

# Canadian Oddfellows in Annual Convention

Oldest Order of Its Sort in Canada Will Hold Its Grand Lodge Meeting Here Next Week . . .



JOHN PRESTON, N. G. of Commemoration Lodge and Chairman of Local Reception Committee.

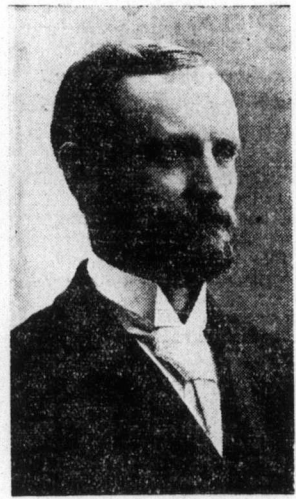
Hamilton will have as visitors, during three days next week, the members of the Grand Lodge of the Canadian Order of Oddfellows, the oldest insurance society in the country. Organized before the middle of last century, the C. O. O. F. has ever since had an honorable career, and its members scattered over the Dominion from coast to coast are very proud of its record and traditions. The Order had its birth about the year 1840, and Hamilton was one of the first cities to organize lodges. Dundas was even earlier in the field, being the second lodge formed, and as No. 1 is no longer on the Grand Lodge books, Dundas Lodge No. 1 is the oldest in the order. Hamilton Lodge No. 7 was organized in 1846, and Commercial Lodge No. 9 only about a year or so after. The order in the city has the unique distinction of having met in one hall for over half a century, all the lodges having occupied quarters where the Stanley Mills Company now does business on King street up to the time that company built there. In that hall was a marble tablet erected in the 40's, and this was removed and re-erected in the present hall in the Grossman block, James street north, when it was secured a few years ago. The order has four good lodges in this city, the two mentioned above, both

Deputy Grand Master—Wm. Irwin, St. Thomas, Ont.  
Past Grand Master—D. A. Young, Montreal, Que.  
Grand Lodge Representative—Dr. A. Thomson, Galt, Ont.  
Grand Lodge Representative—Dr. J. W. White, Lindsay, Ont.  
Grand Treasurer—W. H. Shaw, Toronto, Ont.

After the evening ceremonies Past Grand Master Alexander Thomson, of this city, will deliver the address of welcome on behalf of the Hamilton lodges and district, and Grand Master Junkin will reply.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the civic welcome will be extended to Grand Lodge by His Worship the Mayor, who will be accompanied by the Civic Reception Committee, and Mr. John Hoodless, President of the Greater Hamilton Association. Three sessions will be held daily, at 10 a. m., 2.30 p. m. and 8 p. m. It is expected that the business will be completed by Thursday afternoon.

Rates having been placed on a permanent and satisfactory basis some years ago by the C. O. O. F. and several other important subjects having been disposed of at last meeting, the business for this session will not be onerous. One important question to come up is that of endowment insurance. When the order, which was originally purely fraternal, took up insurance, it had an en-



JAMES DIXON, Hamilton's nominee for office of Grand Master, C. O. O. F.

downment as well as a life policy. Most of the holders of these policies subsequently transferred them to straight life policies. There are, however, about 25 members still holding them, and the order is seeking to have them placed on the same footing as those who transferred. In the ordinary course the endowments will fall due in 1912. Legislation is required to bring the desired end about.

Last year a proposition to admit members on a purely fraternal basis was discussed and defeated in Grand Lodge, and, in the ordinary course, it cannot be brought up again this year, but some of its advocates are likely to endeavor to secure the privilege of bringing in a resolution. At present the order requires all members to be insured. It issues policies at almost any amount desired, as low as \$250 and as high as \$1,500, and guarantees sick benefits of \$4 a week and funeral benefits for member and wife. Some of the members advocate extending the sick and funeral benefits to candidates who do not desire insurance.

The condition and status of the Northwest members will also be discussed. The order's progress has been substantial in western Canada, and there are many members who think that a permanent organizer should be assigned to that important field.

There promises to be a sharp contest for the office of Grand Master this year. Hamilton and this district has had the honor a number of times, among those who occupied the chair being the late Thomas Parry and the late Joseph Paip, of this city; Mr. Alex. Thomson, city; the late Thomas A. Wardell, M. P., P. Dundas; Mark B. Thomas, then of Dundas, and Robert Clark, of Troy. Mr. Jas. Dixon has been Deputy Grand Master, and the Hamilton district has unanimously chosen him as its candidate for the office of Grand Master for 1909-10 and 1910-11. The present Grand Master, T. W. Junkin, of Fenelon Falls, has expressed his intention of running for a third term and the present Deputy Grand Master, Wm. Irwin, of St. Thomas, has also expressed his intention of running. Some of the friends of Dr. A.



GEORGE VENATOR, P. G. of Commercial Lodge and Treasurer of Local Reception Committee.

of which are over 80 years old, Advance Lodge, organized in 1836, and Commemoration Lodge, which was brought into existence, as its name implies, in celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of the establishment of the first lodge in Hamilton.

The local committee in charge of the arrangements for the Grand Lodge meeting is composed of five members of each of the four city lodges, as follows: Chairman—John Preston, N. G., Commemoration.  
Secretary—C. H. Bamfylde, P. D. D. G. M., Hamilton.  
Treasurer—Geo. Venator, P. G., Commercial.  
Hamilton Lodge—John Wilson, N. G.; G. Brown, P. G.; Richard Powell, G. R. Foulks, P. G.  
Commercial—Fred Venator, N. G.; King, P. G.; S. McCready, P. G.; E. Armstrong, P. G.  
Advance—Geo. F. McCully, N. G.; W. Ross, P. G.; Wm. Trotman, P. G.; H. Hawley, P. G.; B. S. Eby, P. G.; Commemoration—Wm. White, P. G.; Herbert Green, Secretary, Chas. Simons, V. G., and F. Benschaw.

This committee has arranged for an excursion to Niagara Falls on the afternoon of the second day, Wednesday, June 16, leaving the T. H. & B. Station at 2.15. Grand Lodge will open at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning in the large hall of the Sun Life building. At the last annual meeting the basis of representation was changed so as to reduce the number of delegates, and therefore there will probably not be as large a representation as at London last year, but the number will probably reach 140. The Grand Master, W. T. Junkin, town clerk of Fenelon Falls, Ont., will open the proceedings and it is a pretty sure thing that all the Grand Lodge officers will be present. They are as follows: Grand Master—W. T. Junkin, Fenelon Falls, Ont.



GEO. F. McCULLY, N. G. of Advance Lodge, C.O.O.F.



C. H. BAMFYLDE, P. G. of Hamilton Lodge and Secretary of Local Reception Committee.

Thomson, of Galt, have been urging him to run also.

Toronto wants the Deputy Grand Master's chair for the next two years, and will make a strong run for it.

This order will be the first to which Stanley Mills & Co. will extend its hospitality by giving all the delegates a free ride in the electric cars around the city on Thursday morning.

This city, in addition to the four lodges, has a Past Grand's Camp and a good juvenile lodge.

On Tuesday evening the Ninety-first Highlanders' Band will give an open air concert in Dundas Park, in honor of the Grand Lodge meeting.

### The Crime of Suicide.

(Rochester Post Express.) Conan Doyle has written a play dealing with the wickedness of suicide. It may be possible that the talented author of "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes" does not possess the genius needed for the adequate treatment of such a subject, but certainly he could not have selected a nobler theme. The prevalence of suicide in this age of high pressure is only too manifest, and unfortunately we have only too many examples of this terrible tendency in the United States. It is the custom to assume that in the vast majority of cases, suicide is only committed by persons in an insane condition, but there is much reason to fear that this is a groundless generalization. The fact appears to be that many persons who commit suicide are practical abolitionists in a heretofore, and that, trusting in the hope of annihilation after death, they wickedly and



FRED VENATOR, Noble Grand of Commercial Lodge, C. O. O. F.

audaciously lay violent hands upon themselves.

It is time for human beings to recognize that they have no right to destroy their own lives. Life is a divine gift, but not an absolute gift which we are at liberty to dispose of as we please. The Stoics, whose noble philosophy of endurance still commands our admiration, were egregiously wrong in teaching that, when we consider we have nothing to live for, we may lawfully anticipate the approach of death. Such a doctrine might have satisfied the darkened moral sense of pagans, but it is abhorrent, detestable, and intolerable to every truly Christian mind. It is our duty to accept life, with all the pain and sorrow that may attend it. Suffering is an ordeal, a morally purifying process, and to a really noble spirit it may prove additionally ennobling. The new philosophy which inculcates the greatness of man, the right of self-realization, and the substitution of egotism for moral responsibility is evil, anti-Christian and absolutely Satanic. Yes, suicide is a crime, and one which comes within the same category as murder. When perpetrated by an individual not actually bereft of reason, it indicates a heart which has rejected faith and which is solely governed by vile, material considerations.

If Conan Doyle can produce a play which depicts the suicide as a criminal, he may help to raise those who have adopted a false and baleful theory of life. It were well if a number of miserable and degraded persons were filled with such horror of death and of its after-consequences that they would at least think of killing themselves as they would of entering Dante's Inferno.

The veteran actor who sighs for the good old days of the drama would hate to go back to the same old play days.

## CONFIRMATION.

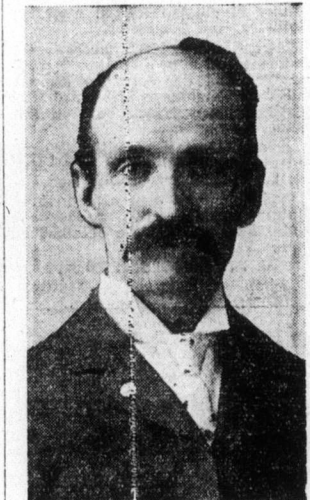
Class Confirmed at St. Stephen's Church, Mount Hamilton.

Last evening Bishop DuMoulin confirmed a class of eight at the above church. Rev. Mathew Wilson, rector, assisted in the services, and the pretty little church was well filled. After the confirmation ceremony the Bishop addressed the class, giving them some good practical advice. He impressed upon them the necessity of regular attendance on the church services. It was something they all should do. Church services in Hamilton in the mornings were not well attended. That he attributed to the fact that business kept the people up too late on Saturday nights, and they were thus unable to get out to the morning services. To have to preach to empty benches was very discouraging to the minister. The choir was out in full force and the music was well rendered.

### A BOY'S HOLIDAYS.

The ardent controversy which has been waging in England and America concerning the best way to dispose of school boys in the long summer vacation has prompted the Grand Trunk Railway System to issue a special publication giving suggestions and practical hints to parents, as to what to do with the public and preparatory school boy during the months of July and August. The vacation camp is one of the solutions and the publication entitled, "What Shall a Boy Do With His Vacation" thoroughly covers the ground and solves the problem of the best way for a schoolboy to enjoy his holidays.

A copy may be obtained for the asking by applying to J. D. McDonald, D. P. A., Toronto.



JOHN WILSON, N. G. of Hamilton Lodge, C. O. O. F.

## SUFFERED FOR SIX LONG YEARS

Then Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Mrs. Richard's Kidney Diseases.

Her Rheumatism Also Vanished When Dodd's Kidney Pills Put Her Kidneys in Condition to do Their Work.

East Chezzetook, Halifax Co., N. S., June 11.—(Special).—Cured of Diabetes and Rheumatism, from which she had suffered for six years Mrs. Boniface Richard, well known here, is joyfully telling her neighbors that she owes her health to Dodd's Kidney Pills and to no other cause.

"My Rheumatism and Diabetes were brought on by a cold and a strain, and though I was attended by a doctor he could not help me. After suffering for six years I made up my mind to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, and to my surprise they did me good almost at once. Two boxes cured me completely. I recommend them to everybody as a sure cure for Diabetes, Backache and all other Kidney Diseases."

Dodd's Kidney Pills cured Mrs. Richard's Diabetes because Diabetes is a Kidney Disease, and Dodd's Kidney Pills cure all Kidney Diseases. Mrs. Richard's Rheumatism was caused by her diseased kidneys failing to take the uric acid out of her blood. When her kidneys were cured they strained the uric acid out of her blood and her Rheumatism vanished.

From the Rubbish. While working on a rubbish heap at Barking a man picked up a brooch which was studded with brilliant stones. On his way home he called at a jeweler's to ascertain its value, and the jeweler, seeing that it was worth at least £100, informed the police. Inquiries were then made, and it was found that the brooch was the property of the Hon. Mrs. Harcourt, who had reported the loss of the article to the West End police. It has now been handed over to her.—From the London Globe.



LYMAN LEE, Grand Solicitor Canadian Order of Oddfellows.

## BANK CLERK SHOT.

Serious Outcome of Practical Joking at Saskatoon.

Saskatoon, Sask., June 11.—An accident which may have a fatal ending, and which was the result of a practical joke, happened last night. Walter A. Sherwood, teller in the Bank of Nova Scotia, with a party of friends, went across the river to have some fun with a party of other bank clerks who are camped there. Sherwood and his companions began playing pranks around the tents, letting down the ropes and similar things.

A few minutes later a shot was fired from inside one of the tents, and Sherwood dropped, terribly wounded in the stomach. R. C. Lane, a particular friend of his, fired the bullet with the intention simply of frightening the party away. He has been placed under arrest, and Sherwood is in the hospital in a very dangerous condition.



MARK B. THOMAS, Past Grand Master, C. O. O. F., and ever popular man in Hamilton.

TOUCHED A LIVE WIRE. Theodore McGregor, Toronto Lad, Had a Narrow Escape.

Toronto, June 12.—Theodore McGregor, the twelve-year-old son of Neil McGregor, of 273 Arthur street, had a narrow escape from death by electrocution last evening. As a result of his excitement he was lying at his home in a serious condition, but he is expected to recover.

About 8 o'clock last evening young McGregor and a number of other lads were playing about on the street near the formers' home. A pile of paving brick being used to repair the roadway was standing up against a telegraph pole, and mounting the pile, the lad essayed to climb the pole. He got about half way up when his hand came in contact with a live wire connecting with a switchbox on the pole. The shock rendered him unconscious, and he fell, alighting on the bricks and cutting his head.

### Vernonville Man Drowned.

Cobourg, June 11.—The mystery of the drowning in Black River, near Dexter, N. J., has been solved, to the great sorrow of one of the best known and most esteemed families of Hamilton, who have learned that the remains of the man found there and buried as Joseph A. Keller were those of Thomas McFarlane Blacklock, son of James Blacklock, for many years blacksmith and carriage builder at Vernonville.

By a small majority the Toronto Methodist Conference yesterday passed a resolution, which will be forwarded as a suggestion to the General Conference, which, if acted upon, will prevent any Methodist college in Canada from engaging professors from any country except Canada, unless they wish to resign from the British or United States Conferences, and lose their claim to superannuation.

Matthew Mather, of Mayo Township, was killed in a runaway accident on Friday.

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## BANK CLERK SHOT.

### CANADA.

The land to me which is most dear is that which aids the poor, Where plenty waits the least to cheer And where men's bread is sure.

With new born hope the spirits rise And the teller smiles once more, For a fairer field before him lies With food for him in store.

The worker roams the wide world o'er, For pasture he must find, With strength and will worth nothing more He toils with eager mind.

I have seen the glistering tear, The sad and careworn face, And the bosom heave with anxious fear Through poverty's disgrace.

There are thousands mourn through lust of gold, For some would grasp it all, The love of self works wrong untold And men it doth enthrall.

Man shall not always fettered be, Nor tyranny hold sway, Emancipation yet shall free, For right must win the day.

The march of intellect, though slow, Is lighting up the gloom, And dark oppression then must go To meet its final doom.

But the nations now are waking, From their stupor getting free, And sure as dawn the light will bring The world a change to see.

The world, though old, has never yet Man's noblest nature seen, The best in him we oft deride, Ha, always hidden been.

One land there is we all adore, It shines above the rest, Is big with promise rich in store And welcomes the oppressed.

Oh Canada, all look to thee, With privilege so great, Pills of dizziness, palpitation, sour stomach, sick headaches, and the internal pains of indigestion. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure because they strike straight at the root of all stomach troubles. They make new, rich blood, and new blood is just what the stomach needs to set it right and give it strength for its work. Mrs. George E. Whitenet, Hatfield Point, N. B., says: "I am glad to have an opportunity to speak in favor of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, for they deserve all the praise that can be given them. I was a great sufferer from indigestion, which was often accompanied by nausea, sick headache and backache. As a result my complexion was very bad and I had black rings under the eyes. I took a great deal of doctors' medicine, but it never did more than give me the most temporary relief. About a year ago I was advised to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial. Before I had taken a couple of boxes I found relief, and by the time I had used half a dozen boxes I found myself feeling like a new woman, with a good appetite, good digestion, and a clear complexion. I can strongly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for this trouble and advise similar sufferers to lose no time in taking them."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure all the troubles which have their origin in bad blood. That is why they cure anaemia, indigestion, rheumatism, eczema, St. Vitus dance, partial paralysis, and many ailments of girlhood and womanhood. Sold by all medicine dealers, or sent by mail at 50 cents a box or two boxes for \$2.50 by writing The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

When a girl wants to find out what sort of man she is going to marry the best fortune-teller for her to consult is Bradstreet.

Every case of indigestion, no matter how bad, can be cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Not only cured, but cured for good. That's a sweeping statement and you are quite right in demanding evidence to back it. And it is backed by evidence in plenty—living evidence among your own neighbors, no matter in what part of Canada you live. Ask your neighbors and they will tell you of people in your own district who have never been cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills of dizziness, palpitation, sour stomach, sick headaches, and the internal pains of indigestion. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure because they strike straight at the root of all stomach troubles. They make new, rich blood, and new blood is just what the stomach needs to set it right and give it strength for its work. Mrs. George E. Whitenet, Hatfield Point, N. B., says: "I am glad to have an opportunity to speak in favor of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, for they deserve all the praise that can be given them. I was a great sufferer from indigestion, which was often accompanied by nausea, sick headache and backache. As a result my complexion was very bad and I had black rings under the eyes. I took a great deal of doctors' medicine, but it never did more than give me the most temporary relief. About a year ago I was advised to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial. Before I had taken a couple of boxes I found relief, and by the time I had used half a dozen boxes I found myself feeling like a new woman, with a good appetite, good digestion, and a clear complexion. I can strongly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for this trouble and advise similar sufferers to lose no time in taking them."

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## DUFFERIN CHARTER.

Report That Provincial Secretary is Acting in Matter.

Toronto, June 12.—It was reported last night that the officers and directors of the York Biding and Driving Club, operating at Dufferin Park, were being notified to appear before Hon. W. J. Hanna, the Provincial Secretary, at the Parliament buildings, on Monday morning at 11 o'clock, to show cause why their charter should not be cancelled forthwith.

Attorney Corley was at the Parliament buildings during the afternoon, and it is understood he submitted a report on the status of the evidence he has been collecting. He, however, declined to discuss the matter.

At the department the officials were equally reticent.

### Awarded Heavy Damages.

Welland, June 11.—Lafayette Uphogrove, of Port Colborne, has been awarded \$12,500 damages against the Great Western Railway by an Iowa court for injuries received in an accident on September 5, 1907, when he was brakeman on the road. He suffered a rotary dislocation of the atlas, or topmost vertebrae of the spine, permanently disabling him.

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