SALISBURY LODGE ELECTS OFFICERS

S. O. E. Organization is Reported in Very Fine Shape.

Lodge Salisbury No. 242, S. O. E., held their regular meeting on Wednesday evening last when there was present a very large number of members. The annual election also took place resulting as follows; Past President, Bro. James W. White; President, Bro. Charles Uden; vice-president, Bro. A. B. Lee; Chaplain, Bro. Leonard Mears; secretary, Bro. A. J. Stevens; Treasurer, John H. Adsleeth; Second, Bro. Day; Third, Bro. Mitchell; Fourth, Ira Benning, Fifth, Norman Row;, Sixth, Fred Vinely. Inside Guard, Fred Brooks; Outside Guard, Bro Cudmore; Pianist, Bro. Drake; Trustees, Bros. Kitchen, Short and Yates; Auditors, Clem Coles, Bro. Walsh and Tom Brown; Lodge Surgeon, Dr. Henwood; Trustees Juvenile Lodge, Bros. Chas. Uden, Hyatt, J. W. White, Edward Row, A. B. Lee, and Leonard Mears; Delegate to Grand Lodge, Arthur Hills. There were four candidates initiated and altogether Lodge Salisbury has had a very prosperous year.

To The Editor

ABOUT THE NEW GAS.

To the Editor of The Courier:

Sir,—Seeing that the piping of natural gas from the Tilbury fields to Brantford is about to become an accomplished fact, it seems to me that it would be but fair that the consumers should know what manner of stuff the gas from that district really is.

That neither protest nor suggestion has appeared in the papers seems singular, as others, besides myself, must know that the Tilbury article is very different from that which has been furnished the gas consumers of this place hitherto.

I burned it in Ridgetown, twenty-four miles from the fields, for two years, so, I know whereof I affirm. In the same place for ten years we burned surface gas from our own wells, which seemed identical with that furnished the people of Brantford at present.

Pure gas is an ideal fuel, but unless that from Tilbury is purified before being turned into the mains we shall abandon gas at our house and go back to the good old hard coal.

The "emphatic" odor of the Tilbury product is, perhaps, the least objection. The sulphurous fumes attack silver, copper, brass and other metals, rendering them as black as iron. It is very destructive to pipes and stoves. One year's exposure to the action of this fuel suffices to disintegrate ordinary stove pipes. The vendors of stoves, etc., will realize that it is an ill wind that blows nobody good, should the people of this city be content to worry along with the new fuel.

Yours,
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Dainty little pairs of Shoes, in neat cartons. Prices from 50c
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A Hot Fight

Is Promised in Regard to Township Council Election.

From the way the situation looks at the present time, the Township elections will prove very interesting. Reeve Kendrick has stated that he will again offer himself as a candiate for the reeveship. Second Deputy Reeve Jennings will most likely be a candidate. If Deputy Reeve Jennings makes a try for the reeveship, it will in all likelihood be a contest between Councillors Scace and Greenwood for second deputy reeve honors. First Deputy Reeve McCon will again be a candidate for first deputy reeve. With Councillors Scace and Greenwood in the field for second deputy reeve honors, there is opportunity for two new councillors. It is stated that Mr David Tattersall of Grandview, and Mr. John Campbell, Cockshutt Road, are probable candidates There is a likelihood of others coming into the field.

City News Items

County Council.

The Brant County Council will meet here on Wednesday, December 17.

Brantford Man Charged.

Walter Sears of Brantford, was charged with attempting to induce a ward of Children's Aid to leave her employer. The case was adjourned until to-day.—Paris Review.

Arbitration

The arbitration in connection with the expropriation of the VanWestrum property by the Lake Erie and Northern, will take place on Monday next. Heavy damages are being claimed.

Putting Up Stone.

In response to the request of Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., the work of putting in stone, instead of brick, on the upper half of the East end of the new public building, was commenced to-day.

Wait and See Ours.

The interior fittings for the additionn to the post office are being put in place, and when everything is completed Paris will have a post office second to none in a town of this size in Canada.—Paris Star.

Funeral on Sunday.

The remains of the late Arthur Wallace arrived this afternoon at 4 o'clock from Salamanca, N. Y. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon to Mt. Hope cemetery and will be under Masonic auspices.

Holbrook Prizes

The award of the judges in the Holbrook sauce prize guessing contest appears on page seven of this issue. The judges were Messrs T. H. Preston and F. D. Reville. Much interest was taken in the contest.

Mourn the Loss.

Many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Warren, 125 Oxford St., will learn with deep regret of the death of their infant daughter, Katura, aged five months. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon to Mt. Hope Cemetery. Adjt. Hargrove of the Salvation Army will conduct the services.

Y. M. C. A. Swimmers

The following men are requested to be at the Y. M. C. A. swimming pool on Saturday night at 8 o'clock to prepare for the meet with Hamilton on Tuesday next: Felkamp, Laing, Patterson, Cobden, Brimmer, McKay, Pollock, Waddington, Verity, Smith, Deagle, Harris. The events will be 40 yards speed, 40 yard back, 100 yards speed, relay 5 men to swim 40 yards each and a polo game of 6 men aside..

Go to Toronto.

To-morrow night the senior Y. M. C. A. basketball team go to Toronto to play the Toronto West End team. The Toronto team is one of the best in the country and the Brantford boys will have to put up a great fight to win. The Brantford line-up is as follows: Hears and Campbell, forwards; Berry, centre; Woodley, MacKay and Orr, defence. The return game will be played here on New Years Day.

Through Golf Grounds

A meeting of the Golf and Country Club was held this afternoon when an application was received from the Hydro Electric Commission for right of way for the main line through the links. The Commission will require 16 feet right of way along the river bank. The dance commimttee reported arrangements are completed for the New Year dance. The invitations will be issued on Monday Indications are for the most successful dance ever held under the auspices of the club.

Photos Secured

The Brant Historical Society have now secured the photographs of all the Wardens of Brant County. Enlarged photos will be made and these will be handsomely framed and hung in conspicuous places in the Court House. As soon as this activity has been brought to a climax, the pictures of the Mayors of the city will be given prominence. Already City Clerk Leonard, who is chairman of the committee in charge of these activities, has been given a photograph by several of the Mayors.

Laid at Rest

The Late Florence Noble

The funeral of the late Florence Noble, youngest daughter of Mr. John Noble took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, 11 Niagara St., to Mount Hope cemetery, Rev. W. E. Bowyer, conducted the services. A large number of sorrowing friends were present, testifying to the esteem in which the deceased was held. The pallbearers were: George Batson, George Prouse, Joe. Johnson, Gordon Wilkinson, Edward Schueberg, Hugh Jellie. The flowers received were many and beautiful, and included the following: Pillow, family; Anchor, Crown Electric Co. employees; wreath, sprays, Mrs R. Johnson and Joe; Mr and Mrs. C. Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. S. Batson, jr., Mr. and Mrs R Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Batson, Mrs. E. Warner, Misses Mamie and Dolly Batson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Batson, Miss Jessie McInnes, Medora, Man., Mr. Thos Varey, Mr and Mrs. P. W. Wetmore Mr and Mrs W. J. Bragg, Chelathia class Calvary Baptist, Miss Kate Fortmer, London, Mr and Mrs M. A. Colquhoun, Mr. John McDonald and family, Mrs McIntyre and Myrtle, Mr Crichton, Mrs. Temple, Mr. George Townsend, Mr and Mrs. R. Waddington, Doric Lodge, A.F.A.M Mt. Horeb Chapter, Oda de St Amond Preceptory, Mr and Mrs C. E. Failor, Paris, George and Arthur Prouse, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mills, Miss Nell McCoy, Jack and Cyril Mavin, Mr and Mrs. Bert Wedge, Miss Mame Johnson, Misses Beatrice and Goldie Clawsey, Mr. and Mrs Ashton Hall, Mr. Steve Mitchell, Mrs. Laura Noble, Mr and Mrs. Walter Childs, Mrs. J. Legacy, Louise Kirkby, Darwin Piano Co., Mr. Roy Martin, Misses Myrtle and Annie House.

With the City Police

The cable theft case was further adjourned until to-morrow at the instance of Mr. T. Woodyatt, who was not prepared to defend this morning at the police court. He said it was unusual to ask to transfer a case until a Saturday, but as the charge was a trifling one, he thought it would soon be disposed of and he asked rather than that men men be kept until next week incarcerated, the case be heard to-morrow. Magistrate Livingston concurred with the view and defendants will appear to-morrow. They plead not guilty. Lewis Harp was let out on his own reconnaisance of $100.

Henry Fheeman, a man who bore an excellent character, was in the dock charged with theft of a bicycle. The wheel was missed about two weeks ago and a week later defendant had it in his possession. His story was that he was up at West Mill street and wanting to come into town he asked a stranger for the loan of his wheel. This was granted and the wheel taken, when he returned with the heel the lender had vanished and defendant had left wheel where he originally obtained it. It was there three days and then defendant took possession of it. The owner had only missed it two hours before the time that Freeman said it was lent to him. The magistrate was evidently not satisfied with the tale and asked defendant if he was sure that his story was true. He swore it was and in consideration of his good record he was given a suspended sentence on payment of costs.

A. Bottrill was fined the nominal sum of one dollar without costs for his portion of the abuse hurled at the head of a local dealer, M. Shear. The magistrate had nothing to do with the matter of the 25c. and left this to be settled between the parties. He admonished the defendant and advised him to leave the shop out of his list.

Hearsay is not evidence and because of this the case of F. Martin who was charged with a breach of the by-laws was adjourned. He was alleged to have been carting without the necessary license and two witnesses were present. In the box they both based their statements upon what they had heard. Therefore, their testimony was discounted, and the chief was asked to bring more direct evidence against the defendant.

PICKPOCKETS BUSY.

GUELPH, Ont., Dec. 12.—When John Hastings went to board the train to Elora last night, he put his hand in his pocket to make sure he had his money all right. Mr. Hastings was a surprised man to find that his roll had disappeared. It amounted to about two hundred dollars. Gangs of pickpockets from Toronto are supposed to be operating here during the fair. One was arrested last night giving the name of Harry Baker, Toronto.

A. D. HARRIS DEAD.

TORONTO, Dec. 12—Mr. A. D. Harris president and founder of the Ontario Sewer Pipe Company (headquarters in Mimico), died in London, England, this morning from apoplexy. He leaves a widow, three daughters and a son, besides two brothers, James Harris of Weston, and Robert in Australia, and two sisters in Hamilton.

BYE-ELECTION IN YORK.

OTTAWA, Dec. 12.—The bye-election in York, N.B., consequent upon the elevation of O. S. Crockett to the bench, will probably take place on January 7.

BRITISH NEWS VIA THE MAIL BAG

Death From Horse Kick

The death has occurred at Crowle, near Worcester, of Mrs Mabel Davies the wife of the Vicar of Crowle, from injuries caused through being kicked by a horse.

Girls' Strike Ended

As the result of a compromise, the strike of 360 girls at Messrs Courtauld's artificial silk mills, Braintree, ended on Monday night. Wages have been increased to an appreciable extent

Farm Servants' Wages

At the Driffield Hiring Fair on Monday farmers had to meet a demand for £3 above last year's wages for yearly indoor workers. Married men who live out, got 2s. a week increase.

"Three in One"

A proposal in favor of the amalgamation of the three towns of Plymouth, Devonport, and Stonehouse, was carried after a three hours debate at the meeting of the Plymouth Borough Council on Monday.

Railway Director Dead

The death has taken place at Folkestone of Mr. Vincent Hill, formerly manager of the South Eastern and Chatham Railway. At the time of his death he was a director of the railway.

Laborer's £17 Bread Bill

In making an order for 4s. a month against a laborer's bill of £17 for bread supplied, the judge at the Felixstowe county court said he was staggered that any baker should give such credit to a laborer.

Fall That Killed

Robert Whittaker, sixty-five, hay and stray merchant, Duke street, Rochdale, was examining a load of hay in front of his warehouse on Monday, when he overbalanced and fell sixteen feet to the ground. He sustained a fractured skull from which he died.

Twenty-nine Years Vicar

Canon Woodrow, who has been the vicar of Ormskirk for 29 years, died suddenly on Monday. He was in his 68th year, and had conducted morning and evening services in the parish church on Sunday.

Tragedy of the Nile

The Rev F. S. Green, rector of Charlton, Dover, has been informed that his son, Mr. J. R. Green, an engineer, employed by the Soudan Government, fell into the Nile and was drowned while attending to the propellor of a motor launch.

Lady Scott and Titanic Captain

It has been arranged that Lady Scott shall be the sculptor of the memorial to Captain E. J. Smith of the ill-fated Titanic, to be erected at Lichfield. It will take the form of a bronze statue rather more than life-size, on a pedestal of rough granite.

Killed By Motor Lorry

A factory operative named Thos. Harwood, aged about forty, of Rochdale road. East, Heywood, was knocked down by a motor lorry near the Heywood cemetery on Monday night. He died before reaching the infirmary.

Farmer Shot Accidentally

Returning home from shooting rabbits, Mr. Thomas Lungley, a well known farmer of Tolleshunt Knights, Bishops Stortford, Essex, placed his gun against a gate and was climbing over when he accidentally touched the gun and received the contents in his chest. He died from his injury.

Motor Car Falls Into Pit

A motor car accident in which the chauffeur was killed and two passengers narrowly escaped injury, occurred at Orpington on Monday.

The car was travelling from Tonbridge to Chislehurst, and when passing along the Moorfield road, Orpington, the chauffeur failed to notice a sharp turn in the road, with the result that the car dashed over an embankment and fell into a pit.

Mr. and Mrs. Constance of Chislehurst, escaped with a shaking, but the chauffeur, George Symons, was killed.

Caddie Master Hanged

Worried by discrepencies in his books, Charles Frederick Coultry, a caddie master of the Fulwell Golf Club, Surrey, was found hanged, but at the inquest at Teddington on Monday it was stated the committee on examining the books, found a balance in Coultry's favor—a fact which was unknown to him.

Humane By-Laws

Croydon council, after a long debate on proposed humane slaughtering by-laws, decided by twenty-five votes to twenty-one on Monday night to ask the local government board to approve of their proposed new regulations, which provide that all animals, including sheep, shall be stunned before slaughter by an instrument to be prescribed by the council.

Postman's Medal

At a gathering of postmen at Bolton central post office on Monday Mr. George Harris, the recently appointed postmaster, handed to ex-Postman T. H. Fielding, the King Edward Imperial medal for meritorious and long services. The recipient retired in June, after 34 years continuous services. He is the third postman in the Bolton district to receive the medal.

Painted by His Son

It is the intention of the council of the Manchester University to honor Professor Lamb, one of the senior professors, by presenting him with his portrait in oils, painted by his son, Mr. Henry Lamb, who has painted a very faithful life-size portrait of his father. The presentation is to be made by professors, leading members of the university and outside admirers.

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