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GRAND LODGE SESSION OF THE SONS OF ENGLAND.

The forthcoming Session of this Grand Lodge of Englishmen promises taxes, and be allowed to voluntarily to be of more than ordinary interest. It support separate schools; but, with is big with possibilities of legislative that privilege, they should be debarred with "Catholic Truth" to-day, so far as action vitally affecting the welfare of from control or participation, in every the society. A letter we published in our way possible, in the public school exlast issue from our British Columbia cor- penditure. Anything short of this respondent, indicates the feeling, not only shared by ourselves but widely throughout the order, relating to the proposed amalgamation of the two ligious and sectarian beliefs-because it Degrees. The two degrees, in our is bad in principle and is never applied judgment, are of the highest value, not equitably to all creeds. Prison and Liberal Club of Toronto. Our only surmerely in the initiating a member; but army chaplains, exemptions of ecclesito safe-guard the effectual carrying out astical properties from the fair share of the aims and objects of the Society. public taxation, taxation on elerical This will be the more felt when District Lodges are formed and the need is realized of allowing none but well-tried and honoured members of the order to be- legislative action to put such iniquities come members of it-and the White Rose Ritual could worthily adorn the lodge membership of District lodges, and thereby avoid using that degree as a cumbersome burden on the Red Rose lodges. With such a change we see no reason why every office in a Red Rose lodge, except that of Worthy President should not be open to any member holding simply the Red Rose degree.

The whole question of the formation of District lodges will be one of the greatest interest-for therein we feel is the solution of some of the most pressing difficulties besetting the effective working of the Society. Elsewhere we have outlined what we think should be the status of District lodges and their true functions in the society. We do not need in a National Society a largely decentralized organization, but we do not need the Central Executive of the Society to be burdened and worried with the endless petty questions of strictly local interest that a District lodge could equally well attend

We regard the reasons assigned for the serious proposal to amalgamate the To our mind machine politics are all has been written in history in the Ottawa where Clarendon W. R. lodge has paid all it own expenses and had expect governmental purity when the fully imitated. Protestants should it all as needless expense, because the W. R. degree here did not follow exactly the same line of action complained of elsewhere. We trust that patience in abundance and wisdown and patriotism will actuate all the delegates in their attitude towards each other, and that their deliberations will be truly fruitful in the highest good to lhe Society.

## THE ANGLO-SAXON

In all centres of political life papists

ever possible; by the inducements of

direct financial gain, as the power of

the boycott is wielded unscrupulously

CANADIAN AUTHORS: The Ottawa

'scant notice" the occasion of a gath-

ering of Canadian Authors to read,

were so successfully baited as to allow

themselves to be, for Canada's sake,

brought into contact with such a body.

From what we remember of this club

"national" sentiment, but in reality it was only silly self adulation, coupled

with idiotic sneers against British in-

stitutions, at the same time they seem

ever ready to strike the attitude of

THE S. O. E. B. SOCIETY : In the

Journal expressed regret that the bulk

taining inferior schools at greater world over for the citizens of the Emcost to themselves.

salary themselves than to us. Canada, it has been our boast that State churches have no existence here. It is silly and erroneous to think sothe same iniquity in different disguises is rampant here-and in no way more conspicuously than in State aided sectarian schools. In fact in the United States, where the public schools have been the greatest power for unifying the incongruous nationalities flocking all that appears adverse to them and in to that land, that institution has been seriously undermined by Romish influences; school boards, formed of Roman Catholics taking their instructions from the priest or bishops, rendering the law a dead letter and the schools only in name what they are it to a servile agency of the churchsupposed to be-and party politicians will not touch the evil for fear of losing

votes. This evil is growing in Canada, and it is true that a wholesome pressure be put on our politicians to remedy it. We hold as a fundamental principle that no private consciences must be violated by law. Consequently any sect claiming it to be a matter of conscience to have sectarian schools, Protestants do not shew the same acshould be exempted from public school

will not meet the needs of the case.

of the Toronto dailies dismissed with We are utterly opposed to every form of State patronage and payment to refrom their works, to the Young Men's prise is that these Canadian authors incomes, and payment to the sectarian schoolmaster, are all forms of the evil that require the earliest application of it has spouted repeatedly what it terms on the plane of civil justice between one citizen and his fellow.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

flunkies towards Yankee-dom. The QUEBEC SCANDALS: Reading daily strong Irish personel of the club may the astounding revelations of the pubaccount for its vagaries in the pastlic robberies perpetrated by the late so that it is no wonder editor Farrer's Mercier Government, leaves the mind paper was the only Toronto daily that rendered due homage to the eventof the reader in a perfect maze of wonoffence compared with the enormities and all know the nationality that he brought to light. It matters but little adorns in his own person and covets for to all fair-minded people whether Mercier's opponents are blacker or whiter than himself-for so long as two blacks do not make one white, it is sufficient to see in these exposures an appalling amount of crime, excused or defended with an unblushing hardihood by the guilty parties. It reminds one of the story of a French prisoner caught red-handed in the act asking for that only the agents of that system are delay to take his trial in order to obtain the services of counsel. "What!" said compass sea and land to make a prosthe judge, "what do you want counsel for, you were caught in the very act?" To which the prisoner replied, "That proselytize and rake in the coin through is the very point, your honor, I wish to her servile instruments; but whose hear what CAN be said in my defence.'

two degrees as being paltry in the ex-run on the same principles—it being crimson stains of martyr's blood. It treme-and, as a matter of fact, in only a question of degree between one would be well if a similar power party and the other and we shall only of aggressive energies were more has a real interest in the Order, he will

HAUL DOWN THE FLAG : The rediculous and frenzied attitude of the pire-and we can then dictate our terms In this question is distinctly involved of trade with foreign nations. Some people of Bridgeport, Conn., in dethe whole question of State Churchism say foreigners will retaliate, -- it is a manding that the Union Jack should equally as much as if every clergyman bogey to frighten, and if they did they be hauled down from a British ship eninstead of the schoolmaster drew his could do us no greater harm than they tering that port-because the Stars and whe Government, do now, and infinitely more injury to Stripes were not also floated-affords,

ROMAN CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETIES. Union Jack is as the red rag to a mad are forming what they call "Truth bull to people of such wild and reckless Societies." Their object, briefly stated, antipathies. Captain Grady, howis to attend to all interests of the ever is a true man and worth of any Roman Catholic Church being duly nation that calls him one of her citizens advertized in the press; to controvert and we are glad to learn that he and his crew tolerated no alien hands to every way to control and influence the haul down the flag of his country that public press of the country. This is floated on the ship he commands. Capt. being carried out all over the world, Trowbridge while having imparted a getting men of their creed in as editors, thrill of honest pride into his countryreporters, etc., and gradually putting a men, by his brave and manly conduct, muzzle on public opinion, and reducing will doubtless be honoured in the minds of all the best men in the Republic. this being further accomplished, when-

### WINNIPEG, MAN. Red and White Rose Degrees.

by them. Only a week or two since an to the Editor of the ANGLO-SAXON :

Englishman taking in this journal, was SIR, -I have read the very able letter sufficiently terrified by our criticisms of your correspondent, Mr. J. Critchof his papist master that we were instructed at once to discontinue sending ley, re White Rose amalgamation, and other matters. I cannot say that I am the paper to him. It is a great pity much in favour of amalgamation, tivity for defensive and aggressive work. Papers like Punch have papist editors, and you will find it in harmony

survive under entirely other conditions Howell.

than those now in force. As it now is, it practically amounts to this, that the member of the R. R. who wishes to take the Second Degree can do so by paying \$2.00. It is no use saying the members have the ballot to who wishes to take the Second Degree defend both the lodge and themselves. There is always comparatively a slim attendance at W. R. D. meetings, to what there is at R. R. consequently harder to find two members willing to

so from a desire to receive the benefits, at least as much as they are from any of patriotic motive. This is business after Order showed their wisdom, by giving caucus, and pre-ordain who shall be the officers for the ensuing year, and, what is more unjust, from whose ranks alone can those officers be elected? [A united]

NUNS AS NURSES : What is the matter with Protestants at Toronto, that W. R. degree, with members from different lodges cannot do so.-ED.] the city health officer-according to Archbishop Walsh-has had to request No member should be eldigible for "the nuns of St. Joseph" to take admission to the W. R. degree unless charge of their contagious diseases' he could give satisfactory answers to all hospital? Are nurses so scarce there questions bearing on the fundamental principles of the constitution, and that when a member of the W. R. Degree, available, who are ever ready to he should not be qualified for the higher offices of president, vice-president elyte? The system that never loses so good, a chance to advertize itself, to or past-president, till he was perfect in the ritual of at least the R. R. Degree. By adopting this plan, to be a White "humane" and "merciful" character Rose member will no longer be an invidious distinction-purchased for two dollars-but a reward for merit, in accomplishing a task which, unless a man

Forty-two applications for Benefici-Forty-two applications for Benefit ary Policies were considered by the Board at their last meeting. Forty were accepted. The Grand Secretary were accepted. The Grand Secretary stated that the last call had realized

tering that port—because the Stars and Stripes were not also floated—affords, an insight into the <u>perimalate</u>ling at the people. We are confident that no no ice would have been taken of the fact except in a British vessel, but the Union Jack is as the red rag to a mad

and the other for late Bro. Walker, of Birmingham lodge, Toronto. The Beneficiary Board meets the first Wednesday in every month. It is proposed to ask the Grand Lodge to increase the Beneficiary to \$2,000, giving all members an opportunity to take out another \$1.000 policy. take out another \$1,000 policy.

The officers of Lodge Truro, St. Thomas, were installed by District Deputy W. Gay. They are as follows: President, Charles Riddalls; Vice-President, H. Ponsford; Past President, A. Neale, Secretary; J. Hoare; Treasurer, W. Grigg; delegate to Grand Lodge, A. Neale; alternate, Chas. Riddalls.

Chas. Kiddalls. At the regular meeting of Victoria lodge, No. 12, held at Cornwall, the following officers, elected for the year, were duly installed by District Deputy Bro. J. A. Edwards of Montreal:-Past President, Bro. John Sugden; President, Bro. the Rev. S. Gower Poole; Vice-President. Bro. H. Smith; Chaplain, Bro. R. Casson; Secre-tary, Bro. E. Hunt; Treasurer, Bro. H. Chaplain, Bro. R. Casson; Secre-tary, Bro. E. Hunt; Treasurer, Bro. H. Williams.

Grosvenor Lodge, No. 120, Montreal, though I believe a majority of our members are. My views are more drastic; I am more in favour of reforming it out of exietence, unless it can be caused to survive under entirely other conditions Grosvenor Lodge, No. 120, Montreal, the following officers for the present year, were installed by District Deputy Bro. J. A. Edwards, Past Pres. Bro. T. G. Atkinson; Pres. T. J. Vaughn; Vice-Pres. W. Evans; Chap. J. Howell.

Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, JANUARY, 1892. Readers of the ANGLO-SAXON most probly think the Manitoba correspondharder to find two members willing to black ball. I think we may estimate three-fourths of the members of a lodge are

ed. The annual meeting for the election of officers for the two local lodges, lodge Westward Ho, No. 98, and lodge all, and herein the founders of the Neptune 144, came off at their respective meeting nights in December. president and sccretary of th The order showed their wisdom, by giving as much in return for the money paid in, and perhaps a little more than any other society. But where is the sense in, and perhaps a little more than any lodge WestWard 10, the secretary are other society. But where is the sense of making an invidious distinction by allowing any one who likes to pay \$2.00, the privileged to meet in secret caucus, and pre-ordain who shall be the

> ful entertainment to which the officers of both lodges were invited. The good things were most bountifully and gen-erously supplied by the wives and daughters of the lodges Lodge Neptune gave a most success

daughters of the lodge. The first death, amongst members, since the institution of the Order in Winnipeg in October, 1889, took place last month.

Bro. Hines, of Lodge Neptune, being the first of our brethren stricken down by the Fell Destroyer. He being an Odd Fellow, the funeral was well attended, the melancholy honor ing the pall being equally divided be-tween the members of the two societween the members of the two socie-ties. The then president elect of both lodges with the vice-president of Westward Ho, bearing one side, the officers of I. O. F. the other. Viewing the folds of the dear old Union Jack, in which the order was a superposed as the folds of the dear old of more back, a which the coffin was enwrapped an enthusiastic member of our ord g remarked, "One could almost wish to die, if he were sure his remains would be so honoured by that flag." be so nonoured by that hag. Our sister lodge, Runnymede, at the little suburban town of Selkirk, is pro-gressing very favourably, and is about to give an entertainment which it is gressing very latertainment which it is presumed will take a dramatic form. There is no doubt but that it must be a success; for where there is an assembly of Englishmen musical and dramatic talent will be found, and, as that parti-cular little community is, by force of circumstances, cut off from the enjoy-ment of entertainments of the kind, it stands to reason when its people have one brought to their doors, they will patronize it liberally. Lodge Westward Ho will be repre-sented at the meeting of Grand Lodge, and it seems an unanimous feeling among members generally, that there should be a District Grand Lodge for lodges west of Port Arthur, and that the two degrees should be amalgamat-ed. ed. Your correspondent would like to whisper in the ears of the SAXON, that the Separate School issue, has no more to do with the real state of affairs in this province, than had the anti-slavery tactics of President Lincolin at the time of the great American rebellion, to that political cataclysm. Any way a general election cannot be much longer postponed. longer postponed.

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Every member who is not insured should do so at once.

### PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

It is seemingly admitted generally that, in order to make the Public fettered international trade with the towards the remedy, and we believe the Schools meet public requirements, it is whole world, but unfortunately nearly true remedy is ready to hand without essential for religious teaching to be the whole world refuses to trade on revolutionary effect on any existing omitted, or to be so limited to a little even terms, and handicaps British order and, in establishing the District goody-goody precepts about morality trading enterprize with high tariff ex- lodges, we have an opportunity simuland of duty to a God of whose infinite actions that are an outrage on all sense taneously of utilizing this degree and love, as revealed in the plan of Re- of justice-it being literally nothing meeting a prime need of the Order. demption, they are to be told nothing. but a war of the tariff instead of the There seems a dead calm prevailing This difficulty is owing to sectarian be- sword against a friendly nation. To just now prior to Grand Lodge meeting liefs among the public. The difficulty put aside all theories about the respecis further increased by some sects tive merits of "free trade" or "protec- the exciting times in store at the apmaintaing that, unless room is made in tion" are the dictates of common sense proaching session at London. If each public school teaching for inculcating and patriotism, in the presence of a na- delegate there could forget for one public school teaching for inculcating their own peculir creeds, they have no use for and will oppose public schools. It will not satisfy them to tell them that they can teach in their churches and homes whatever they think right, but they covet the advantage of get-ting sectarian schools supported by taxes raised by process of law, thereby ensuring a revenue otherwise precari-ops and obviating the result of mainous and obviating the result of main- ments and keep British markets the another?

control of public patronage and the be more ready to consecrate their bers have actually been complaining of public purse is removed from the hands lives to Christ's service instead of adopted, I see no use in a Second De of party factions. The degradation of giving themselves up so wholly to the political life in the United States is due mad race after worldly gains and solely to the "spoils system" in vogue honors.

there.

IMPERIAL TRADE: Mr. Alex. McNeil, letters published in the ANGLO-SAXON, M.P., for North Bruce, has nobly ad- and from other sources, we learn there dressed his constituents recently, point- is quite a diversity of opinion as to the ing out the enormous advantage to amalgamation of the two degeees of Canada and the Empire likely to accrue the Order-but a pretty unanimous from the adoption of a distinct prefer- feeling that the White Rose degree, as ential trade policy for the British Em- worked at present, is a failure. To diag-

nose correctly disease is the first step pire. We believe thoroughly in an un--but we suppose it is only a prelude to

never take the trouble to perform. Unless this plan or some equivalent is

WINNIPEG FREE LANCE. Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 25th.

# Sons of England News.

#### S. O. E. NOTES.

Through pressure upon our columns this issue, we leave over till our next issue a report of the annual dinner of Turo lodge, of St. Thomas, Ont.

We take pleasure in drawing the at-tention of the members of the Order to the lodge cards of Grosvenor lodge, No. 120, Montreal; Birmingham lodge, No. 69, Toronto; and Osborne lodge, 122, of Hamilton, which appear in this issue.

We are sorry to notice that, in the recent International Tug-of-War at Ottawa, Englishmen were at the bot-tom of the honor roll. This result is attributed to want of practice in pulling and over confidence in their weight. The result has its moral, namely, that if Englishmen wish to succeed they must learn to pull together and practice it well.

We are pleased to acknowledge

#### Montreal.

Montreal. Victoria Jubilee Lodgs, No. 41, held their fifth annual dinner, ac-oppanied by their lady friends, re-iy. Abort 135 sat down. After sa isfying the inner men Bro, Ald. E. Thompson occupied the chair having on his right I ro. J. A. Edwards, Sup-reme Grand Lodge Deputy, and on the left Bro. J. G. Brooks, President. The toast of "The Queen" was propos-ed and replied to by all standing in silence. "The Prince of wales and Royal Family" was responded to. Bro.