" shadow never grow less.

The membership will take note that the Supreme Secretary's statement, say for October, represents the moneys received and paid during the month of October, and hence the balances are for the end of October, or 1st of November; while the number of members is for the 1st of October.

The Supreme Chief Ranger reports the High Court of Minnesota as among the best instituted by him. The High Chief Ranger is a thoroughly live man, being a distinguished Grand Officer among the K. P's; the High Counsellor being the Assistant Attorney-General of the State.

Court Dominion, at Highgate, Ont., gave its annual concert on Tuesday, 22nd October, at which the genial High Vice Chief Ranger, Brother W. R. Hicky, presided. It was an immense success, "standing room" only, was the order early in the evening. Court Dominion always does things in first-class style.

If bad penmanship is evidence of genius, then the new Supreme Secretary must be a very great genius, as the following taken from a letter of our genial Brother H. Williams, of Cornwall, will show:

"I received a letter to-day. I do not know who it was from, because I cannot make out the signature, but knowing that you had been elected Supreme Secretary, I address the reply to you."

Court St. Clair, No. 20, held a large and successful public meeting in the Agricultural Hall, Rodney, on Saturday — 1st October. The chair was ably filled by Brother Hugill. The Supreme Chief Ranger was present, and delivered an address. The musical and literary entertainment was a great success, both financially and otherwise.

The greater portion of Court Cards in directory expire with our next issue. Courts will please take notice of same, and send in their renewals, with the list of officers, immediately after election in December. The charge for these Cards is placed at the small sum of \$1 per year, payable in advance.

THE INDEPENDENT FORESTER is sent free to every member of the Order. To new Courts it is sent in bulk to the Court Deputy High Chief Ranger, until the Business Manager, Brother Atwell Fleming, London, is furnished with the names and addresses of the members, when it will be sent direct to each member at his private address.

We are sure every Forester, especially every Forester who knows Past High Chief Ranger Milne, will join THE INDEPENDENT FORESTER in tendering to him and his afflicted family the deepest sympathy for the loss, by death, from inflammation of the bowels, of a gifted and promising young son, which occurred recently at his home in Kingston.

The Supreme Chief Ranger delivered an address on Forestry at a public meeting held in the Orange Hall, Shannonville, during the latter part of October. Brothers J. Stokes, D.D.H.C.R., Chandler and Prickett, of Court Deseronto, were also present, Brother Chandler delivering a short address during the evening. There are good prospects for forming a Court at this place. There are already ten names on the Charter list.

At the same meeting Brother F. Rawlinson, C.D.H.C.R., presented the following statement: During the term just ended, viz., from 1st January to 30th June, the Court paid into the Endowment Fund the sum of \$1,278.49, and to the Sick and Funeral Fund \$398.12, making a total of \$1,676.61, and received from those funds benefits, as follows: Endowment and funeral benefit ~~relate~~ Brother J. Wood, \$1,050.00; funeral benefit ~~re~~ late Brother J. Corr, \$50.00; sick benefits to 47 members during 776 days' sickness, \$565.63, making a total of \$1,665.63 received from Supreme Court funds.

At the regular meeting of Court Maple