

camped with that regiment at Camp Alger, in West Virginia. The members regard him as the "Hero" of the court, and speak of him in words of pardonable praise for his patriotism and bravery. He is very popular among his brethren and associates, who will no doubt give him a rousing welcome upon his return.

Court Unkeda, No. 3326, Newton Fall, St. Lawrence County, in the heart of the Adirondack mountains. The court is located in a place of only about 250 inhabitants, and has 65 members, 33 of whom were initiated recently. Bros. Lumley and Balmat deserve great credit for their activity, having brought in, during the past month, the one, eleven, and the other four candidates. The officers of the court are: V. B. Balmat, C.D.H.C.R.; S. J. Castleman, C.R.; R. O'Reilly, V.C.R.; S. Robert Jackson, R.S.; F. W. Leonard, F.S.; W. Lumley, Treas.; Horace Beach, Chaplain; James Weltse, Physician; Amos Miller, S.W.; Louis J. Roussett, J.W.; Ed. Rise, S.B.; and R. P. Copeland, J.B.

The New York Forester says: "If the test of worth is the ability to struggle for and maintain a foothold in the midst of difficulties, the I.O.F. has sustained the test. Like many other beneficial Orders, it has had to face powerful opposition from old-established companies, and competition from contemporaries. The Order, however, possessing the strength of purpose, the untiring energy, courage, character, and executive ability of such a Supreme Chief Ranger as Dr. Oronhyatekha has been pioneered with splendid success. Dr. Oronhyatekha manifests proof of his capacity to lead and to organize by his selection of accomplished associates, Bro. Chas. R. Fitzgerald has been honored with the entire confidence and esteem of the S. C.R. He has received the Grand Cross of Merit, and has been elected for another term unanimously by The Supreme Court as a Supreme Auditor."

ILLINOIS.

Court Cook County, No. 3804, held a most interesting entertainment last month. Bro. Gillette, District Inspector, gave a most impressive address. The meeting reflected great credit on all concerned.

Court Independence held its annual picnic at Oswald's Garden. The court is a prodigy, and Lieutenant of Police W. P. Clancy is its father. It is the largest court of the I.O.F. in the United States. There were about 7,000 people present. The parade was a noteworthy feature; about 1,200 were in line. Bro. M. Bracken acted as Marshal. Dr. Oronhyatekha sent a telegram expressing sincere regret at his inability to be present and congratulating the court. Bro. C. Porter Johnson delivered a most impressive address setting forth with the advantages of the Order.

A complimentary entertainment has been given by Court White City, No. 1621, Court Chicago, No. 3044, and Court Cook County, No. 3804, at Simpson M.E. Church, Chicago. The following were the committee of arrangements:—Court White City: J. E. Allen, C.R.; Isaac C. Alden, R.S.; D. D. Sinclair, P.C.R.; E. Collins, Treasurer. Court Chicago: J. A. Culp, D.D.H.C.R.; William Rorke, C.R.; A. C. Mack, R.S.; M. D. Forbes. Court Cook County: James Mitchel, August Berry, V.C.R.; J. T. Sterling, C.D.; R. F. Over, and the meeting was most successful.

CALIFORNIA.

Court La Fiesta and Court La Gazelle held a most successful excursion to Rubio Canyon.

The total membership in California at the last report was 8,036, the third largest in the United States.

W. R. Uber, D.S.C.R., instituted a new court at Pasadena with 30 members, and presented the court with a large Bible.

Court Angelina, No. 3422, received a fraternal visit from Court Temple, No. 510, which is likely to stimulate both courts to further exertions.

Court Morris Vineyard, No. 532, held a most impressive funeral service in the Methodist Episcopal Church in connection with the death of Bro. Sam'l. L. Young.

Court Cahuenga, No. 3640, held its first anniversary meeting. The members of Court La Fiesta and others from the city made the event the occasion for a moonlight hay ride and bicycle run, and were present in great numbers.

Arrangements are being made for an excursion from Santa Barbara to Los Angeles, at the close of the High Court in October, which will bring about 2,000 members of the Order from all parts of the State. A reception will be tendered to the Supreme Chief Ranger and the officers of the High Court.

Court La Gazelle, No. 3631, Los Angeles, having received a telegram from The Supreme Court that it was to hold its next meeting in their beautiful city, expressed their enthusiasm very effectively, as did Court Palmetto. They say they have never had the pleasure of receiving in their city such a body of men from the different parts of the world, and that they will make the reception a record one.

COLORADO.

Court Mount Cameron, No. 1654.—Though a small court the members show an enthusiastic spirit, and have arranged for the first meeting of the month to be of a social character, when each member brings a friend who is not a Forester, but who he thinks will make a good Forester, that they may tell him of the advantages of the Order. At a recent meeting the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, Bro. Edwin E. Batty has volunteered his services to our country, and has enlisted as a member of Colonel Baker's corps of engineers and electricians, it is hereby resolved that the members of this court wish him God-speed in the glorious cause, and safe and speedy return to his family and friends.

"It is further resolved that our F.S. shall keep our brother in good standing in the court and Order so long as he is engaged in the services of the United States army in the war with Spain.

"It is further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to our brother, and also published in THE FORESTER and the local press."

MINNESOTA.

Court Stillwater, No. 1035, has 152 members, 8 of whom have enlisted in the 13th Minnesota Volunteers, and were fighting the Spaniards at Manila. The court pays all dues and assessments during