

Sons of England News.

S. O. E. NOTES.

We have received a copy of the Annual Register and Business Directory of the Sons of England B. S., issued by authority of the Supreme Grand Lodge. Messrs. Imrie & Graham of 25 Colborne St., Toronto, printers. Price 5 cents per copy, to be had from Lodge Secretaries. The general utility of this work should ensure a copy of it being in possession of every member of the S. O. E. The arrangement of the matter it contains is good, and considering the price charged nothing more could be wished for the money. Difficulty, the publishers declare has been experienced in making the list of members of the Order complete, as some lodges failed to send their lists. We believe several lodges have felt reluctance to make public the list of their members, regarding themselves as members of a secret Society, hence the fault complained of; but there can be no doubt of the value of a work of the kind—especially if its circulation can be strictly confined to members of the Order. Advertisers should not need the word "Brother" prefixed to their names. We understand that this timely publication is published by S. H. Harvard, Chesterfield Lodge, and edited by Wm. Barker, P. P. Rugby Lodge.

Bro. Lomnitz, of Birmingham lodge, Toronto, was recently in Ottawa, and paid a visit to Derby lodge, where he received a cordial welcome. Bro. L. in a few well chosen words addressed the assembled brethren pointing out the very important national duties, in devotion to our Flag and nationality resting on the members, irrespective of political factions.

Bro. Thos. H. Graham, of Stafford Lodge, Toronto, visited Ottawa on business last week, and called upon several of the brethren in our city. The ANGLO-SAXON was pleased to see Bro. Graham.

A concert and lecture was given in the large hall of the Y. M. C. A. Queen street, W., on Friday evening, April 17th, in aid of the contingent fund of the lodge, Bro. R. Ivens, S. G. P., occupied the chair in his usual genial and able manner. The lecture entitled, "The Opening of the War of 1872," was delivered by Lieut.-Col. Geo. T. Denison, which was much appreciated by the large audience assembled. Bro. W. E. Ramsay, Trinity University Glee Club, and Toronto Hand-bell ringers contributed to the musical portion of the programme, the inimitable Bro. H. K. Cockin gave two recitations in his usual graceful and eloquent manner, much to the delight of all those assembled. We are glad to learn that the efforts of the committee have resulted in a handsome addition to the fund above named.

Toronto.

The ANGLO-SAXON begs to announce that Bro. WILLIAM BARKER will act as our Special Correspondent and Agent for the city of Toronto, who will take subscriptions, and attend to all business matters in Toronto. Brethren of Toronto, please take note of the date on your wrapper.

Lodge Chesterfield No. 97, held its usual fortnightly meeting in Shaftesbury Hall, on Monday evening, April 27th, Bro. Geo. Clatsworthy, W. P., in the chair. During general business a long debate ensued respecting the desirability of holding lodge meetings once a month during the dog days. The matter was ultimately deferred until the next meeting.

Rugby Lodge, No. 80, met on Monday evening, April 27th, in Pythian Hall, Queen st., east. Bro. G. N. Parker, W. P., in the chair. Two new members were initiated, and three proposed for membership. Rugby lodge is making slow progress but sure, the class of members initiated are a credit to the lodge. The event of the evening was the reading of a specially prepared paper entitled, "England Past and Present" by Bro. J. C. Swait, P. S. G. P., and was listened to with evident interest by the members present. Refreshments was served after the lecture. On Monday, May 24th, Bro. W. Barker, will give his reminiscences of Players I have seen and known.

Manchester Lodge, No. 14, met on Monday evening, April, 27th, in Winchester Hall, Winchester street, Bro. C. Meech, occupied the chair. Two new members were initiated and one by clearance card. Three propositions for membership were made. The auditors quarterly report was presented, which was of a highly satisfactory nature, showing great material progress during the quarter. At the close of the lodge, a white degree lodge was opened, when three members were advanced to that degree.

Mercantile Lodge, No. 81, held their usual fortnightly meeting on Saturday evening, April, 25th, Bro. J. D. Young, W. P., in the chair. There was a large attendance of members and visiting brethren, two new members were initiated and four propositions for membership handed in. The auditors presented their quarterly report, which showed the lodge to be in a very prosperous position. After the closing of the lodge, Bro. W. Barker, who is an honorary member of the lodge, took the chair for a meeting of harmony, the chairman drew out all the available talent of the members, and a very pleasant evening was spent, much to the delight of the brethren of sister lodges.

Richmond Lodge No. 65, celebrated their anniversary with a dinner at Bro. Chivrell's restaurant, Richmond st. W., on Tuesday evening, April 28th. Bro. J. Riley, W. P., in the chair, and Bro. C. Collins, V. P., in the vice chair. The worthy president was supported on his right by J. W. Carter, S. G. S., and Bro. Rev. W. H. Clark, D. D. for West Toronto, and on his left by Bro. T. R. Skippon, P. G. P., and Bro. W. Barker, P. P. Rugby Lodge. After the usual loyal toasts had been disposed of the event of the evening was the presentation of jewels to different members of the lodge. Bro. H. J. Boswell was presented with a P. P. jewel, and in response to the request of the president, Bro. T. R. Skippon performed that duty in his usual happy manner. Bro. J. W. Carter was next called upon to present Bro. Beavis with a P. P. jewel, which was done in Bro. Carter's best manner. Bro. Wells has taken a very active part in the furtherance of the welfare of the lodge, in introducing new members to the lodge, and he has been so indefatigable in that direction that his fellow members were determined to recognize his labours in a lasting manner, a special jewel was designed for the purpose, and Bro. Wm. Barker was called upon to make the presentation on behalf of the members of the lodge, which was well and duly done amidst loud applause. Bro. Wells in a very short speech said he hoped the other brethren would go and do likewise. Bro. Rev. W. H. Clark, D. D. is responsible to the toast of sister lodges, said it gave him great pleasure to be present, and to be in the company of those who had laboured long and earnestly for the advancement of this great and noble society, it was a privilege to be a member of the society although, as yet in its infancy was bound to be one of the strongest in the Dominion, and would as time advanced have its lodges in every town and city from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

On Friday evening, April 17th, Alma Lodge, No. 9, Juvenile Department, S. O. E., under the auspices of Lodges Surrey, Yarmouth and Portsmouth, was instituted at Dovercourt by Supreme District Deputy Bro. Drevitt, assisted by Bro. Cannon, junior president of Surrey Lodge, Bro. Meredith, of Portsmouth, and Bro. Seaton, President of Boston Lodge, when 25 boys were initiated into the mysteries of this branch of the Order. The following officers were elected from the adult lodge:—President B. Lowen, of Surrey; vice-president, W. Skelcher, of Portsmouth; chaplain, E. Boggis, of Yarmouth; secretary, H. St. V. Johnston, of Surrey; treasurer, W. Giles, of Portsmouth; surgeon, Dr. Kerr. The committee-men elected from the Juveniles as follows:—A. E. Edwards, A. Cannon, E. J. Cannon, C. Smart, H. Routrey, T. S. Glover, inside guard, G. W. Miles; outer guard, G. F. Hill. There were also a good attendance of visiting brethren from the various lodges in the neighborhood to cheer on the boys in this grand and noble work, which is fast becoming one of the most important branches in our Order. It is expected from the enthusiasm manifested by the boys, and the members of the lodges interested, that this lodge will muster 50 strong at our annual church parade.

On Friday evening, April 10th, District Deputy, Bro. F. J. Drevitt, paid an official visit to Leeds Lodge, No. 48, Weston, in company with Past District Deputy Bro. Barker, of Rugby Lodge, and Bro. Clay of Chesterfield Lodge. There was a good attendance of members present. During an intermission of the business of the lodge, several members of the lodge sang some beautiful songs and gave recitations, which were received in a hearty manner. Business was resumed, when Bro. Clay was called upon for a few remarks, who replied in his humorous manner, finishing up by singing a comic song in true Yorkshire dialect, which was heartily applauded. Bro. Barker was also called upon, when he replied in his usual forcible and business-like manner in which he delivers the addresses. The D. D. also spoke, making every sentence with telling effect on those whom he addressed. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the visitors for the kindness shown to Leeds Lodge by coming out to cheer the members in the good and noble work in which they are engaged. All the members went to the station to give the visitors a hearty cheer upon the train leaving.

Brockville.
At the regular meeting of Suffolk Lodge, No. 87, Sons of England Benevolent Society, held at their hall, 208 King street, Monday evening, March 30th, 1891, the following resolutions were read, adopted and ordered to be printed in the ANGLO-SAXON:—

Whereas,—It has pleased Our Heavenly Father, in his infinite wisdom, to remove from our midst our worthy and highly-esteemed officer and brother, Edwin Bagg, who departed this life, March 18th, 1891, therefore be it

Resolved,—That, while we bow in humble submission to the will of God, who doeth all things well, we realize with true and heartfelt sorrow the loss Suffolk Lodge, No. 87, has sustained in the death of one so generally honoured and respected, being possessed of those principles of steady, honest, straightforward manliness and integrity of character. From frequent intercourse with him we learned to regard and esteem him and very highly valued his services in the responsible office he held in the Society.

Resolved, That the society has lost a true and faithful member, we his brothers a warm and generous friend, his wife a devoted husband, and the community in which he lived an honorable and upright citizen.

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with his wife, son and daughters, in this their hour of greatest affliction; and may they not be as those without hope, but ever bear in mind that for true consolation they must look to God, who alone can heal earth's deepest sorrow, and while they mourn the loss of one so dear to them, we grieve for one who so mingled with us, and has always been a true member of the society, and may our Heavenly Father care for them in our earnest and constant prayer.

Resolved, That as a just tribute to the memory of our deceased brother, we drape our charter in mourning for the space of thirty days, and that a copy of these resolutions be printed in our journal, and a copy, with the seal of Suffolk Lodge attached, be presented to the family of our deceased brother, Signed on behalf of the Society:—

W. H. Grace, W. Pres.
J. Cuthbert, W. Vice. Pres.
W. White, W. Past-Pres.
A. C. Bacon, Secretary.
C. C. Fulford, Acting Secretary
W. H. Edwards, 2nd Gude.
Bro. H. Dodd is appointed Treasurer in place of deceased.
Bro. C. C. Fulford is Trustee.

OUR POLITICIANS.

The Philadelphia Times during the recent Canadian election campaign said, in reference to the surreptitious visits of certain Canadians to American centres, that "Canada may not be for sale, but some of her politicians are—cheap and with a big discount for cash."

PRINCIPLE IN PRACTICE.

Mr. D'Alton McCarthy recently gave notice of a bill in the Dominion Parliament which will, doubtless, cause considerable perturbation in Quebec. It is to amend the North-West Territories Act, and has two objects: (1) to repeal the dual language clause; (2) to amend the separate schools clause, by giving the territories power to deal with schools free from any limitations.

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