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*High Chief Ranger Independent Order Foresters, Barrie.*

The Grand Lodge of Ontario Independent Order Odd Fellows, in Grand Lodge assembled at Windsor, desires to acknowledge the kind fraternal greetings of the High Court of the Independent Order Foresters of Ontario, and to express their hopes that your present session may be a pleasant one. That harmony and success may attend your efforts in the good work in which you are engaged.

P. E. FITZPATRICK,

Grand Master.

J. B. KING, G. Sec'y.

At a meeting of the High Standing Committee of High Court of Ontario, on the 13th instant, it was decided to offer the following prizes:—

1st. Every member of courts in the Province who secures five members personally, a lithograph of the Supreme Chief Ranger.

2nd. The brother securing the largest number throughout jurisdiction, copy of the picture of High Standing Committee.

3rd. The court obtaining largest percentage, copy of picture of High Standing Committee.

4th. Every court increasing by ten member, copy picture High Standing Committee.

5th. The court increasing its membership by largest number, copy picture of High Standing Committee.

Also the following cash prizes:—

1st.	\$20.00,	same conditions as for 2nd prize above.
2nd.	16.00	do. do.
3rd.	12.00	do. do.
4th.	7.00	do. do.
5th.	5.00	do. do.

Returns to be sent the High Secretary on the 31st December, 1892, certified by the C.R. & R.S. of the respective courts.

By order,

A. MACGILLIVRAY, *High Chief Ranger.*

JAMES B. HALKETT, *High Secretary.*

Office of High Standing Committee,  
13th September, 1892.

#### NOTES.

The High Chief Ranger has issued commissions to Court Deputies, following the list that appears in the August FORESTER, excepting in such cases where notice of a change was sent to the High Secretary. Any mistakes or omissions will be rectified by communicating at once with the High Secretary.

#### Court Shakespeare, No. 197.

"Our Court is doing well," writes the Court Deputy. Good attendance at the meetings. A general interest in the welfare of the Order, and a "lot" of new members are the tokens that this Court is a live one.

#### Court Fidelity, No. 186, Appin.

This court, with a number of visiting brethren, attended divine service recently in the Methodist Church. The Rev. Mr. Kirkland delivered an effective and appropriate sermon from the text: "Love the Brotherhood." The local press speak highly of the sermon and of the appearance of the brethren.

#### Court Harwood, No. 720.

A correspondent in this court wishes to express the thanks of the court for a visit some time ago from High Court Inspector C. C. Whale. The visit did the court good. Of course. Bro. Whale is a grand good man in a grand place. We can hardly promise the other visit from Bro. Whale that is asked for. Good things ought to go round. No court can hope for a second visit the same year.

#### Court Pelham, No. 233, Fenwick.

The F.S. of this court enjoys quite frequently the pleasure of sending additional names for the mailing list. He also gives pleasure. In Forestry there is nothing so gratifying as adding to our membership. We trust Court Pelham will continue to give pleasure.

#### Court Clover Leaf, No. 959.

This court held its first picnic on July 28th. There was a large attendance. The court, though small, is greatly encouraged with the success of the picnic. New members were initiated last month and more are expected next meeting. The ladies of Wybridge took great interest in the getting up of the picnic, for which the brethren of the Court tendered them their most hearty thanks.

#### Court Milford, No. 46.

This court wishes to gratefully acknowledge the sum of \$33.50 received from about 37 courts, in response to their appeal in aid of a distressed brother. By deeds such as this the Foresters establish their right to be considered a Benevolent Society.

#### Court Brock, No. 242, Toronto.

This is one of the best organized and equipped courts in Toronto, probably in the whole Order. The High Chief Ranger, accompanied by Inspector Whale, recently visited the court and found everything "O.K." A candidate was initiated, and the ceremony was quite impressive. The new member travelled the "rough and rocky road" with admirable nerve. Court Brock goes in for initiations at every meeting.

#### Court Prosperity, No. 668, Toronto.

Though one of the youngest of the city courts, true to its name, it promises ere long to be one of the *strongest* in the city. The H.C.R. made an official visit recently. The brethren expect to need him back at their next installation of officers, when with a double membership they will be presented with a set of officers' badges. The court is thoroughly up in the unwritten work, and everything is running smoothly. The Rev. Mr. Young, of St. Enoch's Church, has deposited his card in this court.

#### Court Novar, No. 673, Novar.

This court can make the unusual claim of having nearly every eligible man in the place for a member. The H.C.R. paid his first official visit to this court immediately after the rising of the High Court. He addressed a well attended meeting in the Methodist church, and came away pleased with the zeal and enthusiasm of the members in the northern part of the jurisdiction.

#### Court Cairnsmore, No. 432, Toronto.

We have heard of this court before; we are likely to hear of it often. It stands in the front among Toronto courts in point of membership. And the lead is not likely to be relinquished. "We make Foresters every meeting," said a prominent mem-