

so by the large infusion of young blood. Our members will see the advantage of bringing in young men.

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The Editor-in-Chief has been attending meetings of High Courts almost continuously for the past two months. The "working editor" has just returned from Washington and the Northwest Territories. This will explain any imperfections in *THE FORESTER* that may possibly have been noticed by any of our readers.

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Illinois shows the highest percentage of gain among the *thirty-three* High Courts. Twelve months ago the membership was not *one-third* the number that it is to-day. A like increase for the coming twelve months will place Illinois away up among the leaders. Go on and prosper.

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The surplus, Sept. 1st, stands at \$1,848.-021.13. A net gain for the month of August of \$53,713. Looks very much like prosperity,

High Court Meetings.

The meetings of the High Courts are still the order of the day.

The High Court of New York meets on the 8th Sept. at Albany. Among the distinguished visitors expected are Dr. Oronhy-atekha and Rev. W. J. McCaughan, H. C. R., of Ireland.

The High Court of Ohio meets at Sandusky, on the 15th September.

That of California at San Jose on the 13th Oct. The Supreme Chief Ranger is announced to be present.

The High Court of Ireland meets at Belfast on the 23rd inst. Rev. W. J. McCaughan expects to be home and take his place as presiding officer.

Ontario's three High Courts.

By a very pronounced majority the High Court of Ontario, at its recent meeting in Ottawa, decided to divide the jurisdiction into three. This became necessary through the rapid growth of the Order. The High Court had a membership of 800 representatives, altogether too large a body for legislative purposes. For some time back the High Court experienced some difficulty in getting a hall sufficiently large and otherwise adapted to its meetings. The work of supervising upwards of 700 Subordinate Courts had quite outgrown the ability of the most zealous High Standing Committee. After division,

the High Courts of Ontario take their place in the front rank with Quebec and Michigan. We believe that one of them still leads in membership. With three sets of experienced and capable officers, where formerly there was but one, we may reasonably look for three times the work. The more compact area in which they will work will enable them to economize in the time and money spent in travelling, and will allow them still to do great work for the Order. By a proper division of the work, each court in each jurisdiction can be visited by some officer during the year, and the organization of the Subordinate courts perfected. We expect a great impetus will be given to *FORESTRY* in Ontario. The new officers are admitted by all to be capable men. They have a splendid opportunity to show their mettle. The members will note with interest their work.

Rev. W. J. McCaughan, H. C. R. of Ireland.

After a pleasant and busy visit on this side of the Atlantic, Bro. McCaughan, expects to sail for the Green Isle on the 12th inst. His eloquent voice has been heard in many Forestry centres and the charm of his address and earnestness of his appeals will not soon be forgotten. He has visited and addressed a number of the High Courts of Canada and the United States. His services on Sunday have been in great demand and he has been obliged to decline many flattering invitations to preach. We hear it rumored that more than one large and influential congregation would like him to transfer his citizenship to this side of the water.

The distinguished brother has made many warm friends this side of the herring pond. We wish him and his amiable wife a safe and pleasant voyage home. We assure them a warm welcome whenever they find an opportunity to revisit our shores.

The Supreme Chief Ranger.

As will be learned from announcement, elsewhere, the "Chief" is booked for a series of meetings in California, towards the close of September and the beginning of October. It will be observed that excepting Sundays every day is occupied.

We have some experience of meetings and know a little of what a tax they are on time and energy, especially when continuous. It means late and early travelling in order to make the connection. In addition to the ad-