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S. O. E. EXTENSION IN QUEBEC.

FORMATION OF THE PIONEER LODGE IN THE CITADEL CITY.

Inauguration by the Supreme Grand President Assisted by District Deputy Ed. Ackroyd—How the Lodge Came to be Established.

The pleasant task devolves upon the ANGLO-SAXON to-day of recording a truly noteworthy event in the annals of the Order Sons of England in the New Dominion of Canada.

We refer to the inauguration of a Lodge of the S. O. E. B. S. at the grand old historic citadel city of Quebec. For a generation past, the British element in Quebec city has formed but a small percentage of population. Race questions in other parts of the country have been felt by the British minority there in a manner very few people who have not been in a similar position can properly appreciate. But in spite of all, the fires of English patriotism and British connection never entirely burnt out. Throughout the most trying days the St. George's Society held together, to the infinite credit and honor of its members be it said, and the foundation of another society of organized Englishmen is the commencement of a new era for our fellow countrymen in the ancient capital. St. George's Society has done excellent service to Englishmen from its establishment down to the present day. It has kept alive the spirit of brotherhood and patriotism, and proved a bond of sympathy of the greatest value. The establishment of a S. O. E. lodge will supplement rather than supplant or rival its usefulness. The two societies will work side by side in the promotion of mutual interests, helping each other and together forming a common rallying point around which Englishmen of all classes can gather.

Last July, Bro. Ackroyd, District Deputy, Ottawa, who had been in communication for some time past with Englishmen in Quebec on the subject of establishing a S. O. E. B. S. lodge, went down to the ancient capital to see what could be done in the matter. He visited a number of Englishmen and took down 27 names of persons consenting to join. On returning to Ottawa, brother Ackroyd put affairs in shape immediately for the starting of this the latest addition to the S. O. E. B. S., an Order that stretches from the Atlantic to the Pacific across British America, and has lodges in every corner of the land. Everything being in readiness, brother Ackroyd went down to Quebec again, and on Tuesday morning the 16th ult., having completed his preparations, telegraphed to Supreme Grand President Stroud to come down to open the lodge on Thursday the 18th. Bro. Stroud at once with his usual zeal in the cause of the Order complied.

On the afternoon of the 18th, the Supreme Grand President, accompanied by District Deputy Ackroyd, proceeded to the Y. M. C. A. hall, Quebec, where they found a pioneer batch of Englishmen waiting to be initiated, and Prince George, No. 162, was inaugurated. Nine were initiated in the afternoon and thirteen more were put through in the evening.

The officers elected were:—Worthy President, Thomas Teakle; Worthy Past President, W. B. Rogers; Vice-President, R. Ackerman; Secretary, E.

Young; Treasurer, W. Vincent; Chaplain, Rev. T. A. Williams; Inner Guard, Thos. F. Teakle; Outer Guard, W. Ely; Guides, H. J. Morgan and Sergt. Major Dingley.

Committee of Management—H. D. Morgan, J. S. Burford, H. Boakes, R. S. Norton; Auditors, W. T. Martin, E. H. Walling, H. D. Morgan; Trustees, C. M. Brocklesby, Sgt. Major Dingley.

Capt. Davidson, of Stanley Lodge, Mr. House, of Russell Lodge, both of Ottawa, and Mr. Baugh, of Denbigh Lodge, Montreal, were present and assisted at the ceremony.

The personnel of the lodge is above the average, the membership comprising a preponderance of men of intelligence and standing.

It is expected that Quebec will soon become the important centre of a new territory comprising a number of S. O. E. Lodges. There are English residents and settlements all through the province along the lines of travel, and there are few places of importance in the province without some English. The experience of the society is that wherever a lodge is formed, if conducted with spirit, it tends at once to attract Englishmen, to increase the national spirit, to arouse dormant feelings of patriotism, and to increase the British element. For this reason, lodges of the S. O. E. B. S. in the province of Quebec are likely to prove invaluable. It depends on the activity and devotion of the Quebec brethren whether the province is to be properly organized or not.

Bro. Ackroyd, Supreme Grand President Stroud, and others who worked energetically and faithfully to establish the new lodge, deserve hearty thanks for the manner in which they have brought a most difficult task to a triumphant issue.

Norfolk Lodge No 57.

Bro. Miles, secretary Norfolk Lodge, No. 57, Toronto, favors us with the following report:

Norfolk Lodge, No. 57, S. O. E. B. S., held their meeting in Dominion Hall, corner Queen and Dundas streets, Toronto, W. P. Bro. Wm. M. Watson in the chair.

The clearance of Bro. Freeman from Montreal was accepted.

Bro. Miles, secretary, read the following articles from ANGLO-SAXON, viz., "Brace up, officers," "Comparative Assessments," "Too Late," which were well received by the members.

At the next meeting the above subjects will be fully discussed, which will take up the evening."

Lodge Guelph's Annual Reunion.

Lodge Guelph, Smith's Falls, has decided to hold the annual excursion tomorrow, 2nd, inst, to Rideau Park.

Bro. S. C. Townsend kindly extends the ANGLO-SAXON a cordial invitation to attend. We much regret that a previous engagement that cannot be deferred prevents our acceptance, for no warmer hearted and whole-souled men live than the brothers of Lodge Guelph. We hope they will have the most enjoyable trip they have ever taken part in.

The members leave by steamer, John Haggart, at 8 a. m. for Rideau Park, where there will be all sorts of sports, in the good old sturdy English fashion. The sports will close with fireworks and there will be music, of course, on land and water, and the roast beef of Old England in plenty. A happy day to you brothers.

LAUNCH OF A S. O. E. LIFEBOAT.

A GREAT DAY FOR THE S. O. E. NAVAL BRIGADE TORONTO.

Interesting Ceremonial in the Presence of the Lieut.-Governor, the Bishop, their Wives, and a Distinguished Assemblage.

Toronto, Aug., 25.—The S. O. E. Naval Brigade Lifeboat, Grace Darling, was launched yesterday afternoon in the presence of one of the most distinguished assemblies ever gathered together in this city. The S. O. E. Naval Brigade, about 30 strong, were drawn up under command of Commodore George Tyler. The Lieutenant-Governor of the province, the Bishop of Toronto, and Mrs. Sweatman entered from the rear door and were received by the commodore. Thereupon Florence Tyler, the pretty little daughter of Commodore Tyler, presented Mrs. Kirkpatrick with a bouquet of pink and white roses. Miss Gertrude Caddick proffered the Governor, the Bishop of Toronto and Ald. Lamb each a nosegay, which they fastened on the lappels of their coats. First and Second Lieutenants Richard Tyler and T. Collins knelt, and, as Heintzman's band, stationed in the rear, struck up the National Anthem, received at the hands of the popular wife of the Lieutenant-Governor the brigade colors.

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offered a prayer for the safety of those who should man the boat and brave the fury of the elements to succour the distressed, and invoked the blessing of Him who rules the waves on the undertaking just inaugurated. Mrs. Kirkpatrick broke the bottle of champagne over the prow of the craft, the tackle was let go, and, amidst the strains of "God Save the Queen" and the cheers of the spectators, the Grace Darling, manned by a crew of the Naval Brigade, glided gently down the incline and gracefully betook herself to the liquid element upon which she is destined to spend a goodly portion of her days. As she settled in the water the band played.

THE SPEECH MAKING

then began. Ald. Lamb took the chair. A resolution was passed thanking Mrs. Kirkpatrick for consenting to officiate in launching the lifeboat, and cheers were given for Mrs. Kirkpatrick and Grace Darling.

Mr. Richard Ivens, representing the grand lodge of the S. O. E. moved a vote of thanks to Bishop Sweatman and Ald. Lamb.

Lieutenant-Governor Kirkpatrick addressed the gathering. He intimated that it was with much pleasure and satisfaction that he participated in the ceremonies of that day. He was glad to see such a sturdy body of men chosen to man the boat, and he hoped that they would remember the deeds of British seamen, and endeavor to follow the example of the sons of the mistress of the seas. In conclusion, his honor acknowledged the resolutions of thanks to himself and Mrs. Kirkpatrick.

The bishop of Toronto said that he was present not only in his public capacity, but also as

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He wished his presence to be regarded in the latter light. The undertaking now completed was one worthy of Britons. The inhabitants of Britain were always a seafaring people. Their very home, as someone had said, was "a right little, tight little island." Now that the boat had been built, it was the duty of the citizens of Toronto to put

their hands in their pockets and wipe out the debt on the craft. It was only half paid for as yet.

Cheers followed for the Grace Darling, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Commodore Tyler, the crew and Her Majesty the Queen.

Mr. William T. James, author of "Rhymes Afloat and Afield," read lines composed by himself in commemoration of the occasion.

THE GRACE DARLING

was built by Harry Hodson on lines of those of life boats in use on the southern coast of England. She measures 26 feet in length, has a beam width of 8 feet 6 inches and is 3 feet 1 inch in depth. She is amply fitted with air-tight compartments, under the thwarts. The facilities for manning the craft are excellent.

The crew will consist of 13, including the coxswain. In the naval brigade there are 40 uniformed members. The regular brigade list includes 80 names, and taking into account honorary members the total strength is 130. A man will be on patrol duty at the boat house at all hours of the day and night. Three men have been deputed for this work. The 24 hours are divided into three watches, and the patrol men will be on duty eight hours at a time. In case of emergency the patrol will summon the crew by telephone. At the conclusion of the ceremonies an

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for active service was given. Under the skilful direction of Commodore Tyler the attempt was eminently successful. The boat fully manned dashed down the incline into the water, the crew seized the oars, and rowed to the assistance of an imaginary vessel in distress. Just before giving the command to launch Commodore Tyler stated that the Grace Darling was intended for use of the most serious disasters, where a large loss of life is threatened, and especially where a ship was in distress outside the bay. A 15 foot boat would be completed within two days for service in case of the capsizing of smaller craft and like emergencies within the harbor. The location of the boathouse would render the boats most useful, indeed, for from it an accident on any part of the harbor, from Queen's wharf to Ashbridge's bay could be observed.

The Noble Work of the Toronto S. O. E.

The Sons of England in Toronto have ennobled their order by establishing a life boat service on the bay. It is too bad though that even in chronicling this most creditable deed the Hamilton Herald could not forego the local jealousy that prompts it to say: "But Toronto needs something more than a lifeboat; its water has killed more people than those who were merely drowned in it."—Ottawa Citizen.

Who are Entitled to Join.

A Brockville correspondent writes: The last issue of the ANGLO-SAXON contained a few remarks as to Scotchmen being admitted to the Order S. O. E. While not altogether agreeing to that course, I may say that I have come across several instances of men who are good Protestants who, if their ancestry was traced back, might, I think, fairly establish their English birthright, and not be at all detrimental to the interests of this society. We have a gentleman here, in Brockville, whose father was a German, who married an English woman and resided in England nearly all his life time. His son, of whom I know, also married an English woman. I think he would make a good member, and would like to be with us. He does not know any more about Germany than I do, and thinks himself English as much as I do.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST S. O. E. LODGE OF N. S.

Kenilworth, No. 149, of New Glasgow, N. S., Celebrates its First Birthday by Going to Church.

New Glasgow, N. S., August 15.—On Sunday, August, 7th., the first annual church parade of Kenilworth Lodge, 149, took place in New Glasgow. The members assembled in the lodge room at 9.30, when the lodge was opened in due form. After some remarks from the chairman, Bro. R. Maynard, in reference to the importance of the occasion, being their first anniversary, the lodge adjourned and formed in procession, headed by Bro. Dodson, who acted as Marshal, carrying the Union Jack assisted at times by Bros. Ainsworth and Burdette.

Stellarton was reached at twenty minutes to eleven. The day being very hot the march was rather trying, but the members were well repaid for their trying journey by finding the church decorated in truly British style with Union Jacks, and the altar with flowers. It was considerably strengthened and everything was done to make things suitable to the occasion. The congregation was unusually large.

The sermon by the rector, the Rev. H. Taylor, was all that could be desired for the celebration, giving great satisfaction to all who attended. The rector takes great interest in the Society's welfare.

After the service was over the members re-formed in procession and marched back again to New Glasgow, where an informal meeting was held when votes of thanks to the visitors and churchwardens for the use of the church, were passed, and thus ended the first anniversary of the first organized lodge in Nova Scotia, which bids fair to become in the near future as strong a lodge proportionately to population as there is in the new Dominion of Canada. [On page II, we print Rev. Mr. Taylor's sermon on the above interesting occasion.]

Planning to Interest Lodge Members.

Bro. Arthur E. Bacon, Secretary, Suffolk Lodge, Brockville writes as follows: The quarterly report ending June last, was in every way found satisfactory, showing a balance in bank of \$250; three initiations, and three propositions on hand.

Lodge meetings have been poorly attended in consequence of heat and members seeking enjoyment elsewhere, but it is hoped members have been active in bringing before any Englishman they may have come in contact with the objects of this society so that in the long winter months the membership may be augmented.

Though the energetic abilities of Bros. W. White, H. Dodd, E. Clint, E. Smith and others, an organ has been procured for the lodge, and it is proposed that during the fall and winter season to have the nights that are set apart for White Rose degree meetings converted into social meetings. We shall commence Monday, September 5, to discuss such social meetings and make arrangements. It is proposed to get members' wives and families together at least once a quarter.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Bro. E. Clint for his kindness in coming forward so handsomely in assisting to purchase the organ for cash.

We are pleased to note that Bro. Hooper, of Derby Lodge, Ottawa, who was confined to the Hospital for the past two months, is convalescent

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