

## OHIO.

A new Companion Court was instituted at Ash-tabula on June 7th, by the High Secretary, Bro. L. Robeckek. Although all those that signed the charter were not able to be present and the Court was instituted with only about 15 members, it was agreed to hold the charter open for a period of thirty days, and before it is closed it is anticipated the list will contain at least 35 names.

## What Cleveland Companions do with their Car Fare.

Court Oronhyatekha, No. 1, wish to let the Companion Courts know that we are still living; we may have been sleeping, but are all wide awake now and always will be hereafter. We have just held one of the most social and interesting meetings that the Court has had for some time. As we have had no street car service for two weeks on account of the strike, a number of Companions were unable to attend our meeting Friday night, June the 23rd. But a large number were present; all seemed to feel good-natured after walking and the meeting or business of the Court went so smoothly that we were through quite early. Then a motion was made and carried that each member give five cents to buy ice-cream and cake, as all had saved 10 cents car fare, and all felt refreshed by this sympathetic strike; a more jolly crowd could never be found than the Companions of Court Oronhyatekha, No. 1, as they started for home that night. We are going to have an entertainment the last meeting in July; will have a drawing for a quilt, and the member that has brought in the most members since the first of the year will be presented with a beautiful Forestry pin. You will hear from us again after this entertainment.

Yours in L., B. & C.,  
C. W. LOUISE H. ENDRESS,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## ONTARIO.

## Encores and Echoes.

The entertainment given by Companion Court Echo, No. 10, in their ball on Thursday night was a decided success in every particular. The hall was crowded by the numbers and their friends, who showed their appreciation of the efforts of the various entertainers by rounds of applause. Encores were in great demand. The ever popular "Mayor" Holleran of the Fourth Ward, and Messrs. Welsh and Henderson in their new farce "College Chums," Mr. Frank Burdick and George Renaud coming in for the lion's share. The committee in charge of the arrangements, Miss Cora Schotz, Mrs. Vanalsten, Mrs. Trench, Mrs. Newson and Mrs. Vollet, have just reason to feel gratified at the success attending their efforts, special praise being accorded to the popular Chief Ranger of the Court, Mrs. Marion Berry, who was a whole committee in herself, for her persistent efforts in assisting to make the entertainment the success it was. The chair was occupied by the Court Deputy, C. O. Reeves, who called the gathering to order shortly after 8 o'clock, and with a few brief remarks announced the following

programme, and at its close an abundance of ice-cream, cake, etc., was served, and dancing was indulged in until after midnight, when the large audience dispersed after expressing themselves as being highly pleased with the manner in which they had been treated, and sorry that it was the last entertainment that would be given by the Court this season.

## Royal Foresters.

## MICHIGAN.

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GENTLEMEN,—On May 30th, Memorial Day, thirty members of this encampment under the command of Capt. Joseph W. Kerns marched to Calvary Cemetery where the ritualistic service of the Order was held at the grave of the late Sir Knight Henry Sullivan. The encampment then marched to Forest Lawn Cemetery where a like service was held at the grave of Sir Knight James Gourley. A committee had previously decorated the graves for the occasion.

Respectfully yours in L., B. and C.,  
A. B. CRUISE.

## Children's Corner.

## His Sixth Birthday.

He has given up his cradle and his little worsted ball;

He has hidden all his dolls behind the door;

He must have a rocking-horse,  
And a hardwood top, of course;

For he isn't mamma's baby any more.

He has cut off all his curls—they are only fit for girls;  
And has left them in a heap upon the floor;

For he's six years old to-day,

And he's glad to hear them say  
That he isn't mamma's baby any more.

He has pockets in his trousers like his older brother Jim,

Though he thinks he should have had them long before;

Has new shoes laced to the top—

'Tis a puzzle where they stop;

And he isn't mamma's baby any more.

He has heard his parents sigh, and has greatly wondered why

They are sorry when he has such bliss in store.

For he's now their darling boy,

And will be their pride and joy,

Though he cannot be their baby any more.

—GEORGINA E. BILLINGS.

Mrs. Findtault—Now John's gone and got his life insured. But, then, he's just like all other men. They have everything done for themselves, and never think of their poor, slaving wives.