

TORONTO S. O. E. NEWS.

Proposed Rifle Regiment. A LIVELY INTEREST MANIFESTED BY THE MEMBERS.

Lodge Aaondale held its regular meeting on Monday, June 19th, Bro. F. Beverley Linden, occupied the chair. Among the visitors were Bro. Thos. R. Shippon, P.S.G.P., Bro. A. Jones of Shrewsbury Lodge, and Captain Bro. Geo. Tyler, of the Naval Brigade.

The question of a proposed formation of a rifle regiment in connection with the Order came up and a Provisional Committee, and then a committee will be formed of the whole to get the matter under way. There is a lively interest being manifested throughout the city over the movement.

A Large and Interesting Meeting. Kent Lodge, No. 3, met in their room in Shaftesbury Hall, on Monday evening, when there was a large number of members and visitors. Bro. C. Russell, occupied the chair and seated besides him on the dais were Bro. F. H. Herbert, the District deputy for Centre Toronto, Bro. R. Caddick, P.G.P., and Bro. Church, P. P., of Birmingham Lodge and many others.

Two candidates were initiated into the mysteries of the degree and a large amount of important business transacted.

A committee was appointed to arrange for holding a picnic at an early date and a report was received from the Labor Bureau, which was deferred to the next meeting.

The lodge, by an almost unanimous vote, decided to withdraw their delegate from the Revision of Constitution Committee organized from Warwick Lodge.

During the evening a visit was received from Captain Tyler and about 20 members of the Naval Brigade, who were given an hearty reception from the president and members.

Will Lodge London Possess the Cup. Lodge London, met on Tuesday night June 20th, Bro. Hines presiding. The Tug-of-war committee reported that a good team had been got together to contest for the cup now in the possession of the lodge, and with proper encouragement from the lodge, there is every prospect of their again winning it. A great deal of interest centres in the contest for the cup, which was the gift of the London Life Insurance Co., as, if London lodge wins it this year it will become the permanent property of the lodge.

Receipts for the Evening \$482.

Albion lodge members turned out in large numbers at their quarterly meeting on June 15th, Bro. Howard occupied the chair. Three candidates were initiated, and two were proposed for membership, seven were reported on the sick list.

Bro. H. Lewis was appointed delegate to the Hospital Board.

A letter of thanks was received from Bro. Caddick, treasurer of Life Boat Fund, thanking the lodge for their handsome gift.

After settling a few minor matters the lodge closed earlier than usual on account of the hot weather. Receipts for the evening \$482.20.

York Lodge.

York lodge, on Thursday June 15, Bro. Sharland occupied the chair. There was a fair sprinkling of visitors, amongst whom were the president and vice-president of Avondale Lodge. Four propositions were received and one candidate was initiated into the mysteries of the Order.

Bro. H. Aisthorpe was unanimously elected delegate to the Hospital Board for the ensuing year.

Visiting Brethren Always Welcome.

Lodge Shrewsbury, No. 158, held its quarterly meeting on June 22nd, Bro. Jones, occupied the chair. Three candidates were initiated and four propositions were received. There are still eight or ten candidates to be initiated. The lodge now numbers 84 on the books. A very successful meeting was held. A W. R. meeting will be held in the near future. Visiting brethren being made welcome.

Ice Cream for the Naval Brigade.

The Naval Brigade had a very successful ice cream social on Thursday evening, June 22nd. The lecture room at Shaftesbury hall was used for refreshments and the programme of music and readings was given in the Auditorium. Lord High Admiral Caddick occupied the chair. There was a large attendance of the friends of the Brigade.

THE ROYAL WEDDING.

It is stated that the date of the Royal wedding has been finally fixed for noon on Thursday, July 6. The ceremony will take place at the Chapel Royal, St. James.

At the Preston Town Council meeting a letter was received from the Countess of Sefton in reference to a joint wedding present from the counties of England to H. R. H. the Duke of York and the Princess May. The matter was referred to a special committee the Mayor remarking that Preston would not wish to be behind on such an interesting occasion.

It is stated that Lady Wolverton has decided to give Princess May her residence at Coombe Warren, Kingston Hill, as a wedding gift. The place is held on a long lease by Lady Wolverton of the Duke of Cambridge, who owns the freehold, and it is said his Royal Highness will make over the property entirely to the royal couple. Coombe Warren covers a considerable area, and enjoys a lovely prospect, overlooking Kingston Vale and Wimbledon Common.

A county meeting was held at Welshpool, Montgomeryshire, for the purpose of presenting a national gift from the people of Wales to his Royal Highness the Duke of York and the Princess May, upon their approaching marriage. The High Sheriff moved: "That this meeting desires to express its hearty sympathy with the proposed national presentation to his Royal Highness the Duke of York and the Princess May upon the occasion of their approaching marriage, and that subscriptions for this purpose be solicited from the inhabitants of the county." Captain Mytton seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

It was agreed that the maximum subscription be two guineas; that Mr. G. D. Harrison be appointed secretary; and that an executive and local district committees be appointed.

At the meeting of the Crewe Town Council a letter was read from the Duchess of Westminster inviting the co-operation of Crewe in promoting a wedding present to the Duke of York and Princess May on their approaching marriage. The Mayor said he should be glad to receive and forward subscriptions to the Duchess of Westminster. On the proposition of Alderman M'Neil it was decided to present a congratulatory address to the Prince and Princess of Wales on the forthcoming marriage.

Everybody has heard of Monte Carlo, the notorious gambling den of Europe. But only a few know that Monaco, in which it is situated, is the most Roman Catholic spot in the whole of Europe. It is full of Jesuits, secular priests, monks and nuns. The prince of Monaco is a devoted Roman Catholic, and both he and the bishop of the place are intimate friends. If the Pope was willing to have the infamous resort closed it could be done at once. But the income his church gets indirectly from it is too powerful a consideration for that.

Miss M. F. Cusack, the Nun of Kenmare, has not only written many books of a high order on different phases of Romanism, but she has been equally active on the lecture platform in England for the last two years. She has done good work in warning the English people against Rome's political designs, which are as aggressive there as they are in this country. She has just concluded a series of fifty lectures, delivered in the south and west of England to large and appreciative audiences.

The recent robbery of valuable church ornaments, gold vessels, etc., from the famous Teבודova monastery on the anniversary of the Czar's coronation, when the articles were used at the anniversary ceremonial, has led to the discovery of a disgraceful state of affairs at the monastery. The police, suspecting that the monks were implicated in the robbery, searched the monastery, and found nearly all the stolen property hidden in the monks' cells. The chief articles were gorgeous vestments, only worn on rare occasions, which were richly encrusted with diamonds and pearls, but when the vestments were recovered all the jewels had been torn out. A fact still more deplorable was the discovery that a number of women were living secretly with the monks. The police arrested all the monks and closed up the monastery, and the culprits are expected to be condemned to the Siberian mines.

Winks: "See that fellow on a bicycle—all doubled up like a jack-knife. Jinks: "Yes, he's on pleasure bent."

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Party politics are not allowed to be discussed in the lodge room.

The Society is secret in its proceedings to enable members to protect each other and prevent imposition—for which purpose an initiation Ritual is provided, imposing obligations of fidelity to the principles of the Society on all who join it.

The Society is making rapid growth and has lodges extending over Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific shores, having a membership upwards of 12,000 at present, the ratio of increase being for greater as the Society's influence and usefulness is better known. Lodges have been started in South Africa and will soon probably be started in England, etc.

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Any further information will be cheerfully given by the undersigned. JOHN W. CARTER, Grand Secretary.

Grand Secretary's Office, Shaftesbury Hall, Toronto, April 1st, 1882.

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