

Sons of England News.

FROM ONTARIO, QUEBEC, BRITISH COLUMBIA, ETC.

Toronto.

Lodge Lonsdale, No. 141, was instituted at Thornbury, on June 29th, by the S. G. P. Bro. Ivens, assisted by Bro. H. Eveson, D.D., and a strong contingent from Canterbury lodge, Collingwood. At the second meeting, Bro. Nettleton completed the work by installing several of the officers, and initiating 12 members. The lodge has every prospect of doing well.

Lodge Lonsborough, No. 143, Lonsborough, was instituted by the S. G. V. P., Bro. Hancock, on 2nd July.

Recently the S. G. P. Bro. Ivens, visited Langford Mills, Gravenhurst, Bracebridge, and Burk's Falls; the meetings are naturally not so well attended during the hot summer months—especially in the country districts—all the lodges, at these points, were in the main doing satisfactorily.

The Supreme Grand President will make a special trip to the Maritime Provinces this month. Two applications for new lodges have already been received from Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island and New Glasgow, N.B., respectively.

On his return trip from the Maritime Provinces the S. G. P. Bro. Ivens, expects to visit the lodges in Montreal, Kingston, etc.

At the monthly meeting of the Grand Executive Council, held in the Grand Secretary's office, Shaftesbury Hall, two important committees were appointed. One for the purpose of taking into consideration the drafting of the constitution of the Juvenile Branch, and a committee of five, as instructed by the Grand Lodge, to take into consideration the amalgamation of the W. R. and R. R. Degrees. Bros. P. S. G. Presidents Hulme and Kemping, Past S. G. V. P. Bro. Stroud, P. D. D. Bro. Barker, and D. D. Bro. Eveson were appointed.

A new lodge was recently instituted at Winnipeg by the Rev. Bro. Canon Coombes, etc.

Bro. T. P. Williams, D. D. for East Toronto—the energetic and indefatigable secretary of lodge Manchester—sails by the White Star line for England, to buy for the large wholesale dry goods firm of McMaster & Co., Toronto.

On July 3rd, lodge Chatham, No. 142, was duly dedicated and opened by the following Grand Lodge officers, Bro. R. Ivens, S. G. P. as P. P.; Bro. Wm. Barker, acting G. V. P.; Rev. W. H. Clark, D. D. Grand Chaplain; and Bro. J. W. Carter, S. G. L. Secretary. After the dedication ceremony the officers of the lodge were elected and installed as follows:—Bros. C. Hastings, P. P.; C. McClelland, W. P.; A. R. Purland, V. P.; W. Spanner, Chaplain; F. W. Chorley, Secretary. Committee—C. Spice, W. Pooler, G. T. Wright, E. Spanner, W. Spanner, Geo. Allsop, Guards—W. Gorge, and G. S. Wright. Surgeon, J. A. Todd. The above makes the 28th lodge in Toronto. A large number of visiting brethren from sister lodges were present and assisted in the ceremony which which was of a successful character.

Lodge Mercantile, No. 81, met on July 25th, in Shaftesbury Hall. Bro. J. D. Young, in the chair. Six propositions for membership were handed in. Bro. H. Eveson, D. D., Collingwood, who was paying a fraternal visit—addressed the members and was well received. Recess having been declared song and recitation became the order of the evening, much to the edification of the visiting brethren. Bro. Evison expressed himself highly delighted with the clever entertainment.

Lodge Bristol, No. 90, held their usual fortnightly meeting on July 21st, in Shaftesbury Hall. Two new members were initiated and one proposed for membership. A committee was formed for the purpose of arranging for the annual summer picnic of the lodge, to report at the next meeting. The members are taking great interest in the lodge, judging by the large number present, when our representative made his visit.

Richmond Lodge, No. 65, held their meeting on July 14th, in Shaftesbury Hall. Bro. Wm. T. James, D. D., paid an official visit to the lodge, and, in a few well chosen words, gave some good advice to the members of the lodge, which, was well received. A letter was read from the wife of a member of the lodge, who is at present on a bed of sickness in British Columbia, asking for assistance; the same was immediately granted out of the contingent fund, and a small committee was appointed to wait upon the wife, who is at Mimico, to learn further particulars in order that communication can be opened with the secretary of the lodge

in Victoria, B.C. Such cases show the necessity of our grand and noble society.

Lodge St. Albans, No. 76, met in Association Hall, Yonge St., on July 10th. Bro. Frank J. George, V. P., of Derby Lodge, Ottawa, was present and was cordially received. Upon being called upon to speak, he gave a very interesting account of the progress of the society in Ottawa, under circumstances much more adverse than what we experience in Toronto. Bro. W. George, P. P., of Boston lodge, also addressed the members.

Litchfield Lodge, No. 146, was organized recently under favorable auspices. Among the officers of the order present were, S. G. P., R. Ivens; past D. D., W. Barker, and P. G. P., J. C. Swait. There were 32 names on the charter roll, and 14 candidates were initiated. Speeches were made by Messrs. Swait, Boomhall, Cashman, Smallpiece, Skippon and Lomas. The last two named gentlemen, founders of the order, expressed great satisfaction at the growth of the S. O. E. This year the increase has been phenomenal, and four more lodges have been formed than in any other year, Litchfield Lodge is honored in having the Lord Bishop of Toronto as a member. The following officers were elected: V. P. Bro. Boomhall; Sec. C. Cashman; Treas. H. W. Smallpiece; Committee, Bros. Hawke, Cordingly, Smallpiece, Wenbourne, Grenville, Beverly and White; Guards, Bro. Sylvester and G. S. H. Bird.

Port Arthur.

The members of Lodge Winchester, No. 90, S. O. E., held an open meeting in their lodge rooms on Thursday the 16th July to welcome Bro. J. W. Kemping, P. S. G. P., the organizer of the lodge. The lodge business was through about 8.30 and the doors thrown open. There was a very good attendance of the members and their friends, among whom were several of the fair sex. Bro. Onslow, D. D., took the chair and delivered an address. Songs followed by Bros. Scott, Mackenrot and Hallett. Bros. H. Baxter and G. Carr sang the "Larboard Watch" duet; Bro. Davies gave an organ recital and Bro. Whitehead an exceedingly good performance with the bones. There was an interval for refreshments, after which Bro. Kemping sang "Hearts of Oak," he then gave a short address, which he prefaced by saying that he hoped the lodge would hold open meetings once a month. He could assure the brethren that though he had been present at many such a gathering, he never enjoyed himself more. This their first attempt at anything of the kind had been a great success. He concluded by a short recitation. The meeting was brought to a close at 11.30 p.m., by the company singing the National Anthem.

Brockville.

A Juvenile Lodge—to be known as "Star of England" lodge—in connection with Suffolk Lodge of the S. O. E. was instituted on the 3rd inst.

The prospects of the new lodge exceed the most sanguine expectations of its promoters. Seventeen candidates were initiated last evening, and there are some twelve or fourteen more candidates for initiations at next meeting. The lodge will meet the first Monday in each month at 7.30 p.m. The following are the officers elected to serve the juvenile branch from the parent lodge: Bro. W. H. Edwards, W. P.; E. Smith, V. P.; W. Grace, Chap.; H. Dodd, Treas.; F. Guest, Sec.; Dr. Horton, Surg.

Juvenile officers were elected as follows: Fred. Grace, 1st guide; Wm. Joy, 2nd guide; Willie Fennell, 3rd guide; Chas. Steeper, 4th guide; Walter M. Edwards, 5th guide; John Dewksberry, 6th guide; Fred. Findon, inner guard; Bert Fox, outside guard; John Findon, asst.-sec.

The following brethren of the parent lodge, act as a managing committee and include the trustees: Bros. W. White, Chas. Steeper, Geo. Turner, Z. Outhbert, E. Stapley, J. Fox, J. Woodward, A. C. Bacon, A. J. Raven.

Bro. W. H. Edwards, Pres. of the new lodge of the Juvenile branch made a neat little speech, at the close of the meeting to the boys present, shewing forth the objects and usefulness of such institutions trusting they would become worthy sons of Old England and good citizens. The boys are up to business already and with the timely advice given them by their president, the juvenile branch will form an important branch to our society.

Suffolk lodge has now for chaplain the Rev. F. Newham, who has been but a short time out from England, takes a deep interest in the society. He has won already quite a circle of friends. The society here needs more prominent Englishmen in it who are not afraid to work and take an active interest among their fellow countrymen, by giving this society their help and influence.

Montreal.

On Saturday, 18th July, ten cars well filled with members of the S. O. E., and their wives and children, young men and maidens, left Bonaventure depot at 8.30 a.m. The weather was everything that could be desired, and after calling at St. Cunigonde, the train went at full speed and the party was soon out in the country enjoying the fresh breeze which was so welcome to all. On arriving at Alexandria a pleasant surprise awaited the picnickers, viz.: a grand reception by the inhabitants of the town, accompanied by their splendid brass band, which played some lively airs. Bro. I. Walton, chairman, and Bro. J. A. Edwards, D. D., was formally introduced to Mr. D. D. McPheen, Reeve of Alexandria, and Mr. D. A. McDonald and Mr. A. Lelonde, members of council, who tendered on behalf of the citizens a hearty welcome to the committee, wishing the party a pleasant and happy day. Their wishes were fully realized by all, for nothing occurred to mar the enjoyment of anyone. After a thorough good day's enjoyment. The splendid programme of games was well contested. The party left Alexandria at 6.45 p.m., arriving in Montreal at 9.30 p.m.

On Tuesday evening last, the 6th instant, two large waggonettes drawn by eight horses, were filled by members of the Sons of England, who went Lachine to open a new lodge. The waggons left Montreal at 8 p.m., reaching Lachine soon after 9 p.m. The D. D., J. A. Edwards, and Bros. Booth and Croston, went out by an early train and had every thing ready for the opening ceremony when the brethren arrived.

The new lodge was opened at the Church of England Hall, and 20 fine healthy young men were initiated members of the Sons of England, and instruction was given to them as to the working of the lodge and the order. Bros. Brownhill, W. G. P.; Yates, W. G. P. P.; Brooks, W. V. P.; Edwards, D. D.; and Booth, W. S., Bros. White and Walton, acting as G. Guides. The ceremony of opening being ended the members visiting and the newly initiated adjourned to The Fortin Hotel for refreshments. A couple of hours were happily spent, being enlivened by songs and speeches. The opening of this lodge confirms the opinion that the locality is a good one for gaining many new members, and the opening of other new lodges.

Ottawa.

We are sorry to report the death of Bro. C. J. Ripley, of Bowood lodge, Ottawa, on the 2nd inst., in his 61st year. The deceased was well known for his sterling manhood and Christian piety, and his death is sincerely lamented by all who knew him.

Prince Edward Island.

We had recently the pleasure of meeting an esteemed friend from the province of Prince Edward Island, in the person of Mr. J. H. Bell, of Charlottetown, boot and shoe manufacturer. He was on a visit to the east in attendance at the recent Grand Orange Lodge of Canada. Mr. Bell has been a subscriber to the Anglo-Saxon from its inception, and he took the first opportunity of calling upon us. In past communications with us he expressed a strong desire to establish the S. O. E. in the Island, and we are glad to note that he has prevailed upon the Grand Lodge officers of the Sons of England to go down and open up the order in Charlottetown.

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