

"SONS OF BRITAIN."

ANOTHER SUGGESTED EXTENSION OF THE ORDER S.O.E.B.S.

Vigorous Expression of a Hope that the Membership may be Enlarged so as to Include Scotch and Irish Fellow Subjects.

Our Fredericton, N.B., correspondent writes: The anniversary celebration of Islington lodge, of which you published a report in your last issue, proved a gratifying success in more ways than one. It has brought the Order more prominently before the public and has given observers a chance to see for themselves what it is like, more especially those who have a leaning towards the society, but who are rather afraid of new institutions. These, having had a chance to see for themselves who compose the society, and note the great success that has attended it in one short year, have concluded that we have come to stay, and will be the means of rapidly increasing our membership. And we have come to stay, there is no doubt about that. I am sorry that the account concerning the whole affair is not more full than it is, and the many fervent expressions of loyalty and attachment to the old flag, that were put forth by the various speakers in the course of the evening were not mentioned more fully and the very flattering compliments paid to our society by members of other societies who were our guests.

Mr. George F. Gregory, barrister, and a member of the St. Andrew's Society, in replying to the toast of the Bench and Bar, spoke in the most flattering manner concerning the rapid progress we had made in one short year almost equalling in numbers the St. Andrew's Society that had been in existence here some 70 years. And he said, if we were so particularly healthy as an infant, what would we be when we arrived at maturity.

Mr. Jas. S. Neill, president of St. Andrew's Society, spoke of the great satisfaction he felt at the success that had attended us as a society, and expressed his regrets that the society was not called

SONS OF BRITAIN, and take as members those of Scotland and Ireland as well, who were true loyal British subjects, so that he could be eligible to become a member. A very strong desire was manifested by several of the speakers that this might be the case. Such a society would be a power for the upholding and maintaining of British connection in Canada. It was maintained.

President Beckwith gave a very interesting account of the aims and objects of the Society and its growth, and expressed the pleasure it would afford him to see the Grand Lodge take up the question of admitting to membership those who belonged to any part of the United Kingdom, being of course in every way eligible for membership. Such an organization, he said, would be a power to effect what he considered was the ultimate object of this organization.

IMPERIAL FEDERATION, And it was noticeable here, as it was in Stanley, that at the mention of Imperial Federation he was warmly applauded. But it would be useless now for me to undertake to give anything like a full account of the doings upon that occasion.

No notice of the proceedings would do justice to them that did not convey to the readers of the ANGLO-SAXON, and all who are interested in the extension and advancement of the order, that we here in New Brunswick are heartily in accord with any movement that has for its object the strengthening of British connection in Canada.

At the conclusion of dinner a vote of thanks was tendered to Mrs. H. Wheeler, wife of Bro. H. Wheeler, and other

LADY FRIENDS of the society, for the free gift of their services in cooking and catering to the comfort of the guests.

The invited present upon the occasion were as follows: His Honor Judge Fraser, Geo. F. Gregory, Esq., barrister; Geo. W. Allen, Esq., barrister; Jas. S. Neill, Rev. Mr. Widdall, H. H. Pitts, of the Reporter, A. P. Crockett, representing the Gleaner; A. J. Maclean, representing the Fredericton Globe.

Congratulations.

Bro. W. S. Swaffield, Clinton, Ont., writes congratulating the ANGLO-SAXON on entering its sixth year of publication. He sends good wishes also for the future prosperity of the paper and expects to see the subscription list of the SAXON largely increased in the Clinton district.

LODGE ST. ASAPH.

Regular Meetings—Vote for an Affiliated Brother—10 Copies of the Anglo-Saxon Subscribed for.

The regular meeting of Lodge St. Asaph 139, was held August 18, 1892, when two candidates were initiated into our grand order.

Worthy President, Bro. Geo. A. Bradley, was in the chair, Past Pres. Carr giving instruction in signs, etc., Past Pres. Jones officiating as Chaplain in the unavoidable absence of Bro. J. C. Jones.

The regular meeting of Lodge St. Asaph 139, was held Sept. 2, 1892, Bro. Geo. A. Bradley, in the chair, P. P. Carr acting secretary.

A pleasing feature of the evening was the unanimous vote of \$5 from the contingent fund to Bro. Chas. Brooks, now laid sick with typhoid fever.

The lodge also resolved to subscribe for 10 copies of the ANGLO-SAXON.

The second annual concert of Lodge St. Asaph 139, Longford Mills, was held in the Public Hall, August 17, 1892, when the following ladies and gentlemen kindly gave their services, and thus helped in what was granted to be the best concert ever held in this village:—Miss King, of Cooper's Falls; Miss Trenouth, Miss Falls, Miss Kennedy, Mr. Devany, Past S. G. P. Ivens, Bros. Elliott, Gilham, Powell, Hinchcliffe, Deeks, Falls, of the Orillia lodges, and P. P. Bro. Carr, lodge St. Asaph.

The programme was under the supervision of P. P. Jones, of Lodge St. Asaph.

Miss King gave a fine selection on the organ, which showed her to be thoroughly conversant with the instrument, and was well received.

Miss Trenouth gave a song in fine style and was loudly encored when she gave another in her usual pleasant manner.

Miss Kennedy made a very good accompanist. Little Miss Falls sang a duet with her father which was well received.

Brothers Deeks, Powell and Gilham gave some fine trios accompanied by Bro. Elliott.

Bro. Gilham also sang in character and fairly brought down the house with his encore, "Oh what a mug."

Bro. Elliott gave a fine imitation on the organ of a fife and drum band.

Bro. Hinchcliffe sang a couple of songs in good style and was well received.

Mr. Devany gave several very good Irish songs and was loudly encored.

P. P. Bro. Carr gave a good account of himself in the song, "Far away."

Past S. G. P. Ivens, at the request of the president, took the chair, and during the evening gave some amusing selections, including a "Stage Struck Hero," the fearful attitudes and contortions and misapplied sentences keeping the company in roars of laughter.

Too much praise cannot be given to the ladies for the abundant supply of cakes, sandwiches, etc., provided.

Bros. Kemp and Bidwell had a lively time dishing out ice cream and serving soft drinks.

The whole was brought to a close by the strains of our grand old National Anthem. The proceeds which will be devoted to the contingent fund will realize over expenses the handsome sum of \$35.

Landsdowne Lodge Has a Good Time. An esteemed Peterborough, Ont., correspondent, Bro. J. J. Turner, writes:

The only recent item of interest connected with our lodge is that we held a picnic at Sturgeon Point on Aug. 18, and despite the fact that there were nine excursions out of Peterboro' that day (civic holiday,) we had a tremendous crowd with us to Lindsay. There the palace steamer "Crandella" was taken for Sturgeon Point, where a most enjoyable time was spent in dancing, fishing, sailing, etc.

The committee worked like Britons and made everybody comfortable and happy. The most gratifying fact in connection with the event was the round sum handed over to the lodge on meeting night. We wish the ANGLO-SAXON every success, and send you herewith list of new subscriptions for the sixth year of publication of the paper.

"Our Canadian Friends."

(British American Citizen, Boston, Sept. 10.) One of the best conducted and most progressive institutions in the Dominion, is that known as the Sons of England, which has societies in all parts of the country. Roman Catholics are not admitted.

A letter from our Winnipeg correspondent on the proposed lodges for Scotch and Irish settlers is in hand, but arrived too late for publication in this issue.

THE LATEST ADDITION TO THE S. O. E. LODGES.

30 Names for the Charter of Shakespeare Lodge, Winnipeg.

Bro. W. Jones, Winnipeg, writes, under date Sept. 12:—Amongst the many peculiarities which characterize the human race and the different Nations in particular, the knowledge of their being successful in any undertaking, is perhaps the most prominent feature. It is for us to augment and stimulate this feeling in the breast of every patriotic Englishman, and there are very few (if any) amongst us who are not imbued with this parental heritage.

We have nearly to announce that this enthusiasm was displayed in its fullest intensity on Monday evening, Aug. 29,—when a gathering of our countrymen assembled in the Saint George's Society rooms, City Hall, Winnipeg, for the express purpose of still further increasing the numerical strength of the Sons of England Benevolent Society by adding a new lodge to the list.

The meeting was attended by many of the members of Lodges Westward Ho and Lodge Neptune. The Rev. Cannon Coombs, District Deputy, was also present and he seemed agreeably surprised to see such a numerous body of intelligent and robust Englishmen assembled for the purpose of attaining the object already named.

There was a large and enthusiastic gathering which resulted in over 30 candidates appending their names to the application for the charter.

Sad Death of Bro. J. H. Heard.

We have the sad duty this week of recording the death by accident of our late brother John H. Heard, assistant secretary of Middlesex Lodge No. 2, S. O. E. of Toronto. Brother Heard in some way that has not been explained, and will now probably never be known, accidentally fell or was thrown in front of a trolley motor and before the motor could be stopped was run over and so crushed that life was found to be extinct when in a few minutes medical assistance arrived. An inquest was held but nothing further could be elicited, and a verdict of accidental death was recorded.

Douglas.

Douglas, Sept. 1.—Carpenters are busily engaged in erecting portable houses for threshers.

Stacking has begun and wheat cutting is pretty well over, except a few farms.

Two of our hunters had the good luck to bring in goose and quite a number of ducks. Some of the sports about town have built a boat and taken it south to the lake in the bush where geese and duck abound. They are anticipating a rare time this fall.

Grass Over 17 Feet High.

Talk about your tall grass, says the Neepawa Register, here is where you find it. We have got the longest specimen extant at this office. It is of the joint grass variety and measures 17½ feet—all this season's growth. Had not the mower laid it low there is no telling where it would have ended. It grew in a meadow six miles west of Neepawa and was left with us by Mr. Dunsmore, secretary-treasurer of Langford municipality.

Niverville.

Niverville, Aug. 31.—Gerhard Khever has purchased a new J. I. Case steam threshing outfit of 16 horse power and expects to start it in a few days.

Mrs. Wm. Wallace and three of the family arrived from Scotland a short time ago, to join her husband and father, who have been here for some time. They are well pleased with the prospects.

Two other engines and one advance-thresher have gone out into the Menonite reserve east of here.

Whitemouth Whispers.

Whitemouth, Sept. 1.—Harvesting is about through with all the grain being a heavy crop. W. Letta brought in a sheaf of oats a few days ago measuring over six feet long. This part of Manitoba prides itself in the fact that there has never been enough frost to hurt while standing. There has been no frost here this year.

There is no better part in Manitoba for a man who wishes to make a start on a farm. There are some very desirable farms a short distance from the village for homesteading and when work on the farm is slack there is always work to be had in the village. A new government road is being made up and down the river to give settlers an outlet and to open up the new land for settlement.

Our Representatives.

The following brethren represent the ANGLO-SAXON:

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