

WHAT OUR POET SAYS.

Most poets of love make their theme,
None better their pen could employ,
For pure love ennobles the heart,
Love free from all dross and alloy.

To whom should this pure love be shown?
On whom its blessings be poured?
But those in love's bonds united,
In whom our youth is restored.

How best is this love to be shown,
Unselfish, untainted and pure?
Forgetful of aught but their good,
To provide that their future be sure.

Our life is uncertain at best.
One slip, one false step and it ends;
And what of the loved ones we leave
To the uncertain pity of friends?

The way is open and clear
To ease the burden of grief,
By provision easily made
For sure and speedy relief.

The "HOME CIRCLE" opens the way,
With very small self-denial,
To ensure for these dear ones in life
A relief from some of life's trial.

Who then, with a father's heart
True to the loved ones at home,
Would fail this provision to make
And leave them all helpless alone?

EDWARD C. LEAN.

OUR VISITORS.

The following members called at the Supreme Secretary's office during the month:—

A. J. Bennett, Sec'y 98; J. W. Pattison, Past Leader 16; E. Verney, Leader 98; Dr. J. H. Watson, Fin.-Sec'y 100; John Firstbrook and Henry F. Perry, of the Supreme Finance Committee; Mrs. E. A. Green, Sec'y 37; J. A. Blackwell, Treas. 100; J. G. Howorth, Supreme Trustee; George Duthie, Jr., 19; T. W. Purkiss, Leader 62; David Dunlop, P.S.L. 5; H. J. Way, Fin.-Sec'y 5; Samuel Dibb, Fin.-Sec'y 19; Henry Brooks, Past Leader 62; F. Hamner, Sec'y 29; C. A. Wilson, Port Dalhousie 21; John O'Neil, 100; John Foster, 29; Mrs. Stewart, Treas. 98; E. F. Dwyer, P.L. 21; William Corbett, Fin.-Sec'y 30; G. T. Blaney, Sec'y 11; Miss Nellie Draissey, 37; Dr. A. D. Watson, Supreme Med. Exam.; Rev. Mr. Hassard, Past Leader 74; E. Rosevear, Sec'y 57; W. J. Robinson, 37.

The LEADER has been favored by a call from Bro. Past Leader Eugene F. Dwyer, of Pt. Dalhousie Circle 21. The writer had the pleasure of forming the acquaintance of Bro. Dwyer during the early part of the year 1871, when he occupied the position of Manager of the Dominion Telegraph Company. For some years Bro. Dwyer has occupied the position of Postmaster of Pt. Dalhousie, and he has been repeatedly re-elected Reeve of the town. Bro. Dwyer's recent appointment to the position of Warden in his county indicates his popularity, and we gladly note the prosperity of so painstaking a public official. Among his many duties our brother still retains a warm spot in his heart for our beloved Order.

One of the busiest men in our Order at the present time is Bro. E. A. Mills, Secretary of the Board of Trade of the city of Toronto, and a member of Toronto Circle 37. A large portion of the success of the Gratuity Fund, a beneficiary insurance confined to members of the Board, is due to his untiring energies. At the present time Bro. Mills has on his hands the larger portion of the details of the new Board of Trade Building, an edifice that promises to be one of the

finest in the Dominion of Canada, and the financial success of which is already assured although the building is not yet completed, sufficient leases having been made to ensure a substantial return on the investment.

HOME CIRCLE MEETINGS

Toronto No. 12 held their regular monthly meeting in Occident Hall, Thursday, October 11th, Bro. Tait, Leader, in the chair, and about twenty-five members present. One application for membership was read out. After general discussion it was decided to place a card in the LEADER. Bro. A. E. Cameron, Past Leader, announced that at the next regular meeting of the Circle the Toronto Supreme Officers will be in attendance.

Toronto Home Circle 30 held their regular monthly meeting at Temperance Hall, Gerrard Street East, Monday evening, October 21st, T. W. Barber, Leader, in the chair. Three new members were initiated.

Toronto Circle 98 have appointed a committee, consisting of Sisters Penney, Campbell, Patterson, Harri and Stewart, to arrange for a concert to be held during the month of November. The committee have arranged to hold a social evening's entertainment at Occident Hall on Wednesday evening, Nov. 27th, at 8 p.m. Circle 98 has 63 members in good standing.

A SOCIAL EVENING

Toronto Home Circle 37 held their regular monthly meeting in Shaftesbury Hall, Friday evening, October 18th, Bro. E. DeLaHooke, Leader, in the chair. There were about sixty members present. The Circle was closed at about 9 p.m., when an enjoyable programme of music, singing, and luncheon was provided by the committee who had charge of the entertainment. Among the members who assisted, Professor and Mrs. Wood, Miss Bella Robinson, Mrs. Walker, Miss Lilly and Nellie Draissey, and Mr. and Mrs. DeLaHooke deserve special mention, their choice selections being highly appreciated and frequently applauded. The luncheon provided by Mr. Lloyd of Yonge Street did credit to his well-earned reputation as a caterer, and was rendered more tempting and enjoyable by the lady members who presided over its distribution and were untiring in their efforts to make the evening an enjoyable one. The meeting closed about eleven by a vote of thanks to the committee and to those who had so ably assisted in the programme. Among the brethren present were Supreme Officers Henry F. Perry, David Dunlop, Ashley R. Kiches and A. J. Pattison; Past Leaders T. W. Barber, E. V. Rippon, B. Cordingley; Sisters Hannah Ritchie, E. A. Green, E. F. Leake, Charlotte Dever, P. Jameson, M. Dobson, V. V. Humphrey, M. J. Bowker, Mrs. Cordingley, Amelia Taylor, and Bors Mortimer, Sara, Cook, Dever, Kew, Morley, Bourne, Good, Phipps, Worthington, Williams, McLaren, Breaden, Wallace, Davenport, Durke, Law and others.

A MEDICAL journal says that a window in a sleeping chamber should always be let down a few inches at the top, even in the coldest weather, in order to admit a little fresh air; but it is not always safe to follow the advice of a medical journal. A little fresh air has been known to keep a man awake all night, and transform him into a modern Herod—almost.—*The Judge.*

"MR. BOGGS, Mrs. Parsons has fallen off the bridge into the creek, and she called to me to bring her some succor quickly or she would drown," said little Tommy Phipps, out of breath. "Well, why don't you do it then?" "Why, I've come after you, for Bill Perkins said last night at the post-office that since Sam Cheever died you were the only sucker left in the village."

MRS. JASON—This novel speaks about a man looking like an unutterable fool. What kind of a fool is that? Mr. Jason—it means that the qualifying adjective is not fit to utter in polite society.—*Terra Haute Express.*