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- When a member joins a court by card.
- When a member is reinstated.

## Editorial.

### Notes.

This issue completes Vol. XVIII. of THE INDEPENDENT FORESTER.

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Make June the crowning month, as it is the last month of the Forestric year.

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The membership for May 1st was **132,664**, a gain of **2,118** for the month of April.

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For the twelve months ending April 30th the net increase in the membership of the I.O.F. was **20,942**.

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Every Forester who can should visit Foresters' Island Park on June 18th. It will be the excursion of the year.

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Again it is Illinois that leads for May, and that with 239 applications, being eleven ahead of the big sister state, New York.

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The surplus on the 1st June, 1897, was \$2 233.-326.89. On the 1st June, 1898, it was **\$2,786.-564.11**. A gain of \$553,237.22 in the twelve months.

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Michigan was a good third for May with 212. By the way, Michigan was to take first place on or about June 30th. Well, June has yet to be heard from.

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New York must be content with second place for May. 227 was the number of accepted applications. Illinois went the Empire State twelve better.

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The three Canadian jurisdictions of Ontario Centre, Quebec and Ontario East ran a very good race with 201, 192, and 185 respectively. Ontario Centre again leads the Dominion.

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For June last year the applications were 5,667. For June this year we hope the number will be in five figures. We have asked for 10,000; no one has yet advanced any reason why that number cannot be secured.