

## Personal Mention.

Bro. Ridler, of Court Banner, No. 360, Cleveland, formerly of Toronto, has brought in twenty-one members in three months.

Bro. C. C. Bennett, H. A. of Pennsylvania, called at the Temple on the 18th July. He was greatly delighted with the magnificent home of the I.O.F. in the Queen City of Canada.

Ex-Alderman Parnell, of London, Ont., Grand President of the Sons of England; Barlow Cumberland, of Toronto, Past Grand President Sons of England; Dr. Hodgetts, of Toronto, Grand Vice-President Sons of England, are all eminent Independent Foresters.

Bro. John W. Burgess, Recording Secretary of Court Ohemong, No. 530, reports most favorably upon the work of Bro. G. N. Brown, D.H.C.R., for the month of June. Many members have been added to the Court, and the interests of the Order otherwise greatly benefited by the visit of Bro. Brown.

Bro. S. D. Gilkerson, of Sherbrooke, Quebec, Court Deputy, has lately returned from a trip through eastern Ontario. On his way home he addressed a public meeting under the auspices of the local court at Shawville, Pontiac County, and was highly complimented by the brethren there, and also by the local press.

Among the latest additions to the I.O.F. in P.E.I. are: John Anderson, Esq., of Kensington, Grand Scribe of the Sons of Temperance; John A. McDonald, Attorney-at Law, Charlottetown; the Rev. D. B. McLeod, Orwell; and Leonard Morris of Summerside, Grand Master of the Masonic Grand Lodge of P. E. Island.

Bro. H. R. Mann, of Court Silver, Washington State, writes to Supreme Secretary Bro. John A. McGillivray, as follows *re* Circular No. 13, of April 30th: "Allow me to say that your action regarding service in the militia, army and navy is one that makes a man's heart grow warm and strong, and helps to kill out that feeling that is supposed to be creeping in, that this world is nothing more than a rush for the almighty dollar. Your action will have a most wholesome effect, and I for one thank you."

Dr. J. A. Hartman, of Court Spartan, No. 595, Albion, N.Y., who has been an energetic member of the court since its reorganization in 1893, having been elected its first Chief Ranger, and is now District Deputy and Court Deputy, was lately at the State Convention of the Prohibition Party held in Syracuse, New York, elected Treasurer of the State Committee, and is in consequence a member of the Executive Committee of that party. Court Spartan honored him the same day by electing him a delegate to the High Court Session, which meets at Niagara Falls in September.

We are always glad to hear of a brother advancing either in the esteem of his fellows or in a business point of view; hence it is that we extend our congratulations to Bro. Thomas Burns, of Court Ballymena, No. 2011, Ireland, who for some years has been a member of the Board of Town Commissioners of Ballymena, and who has, by the unanimous voice of the Commissioners, been appointed Chairman of the Board. This is a difficult and responsible position, but it is evident from the encomiums passed upon Bro. Burns that in the opin-

ion of the Board he is well qualified to discharge the duties of the office.

Bro. Harris, who has filled several offices in Court No. 2011, and who for some years has been cashier of the Ulster Bank at Ballymena, has been promoted to the managership of the branch at Killybegs. Bro. Harris was a highly esteemed member of Court Ballymena and leaves to take up his new charge, carrying with him the best wishes of not only every brother (that goes without saying) but of every person in Ballymena. We extend our heartiest congratulations to the two brothers above named. Such as they are ornaments in our beloved Order.

Bro. W. D. Pettigrew, High Secretary of Manitoba, in a recent communication to our esteemed Supreme Secretary, Bro. John A. McGillivray, says: "At the close of another three year term, I wish you would convey to the employees of the department over which you preside my appreciation of the uniform courtesy given by them to all my communications. I know I have given them lots of trouble, so consider this acknowledgment due. And now to the Captain (the Supreme Chief Ranger), the officers and the entire crew of the good ship I.O.F., I wish a continuous, pleasant and prosperous cruise." Thanks, Bro. Pettigrew, your kind and encouraging remarks are duly appreciated.

Lieut.-Col. Parker of the 3rd Wisconsin regiment, and High Chief Ranger of Wisconsin, is at present doing duty in the South in connection with the Cuban war. He is chief executive officer of the regiment, and is styled the "embodiment of a soldier" by those who know him well. He went into the war of the southern secession as a private, and came out a senior lieutenant of artillery. He has been connected with military affairs for thirty-two years, yet he is one of the busiest men when at home in his own office. Col. Parker is Supreme Secretary of the I.O.G.T. of the world, but at his country's call he left all behind and started for the field of action. May he return safe and sound when the war is all over, is the wish of every Independent Forester.

Our genial and popular Supreme Treasurer, Bro. H. A. Collins, addressed an immense gathering at Gouverneur, New York State, on the 4th July. There was a Forestry demonstration as the leading event of the day, and our brethren of Court Gouverneur invited Bro. Collins to deliver the oration. They made no mistake in their choice of an orator, as everyone will admit who has had the pleasure of hearing the Supreme Treasurer. About eight thousand persons assembled in the grove to listen to the address; in fact, the whole town was given up to the Foresters for the day. There was a grand parade, lots of music, amusements in the way of ball games, racing, dancing, etc. It was an occasion that will not soon be forgotten by those present, nor will Bro. Collins soon forget the enthusiastic welcome and cordial greetings extended to him by the Foresters and other citizens of Gouverneur.

We note with pleasure the honors conferred upon distinguished members of the I.O.F. at the recent Masonic Grand Lodge meeting held in the Temple Building in this city. Bro. E. T. Malone, of Toronto, was elected Grand Master; Bro. R. B. Hungerford, of London, Deputy Grand Master; Bro. Hugh Murray, of Hamilton, Grand Treasurer; Bro. L. Congdon, of Dunville, Grand Registrar;