

Mr. Blake's Recent Remarks Conning the Secrecy Feature.

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The following correspondence has been handed to us for publication :--Hen. Edward Blake, M.P., Ottawa : RESPECTED SIE, --My attention has RESPECTED SIE, — My attention has been called by not a few prominent members of our order to a speech de-livered by you lately on the 'Orange Incorporation Bill,' in which you appear to have denounced all secret societies, accusing them of being the 'fruitful mother of malignity, misrepresentation, and higotry.' At the same time you admit that you are not a member of any society, and therefore do not know of yourself anything of their workings or teachings.

teachings. Many of my correspondents feel aggrieved that when you repudiated the aggreeted that when you reputated the language as having any reference what-ever to Freemasonary, that you did not at the same time also include 'Oddfellow-ship,' it surely having ss strong a claim upon your kindly feelings as any other society. I may say that 'Oddfellowship is pure-tra hencevolent wright having for its

I may say that 'Oddellowsnip is pure-ly a benevolent society, having for its single purpose the relief of its members in the trials and struggles which are in-separable from human life.' That its secrets are only those which are intend-ed to protect its funds from imposition,

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ed to protect its funds from imposition, dc. I am unwilling that your conscientions remarks upon a bill then before you should be harshly judged or wrongly construed by our Order, amongst whose members are very many of your warmest and most ardent supporters, without first learaing from yourself that you so intended, a fact which I do not for a moment harbour a thought of which he leads. moment harbour a thought of.

I shall be glad, indeed, if you will give me an assurance that I am right, that I may make public through the columns of our official paper the Dominion Odd-

I am, sir, respectfully yours, J. B. KING, G. Sec.

Ottawa, March, 18th, 1884.

(Copy), Ottawa, March, 18th, 1884. DEAR SIR, -I am much obliged by your letter of the 26th instant, in which you make some enquiries (very natural in view of the misrepresentations which have been circulated) as to the bearing

of my recent remarks on secret societies. The most satisfactory reply which I can make is to enclose you (as I do herewith) a print of my speech, from which you will see what I did in fact say, and the connection in which my different remarks were made. You will observe that speaking in the first place of secret be-

many of my best friends are members of secret societies, which are as this profes-

ses to be, benevolent-secret societies that do not meddle with political topics -secret societies whose real action, so far as one of the public can know, is not consistent with or does not go beyond the avowed purposes of their association. But I believe the tendency of secrecy itself to be injurious. I believe that it

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ke and Secret Soci

The Ottawa correspondent of the Guelph Mercury writes :--Attempts are being made by the Tories to distort and misrepresent his remarks about eccret societies generally, but any one who reads the report of his speech will see that while parsonally he is not in favor of any such societies, yet he sumittee that often they were the means of doing much good. Referring to such societies he said :--- "I do not wish to be under-stood as saying that these mischievous tendencies are carried out in many of these societies, the operation of which, so far as known, are benevolent." Not-withstanding the fact that Mr. Blake so clearly excepted purely benevolent soelearly excepted purely benevolent so-cieties from his condemnation, the Tory cieties from his condemnation, the Tory papers, for the purpose of trying to pre-judice the members of them, have, with characteristic dishonesty, repeated its malignant misrepresentation nearly every day since the speech was delivered. The ultimate effect of his speech it is hard to determine, but he has done a great ser-vice in this, if in nothing else, that he has painted out the wide distinction be-tween working for and promoting one's

has painted out the who distinction but tween working for and promoting one's religious convictions and co-operating with those of the same way of thinking, regardless or political or national divi-sions, and working for and with the sions, and working for and with the agency of an association, which was cal-culated to keep alive a sentiment of political hostility, and which addressed itself rather to feelings of malignity than those of charity. The speech was most intently listened to by both sides of the House, and the cheering was general on both sides when he closed. At the first and for a while Sir John and Mr. Bowell took notes as if they meant to renly. but took notes as if they meant to reply, but as Mr. Blake went on they gave it up and seemed to consider it a hopeless task and seemed to consider it a hop to attempt an answer. Those who spoke after him on the Tory side did not touch his remarks at all, but contented them-selves with abuse of him or the party

Tarred with the Same Stick.

Wilkinson stated that he had attempt Wilkinson stated that he had attempt-ed a big game in trying to upset the government by bribing members, but that he was working purely for himself and by himself. Mr. Bunting was en-tirely innocent. Wilkinson is willing to offer up himself as the scapegoat. But the evidence is too strong against Mr. Bunting. His relations with Simon are known and these have yet to be unfold-ed. They will show that Bunting. FACTORY ed. They will show that Bunting, Wilkinson and Stianson were hand and glove in the conspiracy.--[World.

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It is not of much use for the Tories to endeavor to free themselves from respon-sibility for Wilkinson's actions. They -OPPOSI knew what he was doing-at all events Messrs, Meek and Bunting did-and if there were no evidence of direct complicity in his crime, they must at least be held accessories after the fact. But there speaking in the first pice of secret be-nevolent societies, such as that of which you are a member, I used the following in the public accounts—John A. Wilkin-in the public accounts—John A. Wilkin-son, \$3,350.—[Winnipeg Free Press.] CO

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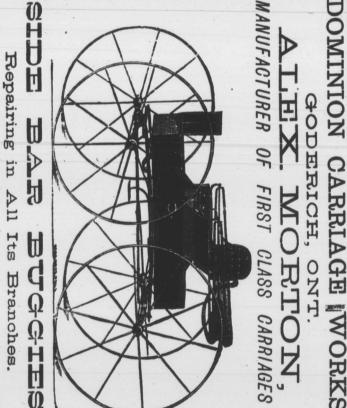


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involves a certain amount of sacrifice of individuality and independence, and gives very great facilities for ths misleading of members by designing leaders-very great and mischievous facilities for that purpose. That is my general pro-position with reference to secret oath-bound societies, a point on which, I dare say, as I said before, I am in a small minority; for I suppose the vast bulk of the set has the Decision to make a set the ous. at least the Protestant members of this House belong to one or other of those societies; and I do not wish to be understood as saying that these mischievous tendencies are carried out in many of those societies, the operation of which, as far as I know, are beneficial." I then proceeded to refer to secret so-

cieties of a very different class, of which I have as an instance 'the Ribbon Society,' the Phœnix Society,' and 'the Fonian Society,' and pointed out the great evils which had resulted from their existence. You will see that it is

"But we have no right, because we have no necessity, to engage for these purposes in secret societies which, as I have indicated, have often been the fruitful mothers of n.alignity, misrepresentation and bigotry.

You enquire when repudiating any in-tention to apply these words to the So-cisty of Free-Masons I did not make a similiar repudiation as to your society. The explanation is simple. The speaker who followed me had charged me with having used these words applicable to the Freemasons. I denied his statement. It seemed unnecessary to deny a refer-ence which had not been imputed. After what I have said it is needless that I should add that the words referred to had no reference whatever to your society, any more than to that of the Free Masons, er other like organizations. I conceive that it would have been a wanton slapder had I used the words in

the connection imputed to me I am. Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully, EDWARD BLAKE, J. B. King, Esq., Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F., Toronto, Ont.

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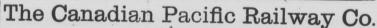
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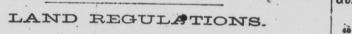
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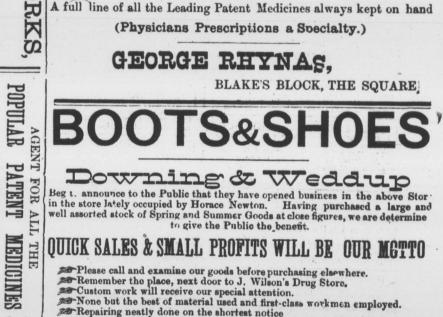




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