

MONDAY

WELLINGTON ST. ANNIVERSARY

Fitting Services Were Held on Sunday—President of Conference Speaks.

The church anniversary held in Wellington St. Church on the occasion of its 80th. year of existence was a great spiritual success. Excellent sermons were delivered by the Rev. C. L. Irvine of Berlin, President of the Hamilton Conference and splendid contributions were rendered by the choir. Speaking during the morning upon the text "All is yours", gave many illustrations of the practical advantage of being a Christian. All things were his, even Death, which was depicted as a curtain which was drawn aside and revealed the haven beyond. It was a very able address and closely followed by a large and attentive audience. The anthem was, "Seek ye the Lord." Mr. Verne O'Neil, of Woodstock, gave a solo "Open the gates of the Temple". During the evening, Rev. C. L. Irvine gave another of his brilliant discourses, taking as his text Gen. 25, last verse, "Our Birthright." He dealt with the birthright of man, and his privileges under this birthright as a Christian. Esau had held his lightly, and had sold it, with all that it meant to Jacob. Which was of these two the profane man—Jacob with his naive manner and hypocritical life. Wellington St. Methodist had reached its 80th anniversary and thanks were due to God for the blessings he had conferred upon the church. The freedom of this vast Dominion was described as its birthright, and its vast resources made it the jewel of all Britain's colonies. Its wealth was its birthright. Samson of old, had tampered with his birthright and the result was brought about by himself. It was, continued the speaker, much more desirable to be a poor, but conscientious worker, than to be a rich and desecrating hypocrite. It was everyone's birthright to be good, and honest. Young women should have ambitions which aimed beyond, powder, paint, and puffy, whilst young men had a birthright in good and righteous ambition. The speaker had a message for all, whatever their troubles, he bore them a message of love, a birthright of love. Wealth in this world did not matter, who was better off in the end, the

man who attained a financial success, or the man who had made a spiritual success. There was no doubt as to who was the richer man. With an exhortation to pray, the speaker closed his address, asking blessing upon all.

The Anthem, "O for a closer walk with God," was beautifully rendered by the choir, as was the anthem "O, worship the King." Miss Bloxham, in a solo "Rock of Ages" was heard to great advantage.

The 80th. anniversary was a splendid success and large congregations assembled to celebrate fittingly the occasion. The Rev. R. D. Hamilton was congratulated upon the progress of the church under his care.

Lodge Notes

A. O. U. W. Brantford Lodge No. 71, A. O. U. W. Brantford Lodge No. 71, held its regular session in the lodge rooms over the Bank of Hamilton, and was the occasion of a reception of the members of the newly found Eagle Lodge in response to an invitation given by some of the officers of Brantford Lodge on March 2nd. There was a good representation from Eagle Lodge, who were introduced and received with honors. A number of applications for membership were accepted also a number of candidates initiated. As one of the special features of the evening, Bro. John Graham was requested to give a report of proceedings at Grand Lodge session held in Toronto this week to which he went as the delegate and representative of Brantford Lodge. Bro. Graham then gave an outline of the business transacted in his able way, which proved most encouraging and among other facts mentioned were these. New members for the year nearly 1,000 and \$218,000.00 had been paid in claims and 622 deaths were recorded for the year, which was received by applause from the members. Master Workman Bro. Watson congratulated the residents of this city upon their low admission rate to the lodge owing to it being now under charter and spoke of the report and dealt upon the excellent abilities of Bro. Grayham, as a veteran of over 35 years standing and being fortunate to have so capable a representative. Organizer Bro. T. H. Morris of Toronto, was next called upon and he spoke of his gratification for such a report and felt it would be a wonderful help in his organizing work. He also paid a very high tribute to them by telling them they had made him feel more at home in his work than any other district he had been working in, but said he felt sorry that amid such enjoyment and encouragement, which was abroad, he had to touch a sad strain by stating that the Grand Recorder, Gro. M. D. Carder was lying very seriously ill in his home in Toronto and at the present, no hopes for his recovery were held out. A silent vote of condolence was then passed on behalf of both lodges and a letter of sympathy will be forwarded to his family together with the hope of his speedy recovery.

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Bro. Wilde of Brantford Lodge, then complimented the ladies upon their excellent aid which had been rendered to the lodge and thanked the visiting members for their presence and Bro. Hazzard, Worthy Foreman of Eagle Lodge, most suitably replied and said he previously thanked them for the very able way the initiation of candidates had been carried out. The lodge then formally closed to give more time to the social part of the evening. Then came a very happy time when music, instrumental and vocal, euchre and other games were enjoyed until a late hour and every one went home feeling that it had been good to be there.

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Boy Knight Notes

The senior boy knights held a successful birthday party on Thursday evening last, when they received their friends and made them welcome. It was their celebration of the third anniversary of the boy knights, and a delightful time was spent. As the guests entered the building they were met by the reception committee. Games of skill were indulged in until 9 o'clock, when the chairman, Lieut. Hawke, called the gathering to order and a splendid program was rendered. Solos were sung by Miss Goodson, Miss Godfrey, Miss Ibbotson, Miss Neilson, Capt. Matthews, Mr. Steed, Mr. James Treble. Mr. Clarke rendered a number of comic songs. Mr. J. Lamb appeared in Scottish costume and sang a number of Scottish songs, which brought down the house. Recitations were given by Herbert Cockshutt and Mr. James Treble. Speeches were made by Lieut. Hunt and Mr. James Hawke. Lieut. Hunt briefly outlined some of the work of the corps, and pointed out the large field of work and usefulness that lay ahead of them. Several of the young men made speeches, telling of the help the movement had been to them, and the advantages that were to be obtained from being members of it, and the bright hopes they had for the future of the corps. A tasty luncheon was then served which was much appreciated by all. The management of the entire affair was entrusted in the hands of the senior boy knights, and they are certainly to be congratulated on the successful outcome of the event. At the conclusion of the luncheon games and other amusements were merrily engaged in till the hour he came late, when the celebration was concluded with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

Obituary

William Henry Parke Says the Chronicle of Gardner, Ill. "William Henry Parke was born near Hay Bay, Canada, December 8, 1842, and was the son of Serenus and Catherine Parke. On April 14, 1861 he was united in marriage to Eliza Ann Eamon of Lunenburg, Ontario, where they lived for a number of years, later going to Brantford, Ontario, where he followed his trade, that of a carpenter, and for a number of years was employed as pattern maker for the Waterloo Engine Works and also was employed for a number of years by the Grand Trunk Railway in the Pullman car department. Two this union were born three children, two sons, William S., and Andrew Edward, and one daughter, Mary Ida, the latter two passing away at the ages of seven and five years respectively, of that dreaded disease, diphtheria, within a week of each other. Mr. Parke was brought up by Christian parents, his father being a member of the Wesleyan Methodist church, and his mother a Quaker. In 1895 Mr and Mrs Parke came to Gardner, Illinois, where they have made their home with their son, William and wife, and a number of years ago united with the Gardner Presbyterian church, where they were regular attendants until his hearing failed him. The deceased had been suffering from a severe cold for several days, and on Monday he grew worse, pneumonia setting in, from the effects of which he peacefully slept away, Tuesday evening, March 20th, 1914, at seven o'clock. He was a loving husband, an indulgent father and one who had a pleasant word for all. He leaves his widow, son and daughter-in-law, besides numerous friends to mourn their loss."

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OUR BRITISH LETTER

General Sir Arthur Page, who commands the troops in Ireland, at a dinner given him at the Corinthian Club, Dublin, told his audience what the exact feeling was in the army over the Ulster question. He had been assured, he said, that there was no intention on the part of the Government to make use of troops in Ireland except "to maintain law and order." Speaking of Irish troops and the Ulster Volunteers, which are being organized to resist Home Rule, the General said: "It is not thinkable, it is not possible for me to contemplate ever being asked to concentrate my men and to move against the forces in the North of Ireland."

"At the same time, you must remember that in our lives we soldiers often have to do things that we do not like. When we have to deal with large bodies of men who understand the meaning of the word discipline it means that, however, distasteful it may be to them, they will carry out any orders given to them by the King and I should regret it if I have to regret it, but if the order comes, that order must be obeyed."

This speech is taken as the reply of the official heads of the army to those who have suggested that many officers would refuse to obey orders to put down revolution in Ulster."

Navy Handicapped. The British navy is being handicapped by inability to keep up a continuous and adequate supply of oil fuel. This is said in naval circles to be the real cause of the decision to hold any grand manoeuvres this summer and for the cancellation of the review and for the King had intended to hold at Spithead. Every effort is being made to husband the supply of oil at the supply stations, and to use it only in such ships as burn oil exclusively. The destroyers have been kept in harbor since they arrived at Christmas.

American Crooks. American crooks now give London a wide berth. Superintendent Wm. McCarthy of the Criminal Investigation Department of Scotland Yard, states that only on rare occasions does his department have to handle a case in which an American crook plays a part. When Frank Frost, McCarthy's predecessor at the head of the Criminal Investigation Department, was serving his apprenticeship as a detective inspector, American crooks were so numerous that he was sent several times to America to study their habits on their native heath. At present, however, London is suffering from an invasion of crooks from the colonies. Most of these come from Australia and South Africa and they are of the type which resort to violence without hesitation. Many of them thrive by blackmailing wealthy colonials, who have taken up their residence in London. Some of these residents have pasts, the revelation of which would spell disaster and social oblivion and the blackmailers who follow them from the colonies fatten on this knowledge. In accounting for the disappearance

from London of the American crook, Scotland Yard officials expressed the opinion that the skillful confidence man finds better openings on the continent while his less artful colleague finds a safer outlet for his energies at home.

Emigration Is Slack. The tide of westward emigration has slackened decidedly. Four steamships scheduled to sail within the next month have had their advertised departures cancelled. At this time last year it was impossible to get even a third class berth on an English liner going to Canada, with-out an order several weeks in advance. The migration toward Australia continues but diminished in comparison with last year. It is expected to increase soon, however, with the first trial of the government plan to assist English lads to places of apprenticeship among South Australian farmers. Under legislation passed last session, the Commissioner of Crown Land and Immigration is empowered to act as guardian of boys taking advantage of the plan, and ample safeguards have been placed about the interests of the boys as well as the rights of their employers.

The first party of boys for Australia will leave Liverpool late this month. This party will serve as an experiment and if successful the plan will be carried out on a larger scale. In the past Australia has complained that the adult Briton does not readily adjust himself to rural life in the Antipodes, and becoming discontented, joins the already overfilled ranks of labor in the cities, leaving the problem of rural depopulation as acute as ever. It is believed that by the time their apprenticeship ends the boys will be of the fleet which the King will be quite willing to stay on the farms. Notwithstanding that London has spent \$65,000,000 during the past ten years in building new hotels or improving old ones, largely for the accommodation of American visitors, the hotels are still overcrowded during the tourist season.

It is estimated that 100,000 Americans now pay visits of some length to London during each summer, whereas a few years ago the metropolis was declared to be only a stopping place for a day or so for tourists bound to the continent.

James N. Gow, a prominent business man of Hamilton, who had been committed with A. B. Mackay on a charge of immorality, committed suicide.

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LONDON, March 24—shouts by the Unionists anger by the Government are the immediate result of the Ministry's handling of the crisis. The Unionists are vined by the Ministerial in the House of Commons that the movement of merely a precautionary safeguard the depots of munition, and stores. The doubt that the forcible Ulster was determined on the action of a number of resigning had convinced ment that the army could played for that purpose, reason the unconditional of the officers is tr ignominious climb down of the Government and explain the matter away as a miserable shuffle.

Right Hon. Arthur J. (former Unionist leader, w Premier Asquith in the Commons, promptly put in one of the weakest spots erment's explanation by the troops were only to stores, why were the offe they would be excused if they lived in Ulster. Th said Mr Balfour, that the had found that the army ing to be an instrument The Government is ev against a fact which is de age and is now industrial power to visit, that the 2nd command that were in in any event be compell Ulster and for that reas erment cannot force the to accept Home Rule.

Seeking a Scapegoat The defection of the off a closed incident, but it ces are likely to prove Premier Asquith and Col. retary of State for War, planations before an exci bulent House to-day, that which was the result of standing. This misunderstanding, ferred although they did say so, was due to miscon the Government's plans manding officer, Sir Art whereby he informed the Ireland that they were a Prior for a repressive ca General Paget and th officers from the Curra Gen. Gough, Col. McEw Parker—were summoned for a conference. Accord cial statements, the misth has been cleared away an cers returned to Ireland. Prior to their departure, they were entirely satisfi results of their visit. Th which the officers rema posts were not disclosed, eral belief is that they w that they would not be to serve against the U.S. is considered a distinct s the Government.

The Blunderer The Unionists firmly a the Government has pa a fiasco. They think the most enterprising spirit net, David Lloyd George ston Spencer Churchill, chief movers in the plan. Government proposed movement of troops in (Continued on Pa

PROMOTERS O AGAINST Interests Behind Huron Railw Not Agree to ment. OTTAWA, March 24—the Eric and Ontario which was held up in the mitted last week at the Hydro-Electric Commis tario, is to come before tee again to-day. When it as up last we