

CITY FALLS AN EASY PREY TO SONS OF MOCHA TEMPLE

Mystic Shriners Put "Would Be's" Through Paces
—Sounds of Torture Agitated Newspaper Scribes.

No less than 75 Masons, good men and true, girded up their lions, donned their armor and became full-fledged Mystic Shriners at the spring ceremonial session of Mocha Temple held in the Masonic Hall, Queen's avenue, yesterday. There were plenty of escorts for the venturesome ones who forgot their wives and families in the excitement of the trip over the white-hot desert, and illustrious Potentate Henry Roe, of St. Thomas, along with his many aides, saw to it that no one was neglected.

True, that the newspapermen who hung around the Masonic headquarters were not accorded the privilege of witnessing all the mysterious happenings that proceeded within, but from the sounds that issued from the sanctuary of amusement and torture, they formed the conclusion that the 75 candidates certainly received their money's worth. At the time of going to press, the list of casualties had not been handed out, but in any event, there were plenty of physicians on

hand to look after the injured ones.

Thronged the Streets.

London was alive with Shriners and to-be Shriners yesterday. Every train that rolled in, to say nothing of several scores of motor cars, brought its quota of sons-of-the-desert-am-I, and Dundas and Richmond streets, in the late afternoon, took on the appearance of one long blend of fezzian coloring. Possibly the word fezzian may not be found in the dictionary, but it adequately expresses the idea. Happy fezz-wearers motored and strolled about town and caused afternoon shoppers to wonder if Gen. Villa and his army had suddenly dropped in for a call on the Seventh or the First Hussars. Some of the strollers and some of the motorists did not have the happy, care-free expressions that characterized the majority, for, in prospect large, loomed before them, constantly, the thought of the awful ordeal to be undergone in the trip across the desert. Taking heart, however, from the knowledge that many others had gone before and lived to tell, or rather to keep secret the tale, they tried to look unconcerned and quite indifferent to the prospective journey.

Animals in Fine Fettle.

It was rumored that the camels, goats and other animals of the Shrine had been carefully starved for a period of three weeks in order to whet their appetites for the grand ceremony of the evening. By native runners from headquarters, following the session, it was learned that the menagerie did its duty faithfully and well.

Shriners were here from all over Ontario and from many points in the United States. There were little nobles, big nobles, long nobles and short nobles, but they were nobles and then some. The Glad Hand Union derived its charter members from the ranks of the Mystic Shriners of the city and the province. Chairman E. M. McLean, Fire Chief John Atkinson, Ken Murray, Edwin Smith, and other members of the glad hand committee, met the various visiting dignitaries as they entered the city and escorted them in state to the Masonic Hall. The St. Mary's Shriners brought their own Kiltie band, and a right good band it was too, while the St. Thomas contingent, headed by illustrious Potentate Henry Roe, brought a full pipe band under the leadership of the one and only Jock Wilson, piper extraordinary.

The Jock Wilson, piper extraordinary, of the Arab Patrol, of Mocha Temple, under the command of Col. A. E. Somerville, captain-general.

It Lasted "Till When." The business session commenced at three in the afternoon and from six to seven o'clock was in progress, with the potentate at the helm and dates and goats' milk in abundance. The ceremonial session, that is to say, the journey across the desert, commenced about 7:30, and, take it from the official pro-



COL. A. E. SOMERVILLE,
Second Ceremonial Master.

gram, lasted "till when." Later, a buffet lunch was served and an entertainment of more than usual excellence provided. All told, there were more than 700 Shriners in attendance. With the initiation of 75 candidates, the total membership was raised to 225, and before the fall ceremonial rolls around, it is confidently expected that Mocha Temple will have in excess of 1,000 members. Among the prominent Shriners who registered with Recorder W. H. Abbott were: William H. Foote, illustrious potentate of El Karafa Temple, Saginaw, Michigan; and immediate Past Potentate Mark Brown, of the same temple; Past High Priest W. H. Shaw, Dr. D. A. Clarke and other officers of Ramessis Temple, Toronto; Ed Struthers, of New York; Charles F. Libby, of Aleppo Temple, Boston; William K. Martin, of Moslem Temple, Detroit; R. H. Malloch, of Ramessis Temple, Toronto; F. A. King, of Woodstock; J. W. Laddell, Brantford; George Yapp, Brantford; W. B. Hancock, Brantford; Bert Inglis, Brantford; W. E. Seagram, Walkerville; J. S. Seale, Brantford; C. M. Campbell, Hamilton; R. C. Cloutier, Young, Springfield; Earl G. Pongford, St. Thomas; George Stewart, St. Thomas; Angus Taylor, St. Thomas; Fred A. McCully, St. Thomas; and very many others.

The Men Behind.

The official divan of Mocha Temple is as follows: Henry Roe, illustrious potentate; H. W. Lind, chief rabbi; W. W. Gammage, assistant rabbi; Dr. A. R. Routledge, high priest and prophet; J. H. Richmond, Oriental guide; W. H. Abbott, recorder; Col. A. E. Campbell, treasurer.

PRISON FARM TO BE CONSIDERED LATER

Representatives of County and City Will Go Into Question in June.

DR. BRUCE SMITH HEAD
Inspector Explains a Modern Method of Caring for Prisoners.

Middlesex County Council and representatives of the London City Council will thoroughly consider the industrial farm project advocated by Sheriff D. M. Cameron, and definite steps will be taken, in all probability at the June sessions of the county council, towards the establishment of a joint prison farm for London and Middlesex. Dr. R. W. Bruce Smith, inspector of prisons for Ontario, addressed representatives of the county and city councils in the county buildings yesterday and spoke enthusiastically in favor of the plan. At the conclusion of the address, Mayor C. M. R. Graham, who presided, assured Dr. Bruce Smith that the project would be thoroughly gone into, plans considered and sites looked for, before the June sessions of the county council. Representatives of the county received Dr. Bruce Smith's recommendations with favor.

Cites Fort William. Fort William prison farm was established in September, 1912, on 1,000 acres of cleared land. Now it is practically all cleared and 300 acres are under cultivation. In another year, said Dr. Bruce Smith, it will be self-sustaining. Out of 1,200 prisoners who have been sent to the farm, only eight attempted to escape, and of these five were brought back. A prisoner attempting to escape is liable to seven years' imprisonment in penitentiary. There are no bars, no keys, no stripes, no guns to hold them. If they refuse to work their rations are cut. This is the only form of punishment resorted to.

Farm No Playhouse. Seventy per cent of the prisoners in Ontario are short-term offenders who should be sent to prison farms. There are 142 jails in Ontario, necessitating an enormous expense for maintenance, nearly all of which would be rendered unnecessary by the general establishment of prison farms. When a man is sent to the prison farm, he is told that it is no playground.

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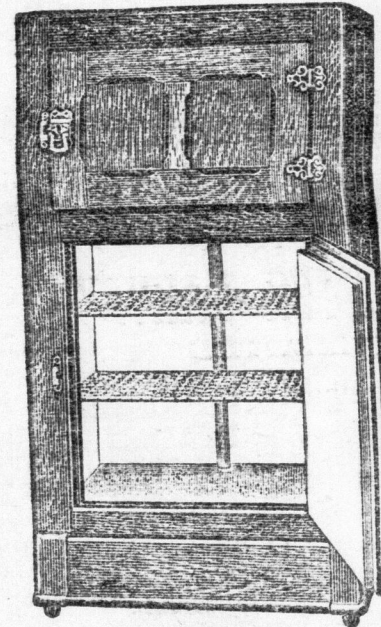
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ASKS \$10,000 DAMAGES

[Special to The Advertiser.] Strathroy, April 24.—Clifford Scott, the 6-year-old son of Herbert Scott, died today after an illness of twelve weeks with spinal meningitis and infantile paralysis. Mr. Scott has entered an action against the town for \$10,000 damages. He resides next to the town standpipe and claims that as a result of the standpipe overflowing and flooding his yard and cellar the constant damp caused his son's illness.

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