

**PROGRESS MADE IN HAMILTON.**

**THE S. O. E. TAKE POSSESSION OF THEIR NEW HALL.**

Reminiscence of the Past—A new Leader for the Naval Brigade Band—A Brothers Loss.

The old St. George's Hall, on the corner of James and King William streets, has been vacated by the several lodges of the S. O. E. and St. George's Society after an occupancy of ten years, during which time the Order has made good and substantial progress, seven new lodges having been added to the muster roll in this city during that period, and although the several lodges interested have moved into more commodious and suitable quarters in their new hall on McNab street north, it was not without a feeling of regret that a great many, especially the older members, paid their adieus to the old room where so many happy and enjoyable evenings had been spent. I am pleased to say the last few meetings were no exception in this respect.

The last meeting, that of Acorn Lodge, was an unusually enjoyable gathering. The D. D. G. P., Bro. Hunt, assisted by several prominent members, conducted the installation of the officers for the ensuing year, after which a very pleasant time was spent.

The last meeting of Britannia Lodge, No. 8, in the old hall, witnessed the installation of its officers also, after which the worthy President, Bro. F. H. Revell, entertained his newly installed colleagues and visiting brothers to a splendid repast, the brethren afterwards passing a very pleasant time during the remainder of the evening in listening to an impromptu programme of speeches, songs and recitations, concluding with three hearty cheers for Her Majesty the Queen, which made the old hall ring again and again, as it has done many times before.

**THE NEW HALL.**

Cornwall Lodge, No. 121, had the honor of inaugurating the new hall by holding its first meeting there on Friday, the 13th inst., the installation of officers being a feature of a most happy and enjoyable gathering. Several extremely loyal and most appropriate speeches being made by Bro. W. Hunt, D. D. G. P., Bro. Ald. Hannaford, P. D. D. G. P., and other visiting brethren, who were present in large numbers.

The formal opening of the hall will take place on the evening of February 17th with a grand concert and ball. The committees of the S. O. E. lodges and St. George's Society intend making this the event of the season in society circles, a grand array of talent having been secured for the occasion. Bro. Ralph of Britannia Lodge has generously offered to renovate the large street lamp and the entrance of the hall with new stained glass, etc., free of cost to the trustees. Bro. Ralph is a proficient worker in the stained glass business and his kind offer will doubtless be accepted.

**A SAD BEREAVEMENT.**

The members of the Order will be sorry to hear of the sad bereavement our much esteemed Bro. C. Vosper, P. P. of Devon Lodge, has sustained by the death of his youngest son from inflammation. Bro. Vosper and his estimable wife have the deepest sympathy of our members in their severe trial. Bro. Vosper is an old and respected member of the Order; his kind and genial face has often been seen at our G. L. meetings in past years as a delegate for Britannia and Devon Lodges.

The officers of Burlington Lodge were elected by P. P. Bro. W. H. Finnemore, as, owing to the extremely severe weather, the D. D. G. P. was unable to be present. The prospects of Burlington Lodge for the coming year are good, judging from the list of officers elected.

The S. O. E. naval brigade band is negotiating with W. Peel, the celebrated cornetist, to accept the leadership of the band. If matters are satisfactorily arranged the splendid band will lose none of its former efficiency under Mr. Peel's able supervision.

The District Directory Committee are hard at work and hope soon to have a much larger and more comprehensive one than last year's successful issue.

We are holding over till next issue of the ANGLO-SAXON news items from, Trafalgar lodge, No. 51, and Piccadilly No. 88, London, Ont.; Wellington lodge, No. 19, Bowmanville; Suffolk No. 87, Brockville; Russell, No. 56, Ottawa; Guelph, No. 124, Smith's Falls; Bowood, No. 44, Ottawa; and Salisbury lodge, No. 42, Brantford.

**A STIRRING APPEAL.**

Brethren in St. Lambert ask assistance in a Deserving Case.

Lodge Lincoln, No. 152, St. Lambert, Montreal, has experienced a great loss in the death of our late brother John H. Berry, which occurred on Dec. 13th, and a full account of whose funeral appeared in these columns. He was a true Englishman always in his place in the lodge room and filled the office of committee man with great satisfaction. He has left a widow and eight little children, the eldest of whom is only eleven years old. As he was not connected with the beneficiary department there is very little provision for his family.

Mrs. Berry has placed herself and family in the hands of the lodge and an appeal for subscriptions has been met with good results. At the last meeting of the lodge Bros. King, Holden and Strike were appointed trustees on behalf of the lodge in the interest of Mrs. Berry. This committee will visit the family every week, hold all subscriptions in trust and grant the widow necessary funds as long as they have cash on hand. \$350 have been raised by the committee, together with the employees of the firm of R. Mitchell & Co. where deceased worked, but this amount will not last long. \$150 will be paid to complete the purchase of a small property he had worked hard to secure, thus giving the widow a free home.

This is a case that commends itself to every Englishman and the brethren of Lincoln lodge look to them for assistance in this noble effort to carry out the injunction of the scriptures: "Pure religion and undefiled is this—To visit the widow and fatherless in their affliction." Any amount will be gladly received by Bro. Wm. King, Secy. Lincoln Lodge, No. 152, St. Lambert, near Montreal; and will be gladly acknowledged through the columns of the ANGLO-SAXON. The matter is being taken up by the Montreal lodges and it is hoped that every lodge in the Dominion will assist and hold up the hands of the brethren who have undertaken so important a task by forwarding something for the support of the bereaved family.

**Membership in the Order.**

Editor ANGLO-SAXON:  
At the District meeting in Toronto, West, on the 25th inst., under the presidency of Bro. Wotton, D.D., the Supreme Grand President was present and in an address delivered some well-chosen thoughts of the highest importance, on the fundamental principles of membership in the S.O.E. Society.

The position occupied by members holding insurance certificates; those deriving sick pay and funeral allowances, and those known as "honorary" members were referred to as constituting three classes of members.

To safe-guard the interests and to benefit Englishmen is the essence of the Society's aims and objects, and though certain specific modes hitherto have been followed, there is in the constitution and Ritual everything to justify making the Society's working scope as all embracing as possible for all worthy Englishmen.

**NO CLASS DISTINCTIONS.**

Following that idea seemingly, the S.G.P. deprecated all class distinctions in the Lodge rooms, and favored the idea of a common basis of membership on the common footing of being Englishmen, having a common or general fund out of which all current lodge expenses would be defrayed, and kept distinct from any subscriptions paid to the insurance and the sick-pay and funeral funds.

It was pointed out that if current Lodge expenses were thus defrayed from the fund of the ordinary or general members, it would reduce the cost by so much to those deriving the benefits of sick-pay, insurance, etc., whose funds now are the main source from whence current lodge expenses are paid. So that those deriving direct monetary benefits would pay purely and simply what the sickness or death rate per capita involved, while all other lodge revenues and expenses would be the resources and expenses of every member of the lodge in common.

All class distinctions could then be effaced, and all offices in the Lodge as well as an equal voting power affecting funds to which all in common contribute could be freely accorded to every member of the lodge. No Englishman joining the Society, in order on the footing of equality, would be forced to pay for benefits he does not seek, or else be relegated to the position of a useless nonentity known as an honorary member, deprived of all chance of official status and debarred from voting on the disposition of funds however much he may contribute to them.

**A RALLYING POINT.**

Our Lodge rooms could and would then become the rallying ground for Englishmen, on a common footing, united for common good, and enabled in the strength of united effort to give voice and weight to their decisions on all questions affecting the common good and in upholding the glory and unity of the British Empire. Our Lodges would be the best nurseries for the noblest impulses that can dominate human nature, and give all Englishmen a sense of common sympathies and the right touch for united patriotic effort.

To give effect to this idea would be a simple matter; its importance I deeply feel, so that in your next issue I trust to point out some of the pros. and cons. of so doing.

**ONE WHO WAS PRESENT.**

Toronto, Jan. 28th.

**Two New Lodges.**

MILTON, ONT.

On Wednesday evening January 25th a new lodge was dedicated and opened at Milton, Ont., entitled Lodge Milton, No. 172. The ceremony was conducted by W. R. Stroud, S.G.P., T. Elliott, S.G.V.P., S. B. Pollard, P.G.P., and W. Barker, P. D. D., Toronto. The lodge started with a goodly list of charter members, 18 of whom were initiated on the opening night. After the election and installation of the officers, Bro. W. R. Stroud, S. G. P., with the assistance of the other officers and a large contingent of brethren from Burlington Lodge, duly dedicated the lodge, after which the members and visitors adjourned to Dean's hotel where an excellent supper was provided. After doing justice to the viands, toasts and speeches were the order of the evening, the members singing God Save the Queen on the stroke of the first hour of the morning. The Burlington members are to be commended for the great help rendered by them. At the next meeting of lodge Milton 14 members are expected to be initiated.

**CARLETON PLACE, ONT.**

After very hard work Bro. Ackroyd, D.D., of Ottawa, has succeeded in forming a lodge of the S. O. E. in Carleton Place. The town is well supplied with secret societies, and it was no easy undertaking to organize the new order there, however, twenty-three members were obtained to the charter, and on Monday evening, 3rd January, S.G.P. Stroud and D. D. Ackroyd, attended and opened the lodge which will be known as Beaconsfield No. 171.

**S. O. E. Notes.**

The brethren of Wilberforce and Vancouver lodges are making arrangements to hold a banquet shortly, which promises to be very successful. The Sons on the Pacific coast are doing well.

The juvenile order of the Sons in Winnipeg have been busy arranging for a special concert which was announced to take place on the evening of Jan. 31.

The Sons and Daughters of England in New Westminster, had a grand banquet and concert in St Leonards hall in that city on the evening of Jan. 13, which proved a most enjoyable affair.

Owing to the pressure upon our space in this issue by the amount of news regarding the installation of officers, many of our reports have been greatly curtailed.

The attention of the brethren is drawn this issue to the lodge card of Waterloo No. 13, Boys of England, (juvenile) of St. Thomas, Ont., which appear for the first time in our columns. M. Upton, president; E. W. Trump, secretary.

The ANGLO-SAXON had the pleasure of having a visit from Bro. L. Cleghorn of Kent Lodge, Toronto. Bro. Cleghorn is representing the firm of R. H. Grey & Co. wholesale manufacturers of ladies white wear, etc.

On Saturday afternoon Jan. 21, Albert Knight a member of the juvenile lodge of the Sons of England in Winnipeg, while playing on the street was run over and killed. The members of the order attended his funeral in a body on Tuesday afternoon the 24th inst.

The ANGLO-SAXON with many of its readers extend its congratulations to Bro. Pres. E. Blundell, of Worcester lodge No. 47, of Toronto Junction, on his return at the head of the poll to represent that growing municipality as a councillor. Bro. Blundell has found it necessary to resign the presidency of the lodge in order to attend to his new duties and Bro. J. H. Raybould has been elected in his stead.

By a letter from Fredericton, N. B. the ANGLO-SAXON learns that Mr. Robert Wilmut, M.P., of Sunbury Co., applied for membership in the Order lately, and was initiated previous to his leaving for his parliamentary duties in Ottawa. Several new lodges in the vicinity of Fredericton are being organized.

Victoria Jubilee lodge, No. 41, sends the ANGLO-SAXON a copy of the financial statement which is excellently got up. The first page gives a list of the officers, the fourth page contains the address of Secretary Edwards in presenting the report, while pages 2 and 3 gives a complete statement of receipts and expenditures in such shape that he who runs may read. The general fund receipts were \$1,204.39; disbursements \$1,222.41, with a balance of \$246 on hand. The contingent account stands at \$155.61. The membership is 211.

We are glad to hear of the success of Bro. Frank Steven, in Chicago. It is but a few months since he left Toronto, and we hear he has been very successful, going there a stranger, and in so short a time to be doing a business far above even his own expectation, must be very encouraging to him. Bro. Steven was an ardent member in the Naval Brigade, and held an office high up in that Department of the order, he was also vice president of that progressive lodge Albion. We wish him continued prosperity and hope to hear from him frequently.

**Pleasant Reunion.**

Rose of Stanley, No. 160, of Stanley, N.B., had a visit from the brethren of Islington lodge, of Fredericton, on the occasion of the installation of officers on Jan. 14. District Deputy G. H. Parker, was the officiating dignity and duly placed the following in office: Joseph Thorburn, past president; J. A. Humble, president; J. E. Sanson, vice president; Rev. A. B. Murray, chaplain; Benj. Evans, financial secretary; W. T. Howe, recording secretary; R. A. Ashford, treasurer; D. R. Moore, surgeon; Arthur Sanson, inner guard; Geo. Humble, outer guard; R. Biggs, Thos. Clarkson, Archie Tomilson, F. Tomilson, Humpton Thomas, Andrew Waugh, Committee.

After the installation the brethren enjoyed a good spread, and an informal programme. On Sunday morning, the lodge and visitors from Fredericton attended the English church and heard an eloquent sermon by the Rev. Bro. A. Murray.

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