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Gladstone Sent For.

The G. O. M. Summoned to Osborne by the Queen.

Resignation of the Ministry to Take Place Friday.

Rebellious Tribesmen Defeat the Moorish Troops.

One Hundred of the Sultan's Soldiers Bite the Dust.

A Norwegian Bark Sunk by the Steamer Saale—No Lives Lost—Anti-Clerical Demonstrations Alarm the Vatican—Fighting in Dahomey—Earthquake in Germany.

Cholera Decreasing.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The Standard's St. Petersburg and Moscow correspondent report cooler weather and that cholera is decreasing.

On "Hangman's Day."

LONDON, Aug. 11.—Contrary to expectation the political duel in the House of Commons did not culminate to-night in a division on the motion of "no confidence." The motion will come to a vote probably early in to-morrow's proceedings, and the Ministry will resign on Friday.

A Most Serious Affair.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—The St. James Gazette (Conservative) regards the mission of General Lord Roberts to the Ameer of Afghanistan as a most serious affair. The St. James Gazette says that either Gentral Roberts is going to threaten the Ameer or to agree with the Ameer upon concert of action against the Russians. It all depends upon how the Ameer will receive General Roberts in the beginning.

The Vatican Alarmed.

ROME, Aug. 10.—The anti-clerical demonstrations in this city have alarmed the Vatican, and the Pope is about to send a note to the Catholic states, stating that the Italian Government puts no curb on the enemies of the church, and that he is more a prisoner than ever before. The Vatican has granted 5,000 lire for the establishment of new missions in Upper Egypt.

Germany Shaken Up.

BERLIN, Aug. 10.—An earthquake was felt yesterday in Southwest Germany, in the neighborhood of the Rhine. The direction of the earthquake is from the nothwest to the southwest, and was felt most severely in Coblenz, Ems, and Wiesbaden. The shock lasted ten seconds. Buildings rocked and glasses and other articles in some instances fell and were broken. People were frightened, and many ran out of their houses to the street. No fatalities are reported.

A Terrible Death Trap.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 10.—The pleasure steamer reported Monday as having been run down outside of Helsingfors was named the Ajax. She was scarcely seaworthy and was only used for running along the coast. She left Helsingfors Sunday with 100 excursionists on board.

The first report of the accident stated that 45 persons were lost, but later details show that the number was much greater. Ninety persons are reported to be missing, and of this number the bodies of 35 have been recovered.

Sunk by the Saale.

SOUTHAMPTON, Aug. 10.—Capt. Richter, of the North German Lloyd steamer Saale, from New York Aug. 2 for Bremen, which arrived at Southampton at 9:55 to-night, reports that at 7 o'clock on the evening of Aug. 4 during a thick fog the steamer came into collision with and sank the Norwegian bark Tordenskjold (Capt. Ellertsen), which sailed from Dublin July 3 for New York. The bark went down, but the Saale succeeded in rescuing Capt. Ellertsen and his entire crew of eighteen men. The Saale received no damage.

French Operations in Dahomey.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—The French forces have begun hostilities against the Dahomeyans. The towns of Whydah, Abomey and Kalavy have been bombarded.

Later advices from Kotonou are to the effect that the French soldiers are burning villages seven miles in the interior. They found the Dahomeyans lying in ambush for them, and in the fight which ensued between the two forces the French loss was two killed and ten wounded. The Dahomeyans suffered heavily, many of their warriors being left lying dead on the field of battle.

Too Much for the Moors.

TANGIER, Aug. 10.—This evening 2,000 of the Sultan's troops made two attacks upon the rebellious Angheitte tribesmen, and were each time driven back in great disorder. Orders were finally given for the troops to retreat, and the force in a badly disorganized condition made their way to the camp at Tangiers. It is feared the tribesmen may attack the city.

The Moorish soldiers fared very badly in their engagements with the rebels, 100 of their number being either killed or badly wounded. The Angherites on the other hand suffered but few casualties.

Gladstone Sent for by the Queen.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—Mr. Gladsone today received a communication from Gen. Ponsonby, private secretary to the Queen, announcing that arrangements were being made for his reception on Friday at Osborne House, the Queen's residence on the Isle of Wight, whither Mr. Gladstone will proceed on a summons from her Majesty. Lord Salisbury is expected at Osborne House to-morrow to tender the resignation of the present Government upon the adoption of the House of Commons of the "no confidence" amendment to the address in reply to the Queen's speech.

Rough on Carnegie.

GLASGOW, Aug. 10.—At a meeting held day the Glasgow Trade Council, with only one dissenting member, passed a resolution declaring that while placing Carnegie's name "upon the roll of fame with those of Judas Iscariot and James Carey, we feel constrained to tender him our thanks for providing the world with a most powerful object lesson in regard to the relations of capital and labor." The resolution further deprecated the action of the Ayr municipal authorities in conferring the freedom of the city upon Mr. Carnegie, and suggested that James Keir Hardie, the recently elected member of Parliament for the South division of Westham, use the utmost exertions to refund the £100 which Mr. Carnegie contributed for his election expenses.

Sarah's New Gown.

PARIS, Aug. 10.—Mme. Bernhardt's first intention was to wear for her portraiture of the daughter of Herodias a wig of deep blue hair, which tradition has given the Biblical dancing girl. Fortunately, the divine Sarah is now to don a wig of rather blonde color. Her arms having grown amazingly plump and round, she has decided to wear short draped sleeves, flowing from the shoulder, where they will be held by two crescent moons of leather, richly jeweled. The robe is crossed over the bust by straps about two inches wide of jeweled and painted chamois leather, the colors used being principally red, yellow, Persian blue and salmon color.

The girdle, which is worn drooping low from the hips, is made in shape like two huge half moons of chamois leather, painted and jeweled in superb colors, and with a deep graduated gold fringe outlining the whole, each strand having a drooping jewel hanging.

The most remarkable portion of the robe is the cloak, which hangs from the shoulders and is of huge dimensions, being quite twelve feet square. The material is a sort of greenish blue silk, embroidered with flowers as large as a man's hand and glowing with barbaric tints of blue and green, salmon and yellow, each flower having jeweled centers.

This cloak is lined throughout with cloth of gold, and all round the edge is a fringe eighteen inches deep of roped silk, each strand almost as thick as one's finger. This fringe repeats the coloring of the embroidered flowers and is hung by a painted and jeweled leather strap from the left shoulder to the right hip.

The head dress is of early Jewish design and is made of leather, painted in rich colors and heavily jeweled. Over each ear hang deep medallions of gold, with tapering fringes of pearls that droop low down over the ears.

LABOR MATTERS.

About 100 Union Molders at Work in Hamilton.

Reading Railway Employes Have Their Wages Cut to Starvation Rates —Meeting of Toronto Cigarmakers.

HAMILTON, Ont., Aug. 10.—The molders' strike or lockout, which began last spring still continues, but there are now only 36 men receiving strike pay from the International Union. About 100 union molders are working in the Williams Stove Works, the Laidlaw Manufacturing Company's Works and other molding shops in the city, and about 60 have gone to other places to work.

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 10.—Ever since the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad got control of the Central New England and Western there has been trouble with the employes. Sectionmen have left the road on account of a reduction of wages from $1 50 to $1 25 per day, and the men generally have been dissatisfied and discontented. On Saturday 35 of the 65 employes in the car shops were discharged without warning. Some of the men had worked for the road twenty years. New sectionmen are being put on, and the men who have left say that there will be trouble.

QUINCY, Mass., Aug. 10.—Representatives of the cutters and granite manufacturers of New England will hold a conference in Boston, when a proposition from the cutters will be submitted. The Quincy branch of cutters have appointed a committee with full power to make a settlement if possible, and all the unions will send delegates vested with the same power. Both manufacturers and men are heartily sick of the lockout, and it is thought that a settlement will be reached.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 10.—The window glass scale is settled and all the factories will start up either Sept. 24 or Oct. 1. The scale is last year's with a few slight changes.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 10.—The western iron scale of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers was agreed upon this evening and fixed for the coming year by conference committees representing the iron manufacturers and the Amalgamated Association.

CIGARMAKERS' CONVENTION TO BE CALLED.

TORONTO, Aug. 10.—A meeting of cigar manufacturers was held Monday evening to consider the proposed change in the mode of collecting the inland revenue. It was voted that the system of collecting the inland revenue be not changed. It was also voted that the resolution adopted be sent to all cigar manufacturers in Ontario, and that a convention of the trade be held here on Tuesday, Sept. 13.

A BABY'S AWFUL FALL.

She Tumbled Five Stories and Has a Fighting Chance for Life.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Little Annie Middleton, 18 months old, the daughter of a stereotyper, fell from a fifth story window to the ground yesterday and still lives. The child climbed to the sill and sat down upon it, as she and the other children had been in the habit of doing, the place being supposed to be safe, as the parents looked to it that the shutters were kept locked. Yesterday, however, the shutters proved not to be locked when the child leaned against them. She was precipitated to the ground. Mrs. Middleton saw Annie fall and ran shrieking down stairs, expecting to find the baby a mangled corpse. To the astonished delight of herself and neighbors, however, little Annie was found to have sustained only a broken leg and a slight concussion of the brain. The doctors say she has a good chance for life.

Uncle Sam's Crops.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 10.—The crop returns of the Department of Agriculture show a slight improvement in the condition of corn, raising the monthly average from 81.1 in July to 82.5 in August. Spring wheat conditions are lower, declining during the month from 90.9 to 87.3.

Lightning's Victims.

Two Waterloo Farmers Meet Death in the Field.

An East Zorra Man Struck and Instantly Killed.

Various Parts of the Province Suffer from Cyclones.

Many Buildings Wrecked or Fired by Lightning—Widespread Destruction Caused by the Wind.

BERLIN, Ont., Aug. 10.—During the thunder storm yesterday afternoon two farmers named Simon Moyer and Allan Eby, living near Freeport, were struck by lightning and instantly killed. They were out in the field plowing when rain came on and sought shelter under a tree.

INSTANTLY KILLED.

TAVISTOCK, Ont. Aug. 10.—During the thunder storm this afternoon Dingwall McKay, aged 70 years, a farmer living in the township of East Zorra, about three miles from this place, was struck and instantly killed. He was in the act of closing his gate when the fatal accident occurred. A son, who was a short distance off, discovered his father lying on the ground, but he never spoke. Death was instantaneous.

Mr. Lakre, who lives in the same township, and the same distance from here, had the roofs of two of his barns blown off this afternoon.

A SUCCESSION OF STORMS.

CANNINGTON, Ont., Aug. 10.—Cannington was visited to-day by a succession of heavy thunder storms. About noon lightning struck the large brick block owned by Hugh Wilson, tearing away part of the building on the northwest corner and raising part of the roof. It also passed through a stable, killing a large horse belonging to Mr. T. Hodson, valued at $500.

BICYCLISTS KNOCKED SENSELESS.

TORONTO, Aug. 10.—About 8 o'clock last night a sharp, short thunder and wind storm storm passed over the city. A party of bicyclists of the Toronto Bicycling Club at Woodbine race track got a nasty shock, two being knocked senseless, but soon recovered. Two police patrol boxes were struck and the machinery melted. A man leaning against one was badly shocked. The house of J. A. Atcheson, east of the city, was struck and fired. The lightning was very vivid all over the city, but the actual damage, however, was small. About 10 the wind rose to a half gale and tore down a few signs, fences and limbs of trees, but soon subsided.

CYCLONE IN BRANTFORD.

BRANTFORD, Aug. 10. — About 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon the city was enveloped in a severe cyclone. Three black clouds drove up from the west and darkened down over the city. With them came a strong wind, which blew for at least half-an-hour with the greatest fury. Away north the storm was accompanied by heavy rain and a severe electrical disturbance. Within the city and the immediate outskirts considerable damage was done to property, and to trees, fences and wires. Portions of several farm buildings along the Paris road were razed to the ground, trees have been thrown down upon the telegraph wires, breaking them so that all connection with Paris was for a while suspended.

PARIS ALMOST DEVASTATED.

PARIS, Aug. 10.—The cyclone that passed over the town yesterday afternoon lasted from 4:15 to 5:45 and was one continuous thunder, lightning, wind, rain and hail. The lightning struck the tower of the Baptist Church and tore the woodwork off one corner. The wind lifted roofs from houses, in one case lifting the roof from Penman's warehouse at the station and carrying it across the G. T. R., landing against Baker's livery, doing considerable damage. Trees were blown down on every street in town. Telephone and telegraph wires helped to make the matter worse, and formed a tangled mass. Paris was in darkness during the night, as all the electric wires were down. Barn roofs were lifted and carried into the fields, leaving the stored grain to the mercy of the rain and hail. Patton's grove was leveled the same as if the reaper had cut a swath through a wheat field. The majority of poles for fifteen miles between Dumfries and Princeton are blown down. Scores of shanties and barns were blown down or struck by lightning.

AT STRATFORD.

STRATFORD, Aug. 10.—During the heavy storm which passed over Stratford last evening shortly before 8 o'clock Mr. McNamara was a severe sufferer. In town the wind blew fiercely and the rain fell in torrents, but the weight of the storm seems to have passed to the southeast of the city. About 7:40 Mr. McNamara's two barns were struck by lightning and set afire. Everything was burned with the exception of the stock. The last of twenty acres of wheat had just been drawn in during the day, and it was burned along with all his hay, nine pigs, about $100 worth of harness, fanning mill, turnip cutter, hay rake, part of the horse power and the numberless other things found in every farm barn.

Mr. Hugh Thompson, whose farm is just outside the St. Marys corporation, also had his barn burned.

The damage by wind and rain in the Gore of Downie will be considerable. Grain was blown flat, and that which is nearly ripe it is feared will not stand again. A heavy hail storm between 4 and 5 o'clock also did some damage to the crops.

CYCLONE AT WOODSTOCK.

WOODSTOCK, Aug. 10.—A cyclone passed over Woodstock about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon accompanied by a heavy downpour of rain and hail. The storm lasted less than an hour, but it was the most terrific hurricane known here in years. Hail stones as large as butternuts fell, while the vivid lightning and the loud claps of thunder presaged danger. For half an hour the storm raged in all its fury and timid people were very much frightened. The lightning struck the derrick at the new court house and felled it to the ground, damaging the timbers and smashing the engine house. The scaffolding was swept away like chaff before a wind storm. Trees in every direction were broken down and windows were blown out. So far, however, only one death is reported—Dingwell McKay, of the township of East Zorra.

ABOUT PRINCETON.

PRINCETON, Aug. 10.—One of the most destructive wind storms that has ever visited this section passed over here last evening, doing a great amount of damage in the village as well as in the surrounding country. John Strode's barn, which was in course of erection, was completely demolished, several people there having had a very narrow escape for their lives, including Sam Strode. Mr. Strode's loss will be about $200. Mr. Cheesewright suffered to the extent of a veranda. Dr. Taylor's new barn was unroofed and the roof carried about 100 yards. Mr. Somerville's barn was blown down, and Ben Howse's residence was also blown over, but fortunately for the family, who were all inside, no one was injured. Mr. Howse will lose considerable money on account of furniture, etc., being broken. On the Governor's road, east of the village, the scene beggared description, as barn after barn and roof after roof are down. Wm. Williamson's, Mr. Conway and Wm. Freeman's and a host of others, exposing their grain, etc., to the elements. The loss of money in this section will be large.

A ball of fire fell in the Thompson House yard and another in the northwestern part of the town.

Three miles south of Woodstock the storm was unknown. About Thamesford and Beachville very little rain fell. It was in the vicinity of Paris and Princeton, covering an area of about fifteen or twenty miles in width, that the greatest damage occurred.

AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Aug. 13.—About 2:30 this afternoon lightning struck the flag pole in rear of the Eastern block, near the Privy Council, and shattered it pretty badly, moving the stones at the base.

Late Canadian News

Costly Smashup Caused by a Cow—A Libel Suit Freed vs. O'Beirne.

According to the Monetary Times there are 98 boards of trade in Canada.

The royal committee on the liquor traffic closed its sittings at St. John, N. B., on Wednesday and will sit next at St. Stephens.

The shareholders of the T. H. and B. road met in Toronto Tuesday to ratify the terms of the amalgamation with the B. W. and L. E. road.

The diocese of Kingston contributed $1,935 to the home rule fund and $65 will be subscribed to make it $2,000, which will be forwarded to Ireland by Archbishop Cleary.

A. T. Freed, editor of the Hamilton Spectator, has served W. M. O'Beirne, editor of the Stratford Beacon, with a writ claiming $1,000 damages for referring to him as a "bounty jumper."

Vicar-General Gauthier will celebrate the silver jubilee of his ordination on 31st of August at Kingston. The archbishop of Kingston and other bishops and a great many priests will attend.

Mr. John Bryson, M. P. for Pontiac, who has returned from a visit to his timber limits in Kippewa, says the crops in the Temiscamingue district are good, especially hay. The grain crop is excellent.

A train on the C. P. R. spur line struck a cow on Monday at Peterboro, wrecking five cars and injuring three men, one, John Kerr, severely, breaking his arm, two ribs and dislocating his thigh. He will recover.

Edwin Worden, son of Isaac Worden, United States consul at Wallaceburg, was drowned Tuesday night, about twenty miles down the river from Sarnia, by the capsizing of a rowboat. Worden was about 26 years old.

David Berringer, a farmer 70 years of age, living about three miles from Waterloo, was fatally injured on Wednesday, when his team took fright and ran away, throwing the old man out. He only survived the accident a few hours.

The collector of customs at Buffalo has decided there was no law to prevent the Thirteenth Battalion Band of Hamilton from playing there, as they do not come under the head of labor corps, being skilled musicians. The band is engaged to play at Buffalo during the big exposition.

Part of the Muskoka express, bound for Toronto, left the track two miles north of Severn Bridge, Wednesday afternoon, owing to an accumulation of sand on the track, which had been washed there by a very heavy rain. The engineer and fireman were slightly injured. No passenger was hurt.

Mr. Herbert Crooks, of Woodstock, aged 24, who was stricken with paralysis on Tuesday while at dinner, died on Wednesday morning. Mr. Crooks was one of a party of four young men who took in the pleasure trip to Duluth last week. He caught cold the first night on board the steamer and was unwell during the whole journey.

A sad fatality occurred at Manhattan Beach Monday, about ten miles below Belleville, which was visited by a terrific tornado. Charles Parrott, son of George Parrott, Napance, was camping with his uncle, Fred Parrott, when the tornado struck the camp. Young Parrott ran out of the tent to hold it down, when a huge basswood tree broke and was hurled against him with great force. Both of his legs were broken and he sustained fatal internal injuries.

A Foolhardy Bather Drowned

TORONTO, Aug. 10.—John Wicks, a young laborer, went in bathing to-night in sixteen feet of water. Companions warned him not to go in as he could not swim, but he refused to heed them. He sank directly and never came up.

A curious snake in South Africa lives wholly upon birds' eggs. It has no teeth or signs of teeth in the mouth, its whole dental array being located in the stomach.

The "well of frozen air" is near Dayton, Ga. The drill passed through a five foot stratum of frozen gravel into a series of cavities from which gusts of freezing air come with perfect regularity.

A new oil pipe line, rival to the Standard Oil Company, is to be run from Northwestern Pennsylvania to Newburg, on the Hudson. The line will be 212 miles long, and will cost about $1,200,000.

The country about Norfolk, Va., is the great peanut producing center of the world.

THE ODDFELLOWS.

Grand Lodge of Ontario in Session at Windsor.

Interesting Reports Presented and Enjoyments Indulged In.

WINDSOR, Aug. 11. — Yesterday the Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F, opened its 38th annual meeting here. Over 350 delegates were present and Grand Master Fitzpatrick, of Hamilton, presided.

The brethren of Windsor and the corporation of the city presented addresses of welcome which were replied to by the grand master. It is 20 years since the Grand Lodge met here.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The grand master's report was comprehensive and interesting. The following are its salient points:

It is with much pleasure and gratification that I am able to report to you that the order is in a healthy and prosperous condition. New lodges have been organized, the membership has been steadily increasing, which is a matter for genuine congratulation when we consider the numerous other societies that are competing with us. The lodges are taking greater interest in the work, and in many cases are adopting the "new floor work." There have been few appeals or complaints; harmony and good-will have maked the onward march of the order; and from personal knowledge and the reports I have received from the D. D. G. M.s all indicate that the past year has been a very satisfactory and pleasant one, and that the prospects for the future are exceedingly bright and encouraging.

New lodges—The number of new lodges added to the roll has not been as great as in some years. During the past twelve months seven new lodges have been instituted and one resusctiated. There are still many eligible points in the Province where the banner of Oddfellowship should be unfurled, and within the last few months I have been in correspondence with brethren regarding the formation of lodges in five other places. It is necessary that caution should be observed in granting charters, so that weak lodges may not creep in. I therefore recommend that charters be granted the following lodges: Morewood Lodge, 285; Royal Lodge, 286, Havelock; Dauncey, 176, Thedford; Ripley Lodge, 287, Ripley; Chesterville Lodge, 288; Glenworth Lodge, 289; Tweed Lodge, 290; Rodney Lodge, 291.

Charter reclaimed—In April last I was notified by Bro. Geo. Ross, D. D. G. M. of Hamilton district No. 9, that Mystic Lodge, of Waterdown, had not been holding its meetings regularly, and that it was practically defunct. I requested him to visit the lodge and see what could be done towards reviving it, but the feeling of the few members that were left was that it would be useless to attempt to carry it on. I therefore directed him to reclaim the charter and effects, and close up the affairs of the lodge. He has done so and his report is herewith attached. Cards were granted to Bros. A. L. Robson, F. Slater, Henry Clark, Chas. Rasberry, W. O. Sealey, Wm. Clark and E. F. Rymal.

Appeals—Victoria Lodge, No. 64, vs. the grand master. This is for an amount voted by the lodge for nursing a sick brother, and which I decided they had no right to pay. The lodge subsequently rescinded the motion, and now appeals against my decision. The lodge has been instructed to furnish certified copies of all minutes bearing upon the case.

The new Insurance Act—When this bill was presented in April, it was at first thought by some of the leading brethren of Grand Lodge that it would not affect our order and that no immediate action was necessary. However, upon closer examination and investigation, it was found, according to the interpretation of the law by J. Howard Hunter, that the order came under the meaning of the act from the fact that its subordinates paid weekly sick benefits and funeral benefits; and that the several lodges of the jurisdiction would consequently have to register. A meeting of the advisory board was therefore called to consider the matter, and interviewed Mr. Hunter, inspector of insurance, by whom they were cordially received and their objections carefully considered. The result of the interview was that the inspector consented to allow the Grand Lodge to register for all its subordinates, and to make a yearly return for all. During the interview Mr. Hunter asked the question, "What has your Grand Lodge done in regard to widows' annuities?" and when informed that the law had been repealed some years ago, he highly congratulated the order on having abolished a system that was so detrimental to any organization. I appointed a committee, mentioned elsewhere, to look into the act, and report at this session what legislation would be necessary to adopt in order to meet the case. The committee, I believe, have met, and their report will be laid before you, and I trust the Grand Lodge will give this question very careful and serious consideration.

Jubilee—The Pioneer Canadian Lodge, Prince of Wales, No. 1, was instituted in Montreal on Aug. 10, 1843, so that one year from to-day will be the 50th anniversary of the establishment of Oddfellowship in Canada. I would suggest that the Grand Lodge appoint a committee to consider the expediency of commemorating this event in some suitable manner.

The coming grand sire—Next month will record an event in the history of Oddfellowship in Canada long to be remembered. Our esteemed and highly respected brother, Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, London, will, at the next session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, be elected to the high and exalted position of grand sire of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Bro. Campbell has shown by his ability and experience that he is eminently qualified to occupy this responsible position, and Ontario welcomes with pride her distinguished son, who will soon be called upon to preside over the destinies of this vast brotherhood.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

The grand treasurer's report shows that there are 237 lodges in the order, five having been added this year. The membership is 18,390, showing a net increase of 683. There was paid out for relief during 1891 $65,293 84, of which $63,568 17 was for sick benefits and $11,842 67 to widows. The current expenses were $76,166 49, making a total expenditure of $141,460 33. The receipts amounted to $170,454 09, made up as follows: Initiations, $30,057 65; dues and reinstatements, $102,439 72; other sources, $37,956 72. The assets of the order amount to $746,004 04.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The report of the grand secretary brings the returns up to June 30, 1892, the previous figures being for 1891. The report states: The result of the past half-year's work is really very gratifying. Though it has not reached the limit set out for—20,000—it is just approaching it, and one good, strong, altogether pull this term will see the 20,000 members an accomplished fact in December, 1892. The number of lodges is 241 with a membership of 19,117. The receipts amounted to $97,626,39, and the funds of the order amount to $788,290 87.

THE EXCURSION.

When the steamer Promise left the Windsor dock at 2:30 there must have been fully 1,500 people on board. The boat went well up in the lake, around Belle Isle and down the river as far as Turkey Island.

NOTES.

The Daughters of Rebekah, Naomi Lodge, last night, in the high school, exemplified the beautiful work of the Rebekah degree, and 28 members were received into the order.

The I. O. O. F. Band, of Ingersoll, was in the city yesterday, and played a number of pieces.

Henry McAfee, the founder of Frontier Lodge, although aged and feeble, was on the excursion, and was always surrounded by brethren who had met him in the halls of the Grand Lodge many years ago.

INDEPENDENT FORESTERS.

Officers Chosen by the High Court.

Sarnia the Next Place of Meeting—Constitutional Amendments Proposed.

BARRIE, Ont., Aug. 10.—The High Court of Independent Foresters continued its session to-day. Sarnia was chosen as the next place of meeting, the other places named being Cobourg, St. Catharines and Owen Sound.

It was decided to recommend to the Supreme Court next year to limit the powers and privileges of the past High Court officers other than the junior past high chief rangers who is a member of the executive committee. The election of officers resulted as follows:

Rev. Alex. McGillivray, Toronto, H.C.R., by acclamation.

C. C. Baird, Hamilton, H. V. C. R.

J. B. Halkett, Ottawa, high secretary, re-elected.

Atwell Fleming, London, high treasurer.

Dr. C. B. Clark, Tamworth, high physician.

L. T. Barclay, Whitby, high councilor.

Wm. S. Milne, Toronto, and J. S. McCann, Kingston, high auditors.

C. C. Whale, Toronto, and W. Wallace, Barrie, high court inspectors.

The time of the High Court was taken up during the day with proposed amendments to the constitution. The business will be concluded soon after midnight.

HIS NERVE SAVED HIM.

An Employe's Predicament in a Well That Began to Spout Oil.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 11.—There was an instance of remarkable nerve displayed near Noblestown yesterday. Joe Van Curen is a torpedo shooter. He handles nitro-glycerine daily, enough of it in fact to blow himself and team absolutely out of existence. He is a young man of slight figure. Yesterday he was engaged to shoot Greenless & Forst's No. 1 McMurray with twenty quarts of nitro-glycerine. The well had been cleaned out during the forenoon, and was in good condition to flow. It was one of the biggest wells around Noblestown, and a few days ago was making over 100 barrels an hour. Van Curen lowered the shell into the mouth of the well, filled it with the twenty quarts of glycerine, and was just ready to let it down to the sand when the well started to flow. To let go meant death. The glycerine would have been blown into the derrick and a deadly explosion would have been the result. Van Curen grasped the shell and for ten minutes held it in the mouth of the well, while the strong pressure of gas below was throwing the oil almost to the top of the derrick. It was one of the finest flows which the well had made for days, and when it ceased Van Curen was almost smothered by the barrels of spraying oil which had fallen upon him. His nerve saved his life.

Hunters near Caledonia, Pa., are excited over a snow white deer seen several times recently in the mountains.

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