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Paying our Debts.

Wise is the man who knows the extent of his debts. He is not sure of his solvency otherwise. His reckoning of what he really owns depends wholly upon the knowledge of what he owes. Lacking the latter knowledge, he cannot by any system arrive at a proper appraisal of the former. Such computation must necessarily be a compound problem. Solvency is ever fractional, the numerator representing the amount we own, and the denominator the amount we owe.

This applies to business, as is well known. It applies also to every other department of life, as is perhaps not so well known. A man's life is larger than a man's business, just as his possessions are larger than his commercial stock in trade. Also are his debts as a member of society greater and more numerous than appear upon his books It is possible for a man to be solvent in business and yet be morally bankrupt because of his unfulfilled obligations to others about him.

There can be no real satisfaction in life when one is haunted by the sense of debt, whether financial or [illegible] one from one's obligations. To square oneself with the world, at least four sides of the question must be considered, only one of which is financial. There are debts that only a lifetime of effort could settle. There are obligations put upon each one of us that silver or gold could not meet.

Incalculable is the debt we owe to the past. Beyond all possible computation is the value of the heritage that comes to us as Canadian citizens. Daily we take for granted, and without thought, privileges that are the outcome of centuries of effort. For years untold in the past, multitudes have toiled and fought and suffered and died that the things we now count common might at last be possible. There has never been a life lived but has bequeathed something of good to enrich our modern lives. There has never been a battle fought but was fought for us. Infinite is our debt to the dead!

It is very apparent that we cannot settle our debt to them direct. It must also be very apparent to every thoughtful man that we can pay to the unborn what we owe to the dead, and so cancel our obligations. Ahead of us are those who shall take our places when we have reached the end of life. Their heritage of good or ill will be the fruition of our effort now. Their paths will be what we are making them in the present time. Every day there is presented to us the chance to make smooth the way of the advancing multitude of the unborn, by removing some obstacle from the way of progress.

This is the duty paramount of citizenship to add something to the sum total of human good. The good citizen [illegible] cause he has [illegible] lived in it, and given good to it. The ethically solvent man is he who has endeavored to give to the unborn as much as he has received from the dead. To simply selfishly receive the benefits of our Canadian heritage is to be base parasites, unworthy of honor and undeserving even of life. If a man would truly settle his obligations, in full, let him do something to help fashion the ideal, something to establish justice and realise brotherhood, something for the betterment of the race, something to make life sweeter and better, something to add to the joy of living, something to salve sorrow and silence discord and strengthen right, something to add to the heritage of those who shall come after us.

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The town of Amherst was visited by a disastrous fire on Tuesday evening, when the Rhodes, Curry & Co. passenger car shop, with all its contents, was destroyed. Four vestibule colonist cars, twelve baggage cars and a large quantity of raw material was consumed. A hundred men who were employed in the shop lost all their tools, ranging in value from fifty to two hundred dollars per man. The company's loss is placed at one hundred thousand dollars, about three-quarters of which is covered by insurance. The works will be rebuilt at once on a larger and more modern scale.

The Christmas season is almost up on us and it is time for our merchants to be up and doing. It is none too soon to display Christmas wares and hand the printer the advertising matter that attracks the buyer. Don't prate about dull times until you have tried the value of a good live advertisement in plenty of space and don't hand it to the printer at the last minute if you want his best attention.

Celebration of the 124th Anniversary of St. George's Lodge.

On Sunday evening, Nov. 22nd, the members of St. George's Lodge celebrated the 124th anniversary of the founding of this historic institution, by attending divine service at the Methodist church, to and from which they marched in Masonic form, clothed in the regalia of the order.

The principal feature of this service was an eloquent and soul-stirring address delivered by the pastor, Rev. E. B. Moore. The scripture lesson was the 12th chapter of Ecclestisstes, beginning: 'Remember thy Creator in the days of thy youth.' The passage of scripture which furnished the underlying thought of the discourse is found in Luke VI—48 and reads: 'He is like a man which built an house and digged deep and laid the foundation on a rock, etc.'

After referring in brief terms to the ancient Stone-Masons of Europe and the guilds formed in the Middle Ages by these operative mechanics for their own protection, the speaker proceeded to trace the evolution of modern, speculative Free Masonry from the ancient craft. After this preface, the leading principles of the order [illegible] acter-building.' Upon this theme, as a rock of foundation for human life, a strong and touching appeal, was made to all present, but to Masons in particular, for better living, purer motives and higher ideals.

No brief digest of such a sermon can do it adequate justice. To be fully appreciated it should be heard. Lack of space prevents its publication in full.

Music of a delightful character, furnished by the church choir, added much to the highly devotional spirit of the service.

Previous to the delivery of this powerful serman a short history of St. George's Lodge was given by one of the members, Principal R. W. Ford. We reproduce it below:

I have been invited to present, on this occasion, a brief outline of the history of St. George's Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and since this sketch is preliminary to the principal address of the evening, your attention will be asked for only a few moments to the main facts in its life-story.

It is a far cry from 1908 back to 1784, but it rouses us to thoughts of pioneer days, when railroads, telegraphs and telephones were unknown; when the old-time stage coach was in the heyday of its glory; when the hum of the spinning-wheel and the whir of the weaver's shuttle were heard in every household.

In the period typically recalled to us by these significant emblems, St. George's Lodge was founded 124 years ago to-night, on the 22nd day of November, in the year of our Lord 1784. On that evening, five masons met at the home of William Allen [illegible] under a dispensation of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, organized a lodge of Masons. This lodge received its charter June 13th, 1785 and was officially known as St. George's Lodge No. 11, with Benjamin Hilton, William Baxter and Samuel Willoughby for its three chief officers.

In the minutes of the second regular meeting there is a statement that should be interesting to those who are fond of relics of bygone days; for it is recorded that the master purchased a set of jewels for the three chief officers and presented them as a gift to the lodge. These jewels are silver ornaments which you may observe, to the regalia of the officers this for instance which I hold in my hand. The three jewels, donated by Benj. Hilton, our first W. Master, have been worn at all regular meetings of the lodge and are adorning the regalias of the three chief officers here to-night. Peculiar interest, therefore, attaches to these emblems.

In honor of one of the patron Saints of Masonry, the lodge held its first commemorative festival on St. John's Day, Dec. 27th, 1785. Regular meetings of the lodge were held until August, 1786, after which there occurs a blank of nine years in the records. In 1795 however, by efforts of some enthusiastic Masons, the lodge was resuscitated and began regular meetings on Dec. 7th of that year.

In March, 1796, by assuming the support of a needy brother, the lodge exemplified the cardinal principle of Masonry, viz: Charity—a virtue which St. George's Lodge has always practiced, whenever a needy brother, his widow or orphans have required relief.

In April, 1813, there occurs in the records a resolution that the lodge should be moved to Horton in the following November, but there is no record to show that this was done. Nevertheless in the minutes of the year 1830 a statement is made from which it may fairly be inferred that the move was made at some time; for on March 30th of that year, we read that the lodge moved to Kentville. After three meetings there at the home of a certain Bro. Brag, it is related that the lodge moved back again to meet at the home of Jonathan Graham in Horton. Hence it appears that the lodge must have been previously at Horton, otherwise it could not have been said to have moved back. In October of the same year, the Lodge moved to Kentville and held its meeting in a room in the Kentville hotel.

In June 1831, by reason of some misunderstanding, no room was available at the Kentville hotel for lodge purposes. The lodge furniture was, therefore, removed to the court house and left in charge of the master who resided there. On Monday evening, Dec. 3rd, 1832, lodge met at Kentville with E. Fuller in the chair, but 'who else was present and what was done is unknown.' After this meeting, of which we have no detailed record, the lodge furniture was removed from the court house and taken to the home of Bro. Peter Pineo in Cornwallis. Then followed a period of twenty-five years in which there was no assemblage of the members in regular meeting and the light of St. George's Lodge was eclipsed for a quarter of a century.

In the early part of 1857, E. Fuller, the W. Master in office when the lodge ceased work in 1832, succeeded in arousing the interest of a few brother Masons and it was resolved to again [illegible] working order under the Grand Lodge would give its consent, otherwise under a new charter. With this in view, correspondence was opened with the Grand Lodge of England, under whose jurisdiction St. George's Lodge had been working previous to its eclipse in 1832. On account of the slow and infrequent communication with England in those days, this correspondence was of long duration, but while it was in progress, St. George's Lodge began work again, holding its first regular meeting at the home of Bro. John Fox, of Lower Horton, on the 25th of January, 1858, in the hope that their proceedings would be approved when the matter of charter was finally adjusted.

Previous to the next meeting arrangements were made for lodge to meet in Temperance Hall, Lower Horton.

In March, 1859, the correspondence with the Grand Lodge of England was brought to a happy close by the reception of instructions to apply to the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia for a dispensation to confirm the proceedings of St. George's Lodge during the preceding year. This was done, a dispensation was granted and later an English Charter was received bearing the number 849.

In April, 1862, the lodge was moved to Wolfville. Here it found the resting place for which it had so long sought. In 1869, it was transferred from the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England to that of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia with the official number 20. From this time forward, the lodge has had an uneventful history, and has steadily prospered under its various 'corps of officers.'

On Nov. 22nd, 1884 the lodge celebrated its centennial at which function, a very complete history of the lodge was read. This history was compiled by P. M., A. M. Hoare, and P. M., J. B. Davison, to whom the lodge owes a debt of gratitude for the admirable manner in which they performed their work. It is from this document that the facts here presented have been gleaned. It would be interesting to members of our fraternity and doubtless to others, to hear the names and works of many Masons to whose untiring energy and enthusiastic Masonic zeal, St. George's Lodge owes much of its prosperity, but such details, however attractive they may be, cannot be recited [illegible] the time limit prescribed to [illegible] sume. Nevertheless I shall [illegible] to mention the names of at le[illegible] members, prominent in the ri[illegible]

Among quite a number of [illegible] members whose names spring to our lips, mention must be made of P. M's J. W. Bigelow, Angus S. Murray and R. W. Bro. J. W. Caldwell, who were untiring in their efforts to uphold and up-build St. George's Lodge. And there is another who is deeply respected and beloved by every member of the lodge for his genuine and sterling worth and for his indefatigable efforts, both as a member and as master, to sustain and promote the welfare of St. George's Lodge. I scarcely need to mention his name to Masons present, for they are all thinking of R. W. Bro. Geo. H. Wallace, P. D. D. G. M., who was the honored master of St. George's for many years.

In 1898 the lodge was moved to its present spacious, convenient and beautiful home.

And now, in conclusion, when we sweep with mental vision, the hundred and twenty four years which lie between that evening in the far away 1784 and this quiet November night in the year of grace 1908, viewing both the vicissitudes of the life, and frequent changes of the location of St. George's Lodge, we are forcibly reminded of the Tabernacle of old which the children of Israel, in their wanderings, transferred with them from place to place, until it found a permanent abiding place in Canaan on the summit of Mount Moriah in the guise of that stately and magnificent marvel of architectural beauty, King Solomon's Temple.

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