

**"A Vacant Chair."**

**-DROWNED IN THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER.**

**Juvenile Branch Lodge Prince George No. 28, Gananoque.**

One of our chairs already vacant. The noble St. Lawrence has snatched from us one of the brightest of our boys, and a good officer.

On Tuesday afternoon, July 4th, Bro. Edward Beaumont Davis, aged 14 years, eldest son of Mr. Alfred Davis, book keeper for the D. F. Jones Manufacturing Co., was drowned by the upsetting of a canoe in front of the town on the River St. Lawrence.

The deceased was a bright promising boy, of high intelligence, and an amiable disposition. He took a forward place in his studies at school, and held the office of First Guide in Prince George Juvenile Sons of England, No. 28. The canoe in which he was sailing is considered a very unsafe craft and has repeatedly upset, making it a dangerous boat for pleasure, especially to those like deceased who could not swim. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

"In Memoriam."

Resolved, That the members of Lodge Prince George, No. 28, Juvenile Branch of the Sons of England B. S., desire to convey to Bro. and Mrs. Alfred Davis and family, our warmest sympathy in their sad bereavement, in the loss they have recently sustained in the sudden death by drowning, this afternoon, of their much loved son and brother, Edward Beaumont Davis.

Death is at all times sad and solemn and brings to the afflicted the deepest pain and sorrow; but when its victim is suddenly taken off on the very brink of manhood, when the promises of youth are about to be verified, the grief of the sorrowing relations is greatly intensified, and words of human sympathy, no matter how earnest and heartfelt, avail but little. "He who doeth all things well" can alone speak consolation to the hearts of the sorrowing ones.

In the death of our brother and First Guide, our Lodge has lost a painstaking and efficient officer and a worthy member. A father and mother mourn a dutiful son, of whom they were justly proud, and his brothers and sisters weep for a brother loving and affectionate.

Over the grave of our departed brother we can only say, "we bid thee a long farewell," and to the sorrowing relations we can only quote "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away, blessed be the Name of the Lord."

Be it further resolved,—That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Lodge; and that a copy of the same be signed and handed to Mr. and Mrs. Davis.

(Signed,)  
CHRIS. KNIGHT, Senior Pres.  
GEO. CARTWRIGHT, Junior do  
N. A. HOWARD MOORE, Sect'y.  
ROBT. KNIGHT, Assistant do  
Gananoque, Ont., July 4th, 1893.

In addition to this the lodge sent a pillow of Red Roses with the letters, "S. O. E." in white flowers. At the grave the lodge, assisted by the members of Cambria Lodge, No. 134, conducted the most beautiful and solemn service of our society. In fact the requiem "Sleep my Brother Sleep, etc.," brought tears to many eyes.

**AN OFFICIAL VISIT.**

**SONS OF ENGLAND AND ODDFELLOWS DECORATE THE GRAVES OF DEPARTED BRETHREN.**

Peterboro', July 10th.—At our last regular meeting on Monday 3rd, there was a full lodge. The brethren turning out in the expectation of meeting Bro. J. W. Carter, S.G.S., but they were disappointed in one sense, and not in another, for they met Bro. W. R. Stroud, S.P.G.P., and also our newly appointed D. D., Bro. Mitchell, and it is needless to say they were heartily received, and listened to with much interest during the course of their address to the lodge.

It was arranged at this meeting to join with the Oddfellows in their decoration of departed brothers on Friday afternoon. The weather being fine there was a large turnout of Oddfellows and Sons of England, and the march to the cemetery was truly beautiful, headed by the band and bugle corps, every man carrying a bouquet, wreath or design in flowers of some description, and after a pleasant march we reached the cemetery and counter-marched through the Oddfel-

lows' ranks. The Canton, with drawn swords, formed an arch over our heads to the tune of Sweet Bye-and-Bye.

The brethren dispersed to decorate the graves of departed brothers; this being over we assembled to hear the addresses of Bro. Symonds, our worthy chaplain, also Grand Chaplain of the Sons of England, and Bro. Davidson, rector of St. John's. Both gentlemen spoke on behalf of the Sons of England, and the march home closed a splendid floral ceremony.

**A NEW LODGE.**

A number of the brethren of Oxford Lodge, Belleville, have asked for their clearance, with the object of forming another lodge in the city of Belleville. The lodge will bear the name Bay of Quinte. It is expected the lodge will be opened this month.

A new lodge of the Order is talked of for Tweed, Ont.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT.**

VICTORIA LODGE NO. 12, CORNWALL. The Editor ANGLO-SAXON:

Dear Sir,—I am instructed to ask you to insert the following in the ANGLO-SAXON:

Mrs. Hunt, widow of our late Bro. E. Hunt, has received a cheque for \$1,000 from the Beneficiary Department of the Order, the amount of insurance on the life of Bro. Hunt—who had been a member of the Sons of England for a number of years, but did not join the beneficiary until a little over a year previous to his death.

J. BROOK, Sec.

**Daughters of England.**

**TORONTO JUNCTION.**

Lodge Rose of Kent, No. 21, of the above society held a very successful and pleasant meeting in Campbell's hall. About 70 members from the city lodges paid a fraternal visit, amongst whom were Grand Treasurer, Bro. G. L. Cross, Sister Pritchard, district deputy for Centre Toronto; Bro. Moore, district deputy for No. 3 District; Sisters Ellen, Elizabeth and Lilly Lugden, of Princess Alberta Lodge; Bro. Watkins, president, of Old England; Sister Watkins, vice-president, of Old England; Bro. Shone, president, Sister Shone, vice-president, and Bro. Moore, treasurer, of Lady Warwick; Sister S. Pountain, of Lodge Mistletoe; Sister Dowling, president, and Bro. Dowling, of Lodge Grace Darling; from Lodge Queen City, Bro. C. Sendel, president, and Sister Moore, vice-president, and Sister Taylor, chaplain. The order of initiation, which is a very pleasing ceremony, was gone through. A recess of half an hour was granted by the president, when a number of Sisters and Brothers contributed songs, recitations, etc., Bro. Steel, of Lodge Duchess of Kent, gave an excellent recitation. There are several applications in for next meeting. Sisters Harris and Mould were appointed delegates to Hospital Board. The secretary, W. Harris, 90 Edmund st., will be pleased to receive applications for membership.

**BELLEVILLE, ONT.**

A lodge of the Daughters of England has been instituted in Belleville, with 27 charter members. The Grand Secretary, Bro. Martin, of Hamilton, opened the lodge. The executive officers of the new lodge for this term will be: T. Waymark, president; Sister Waymark, past president; Sister Carseley, vice-president; Sister A. Graham, secretary; Sister Butler, treasurer; Bro. Dr. Tracy, surgeon. The second and fourth Fridays will be the meeting nights of the lodge.

**MR. RUSKIN PAID OUT.**

Mr. Ruskin once had occasion to spend the night at a country inn. The landlord tried several times to ascertain the destination of his distinguished guest without success.

Mr. Ruskin turned upon him, and in a very decided tone said: "Landlord, do I owe you anything?"

"Nothing, sir," was the reply.

"Well, then, I am going where I please."

The road forked out from the tavern, and it so happened that Mr. Ruskin was at a loss which road to take, and sent a servant back to inquire which of the roads led to the village he wanted.

The landlord, standing in front of the tavern, cried at the top of his voice: "Mr. Ruskin, you don't owe me a farthing; take which road you please."—London Answers.

**OTTAWA VALLEY S. O. E. NEWS.**

**Lodge Lion—Juvenile Branch.**

The above lodge held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday night, the 11th inst. The senior officers of the lodge, Bros. F. J. George, E. J. Le Dain and J. T. Hickmett, were present and conducted the meeting. A good turn out of the Boys made the meeting of more than usual interest. One initiation took place. The business of the lodge was conducted in an impressive manner, and the nature of the work allotted the boys explained. The picnic committee sent to the boys \$10, as a donation from the proceeds of the picnic, which went to the contingent fund with a smile from the boys. The lodge is developing in ideas, and have started a series of addresses to be given by members of the Order, readings and recitations to be given each night of meeting by the boys.

**Derby Lodge.**

This lodge held its regular meeting on Tuesday night, the 11th inst. Bro. L. Williams occupied the chair. A large number of members and visiting brethren were present. A considerable amount of business was transacted. The sick committee reported Bro. John Trowbridge to be improving, and the accident which Bro. W. Saunders met with appears to be of a more serious nature than at first was supposed, and it will be some time before he will be able to return to work. After the passing of accounts the lodge adjourned to attend the United White Rose Degree.

**United White Rose Degree.**

Clarendon Lodge, United White Rose Degree, held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, the 11th inst., the president, Bro. W. R. Stroud, S. G. P. P., occupied the chair. This lodge is gaining in popularity among members, which was shown by the interest taken by the large number of members present. Eight initiations took place. After a few complimentary remarks by the S. G. P. P. and others the lodge adjourned, the weather being of too warm a temperature for lingering in the lodge room.

**Stanley Lodge.**

This lodge held its regular meeting on Thursday, the 13th inst., Bro. A. J. Foss, president, occupied the chair. A large number of members were present at this meeting. Great interest was evinced by the members in the proceedings, and considerable discussion took place upon the topics brought forward for the consideration of the lodge. The president and vice-president of lodge Tennyson, Hull, P. Q., were among the visitors present. Bro. R. J. Wicksteed, LL.D., the senior past president of Bowood, asked leave to introduce a resolution, which was carried by the lodge. Several circular letters were read to the lodge, which necessitated drawing upon the contingent fund. The appeal from Lodge Lincoln, St. Lambert, on behalf of the family of the late Bro. Berry, was granted \$2, also the one from Lodge Osborne, Hamilton, on behalf of Bro. Pilgrim, of Garmore, Man., was treated in a like manner. The lodge adjourned at the late hour of 10.30 p.m.

**Picnic Committee.**

The standing picnic committee, composed of representatives of Ottawa, Carleton Place and Almonte lodges, have wound up their business and disbursed the surplus funds to the lodges. It is gratifying to note that the contingent funds of the lodges will be benefitted to the amount of \$20 a lodge, the juvenile lodge getting \$10. The secretary of Bowood lodge, Bro. R. L. Broadbent, who was also secretary of the general picnic committee, attended to his many duties in a most commendable manner; likewise Bro. C. G. Folks, secretary of Stanley lodge, who devoted a great deal of time to the perfecting of the programme, and was also secretary to the sports committee. The collection and arranging of prizes was extremely satisfactory, both to the donors and winners. Ottawa brethren have, after considerable disappointment in past years, succeeded in making their Eighth Annual Excursion and Picnic a grand success.

Editor ANGLO-SAXON:—I congratulate you on the efforts which you are making in the interests of the Order and the principles which are identified with the Old Land.—J. Freeman, Winnipeg, July 6th.

Bro. Fred Cook, of Bowood lodge, has returned home after a pleasant holiday of ten days at Murray Bay.

**H.M.S. 'VICTORIA' CATASTROPHE**

**RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE BY LODGES OF THE S.O.E.**

**Deploring the Loss to the British Navy of this Powerful Ship and Brave Sailors.**

Victoria Jubilee Lodge members turned out in large numbers at their quarterly meeting, Friday evening, June 23rd. After routine business, five candidates were initiated and three propositions received for membership. Under the heading of General Business, the sad disaster that had happened to H.M.S. Victoria, having just been received, it was brought up, and the following resolution carried:

"Resolved, That we as Englishmen having heard the sad news of the awful catastrophe that has befallen the British war ship Victoria, whereby four hundred brave sailors found a watery grave, with only a few minutes warning; that we do hereby tender to the Lords of the Admiralty our sincere regret at the calamity."

The above was cabled to the Admiralty by Bro. J. A. Edwards, Supreme Grand Vice-President, as a member of the lodge.

**Cablegram Acknowledged.**

Bro. J. A. Edwards, S.G.V.P., and Secretary of Victoria Jubilee lodge, Montreal, Que., has received a communication from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, acknowledging with thanks and gratitude the receipt of the cablegram sent by the lodge expressing its sympathy and regret for the loss of H. M. S. Victoria, and the sad death of Vice Admiral Sir George Tryon.

**Bowood Lodge, Ottawa.**

The following is the text of the resolution passed by Bowood lodge, Ottawa, on Thursday, July 6th:

Moved by Bro. R. J. Wicksteed, LL.D., seconded by Bro. J. E. Andrews, and resolved:—

"We the members of Bowood lodge, of the Order of the Sons of England, have learned with pain and sorrow of the foundering of Her Majesty's ship Victoria, in the Mediterranean, by which regrettable accident numbers of our fellow countrymen and fellow subjects lost their lives.

"We desire to mourn with the mourners—with the widows, children and relatives—with those who lost husbands, fathers and brothers by this deadly catastrophe.

"We rejoice to learn that the drowned men died as British sailors—doing their duty—faithful unto death, and we trust that those they have left behind will have their grief alleviated by the knowledge that the lost by their death have made the world the better for their glorious example.

"We deplore the loss to the British admiralty and navy of this powerful and costly ship of war. We trust that her place in the fleet will be filled without delay.

"And further, as a modest offset, and in grateful recognition of the services of Britain's armed forces to Canada, we shall urge upon our ministry that the maintenance of at least two cruisers of the Imperial fleet be made a permanent charge upon the revenue of the Dominion of Canada."

Bro. W. C. Day, President of Salisbury Lodge, No. 42, Brantford, Ont., in a letter to the ANGLO-SAXON says: "Nearly all our members are readers of the ANGLO-SAXON, and we think it the best society paper we have ever seen."

**The Future King and Queen.**

**Resolution of Congratulation by Lodge Stanley, S. O. E., Ottawa.**

Moved by Bro. R. J. Wicksteed, LL.D., seconded by Bro. Joshua Foss, and resolved:—

"Whereas the objects of the Order of the Sons of England are to unite and organize Englishmen, for—amongst other purposes—the maintenance of their national institutions and liberties, the keeping inviolate the integrity of the British Empire, the cherishing the hearts that beat responsive in the mother land—in old England our nurse, our protector, our pattern and our example;

"Whereas, members of the Order of the Sons of England hold that any simple unbalanced government—simple monarchy, simple aristocracy and simple democracy—is imperfect, vicious and bad by itself: the composition alone being good. Therefore we uphold—and would perpetuate and imitate—the limited monarchical sys-

tem of government of Great Britain, in which the distribution of political authority, is the best which human wisdom can devise;

"And whereas Prince George of Wales, the heir presumptive to the crown of England has lately wedded Princess May of Teck, thus ensuring the stability of the throne and the continuance of the Protestant Hanoverian line and succession of sovereigns: his own happiness in the possession of an amiable English wife; and the welfare of his people by offering to the nation an example of a godly, loving and well ordered household;

"Therefore, we, Sons of England and members of Stanley lodge, Sons of England, in meeting assembled, do respectfully tender our humble and hearty congratulations to Her Majesty the Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales (and the Duke of York, upon the solemnization of the marriage of a grandson, a son, and a loyal subject and British sailor. And we humbly pray that this union of hearts may further increase the widely extended influence of that greatest secular and religious power for good in the world—namely the English nation."

**Sons of England Project.**

A Regiment to be Organized and Known as St. George's Rifles.

Toronto July 14.—A meeting of representatives of the lodges of the Sons of England was held to-night to discuss the project of forming an additional regiment for the city, to be known as St. George's Rifles, and to be recruited specially from the Sons of England. A letter from Supreme Grand President, Bro. Thos. Elliott, of Brantford, was read approving the scheme and various committees were appointed to carry out the details and to communicate with the government. Numerous letters were received conveying offers of financial support to the scheme. Bro. Dr. Ryerson, M.P.P., expressed his hearty sympathy and enclosed the first subscription.

It was a happy thought of the Dominion Government to contribute £1,000 to the fund for the relief of those who lost relatives in the Victoria. It is expressive of the appreciation of the Canadian people for the commercial protection which Britain so freely and generously affords the Dominion.

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