

Official Notes for the "Anglo-Saxon."

GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE, SHAFTESBURY HALL, TORONTO,
JUNE, 1888.

The Beneficiary Board meets at Shaftesbury Hall on Wednesday, July 4th.

There should be at least 2,500 members in the Beneficiary department.

Bro. H. P. Hobson, Deputy Grand Chaplain, is on a visit to the old country.

The executive will open Birmingham Lodge, No. 69, the first week in July.

Out of seventeen deaths last year only four members belonged to the Beneficiary.

Some lodges have not a single member in the Beneficiary, let the secretaries enquire into this.

Union Jack Lodge, No. 68, South Africa, was organized in May by Deputy Grand President Spence.

Instead of asking the question "why more members do not join the Beneficiary," join it yourself and make one more.

Lodge secretaries who have not received their Constitutions or Grand Lodge reports should notify the Grand Secretary at once.

Lodge secretaries should read occasionally extracts from the statistics in the Grand Lodge reports, especially those referring to the Beneficiary.

Pages 69 to 82 in the Constitution gives all the particulars respecting the Beneficiary department. This special part of the society's work should be explained and examined by the officers and members at every lodge meeting.

It is a good thing for the friends and relatives of a deceased member to have \$75 at his death, how much greater the benefit if they could insure the sum of \$1,000, which would be the case if our members joined the Beneficiary.

JOHN W. CARTER, *Grand Secretary.*

Sons of England Society.

From our own Correspondents.

(Subscription and advertising rates of the ANGLO-SAXON for the city of Toronto can be had by addressing Wm. Barker, Shaftesbury Hall, Toronto, who represents our interest in that city.—MASON & REYNOLDS.)

Toronto.—Lodge Albion, No. 1, held their usual meeting at Shaftesbury Hall on Thursday evening, June 7th, Bro. T. Down, Pres., in the chair; Bro. R. D. Clarke, V.P., in the vice chair. During the evening Bro. J. B. Vick, P.P., on behalf of the lodge presented Bros. W. Fox and B. Jones with a gold watch-chain pendant with a suitably engraved inscription upon the same, for the zeal they had displayed in having introduced into the lodge the largest number of members above all others during the past year. Bros. Fox and Jones responded in suitable terms. Two new members were instituted, and twelve propositions for membership handed in by various brethren. Among the visiting brethren we noticed Bro. Ed. Power, Jr., Rose of Couchiching Lodge, Orillia; Bro. Thos. Gunn, P.P., and Bro. Thos. Bridgewater, of Lansdowne Lodge, Peterborough. The Worthy President welcomed the brethren to the lodge, and expressed his pleasure at meeting members of sister lodges, and particularly those from the country. Bros. Gunn and Bridgewater, in response to the kind greeting given them, said they had passed a most agreeable and instructive evening and trusted they would be able to return the compliment should any of the members of Albion Lodge visit Peterborough. The Secretary reported receiving a cheque for \$70 from the Sons of England Hall Co., dividend for shares held by the lodge in the company.

Lodge Middlesex, No. 2, held their fortnightly meeting on Tuesday, June 12th, Bro. Thos. M. Buley, Pres., in the chair. Four propositions for membership were made, and five members were initiated. Bro. Wm. Hall, District Deputy for West Toronto, who has been on a visit of pleasure to British Columbia, made his first appearance at lodge since his return home and met with a hearty reception from his fellow-members. He purposes, on some subsequent evening, giving an account of his experiences during his travels. A sad case was reported of a member of the lodge having died and left a widow and eight children entirely unprovided for. The lodge voted \$25 for the widow, to be paid in fortnightly instalments. Why will brethren defer joining the beneficiary department? It is the duty of every married man to become a member.

Lodge Kent, No. 3, held a successful pic-nic at Long Branch on Saturday, June 30th. The steamer *Rupert* made several trips during the day, and conveyed a large number of pleasure seekers. The weather was all that could be desired. The younger members tripped the light fantastic toe to the strains of Heintzman's fine band. Various sports were provided for the sterner sex, and numerous prizes were given to the contestants. Amongst the many attractions was a baby show, which proved to be very popular. Great praise is due the committee

for the excellent manner in which all the arrangements were carried out.

Lodge York, No. 6, met on Thursday, June 21st, at Oddfellows' Hall, Queen St. West, cor. Spadina Ave., Bro. C. Tarling, Pres., in the chair. Two members made application to join the beneficiary department. Receipts for the evening, \$74.90. The application by your representative for their lodge advertisement in the columns of the ANGLO-SAXON was deferred until the next meeting. We should like to see more visitors at this lodge; the genial President, Bro. Tarling, always gives one a warm welcome. Lodge Albion should give a surprise party in that direction, and Lodge Middlesex might follow suit.

Brighton Lodge, No. 7, met on Friday evening, June 15th, Bro. S. Walker, Pres., in the chair. Bro. W. Miles, Pres. Norfolk Lodge, and Bro. W. Moull, P.P., Portsmouth Lodge, were among the visitors. Three propositions were handed in. Bro. W. Ring was elected to the position of third committee man, the office being vacant. Bro. F. Hayward, the Past President of the lodge, assumed his position for the first time since his return from England a day or two previously. He met with a warm welcome from his fellow-members, who hold him in great esteem. Bro. F. Sansom was acting Vice President for the evening.

Somerset Lodge, No. 10, held their usual meeting on Thursday evening, June 14th, in Somerset Hall, Queen St. West, Parkdale, Bro. L. H. Collins, Pres., in the chair; Bro. Thos. Burce, V.P., in the vice chair. Bro. J. Dickinson moved that the lodge hold a pic-nic on civic holiday, and that Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Worcester Lodges be asked to join them, which was carried unanimously. There is every prospect of a successful pic-nic. After a lively debate, in which your correspondent was allowed to participate, it was resolved that the lodge advertise the time and place of meeting in the columns of the ANGLO-SAXON.

Lodge Surrey, No. 11, held their usual meeting on Monday evening, June 18th, at Hinchcliffe's Hall, Bloor St. West, Bro. T. H. Johnstone, Pres., in the chair. Being quarterly night, there was a large attendance of members. The receipts of the evening were \$113. The lodge stands A 1 financially. It was resolved that the lodge hold a pic-nic on civic holiday. The lodge closed in due form.

Manchester Lodge, No. 14, met on Monday, June 11th, Bro. H. Langley, Pres., in the chair. Four propositions for membership were handed in. Bro. Jas. Poffley, President, and Bro. A. Riddiford, Sec. (District Deputy for East Toronto), of Warwick Lodge, were present, and addressed the members at length. The Gipsy Party committee reported that all the arrangements were complete and a successful day's pleasure is anticipated. Numerous prizes will be contested for, among which is the ANGLO-SAXON paper for one year, given by the proprietors, Mason & Reynolds, Ottawa.

Lodge St. George, No. 27, held their usual meeting on Monday, June 11th, Bro. H. W. Smallpiece, Pres., in the chair; Bro. W. Lewis, V.P., in the vice chair. There were three propositions for membership, and four members initiated. Bro. S. Walker, Pres. Brighton Lodge, was present as a visitor and addressed the members at some length, and urged upon the brethren the necessity of paying fraternal visits, as it had a tendency to benefit them individually in enlarging their experience and broadening their views, and as a natural consequence must be a great gain to the executive ability of the Order. The Worthy President, in his usual genial manner, thanked Bro. Walker for his excellent address.

Windsor Lodge, No. 35, met on Tuesday evening, June 12th, at their lodge room, Oddfellows' Hall, Queen St. West, Bro. Will T. James, Pres., in the chair; Bro. Jno. Amos, acting V. P. in the vice chair. The members of the lodge are showing great activity and are resolved to keep pace with the other city lodges. No less than twelve propositions for membership were received. Your correspondent could not stay until the conclusion of the business. There being five weeks in last month, it has thrown three lodge meetings on the same night in the present month of three different lodges, in consequence of which two lodges have to be reported on the same night.

Lodge Portsmouth, No. 45, met on Tuesday, June 26th, Bro. Fred J. Drewitt, Pres., in the chair. Five new members have been initiated during the month. The social and concert committee reported that the entertainment had proved a great success, both financially and otherwise, and would lead to an influx of new members. A deputation, consisting of members of Worcester, Norfolk and Somerset Lodges attended, in order to make arrangements for a combined pic-nic, to be held on civic holiday.

Norfolk Lodge, No. 57, met on Friday evening, June 8th, Bro. W. Miles, Pres., in the chair; Bro. A. E. Portch, V.P., in the vice chair. Two members were initiated, and three propositions for membership were handed in. The Worthy President, in his usual urbane manner, requested Bro. J. Walker, Pres. of Brighton Lodge, and Bro. W. Moull, P.P., Portsmouth Lodge, to act in the initiation ceremony, which they performed in their usual able manner to the satisfaction of the lodge, each filling his respective position. Bro. Walker then addressed the lodge and congratulated the members upon the great progress they were making. Bro. Walker is visiting all the lodges getting pointers. We expect after his trip to see Brighton Lodge the liveliest in the city.