

Sons of England News.

S. O. E. NOTES.

Bro. H. Evison, D. D. of Collingwood has opened a Cigar and Tobacco Store at Young Street, Toronto, next door to the Musée. On the opening day, Aug. 22nd, Mercantile Lodge brethren at the conclusion of their meeting marched down in a body to Bro. Evison's Store and gave him a surprise party much to his surprise and delight. This is the right way to welcome a brother Englishman, and make him feel that he is amongst friends.

TORONTO.—We have received from Bro. C. M. Cashmore, 660 Parliament street, Toronto, Sec. of Lichfield Lodge, No. 146, an order for the insertion of their lodge card, demonstrating to the Order the utility of the lodges putting their cards in our directory. Accompanying the order was a nicely printed card giving the place and night of meeting and the names of the officers.

On Tuesday, September 3rd, Albion lodge, Toronto, held an important meeting, when matters having a direct interest for Englishmen were discussed. During the evening speeches were made on behalf of the insurance branch of the S. O. E., which was shown to be growing rapidly in favor to the members. The Imperial Federation League has furnished all the S. O. E. lodges of Toronto, with a card giving its headquarters, 9 King street west, and the cost of membership, which is 25 cents for membership registration in Canada, and the same for England.

CALGARY.—United Roses, No. 117, of Calgary, N.W.T., on the afternoon of their anniversary spent a most enjoyable afternoon, by having a hare and hounds chase. A very interesting description of the chase was given by the *Calgary Herald*.

WINNIPEG.—A united picnic of lodges Westward Oh! No. 98 and Neptune, No. 144, which was held at West Selkirk, on August 24th. Bro. C. Connors was chairman, and Bro. A. J. Craston, sec. treas., of a very large committee. The programme contained a list of 21 events, with about 75 prizes. A most interesting event was the swimming exhibition given by Prof. Hutchinson in the afternoon.

FINMARK.—"Enclosed is \$1 for my subscription to the *ANGLO-SAXON*. I am pleased to say that I am very well pleased with the paper, and I think that every true Son of England ought to subscribe for it."—Thos. Walmsley.

LONGFORD MILLS.—Asaph Lodge, No. 139, holds a parlor social on Sept. 19, the funds to be devoted to the formation of a contingent fund. A choice programme has been prepared. The steamer *Longford* will leave Orillia at 7.15 p.m. returning after the social.

Toronto.

We have received, through the office of the Supreme Grand Secretary, the names of the lodges and secretaries addresses, of the lodges opened since the publication of the last Grand Lodge Report. They are as follows:

- 134 Cambria lodge, J. H. Baxter, Gananoque, Ont.
- 135 Selby lodge, B. T. Peters, Canton, Ont.
- 136 Clarence lodge, F. S. Burge, Lennoxville, P.Q.
- 137 Gainsborough lodge, A. Ward, Box 72, Burks Falls, Ont.
- 138 Seven Oaks lodge, D. P. Caley, Waterford, Ont.
- 139 St. Asaph lodge, H. E. Pearcey, Longford Mills, Ont.
- 140 Liverpool lodge, Geo. Price, Goderich, Ont.
- 141 Ludlow lodge, A. H. Watson, Thornbury, Ont.
- 142 Chatham lodge, F. W. Chorley, 83 Sullivan st., Toronto.
- 143 Londesborough lodge, Jno. Lasham, Londesborough, Ont.
- 144 Neptune, A. H. Price, 598 Fort st., n., Winnipeg, Manitoba.
- 145 Epping lodge, Rosseau.
- 146 Lichfield lodge, C. M. Cashmore, 660 Parliament st., Toronto.
- 147 Royal Rose lodge, E. Pickering, 331 St. Joseph st., Lachine.
- 148 Eaton lodge, J. E. Laphorn, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
- 149 Kenilworth lodge, E. W. Thurston, New Glasgow, N. S.
- 150 Halifax lodge, R. Theakson, Halifax, N. S.
- 151 Islington lodge, A. D. Thomas, Fredericton, N. B.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES APPOINTED FOR THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

J. H. Bell, Prince Edward Island. Canon Partridge, Halifax, N. S. A. S. Dodson, New Glasgow, N. S. Geo. H. Parker, New Brunswick.

York Lodge, No. 6, met on the 13th ult. The W. P. in the chair. One new member was initiated, and two proposed for membership.

Preston Lodge, No. 67, met in Shaftesbury Hall on the 12th ult. The W. P. in the chair.

The W. P. of the lodge received a warm welcome from the members present as it was his first appearance since his long and protracted illness, which we are glad to say he has overcome and is now in his usual health.

Brighton Lodge, No. 7, met in Shaftesbury Hall on the 21st ult. The W. P. in the chair.

Bro. Ed. Poole, Barrister-at-Law, of Rugby Lodge, delivered an interesting and instructive lecture, entitled "Impressions of England by a Canadian." Bro. Poole was listened to with all the attention which a lecturer could desire; he warmly praised the institutions and people of the old country, which met with a responsive echo in the hearts of his audience. The writer would recommend other lodges in the city to avail themselves of Bro. Poole's services, as he is a lecturer of a high order. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the lecturer for the treat he had afforded the members present.

Queen Juvenile Lodge, No. 4, held their usual meeting on 14th ult. in Shaftesbury Hall.

There was a good attendance of both juvenile and adult members. The lodge is evidently in a prosperous condition. A committee was appointed to arrange for an entertainment to be given the juniors on Friday, September 11th, which, if arrangements can be made, will be continued monthly.

A meeting was held on the 14th ult. in the committee room of Shaftbury Hall, of City Lodge delegates, to reorganize the Hospital Board. The meeting was a success, and the following officers were elected:—

- Bro. H. Aisthorpe, York Lodge, Chair'n
- J. F. Johnson, Surrey Lodge, Sec'y.
- W. George, Warwick Lodge, Treas.
- J. Webster, Kent Lodge, Vice Chair.

Trustees.
Bro. R. Patching, Mercantile Lodge.
F. J. Davis, Windsor Lodge.
R. R. Freeman, Norfolk Lodge.

A code of laws has been drawn up for the guidance of the board, and, in future, any brother who has the misfortune to become a temporary inmate of the hospital will receive every necessary attention at the hands of the Hospital Board.

A Smoking Concert was held on 18th ult. in the pavillion, Ward's Island, Toronto, by Lodge, St. Alban's, No. 78.

The W. P. of the lodge acted as chairman.

The talent was of a first-class order, and the arrangements for the comfort of visitors were all that could be desired. A special boat was retained to convey the audience back to the city at the close of the concert. The only drawback was the exuberance of spirit displayed by some of the younger members, which became demonstrative during the evening so as to cause a large number to leave earlier than they would have done, and marred, what we have no doubt would have been an enjoyable evening.

Lodge Hull, No. 104, met in Cameron Hall, Cameron St., Queen St., West on 11th ult.

The W. P. in the chair.

One member was initiated and two proposed for membership. Bro. W. Barker, P. D. D. acted as P. P. during the initiation ceremony and afterwards addressed the lodge.

Bro. J. H. Jewell has proved a very active and interested President and the result is that the lodge is in a high state of efficiency. The attendance was remarkable, the lodge room being well filled and all the officers in respective positions, notwithstanding the great heat. The president is to be congratulated upon such a good showing.

The Annual Picnic and games of Stafford Lodge, No. 32, were held on 22nd ult. There were races for Boys, Old Men's race, Young Ladies' race, Member's wives' race, Three Legged race, Member's Daughters' race and Committee race, and we must not forget to mention the prizes for Children, which proved very popular. The committee, Bros. Authwaite, McNaughton and White with Bros. T. Burton Jr., T. Bailey and T. Yeomans, as Chairman, Treasurer, and Secretary respectively are to be congratulated upon the success of their efforts, which resulted in an afternoon of enjoyment for all of those who were fortunate enough to be present.

The prizes which were most varied amounted in value in the aggregate to \$100.00.

The S.O.E. Naval Brigade held their usual meeting on 25th ult. in Shaftesbury Hall, Bro. H. G. Brown, Sub-Lieut. occupied the chair.

The report of the state of the Brigade in Toronto was of a most encouraging character.

Bro. Geo. Tyler, Commander-in-Chief, and Bro. W. Barker, Admiralty Paymaster were present.

Boston Lodge, No. 129 met in Ossington Hall Dundas Street on 27th ult. The W. P. occupied the chair.

One new member was initiated and three proposed for membership. Bro. W. Barker, Past D. D. was visiting and addressed the members at some

length. At the call of the President a standing vote of thanks was tendered Bro. Barker for the pleasure given to the members by his admirable speech. A scheme was commenced for the furtherance of the beneficiary department by subscribing ten cents each meeting night; each subscriber in turn will receive a beneficiary certificate for \$1,000 when the amount of \$3.00 has been accumulated. May success attend the object they have in view.

The fourth annual Tug of War and Games of the combined Toronto Lodges, was held on Saturday afternoon, 29th ult. in Moss Park Rink, Shuter Street. A large number of games were indulged in, including racing and jumping.

The centre of interest was in the Tug of War. Lodges London, Albion, Stafford and Manchester competed, with the result that London proved too much for their antagonists and came off victorious. The prize competed for was a handsome cup presented by the London Life Insurance Co; the conditions of the contest are that before the cup becomes the property of any lodge it must be won three years in succession by the same lodge. London will have to win the contests against all comers for the next two years in order to become the happy possessors of the coveted cup. Bro. T. Claxton's band discoursed sweet music. Bros. R. Ivens, S.G.P., T. K. Skippon, P.G.P.; Dr. J. T. King and Bro. J. W. Carter, S.G.S., were present and rendered valuable assistance. A committee of management was made up of members of Albion Lodge who justified their selection by the admirable manner in which every detail was carried out. The prizes distributed for the various contests were numerous and valuable. A feature of the occasion was the large number of the opposite sex who graced the company with their delightful presence and evidently took great interest in the various contests of strength and speed.

TO JUVENILE LODGES.

At a meeting of Secretaries and delegates from the Juvenile Lodges in Toronto and vicinity, held on 27th ult., and which was called by the order of the Supreme Grand President, it was decided to call all the Committee and officers of the Juvenile Lodges to send a delegate to our next meeting to be held at Shaftesbury Hall on the 24th of September at 8 p. m. Those lodges who may feel that they would be incurring too great expense, in sending delegates, are desired to send suggestions upon the forming of such a constitution and ritual as will obviate the necessity of lodges forming a By Law, and thus ensure unanimity in working the lodges.

Lodges sending By Laws and suggestions, are requested to forward them so that the papers may reach me by the 20th September if possible.

W. H. Syms, Sec. pro. tem.

24 Eden Place, Toronto.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

THE OLD FLAG UNFURLED IN CHARLOTTETOWN.

THE FIRST LODGE OPENED BY

S.G.P. Ivens and P.S.G.P. Swait, Enthusiastically Received.

Our remarks re the prospects of opening Lodges of the S. O. E. in the Lower Provinces have been realized.

We take the following from the *Daily Patriot* of Charlottetown of August 11th:—

On Thursday evening Mr. R. Ivens, Supreme Grand President, accompanied by Mr. Swait, Past Supreme Grand President of the Sons of England Benevolent Society, arrived in this city, having come for the purpose of establishing a lodge of the above order in Charlottetown. On Friday morning in company with Messrs. J. D. Laphorn and John H. Bell they visited the places of interest in and around the city, and afterwards drove out to Shaw's Hotel, Brackley Beach. In the evening a meeting was held in Orange Hall, at which a large number of candidates were admitted to the Order. "Eton" was the name chosen for the lodge, after the famous English University. This is the first lodge that has been organized in the Maritime Provinces although it is one of the largest and most influential Societies of the Upper Provinces and is also firmly established in Manitoba, the Northwest and British Columbia. The principal officers of 'Eton' Lodge for the present term are:—President; J. D. Laphorn,

Past Pres; J. H. Bell, who was also appointed Deputy District Officer. The remaining officers will be reported next meeting. In the course of his remarks the Supreme Grand Pres. paid a pleasing tribute to the beauty and fertility of our Island. He said, "we have often heard the Island called the Garden of America but never until to-day had he the slightest idea of the beauty and fertility of this delightful spot. The following is an extract from his remarks:—It is indeed a veritable garden. During my residence of sixteen years in Canada, in which I have travelled considerably, I have seen no place that so pleasantly reminds me of home, as P. E. Island. Driving along the grassy lanes with fragrant hawthorne hedges, and fields of the most beautiful green on either hand, one could easily imagine himself back on the soil of Old England herself. To-day has been to me one of the most enjoyable for many years.

Calgary, N. W. T.

About fifty sat down to supper in the S. of E. Hall on the anniversary of Lodge. The tables were loaded with good cheer. In both solid and liquid form and those present did not fail to appreciate and do full justice to the same. The President, G. C. King, Esq., presided with his usual ability, the vice chairs being filled by Messrs. E. Cave and A. Sheldon. The president rose and proposed the toast of The Queen, which was enthusiastically drunk, all joining in singing the National Anthem; after which the following toasts, interspersed with singing, recitations, etc., were given. The President, was proposed by Mr. Shelton, and was replied to by Mr. King in appropriate terms. Mr. Shelton also proposed The Anniversary, which was drunk amid great cheering, Mr. Shelton offering some suitable remarks. Mr. Doughty proposed the health of the worthy Vice President, Mr. Cave, and that of his estimable wife, who had contributed in so large a degree to the success of the paper chase in the afternoon. The members present showed their appreciation by drinking their health amidst much applause. The toast of Our Visitors resulted in calls for Messrs. Nolan, Bra-

den and West, who all responded most suitably. The toast to the Whippers in and the Hares, in the paper chase, was coupled with the names of Messrs. Topp, Doughty, Winters, Thompson, The Ladies, brought Messrs. Shelton, Nolan, Topp and Thompson, to their feet, who also spoke feelingly on the subject. The following gentlemen contributed heartily to the evening's entertainment, by songs or recitations, Messrs. Slingsby, Winters, Rawlinson, Turnock, Allen, Henderson, Whitmee, Roy and George. It was an evening of unrestricted enjoyment, all present having thrown aside the cares of life for the time being and entering into the spirit of the fun with a laudable desire to make the evening a memorable one in the history of the Society. The boys came out strong in the choruses and fairly made the building tremble. The Sons of England know well how to entertain their friends and as hosts are unequalled. The rain, no doubt, prevented many from attending who otherwise would have done so, and when they come to know what they missed they will regret it for many a day. We trust the S. of E. will repeat last evening's entertainment at no very distant day.—*Calgary Herald*.

CANADA AND ANNIHILATION OF TIME.

What the future has in store for use in their way of time-annihilators is uncertain, but while the annals of rail-roading last the tremendous feat that has just been accomplished in bringing the Yokohama mails across the North American continent in a little over three days will command admiration. Twenty days from Yokohama to Liverpool! The Pacific, the continent of North America and the Atlantic traversed in less than the time which it took the first steamer to cross the Atlantic alone. We are already comparing the records for the Atlantic passage in hours and minutes. How long will it be before the records for the still more magnificent distances will be similarly compared?—*Philadelphia Times*.

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