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## OUR COMPETITIONS For Boys and Girls

### A COMPOSITION CONTEST

This week's Contest is one that I am sure you will all like. Write out a story about Easter, telling all you know about the different things connected with the special time, such as the Eggs and the habits, as to their meaning, why you always have them at Easter, and in fact whatever you can find out. Don't make your composition more than two hundred words, write on one side of the paper only, in your best writing and don't forget to enclose the usual coupon filled in. All kiddies up to fifteen years of age may enter this contest, and send their attempts in by Wednesday, April 26th. The prizes will consist of TWO LOVELY STORY BOOKS AND FOUR OR FIVE CERTIFICATES OF MERIT.

All communications to be addressed to

UNCLE DICK,  
THE STANDARD,  
ST. JOHN, N. B.

whose decision must be considered as final.

### WORD-MAKING CONTEST

This week's contest is an old favorite and I shall expect a great number of entries. Write out carefully and neatly all the words you can make out of the letters in the word "interesting." To the boy or girl, not more than fifteen years of age, who sends in the greatest number of words, as found in a standard dictionary, giving the number at the end of the list, together with the usual coupon correctly filled in, not later than April 26th, 1916, I shall award a beautiful story book, and to the sender of the next longest, a similar prize.

There will also be five artistic diplomas awarded for good work.

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### STANDARD COMPETITION For Boys and Girls

Full Name.....  
Address.....  
Age..... Birthday.....

### MAGISTRATE ORDERS LIQUOR RETURNED TO CONSIGNEE

An interesting case arising out of a shipment of a barrel of ale and porter by a local brewery firm to Mr. J. Cookley in Missis, came up for hearing in the police court at Chipman, N. B., on Saturday. The liquor which was shipped from here by way of freight, was seized at Chipman while en route to Missis, by Scott Act Inspector Isaac Baird of Queens county. The barrel was marked "Intoxicating Liquor," and also the names of the consignor and consignee. The liquor inspector contended that it was not marked for "personal use" and the case came up for hearing on Saturday with Magistrate Parkhill presiding. Mr. Cookley put in a defence of wrongful seizure, and swore that the liquor was shipped to him for personal use. The magistrate ordered that the liquor be returned to Mr. Cookley, and allowed a payment of 17 cents per bottle for the liquor consumed in the process of seizure. Mr. Isaac Baird was represented by Mr. Stums. Mr. W. M. Ryan of this city was acting in the interests of Mr. Cookley.

Lecture on the Balkans.

Rev. L. Ralph Sherman delivered an illustrated lecture on the Balkans last night at the Natural History Society rooms, which was much enjoyed by the large number present. He outlined the history of the Balkan States from earliest times, paying particular attention to developments in the twentieth century and the happenings which led up to the present war. Over seventy-five very fine views of the country were shown which added greatly to the interest of the lecture. A vote of thanks to Mr. Sherman was moved by William McIntosh and seconded by Miss Grace Leavitt.

## THE MASONIC GRAND LODGE IN SESSION

Reports of Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and Hall Committee Received Yesterday.

The New Brunswick Grand Lodge of Free Masons held their 49th annual meeting yesterday in the Masonic Temple, Germain street. The Grand Master, Dr. H. V. Bridges, of Fredericton, presided and a large number were present from all parts of the jurisdiction. In his address the Grand Master went very fully into the activities of the past year. He referred to the war and in this connection said: "This war which has been waged with relentless fury for the past twenty months, continues to be carried on by those who deliberately planned it with a cruelty and savagery unsurpassed in the history of warfare, and with a preparation the efficiency of which has astonished the civilized world." He referred at some length to the deaths which had taken place during the year and mentioned the names of the following Past Masters, J. R. McIntosh, J. A. Clark, William C. Allen, G. N. Kearney, R. T. Leavitt, of St. John, R. L. Maltby of Newcastle, John Mair of Campbellton. The following have been killed in action: Alfred B. Cork, J. L. Duval, C. M. Lawson, Chester Hughes, W. H. Belyea and H. W. Ferguson. He referred to official visits paid during the year and to the unveiling of a tablet in Trinity church, Kingston, to the memory of Brother Rev. John Beardsley. He referred to the fact that next year would be the jubilee and suggested that steps be taken to observe same in a fitting manner.

Following are the reports of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, hall committee and auditors:

### Grand Secretary's Report.

The Grand Secretary bears permission to present the following report respecting the business of his office during the past year.

The receipts from the Subordinate Lodges have amounted to three thousand, seven hundred and thirty-nine dollars and fifty cents. This is a larger sum than any hitherto reported to Grand Lodge.

The following are the items:

Initiation fees ..... \$ 932.00  
Affiliation, dispensations, sundries ..... 132.10  
Annual dues ..... 2,674.40

\$3,738.50

The Lodge payments making up the above total were as follows:

Albion Lodge, No. 1 ..... 176.80  
St. John's Lodge, No. 2 ..... 265.20  
Hibernia Lodge, No. 3 ..... 206.00  
St. Mark's Lodge, No. 4 ..... 52.00  
Hiram Lodge, No. 5 ..... 92.80  
Sussex Lodge, No. 7 ..... 117.00  
Carlton Union Lodge, No. 8 ..... 192.20  
The Union Lodge of Portland, No. 10 ..... 178.50  
Woodstock Lodge, No. 11 ..... 49.50  
St. George Lodge, No. 12 ..... 139.20  
The Corinthian Lodge, No. 13 ..... 113.10  
Alley Lodge, No. 14 ..... 32.00  
Howard Lodge, No. 15 ..... 66.40  
Lodge St. Andrew, No. 16 ..... 210.50  
Northumberland Lodge, No. 17 ..... 63.00  
Miramichi Lodge, No. 18 ..... 76.10  
Zion Lodge, No. 21 ..... 81.50  
New Brunswick Lodge, No. 22 ..... 210.50  
Keith Lodge, No. 23 ..... 182.00  
Zetland Lodge, No. 24 ..... 62.20  
Restigouche Lodge, No. 25 ..... 35.00  
Victoria Lodge, No. 26 ..... 63.80  
Lodge St. John, No. 27 ..... 49.50  
St. Martin's Lodge, No. 30 ..... 76.20  
Benjamin Lodge, No. 31 ..... 100.60  
Campbellton Lodge, No. 32 ..... 71.30  
Alexandria Lodge, No. 33 ..... 28.40  
Albert Lodge, No. 34 ..... 58.80  
Carlton Lodge, No. 35 ..... 127.80  
Ashlar Lodge, No. 36 ..... 86.20  
Steven Lodge, No. 37 ..... 33.40  
Mananook Lodge, No. 38 ..... 71.60  
Bethel Lodge, No. 40 ..... 66.10  
Tweedie Lodge, No. 41 ..... 66.10  
Sunbury Lodge, No. 42 ..... 51.10

\$3,738.50

By cash paid Grand Treasurer per receipt book ..... \$3,738.50

Also from Lebanon Lodge, 64.10  
Northumberland Lodge, 71.00

These amounts have been paid to the Grand Treasurer since the accounts were closed for auditing.

Returns for the year 1915 have been received from all the lodges, save Sussex, No. 4 and Coldbrook, No. 29.

These returns show the following figures relating to membership:

Initiated ..... 216  
Passed ..... 213  
Raised ..... 230  
Johns ..... 38  
Reinstated ..... 8

Withdrawn ..... 73  
Suspended ..... 52  
Died ..... 175

Balance on hand last year ..... \$ 2,054.40

Interest received ..... 736.54

\$2,790.94

Grants from Fund ..... \$ 585.00

Bonds purchased ..... 2,774.00

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## THREE MEN ON ROLL OF HONOR

Recruiting Still Slow in St. John—News of the Local Battalions.

ROLL OF HONOR.

M. Nelson, St. John.  
E. G. Sullivan, St. John.  
S. J. Matthews, Letuts.

Three men passed the doctor yesterday and signed the honor roll.

It is understood that the 140th will take over the West Side guard on Saturday and will be for sixteen days, an arrangement having been made whereby each battalion shall take it for sixteen days at a time.

Officers Appointed.

The officers for the 55th Howitzer Battery and 56th Depot Battery have been appointed as follows.

55th Howitzer Battery, Fredericton—O. C., Major G. N. P. Fisher; Lieut. E. J. Vickers, E. N. Turnbull and N. M. MacLaren.

56th Depot Battery, Woodstock—O. C., Capt. J. H. Evans, Lieut. J. G. Berrie, R. F. Armstrong and D. V. White.

1916.

Yesterday the morning was spent in routine work. In the afternoon the men were out on a route march under company commanders.

Lieut. D. B. Weldon reported for duty after spending a few days leave in Moncton.

Today the orderly officer will be Lieut. Weldon, and the day will be spent in the usual manner.

140th.

Yesterday afternoon the 140th indulged in a route march, and they made a splendid appearance as they marched along headed by the band.

The men are working hard, and the improvement in their work lately is very noticeable.

Five men were taken on strength yesterday. Today Lieut. Kirk will be the officer of the day, and the orderly routine work will be gone through.

The Pipe and Drum Band has been transferred to Fredericton and will leave today for that place. The name of Corporal W. C. Lawton was omitted from the list of the members of the 140th who were taking the course at the school in the Army.

reported that they had made some needed improvements in the building and yards. They also reported that negotiations were in progress looking to the taking over certain rights which the Myrtle Shriners held in the building. They had also placed on the list of the members of the building bringing the total up to \$50,000.

Grand Treasurer.

H. Russell Sturges, Grand Treasurer reported a balance on hand after paying all expenses of \$1,359.11. The Fund of Benevolence balance is \$700.19.

Auditor's Report.

To the Board of Directors, Masonic Grand Lodge Corporation, St. John, N. B.:

Your committee appointed to audit the books and accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, report as follows:

That all the books are properly kept and vouchers have been produced to us for all expenses and payments.

The following statement of accounts and assets shows the financial standing of the Corporation:

Receipts.

Balance on hand from last year ..... \$ 3,499.15

Lodge payments from Grand Secretary ..... 3,738.50

Rents ..... 2,774.00

Bank interest ..... 64.55

\$10,071.23

Expenditures.

General expenses ..... \$8,712.12

Bank balance ..... 2,774.00

April 18th, \$1,604.21

Less outstanding cheques 246.10

1,359.11

Find of Benevolence.

Receipts.

Balance on hand last year ..... \$ 2,054.40

Interest received ..... 736.54

\$2,790.94

Payments.

Grants from Fund ..... \$ 585.00

Bonds purchased ..... 2,774.00

Town of Dartmouth ..... 1,500.00

Interest on same ..... 5.75

Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia savings department, April 13, 1916 ..... 700.19

\$2,790.94

Property on Assets.

Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia ..... \$ 1,359.11

Fund of Benevolence balance 700.19

Bonds and securities at par value in safety box at Bank of Nova Scotia ..... 16,000.00

\$18,659.30

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. CAMPBELL,  
JOHN THORNTON,  
J. R. HAYCOCK,  
Auditors.

The body of Thomas Tracey, late of the 140th, arrived on the Boston train yesterday, accompanied by his two daughters and was conveyed to the Church of the Assumption where services were conducted by the Rev. Charles Collins. Interment was made in the Holy Cross cemetery.

## ODDFELLOWS CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARY

Order Established in 1819—Observances in St. John and Wherever Knights of Three Links are Found.

Odffellows everywhere are observing the 77th anniversary of the institution of the order this week.

The Independent Order of Odffellows was founded on April 26, 1819.

St. John the observance of the anniversary was begun last night when Peerless Lodge No. 19 held its annual roll call in Odffellows' Hall, North End.

Noble Grand Mitchell presided. The attendance was large and many of those present made addresses. One of the most interesting addresses of the evening was given by Past Grand H. L. Gardner of Wilmammet Lodge of Chelsea, Mass.

The members of the Chelsea Lodge have many friends in St. John. Last fall forty of the members came here from Massachusetts and were entertained by local Odffellows.

Mr. Gardner brought the greetings of not only his own lodge but of the Odffellows of Massachusetts as well.

Henry McElshy sang a solo, accompanied by Frank Stanton on the piano.

On Thursday night Golden Rule Lodge of West St. John will hold a celebration in its own hall and Pioneer No. 9 and Siloam Lodges will have a joint smoker and entertainment in Odffellows' Hall on Germain street.

The order in the Maritime Provinces is in a very prosperous condition. Dr. Belyea of Woodstock is grand master, C. S. Ryan of Charlottetown, grand warden, and J. J. McKinnon of Charlottetown, grand secretary.

In his anniversary communication to the members, Grand Warden Ryan says: "Under ordinary conditions the membership of this large order are usually looking ahead to an anniversary day with great expectations. It is the time when the good things of this noble order are spread before the public and the membership. Its principles—friendship, love, truth, are thrown upon the screen for mutual approbation, for the example of the proper foundation a society must have to enter properly and effectively into the work of assisting mankind over the rough and uncertain path of life, of the great assistance their lessons can be to those who are trying to attain a high and noble morality."

"In common with the civilized world, the regret is general among Odffellows that such a condition as is at present in vogue on the continent of Europe, has so long continued, whereby the needless sacrifice of our human fellows is in progress. They grieve at the thought of what the future has in store for the many widows and orphans left as a result of the second great conflict in which our order has representatives on both sides. The little three-link emblem is worn by Germans as well as by Britons, but very sorry to say, the influence of friendship, love and truth, with all their magnificence, has failed in the fullest degree to impress the German as regards his own personal position in connection with, and the brotherhood of man in accordance with the teaching of the Fatherhood of God."

FUNERALS.

The funeral of J. Oscar Grant took place yesterday afternoon from his late residence, 148 Mecklenburg street. Interment was made in Fernhill cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Vera Mercereau was held yesterday afternoon from the residence of Mrs. A. T. Gray, 227 Prince street, West Side. Services were conducted by Rev. H. Westcott, and interment was made in Cedar Hill cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret J. Gibson took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, 148 Mecklenburg street. Services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Poulett, and interment was made in the Fernhill cemetery.

A V Crookshank and wife, Fredericton; Mrs. F. L. Paterson, F. J. Driscoll, Boston; H. S. Belfortaine and wife, Halifax; A. N. Ron, Moncton; W. P. Erb, Sussex; Ralph Hitchcox, New-castle; Judge Barry, Fredericton; A. S. Caley, McAdam; J. M. G. Fergus, O. Larivison, A. Frost, A. L. St. Cyr, F. De Franco, M. J. Kearney, Woodland, Me; O. A. Batson, Campbell; Miss A. McGinn, Eastport; Geo. O. Peters, Sackville; J. E. Bietton, London; A. W. MacInten, Portland; Harry McDonald, Shediac; S. V. Skillen, St. Martins; C. W. Up-ham, T. L. Mercer, Sussex; W. J. Armstrong, Moncton; A. R. MacKenzie, St. Stephen; A. P. Bailey, Moncton; C. R. Braman, Halifax; Sgt. H. G. Smith, Sussex; W. B. Jeffries, Moncton; J. A. Con-aid, Sydney; A. W. Gardner, Yarmouth; James F. Cripps, Digby; E. L. Palmer, Amherst.

Victoria.

C. B. Reynolds, Calais, Me.; John Henderson, Minto, N. B.; A. A. Batson, Campbell; Chas. A. Alexander, Campbell; A. A. Andrew, do; John P. Weir, Moncton; Z. Garmean, Quebec; N. W. Evelyn, Sussex; E. W. Lons, do; F. Lister, McAdam; R. J. Green, do; E. Gagnier, Moncton; A. L. Chance, do; Chas. A. Penhody, Woodstock; C. S. Fields, do; A. Nelson, Grand Marais; W. Sloan, Belfast; N. Henderson, do; W. A. Gleason, Liverpool; J. S. Nickerson, Moncton; J. F. Falconer, do; H. W. Robertson, do; E. Crandimere, Vancou-ver; H. B. Durost, Woodstock; Geo. Horncastle, Sussex; R. W. Hooper, New Glasgow; H. B. Reid, Granville Ferry,

## PRETORIAN NOW IN PORT

Royal Mail Steamer Arrived Yesterday with 300 Passengers—Eighty-four Returned Soldiers.

The Royal Mail steamer Pretorian of the Allan line arrived in port yesterday morning with about three hundred passengers of whom eighty-four were returned soldiers. She brought 3,000 packages of mail and a large cargo. The trip was uneventful and good time was made. Among the men who returned were eight for the Maritime Provinces. Sergt. A. G. Pierce, a member of the "Fighting 26th," has returned to take a commission in the 145th (Forbes) Battalion. His home is in Richibucto, but he intended to leave last night for Truro, where his wife is staying at present. Sergt. Pierce was scout sergeant under Lieut. E. Alban Sturges and he had nothing but good to say for that officer. He said his men would follow him anywhere and were all proud of him. He left the trenches two weeks ago and the men were still as ready for a scrap as ever. Just before he left the order had come for them to go back to rest billets for three weeks, so he supposed they were enjoying themselves at present. The Germans did not want to have anything to do with the Canadian troops. Speaking of trench life, Sergt. Pierce said there was plenty of hard work about it, especially in wet weather, but he was not sorry he had gone over. Col. McArthur was well and was highly thought of by the men of the 26th. Major McArthur was fit as a fiddle and right on the job. He spoke of the death of Major Belyea and Capt. Ferguson and said the battalion had lost two fine officers in these two men. Their places would be hard to fill. He saw Major Dunfield at Shorncliffe and he was hoping to be soon back with the boys again. He also saw Major Brown, who was looking well and very anxious to get back to the front. The feeling among the boys over there was that the war would be over in six months.

Others were Pte. Percy Tillock of the 26th, who was wounded shortly after going to France, and is returning to his home in Chatham. Pte. J. Newlands of St. John has been sent home as over age. Pte. Henry Ralston of the 13th Battalion was wounded last August and was on his way to his home in Sydney, Mines. Pte. George Shannon of Fredericton, a member of the 55th Battalion, has been invalided home.

Sappers R. and E. B. Malcolm of Campbellton, who went overseas with the Construction Corps, have returned to take commissions in one of the units now being raised. One member of the original "Princess Patricia's" Battalion was the officer in charge and Capt. J. B. Jupp, C. A. M. C., was the medical officer.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Royal.