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JAMES MOULSON HAS PASSED AWAY

Oldest Member of Knights of Pythias Under British Flag and One of the Fathers of the Order in Canada — A Citizen Universally Respected and Beloved by All Who Knew Him.

Exemplifying in his dying moments the spirit of fraternity upon which he helped establish the Pythian order in this city, James Moulson died suddenly in the home of C. H. Townsend, 8 Prospect street, yesterday afternoon when making his accustomed call upon a sick brother—Mr. Townsend's son-in-law—whom he had been visiting for more than six years.

When members of the household hastened to lift their visitor, it was seen that death had taken place. Naturally the shock was poignant to the little group of friends. Immediately aid was sought, though unavailing. The bereaved home in Winter street was notified and also Pythian officials. In the early evening the body was removed to the Chamberlain undertaking rooms to be again moved to the late citizen's home this forenoon. Pythian obsequies of a comprehensive character are being planned by New Brunswick Lodge officials. There will be a special fraternal funeral service in Pythian Castle, at which grand lodge officials and subordinate lodge members from various maritime province sections will attend and take part.

Full Pythian Funeral Honors.

Chancellor Commander Oscar Dick, of New Brunswick Lodge, No. 1, of which the late Colonel Moulson was a charter member, is in charge of the funeral arrangements, assisted by Frank L. Greason, vice-chancellor; James E. Arthur, keeper of records and seal, and William B. Harvey, prelate. The trustees of

New Brunswick Lodge, headed by Colonel Moulson's lifelong associate, Charles T. Jones, are also assisting in the burial ceremonies. The Pythians intend doing full honor to the memory of their revered mentor, similar to the obsequies of the found, John Beamish, a few years ago.

Pythians Heeded Warning Attack.

Colonel Moulson—for that was the favorite address applied to him by his fraters, referring to his rank in the uniform branch of the order—was close to seventy-five years of age. He attended to his duties in his coffee shop, Sydney street, up to the usual late hour Saturday and appeared to be in his usual health. Even up to the moment of his death he made no complaint of feeling unwell. His relative, George Donaldson, met him in Prince Edward street earlier in the afternoon and he chatted brightly, making no reference to indisposition. He was then calling upon sick and shut-in Pythians, which had been his Sunday afternoon activity year after year.

A short time ago Mr. Moulson had a weak spell while attending to his secretarial duties in his lodge which prompted fellow-members to relieve him of the work he loved so well and upon which he seemed most willing to expend his waning vitality, mildly remonstrating at not being allowed to handle the records as he had done for nearly a score of years. Last year Mr. Moulson was succeeded in the grand secretarial office, that of grand keeper of records and seal for the maritime domain, by Mr. Gorbell, of Moncton, concluding more than a quarter century in that important position. While the veteran Pythian's heart was willing and eager for the work his advancing years caused the lodges to give him complete freedom and ease in the twilight of his career.

A Father of Pythianism.

If one were to attempt a complete resume of Mr. Moulson's life it would be largely the history of the Knights of Pythias in this city and the maritime provinces. Born of English parents in the south end of town and engaged in the grocery trade during his young manhood, the late citizen became enthusiastically identified with John Beamish in bringing the new fraternal order, Knights of Pythias, into St. John. He was twenty-two years of age at this time and the basic idea of Pythianism—that of healing the wounds of civil strife in the United States—appealed to

his broadly humanitarian mind with great force, and was one of the original leading members of the mother-lodge, "New Brunswick."

He did not allow his fervor to wane with years; rather it glowed with the fire of a consecrated effort a definite missionary errand, spreading afar until up to today the name "Moulson" is synonymous of Pythianism in Canada, the self-sacrificing spirit of brotherly love and burden bearing.

Recent Honor Bestowed.

The festive occasion less than a fortnight ago in Pythian Castle when Grand Chancellor Jas. S. Lord pinned the fifty-year jewel upon Colonel Moulson's breast was a climax of achievement and honor to which few attain and the resounding cheers that marked the bestowal was echoed down the ranks of the order in the three lower provinces and across the continent, for it was the first of its kind awarded in the British Empire. Upon this rare occasion the familiar "white plume"—like that of the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier—was bowed in emotion as Colonel Moulson returned his thanks, and became reminiscent. It is gratifying today to the order that this signal honor was available to the colonel, and that the members were privileged to extend it before Mr. Moulson's transition to higher service.

Illustrious Fraternal Career.

In the fifty-two years of his Pythian membership the late citizen was not only chancellor commander of his own lodge and keeper of records and seal, both in St. John and for the maritime domain, but he was supreme outer guard, supreme inner guard, supreme master at arms and supreme prelate. He was a conspicuous figure in international Pythian circles for years and brought honor and prominence upon the maritime branch of the order. He was a prince in the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan (Dokays) and interested greatly in every branch of the fraternity and its sisterhood. A lodge has been named after him and the manner in which he had endeavored himself to his fellow-members in the order has prompted many Pythian parents to name children after him.

The late James Moulson was a humble man of the simplest tastes and habits. His chief occupation, aside from his coffee business, was visiting sick members of the order he helped install

over half a century ago. He was a sick room friend and comforter, a death-bed aid and helper. Fidelity to his friends was to him a devout religion and in his fine orations upon Pythian decoration days or in extemporaneous prayer at Pythian funerals the golden thoughts that swayed his useful life did much to keep the spiritual quality of the order's pledges bright and pure. His departure, a member said devotedly, would be like the loss of a fond devoted parent, a guiding star.

Business and Family.

The late Mr. Moulson, after his early career in business, entered into partnership with a Mr. DeVos, of Water street, and later went into business for himself on the same street, selling general groceries as well as being agent for the Shore Line Railway. Later he and William Rankine, under their joint names, conducted a grocery business in Germain street. Then he removed to 33 Sydney street. The late Mr. Moulson married Sarah, the eldest daughter of the late James and Elizabeth Mahoney. He had one child, who died when young. Mrs. Moulson died twenty-eight years ago and since that time his home has been with his wife's people. Two sisters also are dead. Brought up an Episcopalian and confirmed in St. James' church, South End, Mr. Moulson attended Baptist services with his wife and had been a constant attendant at Brussels and latterly the amalgamated Central church. Notice of his sudden death was read by Rev. F. H. Bone from the pulpit last evening.

HAS FEAR THAT FRANCE MIGHT CAUSE BIG WAR

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Genoa, April 23.—Telegraphing to the London Times, Henry Wickham Stead after recounting Mr. Lloyd George's utterances of Saturday, to the effect that he was getting tired of crises, and that if they continued he would be forced to explain who was responsible for them, Mr. Stead said:

"Conversing with some of the delegates, Mr. Lloyd George declared that if France broke up the conference she would bring on a European war in which England would take part; France would end by being crushed. He was determined to show where the blame lay. It was pointed out by him that this was a catastrophic policy and that

Tommy's Tired "Tummy"

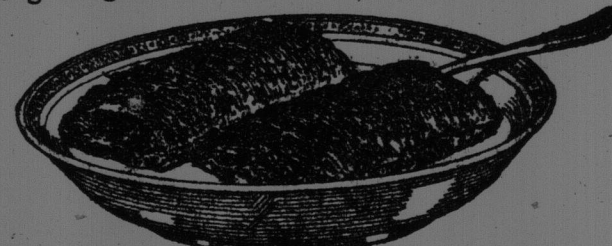
is easily restored to normal action by the right kind of food—but men in the evening of life don't find it so easy. They must coddle and coax their digestive organs back to normal strength. Nothing you can eat is so easily digested as



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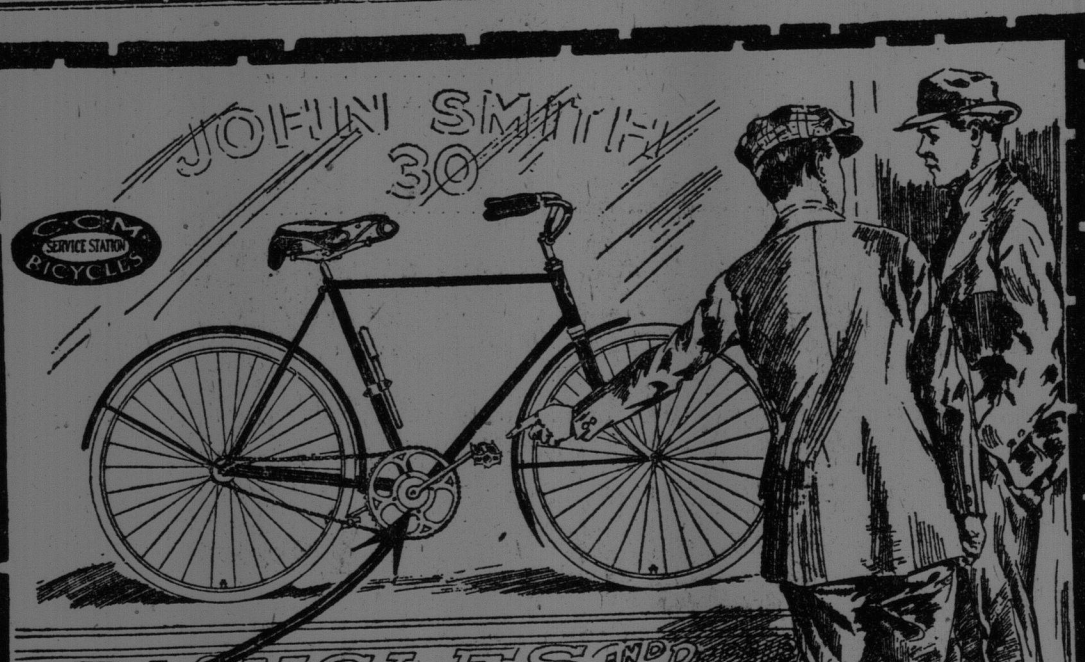


If France, England, Italy and the Little Entente held together they were strong enough to detach Germany from Russia and ultimately deal with the Russian question on its merits."

The girls' branch of the W. A. of St. George's church held a successful tea and sale in the new hall on Saturday in aid of the building fund of the church.

The hall was very attractively decorated in pink and green, and the serving tables and individual tables were centred with pink carnations and smilax. Miss Mildred Long was in charge of the decorations, and Miss Annie Lee, the president, was the general convener. Those who presided over the pouring were Miss Ethel James and Miss Florence Beatty.

Among a number of grants made by the New Brunswick Grand Orange Lodge at the annual meeting held in St. Stephen last week there were two for local institutions that are provincial in their scope. These were \$2,000, the annual grant to the New Brunswick Protestant Orphans' Home and \$100 to the Travelers' Aid in St. John.



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"That's right. The 'Triplex' is sure some power plant."

"Were you thinking of buying a new bike, Charlie?"

"Yes, I was thinking something about it, Ed. You know I bought a cheap one against your advice last year and I'm sick of pushing the old cart along. Besides, it's always wanting repairs."

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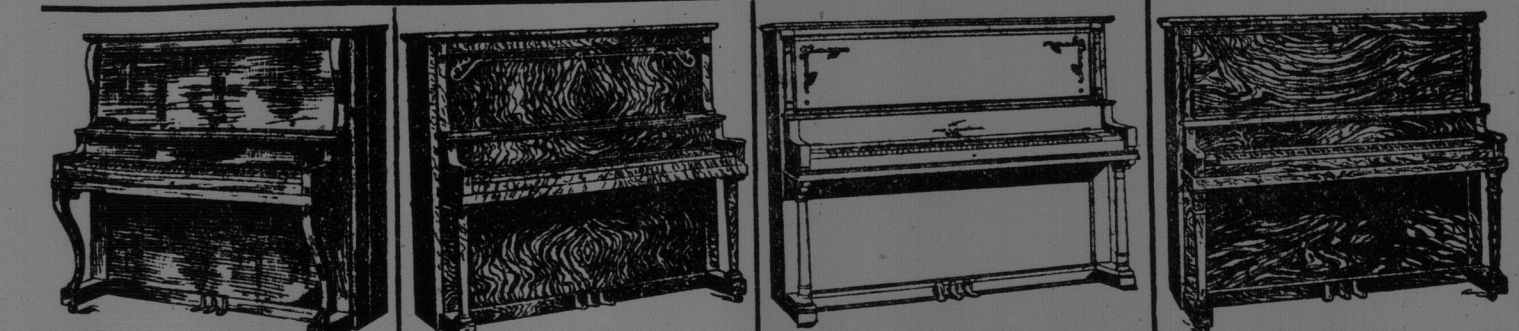


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