

much to the enjoyment of all present. Jesse Northrop and Billy Mack, of C.A.A., gave a sparring exhibition of five rounds. Both are light weights and extremely clever. The entertainment was a great success and those who had the good fortune of being invited look forward eagerly to the next stag to be given by Court Lake.

Court Lake No. 477 was instituted May 22 last. It is an off-shoot of Court Independence and is already in a thriving condition. It was instituted with a membership of forty, and has now a large membership composed of young men who are of the most respectable class of citizens.

DECATUR, ILLS., Aug. 12th, 1899.

To the Officers of the Supreme Court, I.O.F.,  
Toronto, Canada :

DEAR SIRS,—In acknowledging the receipt of the \$1,500 check received yesterday the 12th inst., in full payment of my disability claim (only eleven days after final papers were mailed), I fail to find words to express my appreciation of your promptness and my sincere belief that it is the best Order of the kind in the world. I can talk very little on account of the nature of my disease, but what little I do, a good portion of it will be sincere praise for the I.O.F. My wife joins me in wishing the Order prosperity in its noble work.

Yours in L., B. and C.,  
J. W. GRAHAM.

Court Fearless, No. 3710.

CHICAGO, Aug. 25th, 1899.

ORONHYATEKHA, M.D., Supreme Chief Ranger.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—I have this day delivered to Mrs. Lizzie Hensel, widow of our late brother Otto Hensel, draft No. 15154, for one thousand dollars. She wishes me to return to you her most heartfelt thanks for your promptness in sending same, and her earnest desire is that the Foresters may ever prosper. On behalf of Court Fearless I wish to say that we appreciate the promptness and despatch with which this benefit has been paid and feel that our members realize more than ever that the Independent Order of Foresters is the best of all fraternal orders. I beg to remain

Fraternally yours in L., B. and C.,  
H. A. GRIFFENBERG, R.S.

## INDIANA.

### Movements of the Workers.

On June 9th, the H.C.R., C. W. Ennis, and H. Sec., W. W. Wilson, visited Court Indiana, No. 1451. Marion, Ind., and aided Bro. Robert Tinck D S.C.R., in the initiation of 8 candidates, after which the Court proceeded to reorganize by electing a full set of officers, who were duly installed by H.C.R. Ennis. The High Court officers were ably assisted also by Bro. Wm. A. Morrow, P.C.R. of Court Union City, No. 1188.

On July 27th, the High Sec., Bro. Wilson, attended meeting of Court Maybee, No. 1859, the youngest Court at Indianapolis, and assisted the Sup. Deputy, Bro. R. Tinck, in the initiation of near a score of new members. This Court say they are aiming to rank right up among the higher Courts for numbers, and some of the other Courts will have to hustle or 1859 will pass them.

On August 11th, the High Chief Ranger, Bro.

C. W. Ennis, of Union City, Ind., accompanied by the Chief Ranger, Bro. J. L. Keller, of Court Union City, No. 1188, visited Court Indianapolis, No. 1820, at Indianapolis, Ind., and together with Bro. Tinck, Sup. Deputy, assisted the Court in putting a number of candidates through the forest. The Court in less than two weeks' time has secured 26 applications, and you all can see they are kept busy keeping the forest in shape. This Court, like Court Maybee, say they propose climbing to the top. The High Court officers expect in a short time to have the opportunity of assisting Court Oak, No. 1149, of Indianapolis, the oldest Court in the city.

Bro. A. B. Alley, High Senior Woodward, is Chief Ranger of Court No. 1820, and he seems to be the very man for the place, and he also knows just how to entertain visitors, and he had a few to entertain, as, in addition to the officers named, there was a good representation from both Courts Oak and Maybee.

These meetings are the life of the Order, and other Courts should be getting themselves ready and have their 25 applications. Let each Court try and see which will be first.

## MAINE.

### Foresters Who Die Hard.

In the terrible disaster at Mt. Desert Ferry on Sunday, Aug. 6th, in which 20 people met their death, there were several Foresters, but fortunately all were saved though some of them had a close call.

Bro. George L. Spaulding, of Orono, High Treasurer of the High Court of Maine, was one of those most seriously injured among the survivors. He was taken out of the horrible death trap more dead than alive, and but for the timely assistance of friends and a physician he would now be numbered with the silent majority. As it was it required nearly two hours' hard work to bring him back to consciousness, and he is now suffering greatly from injuries received. He is on the road to recovery, however, and we hope soon to hear his cheery welcome among us again.

Another Forester who was in the disaster, but more fortunate than some others, was Bro. C. W. Robbins, of Old Town, Editor of the Old Town *Enterprise*. Bro. Robbins, with thirteen out of his party, went down in the middle of the break when the crash came. After coming to the surface and assisting to places of safety Mrs. Robbins and nearly every other member of his party who went into the water, he next turned his attention to other unfortunate victims of the horror, and with utter fearlessness and disregard of the consequences and his own personal safety, plunged into the water time after time, always succeeding in bringing one or more to the surface and places of safety, or where assistance could be given from above.

Everybody is loud in praise of Bro. Robbins, and deservedly so, for it is safe to say that no one did more heroic, braver, or greater work than he.

General Deputy Bro. A. A. Campbell and wife arrived in Maine from Philadelphia, on Friday, Aug. 18th. They express themselves as much pleased with the State of Pines, so far as they have seen it. We hope that they will so continue.

Bro. Campbell and wife have come to Maine to assist the High Court in the work of increasing