

Court St. Mark's, 282, Toronto.

Applications for membership every month is the order here. The Supreme Physician, Dr. Millman, installed the officers on the 26th Jan., in the presence of a fair attendance of members. In the course of a short address the accomplished Doctor stated that owing to the number of applications, the duties of his office were greater than ever. Court St. Marks will give its first entertainment on March 1st, when Supreme Chief Oronhyatekha will give an address.

Court Sarnia, No. 55.

That this Court is alive is patent from the fact that on the 8th inst. they formally dedicated their beautiful new hall. The dedication ceremony was performed by Supreme Chief Ranger Oronhyatekha, in the presence of a large audience. The musical programme was of a high order, and was under the efficient direction of Prof. Philp, of the 27th Battalion Band. The invitations were by complimentary tickets, and everything was highly creditable to Chairman Leys and his committee. We hope Court Sarnia will enter upon a new era of prosperity in their splendid new hall.

Court Cairnsmore, No. 432.

Cairnsmore had a public installation of officers on the evening of January 25th. The impressive ceremony was performed by Supreme Chief Ranger Oronhyatekha, M. D., assisted by several of the officers of the High Court of Ontario. After the installation they adjourned from the beautiful court room to the large hall underneath, where an elaborate spread was provided by the members of the Court, for their guests, who to the number of some 300 partook of their hospitality. An admirable programme followed. Chief Ranger elect, Bro. James Watt, presided, and delivered an address, admirable both as to its matter and manner. The musical and literary part of the programme was of a high order. The feature of the evening was the address of the Supreme Chief Ranger. In clear, terse sentences he pointed out the merits and benefits of Independent Forestry, and answered in an unanswerable manner, the recent criticisms of friends and foes. The address was well received by the audience, and will doubtless result in large additions to the membership of Court Cairnsmore. The entertainment was a model one and the brethren of the Court are to be congratulated.

Court Waverly, No. 345, Fletcher.

Bro. J. G. Stewart, F.S., of Court Waverly, writes that on Friday, 15th January, the Foresters of Fletcher, with about an equal number of invited guests, their wives, daughters and sweethearts, revelled in an Oyster supper and Extras (with a big "O" and a big "E"), finishing up with a brilliant literary, musical and elocutionary entertainment. It was different from the ordinary run of such things, in so far as it was not for the purpose of raising money, being without money and without price. In consequence, the company being very select, the supper (thanks to the wives, daughters and sweethearts aforesaid) sumptuous, and the musical and literary part, high class, combined to make this one of the most enjoyable and successful reunions known in the district, and long to be remembered by the brethren and the guests present. Bro. H. Forbes, Past C.R., occupied the chair in his usual felicitous manner. Addresses were delivered by Messrs. Campbell, Stewart and Far-

quarson. Bro. Robertson's impersonation of "Bro'r Silas Steele, on de Appel" was the *piece de resistance*; one of the late Mrs. Caudles' forcible and impressive "Curtain Lectures," by Miss Stewart; music by the Misses Grimes; a violin and organ selection by Messrs. Robertson and Grimes; the "Highland Fling" and "Ghillie Callum" by Mr. McDonald, and "Auld Langsyne" by the company, concluded an attractive and interesting programme.

The H.C.R. since last issue has visited Courts Brock, Lisgar, East Toronto, Spadina, Rouille, Prosperity, Kintore, Brechin and Mount Forest.

The High Standing Committee for Ontario met in Toronto, Feb. 6th. The affairs of the Order in Ontario were fully considered, and arrangements were made for the vigorous prosecution of the work of extending the Order. Over 1,200 members were received into the Order in the province during the past six months; 42 new courts were instituted during the same period, showing an increase on any former record.

Court Lisgar, 97.

Court Lisgar, the oldest Court in Toronto, held their semi-annual installation supper on Thursday, 28th January. Covers were laid for 80 brethren, and the tables were filled. Bro. W. Elkins, who has been connected with the Court since its organization, presided, and amongst those present were the High Chief Ranger, the Past Supreme Secretary, E. Cummer, Supreme Deputy, D. Rose, and High Inspector Whale. Song and speech prevailed, and the members of the Court each took the stand that Court Lisgar was one of the first in Toronto. Auld Lang Syne was sung as the hour of midnight tolled from St. James' Cathedral.

Court Rouille, 674.

Court Rouille in Toronto, which five months ago was left with four members, has now a membership of sixty-six, with five applications for admission received at their last meeting. Brothers Carey, Dorgan, Collins, Fox, Gilmore and others, have worked hard to accomplish such success. The Court was visited on the 5th inst. by the High Chief Ranger; there were forty-three Rouille members present, as well as several visitors from Courts Rosedale and East Toronto. Short addresses were made by the H.C.R. and Bros. Dr. Macfarlane, Dr. Collins, J. Hughes (Barriester), Gilmore, Harris, &c. Court Rouille consider themselves the No. 1 Court in Toronto.

Quebec.

In this province the Order is making gratifying progress. In a recent number of L'Echo, Bros. Victor Morin and A. Gosselin, of Court Champ-lain, No. 663, have a long and able letter setting forth the merits of the Order. The letter is in French, and has no doubt been widely read by the people of Quebec. Two new Courts were instituted in January.

Court Coaticook, 341.

Bro. Woodman, C.D.H.C.R., writes that two years ago the Court started with 16 members, now they have 40, with some applications on hand. The second anniversary was celebrated by a supper