

Do You Recognize Him?

He was walking up town, it was on Friday night. That his own lodge met, and he said "twas right. To compel a poor man who was working his best. To pay so much dues—so he stopped for a rest.

He walked into a saloon and ordered the beer. Which was placed on the table, then drew up a chair. And commenced to reason, about this way—A man can't stand it on three dollars a day.

He drank up his beer and ordered another. And just at this time came a brother; He asked him to take one, and was glad they had met.

Besides it's too early for the meeting just yet.

I want to ask you a question about paying our dues. Don't you think them too heavy? Don't you think we're abused? Well, I'll tell you, my brother, the reason and why.

First, let's have two beers, for I'm quite dry.

And the brother continued in about this way: When a man's got groceries and house rent to pay.

And has to buy clothing, school books and shoes. There isn't much left for the payment of dues.

So they sat and they talked till 'twas after ten. And too late to go to the meeting just then.

Two more beers and a deck of cards to play. Was called for to pass the time away.

So they played and drank till 'twas twelve or more.

And the landlord said he must close the door. Said one dollar and fifty cents must be paid.

Which was quietly done and not a word said.

And they staggered home, their wives to berate. Complaining that the Lodge kept them out so very late.

And for taxes and dues had paid quite an amount.

And said that the lodge was not much account.

Officers' Reports.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES INSPECTING THE LODGES.

A Steady and Growing Interest Reported—The Lodges are Financially and Numerically Striding Ahead—The Order Drawing Englishmen Together.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Editor ANGLO-SAXON:

As I promised in my last letter to give an account of the state of the Order in N. B., and the possibilities for its extension, I will now attempt to fulfill my promise.

ISLINGTON, NO. 151.

of Fredericton, is the pioneer lodge in N.B. I am pleased to state that the prospects never looked brighter nor the members more enthusiastic than at present. We are slowly but steadily increasing in membership; last year we returned 12 new members for the year ending December 31st, 1895. Owing to the prevalence of typhoid fever and other sickness during this summer the demands upon the funds of the lodge have been greater than usual, but I am also happy to state that our financial standing is better than ever. It is also encouraging to know that instead of, as in the past, having to explain all the advantages of the Order and solicit members—men seeing that the Order has come to stay and is fulfilling its obligations in every case—are of their own accord seeking admission to the Order. Starting on the 20th of Aug., 1891, with nine charter members, under most unfavorable circumstances, and in a city having a minority of inhabitants of English descent, we have from that date enrolled 68 members. We have lost by death and other causes a certain percentage of this number, but I think I can safely say that from present appearances we will be able to return 50 members in good standing at the end of the year.

ROSE OF STANLEY, NO. 160,

which started under such favorable circumstances in 1892 with a large charter membership, in a district largely English, has not fulfilled the expectations which it gave promise of at its inception—owing to some vexed questions which arose among its members, and at one time threatened to end its existence as a lodge—but I am pleased to know from information received from time to time, there are still some good men and true that are making a brave effort to bring it up to its old time standing. They are again holding meetings, and about 16 of its members are rallying around the flag, and hope to carry it on to victory, and I have every confidence in them that they will succeed.

MARLBOROUGH, NO. 201,

St. John, is a fine lodge, and doing good work. Instituted a little over a year ago, with a charter membership of 11, it now numbers over 50, with a large number of White Rose members. Its members have never been lacking in enthusiasm in regard to the Order, as evinced by the progress they have made. They were recently favored with a visit from the Rev. R. F. Taylor, Dominion Deputy, who addressed them in their lodge room, and at a public meeting afterwards, and in his able and eloquent manner fully explained the advantages of the Order and its

objects, and who also impressed upon those present the necessity of moulding their lives and actions in accordance with the teachings of that Book which is the source of England's power and greatness, so that they might be worthy of the name of Sons of England. I had the pleasure of being present with the members of Marlborough while they were being addressed by Bro. Taylor, and was highly pleased with his address. In conversation with many of the members of Marlborough, after the address, they told me that it had the effect of stirring them up as they had never been before regarding their duty to the Order, and the high position it should occupy among Englishmen.

Bro. Taylor also addressed the members of Islington, in Fredericton, at a special meeting called for that purpose, and I am sure good results will follow.

MONCTON, NO. 208,

is holding its own, but finds a great difficulty in satisfactorily increasing its membership, owing to the great number of societies already instituted there. This lodge has good officers at its head, and I have no fears but they will eventually get their lodge up to the standard which they so earnestly desire. They also have a large proportion of White Rose members.

EXTENDING THE ORDER.

Concerning the extension of the Order in New Brunswick, I sometimes feel discouraged that as District Deputy I have not been able to accomplish more. I have sent S.O.E. literature and written letter upon letter to parties that I thought would interest themselves in the institution of new lodges, but have not as yet succeeded. I have just received a letter from a citizen of Woodstock, N.B., where over a year ago, I spent a day or two trying to institute a lodge but without success, asking for more S.O.E. literature, which I shall at once send to him. It will include some copies of the ANGLO-SAXON.

My hope now lies in trusting that the lodges already instituted will so increase in numbers and usefulness that their worth and standing will go abroad to the public, and cause Englishmen to take the initiative in seeking information about the Order, with the view of becoming members. The communities seeing the worth of the lodges already instituted, will place us in an advantageous position to further add to our increasing numbers.

Trusting the ANGLO-SAXON, as the official organ of our society, may accomplish what we District Deputies fail to do.

A. D. THOMAS,

D. D. for N. B.

Fredericton Oct. 1895.

ONTARIO.

The following report has reached us through the Supreme Grand Secretary:

SCARBORO LODGE, NO. 118.

I have been requested by a member of the Supreme Executive to give the readers of the ANGLO-SAXON, an account of my visits, made as District Deputy, for part of the counties of Peel and Dufferin. Had I known this would have been required of me, I would have prepared myself therefor.

On Monday afternoon, Aug. 12th, I found myself wending my way towards Credit Forks, a station on the Credit Valley Division of the C. P. R., situated in the County of Peel. I arrived there at 6.30 p.m., and upon enquiry learned that Scarboro Lodge did not meet there, but at Belfountain, a small village situated about one mile west of Credit Forks. This you will find after a perusal of the Lodge Directory to be Scarboro Lodge No. 118, locality, Credit Forks, (should read Belfountain.)

After some enquiry, I located the residence of that genial, whole-souled English gentleman, Bro. R. Jones, Secretary of Scarboro Lodge. He expressed his pleasure at meeting me, and we spent a pleasant hour in chat and a perusal of the lodge books, which I found in good shape. We then proceeded to the lodge room, where a pleasant evening was spent. This lodge has labored under the disadvantage and misfortune caused by the depression of trade in the quarries. The members of Scarboro Lodge are deserving of great credit for the way they have been keeping up our standard as a benevolent society, by the prompt payment of sick dues, etc. I am much pleased to see that they realize the fact that their duty lies in caring for the sick and oppressed, which has been and is an exemplification of the material of which every band of Englishmen—who call themselves a lodge of the Sons of England—should be composed. May they continue in the good old way of doing, that which is right.

My thanks are due Bro. Sharpe, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, for a drive behind his speedy pony, also for an invitation to come and fish in his reserve on the Spring Creek, which runs through the village.

Bro. R. Jones escorted me through the mines, which are a marvellous sight to behold; men working 300 feet underground handling large flakes of stone 6 ft. by 12 ft. square. The train whistle warned me it was time to start on my return trip, and as we steamed out of Credit Forks station, I did so with pleasant remembrances of the few hours spent with the members of Scarboro Lodge.

LODGE TORBAY, NO. 108.

I had the pleasure of spending a few hours with the members of Lodge Torbay, No. 108, Caledon East, on the evening of September 26th, in my official capacity. It being quarterly night a large meeting was expected, but for some reason or other only about half the members attended. However, we had a good meeting, and I was pleased to see how promptly they paid their dues, for that is a very important part of our business, viz., paying dues promptly, for two reasons: 1st, it insures our name being kept on the Grand Lodge Register, in good shape; 2nd, it enables the secretary of the lodge to further his work on quarterly night. It might not be out of place to add here that I think it would have a very beneficial effect to pay all dues once per month. Our beneficiary dues are now payable on the first of every month, and if our lodge dues were so paid, it would be easier done, and we would have a better showing on our books than we have to-day. To return to my visit, I must say that the members of Torbay lodge are a push-ahead lot of brethren who are bound to succeed. One thing they have reason to be thankful for is the low rates of medical attendance and medicine, which I am pleased to note is furnished by a doctor outside the lodge. That is to say, I am not pleased to hear of his not being a member, for I regret that, but I am glad to know that an outsider furnishes one of our lodges with medicine and attendance at a reasonable rate per member per year—thereby aiding us in carrying out our project of placing medicine and medical attendance within the reach of our own members.

I learned that this M.D. is an Irishman, and I am glad to say that he is none the worse for that, but if he was only English they would have the pleasure of addressing him as brother so and so—being sure to quote some common English name such as Smith, etc. In conclusion, I may say their books are in good shape, cash balance on the right side, and a lodge that is full of vim, headed by officers who thoroughly understand their duty.

W. J. SMITH, D.D.,

Counties of Peel and Dufferin. Grand Valley, Ont.

A PUSHING ENGLISHMAN.

An open letter to the Supreme Grand Secretary:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—When a boy at home, the choir boys of our church, of which I was one, were treated by the minister to an excursion to Weymouth, and from there across to Portland, where the convict establishment is situated, and were permitted through the kindness of an official to go through it, but although being through a convict establishment, I never was inside a prison or gaol till Saturday, but on this occasion it was to hunt up a good, true-hearted Englishman I was informed was there, who holds the position of turnkey, and was willing to assist in the work of forming a lodge of our noble Society. I found, as I was informed, a county-town man of my own (Somersetshire), enthusiastic to do all he could for me; had a list of 17 names who he thought would be willing to form a lodge. I left him a number of aims and objects, which you had supplied me with, also a constitution of my own. After explaining all questions brought forward I advised him to see as many Englishmen as possible, and arrange a night when to meet, and let me know, when definite action will be taken to institute a lodge.

After being released from the gaol, I proceeded to a foundry at the other end of the town, where I was informed there was a member of the Order working; there I found a member from Port Perry, and by him was introduced, in the same shop, to a member of York Lodge—both in good standing. After explaining my visit they promised to assist with the aforesaid turnkey, in starting a lodge. They seemed well pleased to meet me and with the business I came for, and are willing to assist me all they can. They are surprised no lodge has been organized there before this. From there I went on the hunt again, and found a bookseller, an old member of Wolfe Lodge, Brantford, and he at once became interested and promised his assistance.

After explaining what I have done, on my first visit, I await your further instructions. As for Englishmen and their descendants, they are as thick as crows in a field of corn. We have, in the past, I am convinced, lost a grand opportunity in that town, and what our so-called energetic workers have been doing I am unable to say. Every known society is in existence there—Welland.

I find in going through our constitution that it clashes with the last Aims and Objects issued in regard to age; the first says between the age of 18 and 50, the last says 18 years and 60. Will you kindly explain this matter?

Yours fraternally,

F. J. DREWITT.

Merriton, Oct. 21st.

BROCKVILLE.

SUFFOLK LODGE, NO. 87.

As District Deputy I paid my first official visit to this lodge on October 14th. I was much pleased with the very flourishing condition of the lodge in every respect. I found a good attendance of members present, who received me most cordially. They seem all possessed of the energy and zeal which should characterize the members of our beloved Order. I addressed them briefly on the legislation that had been carried into effect at the last meeting of the Grand Lodge, and many members expressed their approval of the work done. I found the finances of the lodge in a flourishing condition, there being nearly \$900 in the treasury. The number of members is 96, and steadily increasing, new members being added almost at every meeting. In connection with this lodge they have a thriving juvenile branch. The harmony, good feeling and unity among the members of this lodge was very pleasing and must produce most successful results in the future. I look forward with much pleasure to my next visit to Suffolk Lodge, satisfied that I will find it in even a more prosperous condition than at present.

J. S. ATKINSON, D.D.,

Counties Frontenac, Leeds & Grenville.

KINGSTON.

LODGE LEICESTER, NO. 33.

On Monday evening, Oct. 28th, Dr. Atkinson, D.D., of Gananoque, was entertained at the Albion Hotel by the members of Leicester Lodge. The halls were tastefully arrayed, and the loyal Englishmen partook of the good things provided. Afterwards the health of the Queen was proposed and the company sang "God Save the Queen." In eloquent terms did Bro. Dr. E. H. Smythe, Q.C., propose the toast of "Our Order," responded to by Bro. Dr. Atkinson, in his usual good form, explaining the advantages of the Order, and asking the members to keep it in the front rank of beneficiary societies. Solos were rendered by Bros. Adam Lees, H. Hughes, Swain, Litton and Savage. Bro. Leish con-

cluded the evening by a reading, which brought forth applause continually.

The first of a series of concerts was held last evening by the members of Leicester Lodge. There was a large attendance, and an excellent programme was presented. Bro. Thos. Lambert, P.P., was chairman, and made a very appropriate address. Those who gave instrumental solos, readings, recitations and duets were:—Mrs. McClymont, Misses Cruise and Blomley, Miss Eason; Messrs. Salisbury and Clark, Hughes, Leach, Davies; Vaudeville Company; Darragh, Savage and Sullivan were greatly appreciated.

ORILLIA S. O. E. BURNT OUT.

The Lodge room of Rose of Couchiching, No. 23, was destroyed by fire on the morning of Oct. 14th, when Mulcahy's business block, comprising three stores on ground floor, offices over, and the top flat of two halls, one leased by the S. O. E. and the other by the A. O. U. W., went up in smoke. The "Home Circle," A.O.F. and I.O.F., also met in the rooms. The S. O. E. saved part of their furniture and regalia in a more or less (mostly more) damaged state. Loss nearly covered by insurance of \$150. The lodge held its regular meeting in the Orange Hall on Tuesday evening, October 22, the Orangemen having kindly placed their lodge room at the disposal of the burnt out societies, giving each one a meeting night free.

H. R. CHANNEN.

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