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ALBERTA, N. W. TERRITORIES.

THE LODGES GATHERING ENGLISHMEN TOGETHER.

GRAND LODGE DELEGATE—A DINNER—INNISFAIL VISITED AND LODGE ALBERTA'S OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Calgary, Feb. 8th.—The annual Xmas dinner of Lodge United Roses, No. 117, came off on Dec. 26th, at the Queen's hotel, and was as usual a very successful affair. The beef and pudding excellent, and besides, we had charming music from a good string band while discussing the viands, and afterwards rousing songs and choruses, which the Sons know so well how to render and appreciate.

On Thursday, January 4th, Bro. G. C. King, D.D., attended the regular meeting of the lodge for the purpose of installing the officers elect for 1894, who are as follows:—

President, F. G. Topp; past-president, E. Cave; vice-president, J. T. Child; secretary, E. Doughty; treasurer, O. Copas; chaplain, Rev. W. F. Webb; committees, F. H. Leakey, W. J. Edwards, J. E. Eckersley, H. Perkins, J. Lowndes, W. H. Lee; inner guard, H. A. Shelley; outer guard, John Jones; surgeon, Dr. R. D. Sanson; auditors, J. H. Wilson, J. S. Mackie, Owen Bott; trustees, W. H. Boorne, F. Tillyard.

Grand Lodge delegate, G. C. King, P. P. and D. D.

After the closing of the lodge, a goodly number of the brethren adjourned to Bro. Skinner's Palace hotel, where a pleasant hour was whiled away with speech, ventriloquism, mesmerism, thought-reading and song.

It is very interesting to notice former services rendered to the lodge by some of the newly installed officers. Thus Bro. Cave has filled the offices of vice-pres. and president; Bro. Topp, treasurer, trustee and vice-president; Bro. Child, inner guard and chaplain; Bro. Doughty, secretary (nearly three years) and trustee; Bro. Copas, 1st committee-man; Bro. W. J. Edwards and J. H. Eckersley, committeemen; Bro. J. L. Wilson, trustee; Bro. J. S. Mackie and F. Tillyard, committee; Bro. W. H. Boorne, auditor.

Bro. F. H. Leakey is organizing a S. O. E. cricket club, and Bro. Lowndes a minstrel troupe, with every prospect of success, while committees have been struck to arrange for socials and other functions; so that we may say with the poet: "It shows its life in every limb, what should it know of death."

Many new members are coming in, and in every way the lodge is apparently prospering.

INNISFAIL, ALBERTA.

The following members of the S.O.E. went to Innisfail on Monday, January 22nd, for the purpose of assisting the district deputy, Mr. G. C. King, in re-organizing Alberta Lodge, No. 180, of the same society:—E. Cave, F. G. Topp, F. Leakey, O. Copas, Rev. W. F. Webb, F. J. Boswell, T. Skinner, J. Jones, W. H. Perkins, E. Leakey, W. H. Boorne, J. E. Eckersley, G. Allen, F. Tillyard, W. J. Edwards, and J. L. Wilson.

The brethren met in the lodge room at Innisfail at 6.45 p.m., and at once proceeded to the business of the evening, which was not concluded till 12.15, when the lodge closed.

At 12.30 a.m. the members of Alberta lodge entertained their visitors from Calgary at the Innisfail hotel, where

about 40 of the brethren sat down to an appetising spread prepared by hostess Mrs. Murray and staff with their usual catering ability. After ample justice had been done to the good things on the table, music, both instrumental and vocal, was the order of the day. It was well on towards daylight before the festivities were concluded, all present having mightily enjoyed themselves.

The names of the officers of the re-organized lodge are as follows:—

President, G. W. West; past president, S. P. Fream; vice president, A. W. Gillingham; secretary, J. Pinchbeck; chaplain, Rev. H. B. Brafbier; surgeon, Dr. George; Committee, W. J. O. Bourchier, W. Aspinall, A. Lennon; inner guard, S. H. Smith; outer guard, T. Rollin; trustees, R. Page, E. F. Calvert; auditors, F. M. Rogers, W. J. O. Bourchier, S. P. Fream.

With such good material, it is confidently expected that Alberta Lodge will go ahead and prosper.

The Calgary contingent arrived home on Tuesday's train. Both on the way up and back, singing, to the accompaniment of guitar and bones, was heartily indulged in, thus pleasantly relieving the tedium of what is usually a weary monotony.—Calgary Tribune.

BELLEVILLE, ONT.

LYDFORD LODGE, S.O.E., AND ROSE OF ENGLAND LODGE, D.O.E.

The above lodges held a very successful "At Home," in the Sons of England Hall, Front st. There was a large attendance of the friends of the Order. Chief Newton, president of Lydford lodge, occupied the chair. During the evening refreshments were served by the ladies. The large programme was varied and very entertaining. The singing was particularly good.

Bro. Rev. A. L. Geen gave a fine address on the aims and objects of the Order.

Bro. Thos. Waymark took for his subject the aims and objects of the Daughters of England.

Bro. H. Tammadge gave an interesting address on the aims and objects of the juvenile branch of the society.

The entertainment was brought to a close by singing the of the National Anthem.

NOTES.

The ladies' lodge, Rose of England, is rapidly gaining in membership. Its influence has been felt in many ways, and we hope to make a still more rapid increase in membership to the D. O. E. after the "At Home."

Lydford lodge is making members every meeting; the officers are zealous and full of push for the Order.

The addresses on the aims and objects of the several branches of our Society were particularly interesting from the fact that the three gentlemen who delivered the addresses are men of experience in the working of the Order.

GRAVENHURST, ONT.

DOVER LODGE, NO. 72.

At our last regular meeting, Thursday, Jan. 11th, President Geo. Forth in the chair, the regular routine of business was disposed of, until we came to the installation of officers, when Bro. John Skitch, D. D., took the chair and installed the officers for the present year. Bros. Newton and Forth were appointed Grand Lodge delegates.

I am also glad to report the lodges in this district in a flourishing state, financially and numerically.

J. SKITCH, D. D.

What They Say.

An Under-the-Surface Idea.

Hamilton Spectator.

In Count Mercier's apology for his dynamite son, and in much else that was said in the court, there is an under current of the idea that "England" is a sort of foreign nation, with a little weakness for a dead man named Nelson, and that the foreigners should be allowed to indulge in their foolishness in New France, without dynamite interference.

In Unity is Strength.

St. John, N.B., Sun.

There are many ideas as to the future constitution of the Empire, but at home and in the colonies alike there is now an almost general desire and intention to keep the Empire together. It was almost a truism at one time that when British colonies grow strong enough to stand alone they would naturally separate from the Empire. The contrary view now prevails. The best thought of Britain and the colonies says that as the colonies grow stronger their united strength should be used for their mutual good and general support against the outside world.

English International Courtesy.

The Independent, New York.

We have an admirable illustration of international courtesy and self-control under the most provoking circumstances in the attitude of the English Government towards France in reference to the deplorable blunder which has resulted in the slaughter of British troops by the French in the interior of Sierra Leone, in which some thirty officers and soldiers were killed. It is explained that the French force, which appears to have been out of its territory, mistook the British soldiers in the darkness of night for a hostile party of natives, and made an instant attack upon them by surprise. It would seem unpardonable, and yet the English are very careful to make no complaint, to acknowledge that it was an error and to make reparation as easy as possible. This is one of the bright sides of diplomacy which shows Christianity has something to do with it and which reflects credit upon the English people.

BRANTFORD, ONT.

Salisbury Lodge, No. 42, held another very successful meeting in their hall, on the 18th ult. The installation of new officers was conducted by S. G. P. Elliott, Bro. W. C. Day, being installed as past-president; W. Irwin, president; Chas. Dunnett, vice-president; T. W. Smart, secretary; J. H. Adams, treasurer; committee, J. Taylor; W. Fisher, T. Harper; W. Pierce, chaplain. There was one initiation, and three propositions. Bro. Thos. Elliott, the genial S. G. P., who was the installing officer, congratulated the lodge on its financial and successful progress during the past year.

At the close of the installation Bro. Elliott, called upon Bro. W. C. Day, and presented him, on behalf of the officers and brethren with a very beautiful P. P. jewel, and highly applauded him for the very efficient manner in which he had performed his duty. Bro. Day made a suitable reply.

All the wars of Napoleon Bonaparte cost his country £255,000,000, while the wars of Louis Napoleon cost France £412,000,000. The former made the enemy pay most of the expense; the expense of the wars waged by the latter was borne by France.

A HARD WORKER.

Bro. E. J. Lomnitz, President of Birmingham Lodge, Toronto, was in Ottawa last week on business. Bro. Lomnitz is one of the best informed members of the Sons of England, his position necessitating a great deal of travelling, bringing him in contact with a large number of members, and his visit to lodges in country places are sources of pleasure to the brethren. He has been instrumental in forming some five or six lodges this year. His tact and general knowledge will we hope, be appreciated at the coming Grand Lodge. Bro. Lomnitz is Grand Lodge representative from Islington Lodge, No. 151, Fredericton, N. B., and to elect him to a place on the Executive Board of the Supreme Grand Lodge would be giving to the lower provinces an honour they are entitled to.

NEW LODGE CARDS.

It is with pleasure we draw the attention of members of the Order to the two new cards which appear for the first time in our columns. See page 149, Arnprior, Ont., George Richman, president; H. G. Smith, secretary, and Forest of Dean, No. 192, Westville, N. S., Thos. Floyd, president; Jos. Wm. Madden, secretary. To give prestige to our Order, nationally and socially, every lodge should have its card in the ANGLO-SAXON.

GENERAL S.O.E. NOTES.

Bro. Geo. Turner, the able and energetic President of our strong and ever-increasing Epping Lodge, has been unanimously re-elected to his office for the third term. I wish him and also his brethren success.—Rcseau correspondent of the Orillia Packet.

Report has reached the ANGLO-SAXON that Rynnymede Lodge of Selkirk, Man., are doing well and prospering.

Bro. H. Lewis, Burlington, Ont., is the representative of the ANGLO-SAXON in that district. We trust the members will assist Bro. Lewis in his efforts.

Lodge Wellington, Bowmanville, Ont., is going to have an entertainment and supper Feb. 20. We hope to get a full attendance of members, and to make them acquainted with the newly-elected officers. Invitations have been sent to several of our neighboring lodges, so we expect to have a royal time.—F.R.D.

A communication from New Glasgow, N.S., will appear in next issue, also Bro. J. W. Carter's article on the Beneficiary, and report of the first annual dinner of Victory Lodge of St. Catharines.

PETERBOROUGH, ONT.

LANSDOWNE LODGE, NO. 25.

At our last meeting an interesting feature was the presentation of a P. P. jewel to Bro. T. H. Martin, our late president, by Bro. G. Carpenter, who spoke a few words on the satisfactory manner in which the brother had filled the office. Bro. Martin thanked the members for the jewel, also for the great assistance they had rendered him during his term of office.

In 1821 Great Britain had 3,572,000 houses, whose rental value, was £20,000,000; now there are 7,100,000 houses; rental value, £134,700,000.

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