

DISCUSSED ORGANIZATION

Busy Morning For Canadian Odd-fellows' Grand Lodge.

Rain Prevented the Stanley Mills' Electric Car Trip.

Wilton Hall, of Dundas, Again Elected D. D. G. M.

Grand Lodge of the Canadian Order of Oddfellows got down to hard work again this morning, after having had a grand outing yesterday afternoon.

Heavy rain at 9 o'clock prevented the Stanley Mills & Co. electric railway trip being held.

Dr. White, of Lindsay, called attention of the Grand Lodge and Press Committee to two errors in the Toronto Globe's report, one in which the order was referred to as the Canadian Order of Foresters, and the other a statement that the death rate had increased, whereas it showed a material decrease.

Consideration of the report of the Committees on Laws was then resumed, the question of organization being brought up. There were two recommendations on this subject. The committee itself recommended that organizers be appointed and salaries fixed by the Grand Lodge.

Both of these were defeated, and the Grand Executive will, as heretofore, control the organizers.

Toronto district submitted two recommendations, as follows: "That a permanent organizer be appointed for Toronto district on salary and commission."

"That the bonus system be discontinued."

Both of these were defeated, the Committee on Laws reporting against them, and the report being adopted.

The Grand Executive was authorized to issue printed instructions to subordinate lodge officers and to District Deputy Grand Masters.

The special committee on western representation brought in its report this morning, the Grand Solicitor, Lyman Lee, of this city, submitting it.

The heavy travelling and other expenses of coming from the western provinces makes the delegations small, and to give the lodges their proportionate representation the committee recommended that in future there be one delegate only for every 200 members.

A scheme in which the lodges will be grouped for this purpose was worked out, and a system of provincial meetings arranged for. Each delegate representing 200 members will have four votes, thus giving the west one vote for every 50 members, the same as eastern lodges have. The report was adopted.

The various districts met this morning and elected their District Deputy Grand Masters. Mr. Wilton Hall, of Dundas, was re-elected for Hamilton district. The business of Grand Lodge will be completed this afternoon.

ORATORY.

Summer School Will be Begun Next Tuesday Evening.

The Canadian Club's idea to establish for the benefit of the young men of the city a summer school for the tuition of oratory has proved very popular. A large membership is already enrolled, giving the new school a good start and the masters every encouragement.

The inauguration exercises, in which all the masters and officers of the school will participate, will take place in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. on Tuesday night, June 22. The students are looking forward to this event with a great degree of pleasure, as Mr. Thomas Holston, Chairman of the Board of Education, has consented to formally declare the new school open.

HAMILTON STEAMBOATS.

To-morrow night the 7 o'clock trip of the steamer Macassa will be cancelled. She will leave Toronto at 5.30 instead.

There will be a change of time table of the steamers Macassa and Modjeska on Saturday next, when the full summer service will go into effect. The Modjeska will sail out of Hamilton at 8 a. m. and 2.15 p. m., last boat leaving Toronto 8.30 p. m. 5c. return Saturday afternoon. See advertisement on last page for further particulars.

TO BUILD STATIONS.

The Hydro-Electric Commission has decided to forthwith call for tenders for the erection of a transformer station at Niagara and a transformer and inter-switching station at Dundas. The time for receiving tenders closes on July 5. The estimated cost of the work is \$75,000.



DELEGATES TO THE COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

NO REPLY FROM HYDRO PEOPLE

And the New Civic Power Committee Will Therefore Not Meet To-night.

The Hydro-Electric Commission does not appear to be in any rush to send along the contract to which it expects Hamilton to itself for thirty years.

Mayor McLaren on Tuesday wrote asking that the document and other information be forwarded at once but so far he has received no reply and consequently the power committee will not meet to-night.

His worship has gone to the trouble to make extensive inquiries about the vote on the contract and plebiscite and he found a large number who voted for both under the impression that the city could take 200 or 300 horse power from the Hydro-Electric Commission and stop there.

The fact that the city if it takes any Niagara power it must take it all from the commission for thirty years and none from the Cataract or any other company is a point that many of the electors apparently have failed to grasp.

I am determined that the people shall have the truth of this matter and I will take steps to see that they get it," said his worship to-day. "I will mail every lie and I will brand those who have been guilty of misrepresentation."

The mayor will have an expert stenographer report the questions and answers at the power committee meetings and he will subscribe his name to those, verifying as to their correctness. One statement in Aid. A. J. Wright's circular issued before the vote was taken, which is intended to nail, is the paragraph, which declares that the Cataract contract was drawn by the Cataract solicitors for the Cataract Company.

"I intend to ask other members of the committee when they meet if they will stand for that," said his worship, who explained that the only reason he took notice of these irresponsible statements was because the man who made them was proposed as a member of the committee. The committee will be called together just as soon as the form of contract is received from the commission and the mayor says the meetings will be open. His Worship would like working men who are actually interested in civic taxation and honest in their opinions about the Hydro project, to get the facts and he will do his best to see that they do.

A permit was issued to-day to J. H. Williams for a brick house on Napier street between Caroline and Hess streets for M. Levi to cost \$1,850.

TWO WRITS.

Damages For Injuries Claimed—Foreigners at Law.

J. L. Scheller issued a writ this morning on behalf of Antonio Castiglione against the Hamilton Steel & Iron Co. for unstated damages. The plaintiff on April 17th last had his thigh broken while an ingot of steel was being put into the melting furnace at the mills on Queen street, and alleges that the accident was due to negligence on the part of the company, their employees or agents. The injured man is still in the hospital and is not expected to get around for some time.

Through his solicitors, Ross & Telford, Gerolamo Perisani issued a writ this morning against Enrico Beldisese for \$445.76. The plaintiff claims that he loaned defendant money, paid out money on his behalf on furniture and boarded him for a time all of which the defendant promised to repay and settle for, and which he failed to do.

Tornado's Work

Joplin, Mo., June 17.—It is reported that Purdy and Monett, Mo., were wrecked and the surrounding country devastated by a tornado yesterday. At least two were killed, arriving passengers say.

The report has not been confirmed. A telegram received early last night from Monett, indicated that much damage had been done to farms south of Monett, but spoke of no damage to that town.

Every Day But Sunday

We are busy delivering orders at the Beach and Burlington. To-day's specials, canteloupes, ripe cherries, watermelons, new carrots, new beets, butter beans, grape-fruit, cucumbers, squabs, spring chicken, fresh out mushrooms, cauliflower, home honey, Grimsby tomatoes, lilies, flower, new potatoes.—Bain & Adams, 89, 91 King street east.

A Great Pipe Store.

A fine selection of extra good briar pipes is offered now for 25 cents at peace's pipe store. Take your choice and get a good comfortable smoker from the large stock at 107 King street east.

British Fleet

London, June 17.—The mobilization of the British fleet for the annual manoeuvres was practically completed this morning, and something like 350 warships are now making their way to their respective stations. The manoeuvres will be secret, but the general scheme is understood to be a repetition of the plan of last year, which, however, resulted in a fiasco, as owing to the fog, the opposing fleets never came into contact. Vice-Admiral Sir William Henry May is in supreme command.

LADIES UNITE.

Wesley and Gore Women Catch Spirit of Union.

About two weeks ago the Ladies' Aid Society and Women's Missionary Auxiliary of Wesley Church extended an invitation to the ladies of Gore Street Church to spend a social hour with them. Yesterday afternoon the ladies of Gore reciprocated by inviting the Wesley ladies to join with them in a similar gathering.

Mrs. Burkholder, President of the Ladies' Aid, presided, and an interesting programme of music, together with addresses of welcome and replies by members of the respective societies, was rendered. The two pastors, Rev. Dr. Tovell and Rev. Isaac Couch, also gave addresses. This was followed by social conversation and greetings between the members present. Light refreshments were served and the meeting broke up at 6 o'clock with evidences that a good time had been spent.

With the young people, the Ladies' Aid, the Women's Missionary Societies and other societies and official boards of the two churches entering heartily into the spirit of union the outlook is very hopeful for a solid and general uniting of the two congregations. It has been arranged that on June 27th the two will become one and will henceforth be known as the Central Methodist Church of Hamilton. Dr. Tovell will be superintendent and Rev. Mr. Couch his associate in the work.

—Miss G. B. Robinson is visiting her uncle, Rev. F. A. Robinson, at the manse, Stirling, Ont.

Fruit in the Peninsula

(Special Despatch to the Times.)

Beamsville, June 17.—That good crops of nearly all varieties of cereals are almost assured, is the best of information the Times correspondent could get from a dozen different sections of the central Niagara Peninsula, during the last couple of days. For all the lateness of the season and perhaps just a trifle dry of late, growing things are making wonderful progress.

Through the townships of South Clinton, Gainsboro, and South Grimsby, wheat that was supposed to have been largely winter killed, seems, after all, to have borne the brunt of Boreas exceedingly well. There are complaints from a few sections regarding a scarcity of grass growth but on the whole, the hay crop will be a fine one.

Clover is growing luxuriantly and is making better showing than for a number of years. The corn is peeping through, but the chilly nights have retarded the growth some, it has, however, a long time yet to make a sturdy growth, and there will be plenty of warm weather coming. A larger acreage than usual of corn is in because the farmers found the season too late for oats after the wet spell. Corn will be king in the grain line this autumn.

Down below the mountain, tomatoes of the early varieties are in full bloom, and the plants are showing here and there the young fruit in profusion. This is noticeable more particularly on the sandy lands.

Tomatoes were put in just at the right time and have done well. From the present outlook there is no fear of a dearth. They will prove a life-saver in some localities along with berries. Within the next couple of months there should be a steady flow of money into the banks and coffers of the fruit men and agriculturists in the Niagara peninsula.

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HAMILTON OFFICER HAS HONOR AT CAMP

Major Tidswell Fired First 18-Pounder Quick Firing Gun In Canada.

(From the Times Staff Reporter.)

Niagara-on-the-Lake, June 17.—Major W. O. Tidswell, commanding officer of the Fourth Field Battery of Hamilton, had the honor of firing off the first 18-pounder quick-firing gun ever discharged in Canada at the camp here on Tuesday night. It was "first post" at 9.30.

The story published by a Hamilton paper that only 13 men of the Fourth Field Battery paraded for camp is declared by the officers to be untrue. The facts are that the battery is ten men short, a number of those who had been ordered to proceed to camp not responding. It is said here that they will be proceeded against.

Major Ross and the officers of the recently organized Second Dragoons of Hamilton will visit the camp next week to see the work done here and get pointers.

Lieut.-Col. Jones of the headquarters, Ottawa, will be here to-morrow to inspect the A. M. C. This announcement has caused considerable dissatisfaction for the reason that this branch of the service has just got into camp and has had its hands full. It therefore has had very little opportunity to drill and is not as fit for inspection as the officers and men would like.

There is a good deal of talk here about a United States army officer getting into camp on Tuesday night and making an attempt to examine one of the new quick-firing guns of the Hamilton Field Battery. The corps had just got in an a picket had not been established. The intruder was discovered, however, and was summarily ejected.

There have been a number of minor accidents, especially among the cavalry. This is not due so much to lack of ability on the part of the men as to the superior quality and spirit of the horses, which are said to be better than ever before seen at the camp here.

HON. R. LEMIEUX. The Hon. Mr. Lemieux reached the camp about 4 o'clock yesterday and was received by Brigadier-General Cotton and his staff of officers.

The Postmaster-General gazed at the postoffice tent, and was heard to remark: "This is the first postoffice with a canvas roof in Canada." Stepping inside Mr. Geo. Ross undertook to enlighten the officers along the lines adopted for the handling of the mail during the camp. The stamping machine was set in operation, and each officer was presented with a slip of paper bearing the date of the opening of the place as a souvenir.

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SAID IT WAS A MISTAKE.

Seems to be Little in Stewart Theft Case.

Complainant Not on Hand to Press the Charge.

Other Minor Cases Before the Police Magistrate.

At Police Court this morning Charles E. Stewart was charged by Timothy Cunningham with obtaining \$2 on June 14 with intent to defraud. Stewart was arrested yesterday by Detective Sayers. The trouble seemed to have been caused by a misunderstanding. Stewart, it is said, had borrowed \$2 from Cunningham and promised to pay it back next day, but before he had time to raise the money the warrant was issued for his arrest.

Stewart said that Cunningham was willing to let the case drop, but Magistrate Jelfs thought it best to have the evidence taken, if the prisoner wished it, as it would exonerate him.

Stewart said the act of Mr. Cunningham was a rash one, as there had been no intent to defraud, and the money would have been paid.

"I would rather have it dropped, as Mr. Cunningham is willing to," he said. "Yes, but would it not be better to be acquitted of the charge than to have it dropped?" asked the Magistrate.

Mr. S. F. Washington said one of the important witnesses, Mr. E. Hall, was out of town, and it would be necessary to have him testify if the evidence were to be taken, and as Mr. Hall would not be back before Saturday it would be necessary to have the case laid over until Monday.

The case was left over until Monday. P. C. Gravelle had Alfred Larder up on a charge of being drunk and disorderly on King William street last night. Larder had been indulging too freely, the officer said, and his ambition was greater than his power. He went into the cafe at 21 King William street and threatened to fight them all. The Chinese resented his words and threw him out, whereat Larder threatened to kill the whole bunch of them.

P. C. Gravelle happened to be in plain clothes at the time, and as the Chinese were looking for a policeman he took charge of the prisoner.

"I was drunk, but not disorderly," said Larder.

"This man comes in and wants licks all at once," said the Chinese, who gave evidence against the prisoner.

Larder was fined \$5. James Armstrong, a well-known character around Ferguson avenue and King streets, was charged by P. C. Aikins with being drunk and disorderly. The officer said he had been warned away a number of times, but still continued to hang around, and the constable thought this being to do was to arrest him, so that in future he would respect the law.

"I am a painter," said the prisoner, in answer to a question by the Magistrate as to what occupation he had.

"Well, why don't you work at it instead of drinking?" asked the court. The prisoner admitted that he took a glass of two once in a while.

"Yes you look like it, you are not over the effects yet," said the court. The Magistrate let him off with a fine of \$2.

Duncan McDonald was another of the Toronto individuals who floated up to Hamilton to indulge in some of the electric city's fireworks, and as a result was arrested by P. C. Brown on a charge of being drunk and was assessed \$2.

William Proctor tried to gain the sympathy of the Magistrate by telling him he was sick and had taken only two glasses to help him feel better. When Constable Aikins arrested him he seemed to feel pretty well, the officer said. Proctor was very drunk last night and loitered around the corner of King and James streets. The prisoner again felt sick when he had to part with a 2-spot.

Additional Hamilton Successes at Toronto University.

A number of additional Hamilton names appear in the University of Toronto examination results published to-day. They are:

G. W. Gerrie, honors in theology, general proficiency, first year.

Miss V. B. Thomson, honors in classics, first year.

Miss M. S. Newton, first class honors in moderns; second class honors in English and history, (moderns) first year.

A. E. Hodgson, stands first in second class honors, mathematics and physics, first year.

Miss D. F. Wade passed first year, department of music.

C. E. H. Freeman wins the second Edward Thompson Company prize, fourth year, department of law.

WHAT A CIGAR DID.

Newark, Ohio, June 17.—A cigar or cigarette, carelessly tossed away, is supposed to have caused a fire that early to-day destroyed the auditorium of the Monumental building, in which the Ohio Grand Army Veterans have been holding their annual encampment. The loss is \$20,000. The veterans to-day are meeting in churches and school-houses.

The Awakening of New Brunswick

Lieutenant-Governor Tweedie declares that the progress of New Brunswick in the next half century will make it pre-eminent among the Atlantic provinces of the Dominion. His article in the June 10th issue of Collier's is an amazing story of natural resources.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

CHOIR OF ST. PAUL'S

Held Delightful Outing at Ravenscliffe Yesterday.

The choir of St. Paul's Church spent a very enjoyable outing yesterday afternoon and evening on the mountainside at Ravenscliffe Castle, which now belongs to Mr. I. G. Thompson. The party gathered on the lawn at 3 o'clock, and spent the afternoon in playing games of various kinds. At 4 o'clock an official captain of one side and Mrs. I. G. Thompson of the other. After this game Mr. Cunningham, who had gone up for the purpose, photographed the crowd. The remaining part of the afternoon was spent in races, in which all members present participated most heartily. The following were some of the events: A double series of races—double relay, men's twenty-five yard dash, single ladies' twenty-five yard race and also a twenty-five yard sprint by married ladies. Mrs. John McArthur, a grandmother for some years, led in a follow-on race, and most of the men and ladies who joined fell out long before the finish, few being able to follow her. Then there was a fifty yard race, a backward race by ladies, a sack race, a peanut and an obstacle race. Mr. Drummond played the part of score keeper for all the games. After these amusements the happy crowd sat down to a sumptuous supper, which was arranged in excellent style by the committee on tea—Mrs. (Dr.) Husband, Mrs. Geo. Vallance, Mrs. Geo. Mackay and Mrs. P. F. Macpherson.

The evening was spent in singing and dancing, after which a motion was made by Dr. Husband, seconded by Dr. Mullin, president of the choir, that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. and Mrs. Thompson for their kindness in offering the castle and grounds for the occasion.

ERSKINE S. S. Presentation to Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Souter Yesterday.

Erskine Presbyterian Church held its annual Sunday School and congregation picnic in the Dundurn Park yesterday afternoon. The attendance was very large and a good time was spent in social intercourse, games and amusements during the afternoon and evening. After refreshments had been served a presentation was made of sterling silver drinking cups to D. A. Souter, superintendent of the Sunday School, and Mrs. Souter, who are leaving to-morrow on an extended European trip. The presentation was made in a pleasing way by Rev. S. Burnside Russell and Gordon Ion. Mr. Souter replied in a fitting way to the officers and teachers of the Sunday School who had so kindly remembered them.

TURBINA'S TIME TABLE.

To-morrow evening the steamer Turbina will make a special return trip to Toronto, leaving Hamilton at 8.15. On Saturday the summer time table goes into effect and the Turbina will then leave Hamilton at 10.45 a. m. and 5.30 p. m., and leave Toronto for Hamilton at 8.00 a. m. and 2 p. m. Read announcement on back page of this issue.

People who expect a long free notice when they insert a small ad in the papers would hardly expect, when they bought a pair of suspenders, to have a pair of trousers thrown in with them. But the one is just as reasonable as the other.

My old and tried friend, Mr. J. J. Scott, seems to be quite a success as a globe-trotter. We may expect some day a work from his pen, entitled, "Countries I Have Visited."

The P. and I man seems to be annoyed because his friend stood upon the Con. Club platform. But he also sat upon it, and it deserved to be sat upon.

Murderer Blythe ought to be both blythe and gay at his reprieve. He evidently was not born to be hanged.

Henry Frick is to give Pittsburgh a gift of a 100-acre park. That city has already the following parks: Schenley, 422 acres; Highland, 366 acres; Herron hill, 13 acres; Central, five acres; Friendship, two acres; Holiday, three and one-half acres; West End, 17 1/2 acres; Grandview, 18 acres; McKinley, 65 acres; Second avenue, 363,343 feet; Lawrenceville, 471 acres; Arsenal, 19.3 acres. Compare that park system with Hamilton's. Now get busy and buy Lansdowne Park.

Hamilton, Canada, Thursday, June 17, 1909.