

tion for temporary beneficiary membership on Form 59, a copy of which is herewith enclosed; then have your Chief Ranger call a special meeting for the 30th or 31st of December for the purpose of initiating these applicants.

Brethren: The time for the semi-annual reports to the High Court is near at hand. Please send them promptly after January first to the High Secretary, sending him at the same time the amount of your High Court dues and such other indebtedness as you owe the High Court. Statement of same is herewith enclosed. Again asking you for your kind co operation, we remain

Fraternally yours in L., B. and C.,

ATTEST:

L. N. HANSEN, JAMES GREGG,  
High Secretary. High Chief Ranger.

### HIGH COURT OF WISCONSIN.

MILWAUKEE, WIS., Dec. 11th, 1899.

EDITOR.—The work in Wisconsin is proceeding very satisfactorily now as the Supreme Court is assisting materially by the employment of five organizers who are doing good work, Bro. Jas. Gilmour at Superior, Jas. Clendenning at Oshkosh. Bros. Birch and Van Ness in Milwaukee, and Bro. Stuart at Racine. The High Court is expending all its surplus funds also in field work. Bro. J. C. Proctor, High Sec., by my direction has been visiting and encouraging weak Courts and adding to their membership. We have another organizer constantly at work, who recently organized two good Courts, and has others in prospect. We have been very much pleased recently, by the advent of Bro. H. A. Collins, Supreme Treasurer, who began a tour of lectures in this State, beginning in Milwaukee, where he gave us two meetings that were largely attended and very enjoyable. Thence he went to Fond du Lac, Marinette, Rhinelander, Superior, Duluth, Hudson, La Crosse, Madison, Waukesha, and closed up yesterday, the 9th inst., at Milwaukee, where he addressed a large gathering of Foresters. Bro. Collins is a great favorite with Wisconsin Foresters, and will always receive a grand reception whenever he visits our State. He is a very pleasing and able lecturer and creates enthusiasm wherever he meets our people. If the other jurisdictions are as wideawake as Wisconsin, the time is soon coming when our growth will be simply remarkable. We have had an uphill battle since the Order was instituted in Wisconsin, but the backbone of opposition, I think, is broken. The advent of better times and our campaign of education are having the effect of causing people to investigate the benefits of our institution and desire to unite with us.

Yours fraternally,

B. F. PARKER,  
H. C. R. of Wisconsin.

One of the never-absent marks of fine nobleness in a boy or man is chivalrous treatment of woman. We are profoundly sorry for the young man in whose heart there is not a deep sense of respect for woman. Lacking this, true gentlemanliness and indeed all high ideals are impossible.

"Look for goodness, look for gladness,  
You will meet them all the while:  
If you wear a smiling visage  
To the glass, you meet a smile."

## Among the Courts.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

#### Kootenay.

Local Foresters are having a warm time these days. Thirteen candidates were initiated Monday night, 27th Nov., and the moose was let loose again on Dec. 11th.

Bro. B. R. Campbell returned recently from Golden, where he spent a couple of weeks putting new life into Court Kicking Horse. He secured 21 candidates and saw them well on their way through the forest. He has received orders to proceed to Rossland, Greenwood and the Boundary country.—*Kootenay Mail, Dec. 2nd.*

### CALIFORNIA.

#### Dancing Missionaries.

Court Mission, No. 1369, San Francisco, gave an entertainment and social at Native Sons Hall, Thursday, Dec. the 7th. Between 800 and 1,000 persons were present, and in every particular the affair was a great success. The programme was furnished by pupils of Mrs. Wyatt. They earned for themselves the hearty commendation of all present by their excellent work. The musical part of the programme was carried out in fine style; an orchestra, 10 in number, rendered some fine selections, and was under the direction of R. B. Howell. Great credit is due the committee of Court Mission, composed of the following members: C. K. Stern, V. C. R., Chairman; J. Gardner, E. A. Richards, A. Wagner, H. A. Bay, J. Kastendink, M. D., and J. F. Stormfield. After the literary and musical programme had been rendered the floor was cleared and the members and friends enjoyed themselves far into the night. Court Mission can well be proud of the finest entertainment they have ever given. This is the verdict of all entertained.

#### Mountain Echoes from Boulder Creek.

Court Wildwood initiated eight candidates at its regular meeting Nov. 29th, making sixteen new members taken in during the month just closed. It was decided to give a grand ball on the Saturday before Christmas. The total membership of the Court is now 107.

#### Palo Alto.

A correspondent from Court Stanford, No. 1365, writes: Last month we initiated sixteen new members, making a total membership of 80 in good standing. The K. of P., the A. O. U. W. and the F. A. A. are represented in this town, but the I. O. F. leads them all in membership and good fellowship. It was highly amusing at our last initiations to see the newly-made members (when called upon under the head of Good and Welfare), tell of their sensations and experiences while bucking "Rastus," our new black goat. The fame of "Rastus" has spread abroad over the county, and we expect a largely increased membership in Dec., as our Court is supposed to be the only one in this part of the State that has an animal that can