

GRAND COMPLIMENTARY BANQUET TO GRAND MASTER OF ODD FELLOWS

Splendid Tribute Last Night to Col. L. B. Cooper, Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows by the Local Lodges.

PRESENTATION OF AN ADDRESS, A GOLD-HEADED CANE AND ALSO A VETERAN'S GOLD MEDAL

Eloquent Addresses by the Grand Chaplain of Ontario, the Grand Secretary, the Editor of The Dominion Odd Fellow and Others

(From Thursday's Daily) Last night there took place in Belleville, the cradle of Ontario Odd Fellowship, an epoch-making event in the annals of the order.

Last night Bro. L. B. Cooper was tendered a complimentary banquet by the sisters and brethren of Quintana Lodge of Rebekahs, Belleville Lodge No. 81 I.O.O.F., Mizpah Lodge No. 127, I.O.O.F., and Moira and Quinte Encampments of the Patriarchs Militant.

The function took place in the building lately purchased by the Odd Fellows to be their home of "Temple" in this city.

Covers were laid for more than three hundred guests and every seat was occupied.

The Alberta hall, where the banquet took place, presented a bright and inspiring appearance with its artistically arranged decorations of flags and bunting, the bright costumes of the ladies and the tables with their tempting display of all the good things that had been provided.

Last night, too, Bro. Cooper had just completed his quarter-of-a-century term of probation as a junior and was eligible for promotion to the ranks of the veterans among Odd Fellows.

In recognition of this second important event he was later presented with a veteran's jewel.

Those in charge of the banquet deserve the utmost praise for carrying out a complicated undertaking with so little confusion. All the details were very systematically arranged and everything worked out to the entire satisfaction of all.

Mr. Richard Ketcheson, Past Grand Patriarch of the Patriarchs Militant of Ontario, performed the duties of toastmaster in a most affable manner.

As chairman he was more than pleased to see so many of the order present and especially with their wives and sweethearts. He was delighted to have so many of the Grand Lodge officers present, but regretted that many others had been prevented from attending owing to illness.

"The King." The toast "The King" was responded to with loyal enthusiasm by the singing of the National Anthem, the orchestra leading.

"The Grand Lodge of Ontario." Coupled with this toast was the name of Rev. Bro. Walter Cox, Gananoque, grand chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Ontario who responded in an illuminative and humorous address. It was customary to associate talking with the minister. He was the youngest and least experienced of the Grand Lodge officers.

One thing he was particularly proud of was that Odd Fellowship stood for patriotism. There were now more than two thousand Odd Fellows from Ontario in khaki (Cheers). Every one of these members had his dues paid while on active service. He felt sure the members would stand by the Grand Lodge in this patriotic action.

Odd Fellowship stood for chivalry. It was the new chivalry, an improvement on the old, a new respect and protection for women.

Odd Fellowship stood for character. It was character that made men and the Odd Fellows' order could be proud of the character of its membership.

Mr. Cox closed with a fine tribute to the Grand Lodge officers, and to those who had the banquet in charge.

Odd Fellows as a great surprise to himself at the session of the Grand Lodge held at Belleville three years ago.

He attributed his success more to the loyalty and good work of his friends in the district than to any merits of his own.

There never was a time when he was more proud to be an Odd Fellow than he was tonight. He was proud to represent the jurisdiction of Ontario which stood sixth in the honor roll of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

It might surprise many to know that the first Odd Fellow's Lodge in Ontario was instituted at Belleville in 1845. It was known as the Victoria Lodge, No. 5. The late Hon. Edmund Murney and Geo. Dickson were charter members and went about the district instituting other lodges.

The Grand Master then eloquently voiced the splendid fraternal and beneficiary work that is being accomplished by Odd Fellowship.

In bringing in new members the Grand Master urged and advised those present to preserve the high standard of the order. It was not numbers but quality that counted.

In closing Bro. Cooper explained the work of the Rebekahs and appreciatively gave them great credit for the value of their assistance in promoting the works of charity and beneficence.

After Bro. Cooper's masterly address, Miss Marian Adams, a coming cloutier, gave a very clever, humorous recitation.

Presentation of Jewel. At this point the chairman spoke of the custom of presenting a jewel to members of the order who had been in the order twenty-five years. This additional honor was now due the Grand Master.

The presentation, Bro. Ketcheson said, would be made by the youngest Rebekah.

Just then petite Miss Gertrude Ketcheson, daughter of the toast master was lifted to a chair and gracefully pinned the jewel on the Grand Master's coat. The gift was acknowledged with a kiss and a few expressive words.

"The Grand Encampment of Ontario." Past Grand Patriarch Bro. R. Meek was in a happy mood and made a lively and impressive address. He paid a high tribute to the Grand Master not only upon his attainment to that high office, but upon the additional honor of having received a veteran's jewel.

What is Odd Fellowship anyway? It is not a few signs and a bit of ritual, but a life. It should mean a reformed, regenerated life. Odd Fellowship meant a life of self-denial, a life of sacrifice.

Miss Lillian Sharpe rendered very sweetly and, expressively the solo "Somewhere in France," which awakened a patriotic response and a vigorous encore to which the singer graciously responded.

"The Sovereign Grand Lodge." This important toast was honored by Col. W. S. Johnston, Past Grand representative, superintendent of the Odd Fellows home, Toronto, and editor-in-chief of the The Dominion Odd Fellow.

He congratulated the local sisters and brethren upon the splendid banquet. He referred appreciatively to the Grand Master who presided over 55,000 real good Odd Fellows.

The Odd Fellows from one end to the other of Ontario were proud of Col. Cooper. He (the speaker) had watched and followed along his career. He early ascertained that Col. Cooper was the proper man to become Grand Master. He had had the honor to nominate him successively as grand warden, vice-grand master and finally as grand master.

Col. Johnston then told of the work done at the Odd Fellows' home at Toronto, and also the newly established Odd Fellows' home for orphans.

"Canada and the Empire." This toast was responded to in one of the best speeches of the evening by the Grand Secretary, Bro. Wm. Brooks of Toronto. It was impossible in the short time at his disposal to do justice to this important toast.

He was glad to be present to do honor to Brother Cooper. Every member of the order in Ontario had absolute confidence in the Grand Master.

He congratulated the brethren in Belleville on their enterprise in securing so fine a building for their headquarters.

wives and sweethearts were left at home with that gnawing dread eating into their very lives. "You and I would have been ashamed of the Empire if it had not stood for what was right and just, you and I will have cause to be ashamed of ourselves if we do not discharge our trust in behalf of those who have gone and those who remain behind."

After the toast to "The Press" had been briefly responded to by Mr. Philip Harrison, representing The Intelligence and Mr. J. O. Herity, editor of The Ontario, one of the most important and enjoyable functions ever celebrated by local Odd Fellowship was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

Funeral of Late G.T.R. Officer

(From Thursday's Daily) The obsequies of the late John M. Stewart, detective and constable of the G.T.R. at the local depot, took place on Wednesday afternoon.

A large number of friends attended the last sad rites, which were conducted by the Rev. J. N. Charr, of Holloway Street Methodist Church at the family residence, Sinclair street.

The remains were taken to Belleville cemetery. The bearers were Messrs. T. H. Coppin, Fred Horton and F. Wilson, representing the Grand Trunk and Messrs. F. J. Nephin, D. J. Corrigan and George Ellis of the Belleville police department. Mr. W. Shes represented Mr. Tisdale of the G.T.R. detective staff.

Produce Convention Closed Yesterday

(From Thursday's Daily) The Canadian Produce Association yesterday afternoon concluded their fourth annual convention at the city hall, deciding to meet at Montreal next year. Resolutions were adopted expressing appreciation of the hospitality of Mayor Ketcheson and Mr. John Elliott, and sincere thanks to all retiring officers.

The association determined to lend every possible assistance so that more eggs, butter, cheese and poultry be produced in Canada so that greater supplies may be available for export to the motherland in her hour of need.

The work of the Department of Agriculture of Canada in its assistance of the aims of the association was acknowledged and regret at the accident to the Minister was expressed by resolution.

It was resolved that in connection with the grading of creamery butter that the standards or grades adopted by the Federal Government should be adopted by all the provinces and that competent inspectors in theory as well as in the practice of butter making should be available.

The adoption of the standard cube box for creamery butter throughout all the provinces was endorsed. Officers were elected as follows.

President—A. H. Dalrymple, Montreal. 1st Vice Pres.—A. E. Silverwood, of London. 2nd Vice Pres.—J. J. Fee, Toronto. Sec.—T. A. Vallancourt, Montreal.

Directors: R. B. Cowell, Halifax; Mr. Ritchie, Oberlin; Mr. Thibodeau, Montreal; J. O. Emmond, Quebec; A. E. Bailey, Belleville; J. K. Richardson, St. Marys; H. B. O'Brien, Toronto; Mr. Lemon, Owen Sound; Jas. T. Madden, Toronto; Harry Fearman, Hamilton; E. J. Smith, Stratford; J. H. McNabb, Duncannon; H. B. Gray, Montreal; C. H. LaBerge, Montreal; J. R. McLean, Toronto; A. S. Ducloux, Edmonton.

A report on standard boxes for transportation by express was read. Mr. F. Hertz, chief dairy instructor for western Ontario, spoke on National Standards for butter for trading and urged creameries to send samples of every churning to Toronto. Upon this basis certificates might be granted.

Mr. Ault represented the industry in the western provinces. He urged upon the easterners the opportunity in eggs for export from the west. The possibilities of that country can hardly be overestimated.

Belleville Rifle Club.

Tuesday night's scores were: J. C. Wills 99; G. D. Gratton 98; J. Douch 98; D. J. Corrigan 98; H. Day 97; A. Harman 96; A. R. Symons 96; W. J. Andrews 94; H. Hall 94; J. S. Peck 91; C. J. Wills 91. Average 95.71.

52ND BATTERY TO BE RECRUITED

from Belleville, Cobourg and Peterboro Districts

Captain W. E. V. Shaw, O.C. 52nd Battery, Kingston is in this city today in connection with recruiting for his battery. This unit is to be recruited from Belleville, Cobourg and Peterborough. The Belleville section will include Hastings and Prince Edward Counties.

He is counting upon 150 or 200 volunteers from the Bay of Quinte district. He will run the battery on the club or pool system, keeping groups of friends together in the ranks and in banking quarters.

As to the selection of N.O.O.'s, he stated that promotion will come only by ability and perseverance. The sooner the men go to Kingston, the greater will be the opportunity of receiving stripes, as the officers will be better able to size up the talents of the men who are the first to enlist.

"The men who contemplate going must not expect a holiday but work and hard work," said Capt. Shaw. "While the artillery is a great deal harder than other branches, all of us think it is worth it."

Captain Shaw is a graduate of S.P.S. Toronto. During his student days he was a member of the Varsity Rugby Team which held the Dominion Championship. He held the intercollegiate swimming championship for four years. He is a native of Sydney, Australia.

Last night he signed up 46 men at Peterborough and a dozen of these are going to Kingston on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. These young men are members of the Belmont club. Lieut. G. E. Slocum and J. W. Johnson of Belleville are both officers in this battery.

The local recruiting office is in 'B' Co. room of the Belleville armouries. Recruiting which has already started is in charge of Lieut. G. G. Walker.

Only about twelve or fifteen men are in the 52nd at Kingston. The boys who join in the next few days will set the tone to the unit.

Death of Mrs. James Ketcheson

(From Thursday's Daily) The death occurred this morning of Clara Ketcheson, wife of Mr. James Ketcheson, of the front of Sidney. She was taken ill about January 19th, but hopes were entertained of her recovery until a few days ago. She was the eldest daughter of the late Charles Ross, having been born in the fifth concession of Sidney. There she lived until at the time of her marriage thirteen years ago, she went to live on the front of Sidney. She was a Methodist in religion.

The late Mrs. Ketcheson was held in the highest esteem throughout all Sidney and the surrounding vicinity. She was possessed of an amiable disposition and was always very deeply interested in doing good to others. She leaves to mourn her death, her husband, her mother, Mrs. C. Rose, and a sister, Miss Ida Rose.

Sacred Concert and Organ Recital

(From Thursday's Daily) A very large crowd attended the sacred concert and organ recital in St. Michael's church last evening, when a special program was given at which the resources of the new organ were tested to the full by local artists of high standing. Vocalists assisted masterfully in the success of the function.

The program was as follows: Organ—J. Nevin Doyle; Quartette—Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Schryver, Mr. Moorman; Song—Miss Anna Peaton; Organ—Miss Edna Wallace; Song—Miss Stork; Song—Mr. Sandford Burrows; Song—Miss Katherine Bowden; Song—Mrs. Grant; Song—Mr. Dan Cameron; Song—Mrs. Wilmet; Organ—Mrs. Duff; Song—Captain Doyle; Song—Miss LeVoe; Organ—Mrs. Campbell; Quartette—Mrs. Grant, Miss Bawden, Captain Doyle, Mr. Burrows; God Save the King.

OBITUARY

JAMES CRAIGTON. (From Thursday's Daily) An old resident of Thurlow passed away yesterday morning in the person of James Craigton, a retired farmer. He was a native of England, 77 years of age, and death was due to senility. He leaves no family.

MRS. WM MCCARTHY. The late Mrs. Alice McCarthy, wife of Mr. William McCarthy, Cannington Road, was a daughter of the late William Deegan, and leaves three sisters, Mrs. J. McCarthy, Toronto; Mrs. D. W. Deacon and Mrs. M. R. Doyle, Belleville. She was a member of St. Michael's Church.

MARtha CASEY. Miss Martha Casey passed away on Tuesday at the home of Mr. Badgley in the Eight Concession of Thurlow. The funeral took place this afternoon at two o'clock at Zion's Hill Methodist Church. Miss Casey was about eighty years of age and a native of Thurlow township.

Honorably Discharged.

This morning Thos. Martin of Campbellford appeared before Judge Deroche on a charge of having stolen a pair of boots from one Babcock of this city, last September. After listening to the evidence the judge found the prisoner not guilty and granted him honorable discharge. Mr. Wm. Carney appeared for the crown and Mr. W. D. M. Shorey for the accused.

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CURLING

(From Thursday's Daily) Belleville curlers last evening found Kingston rinks rather an easy proposition in the first game between the curlers of these clubs in the Central Ontario Curling League. Each Club was represented by two senior and two junior rinks.

SENIORS Belleville: Rev. A. S. Kerr, Mr. Weugh; W. A. Dolan, E. Gildersleeve; H. Holland, E. Warwick; W. N. Belair, M. P. Reid. skip 22 skip 12

Kingston: S. S. Anderson, Mr. Lemmon; J. G. Galloway, G. Thompson; M. Wright, W. Douglas; A. Jones, J. H. Hooper. skip 16 skip 16

Majority of Belleville 10

JUNIORS Belleville: W. T. Stone, A. Lower; J. W. Kinsey, J. Pigion; C. J. Symons, L. Smith; R. A. Backus, S. S. Corbett. skip 12 skip 3

Kingston: J. A. Barbridge, L. Langdon; A. H. Kerr, W. Frizzell; H. B. Stock, G. Hanson; P. O. Pitney, skip 14 skip 8

Majority for Belleville 15. The Belleville rinks will likely play in Kingston next week. In all probability it has been decided that the Belleville rinks who won the district cup competition will go to Toronto next week to compete for the championship of Ontario.

Austrians at Trenton.

Some Austrians were taken in charge yesterday at Trenton. The Belleville police were communicated with an they referred the Trenton authorities to the military.

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