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POST CARD LODGE NOTES.

GUELPH: The members of Progress Lodge Degree team and several others, together with a few from Reliance Lodge, paid a fraternal visit to Georgetown Monday evening. They were warmly received by the brethren of Georgetown, who entertained the visitors to an excellent supper at the conclusion of the session. The team initiated two candidates and conferred the First and Second Degrees, the work being exceedingly well done, for which they were highly complimented.

TORONTO: The next regular meeting of Rehoboth Encampment will be held on Thursday evening, 26th inst., when matters of the utmost importance to the entire membership will be before the meeting. The report of the Paraphernalia Committee will be submitted for adoption. Also the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held. Needless to say a word about refreshments, as Rehoboth always has them on hand at every meeting, whether regular or special. Every member should attend. The first degree will be conferred. R.

WINNIPEG: The Minnehaha Lodge elected their officers last night. There was a good attendance of members, who manifested great interest in the proceedings. The election of Vice-Grand brought out the keenest competition, and there was also a good deal of excitement over the election of hall trustees. The results were as follows: J. Dagg, N.G.; C. Garbutt, V.G.; F. L. Kenney, B.S.; Van Vleet, P.S.; Johnston Douglas, P.G., Treas. Hall trustees for three years—Harper Wilson, P.G., S. B. Ritchie, P.G., A. B. Stovel, P.G.

TORONTO: About twenty members of the Toronto Lodge, No. 71, assembled at the lodge room last Monday night to promote the good work of Oddfellowship. One brother's application for the three degrees was balloted on and the brother declared entitled thereto. It being the first night of nominations, quite a number of the brothers were put in nomination for the various offices. The following brothers addressed the lodge: W. R. Flagg, of Atlantis Lodge, Atlantis, Iowa; W. Pearce, of Covenant; — Oberndorfer and A. McCutcheon, of Kingeton Lodge; W. W. Castains, Riverside Lodge, Iroquois; and A. C. Paul, of Toronto Lodge. L. H. P.

TORONTO: The attendance at Covenant Lodge, Tuesday evening, was good, Bro. Dake, N.G., presiding. Bro. Carter was reported as holding his own fairly well, although not showing the marked signs of improvement his many friends could wish. Nominations were made for elective officers. The committee on revision of By-laws reported numerous amendments and the subject will come up for discussion two weeks hence. It was agreed to make a Christmas presentation to certain widow's of deceased brethren; and the matter was placed in the hands of a small committee. Several members were suspended for N. P. D. At the meeting Tuesday week, there was an initiation which was well

done considering how little work the lodge has been doing for several months. There are several propositions in sight. Bro. Johnston, of Pontypool Lodge, gave a short, breezy address. R. B. C.

PRESCOTT: The funeral of the late Bro. Dr. McPherson and John Francis, at Prescott Sunday, were both conducted by Amity Lodge. Bros. C. C. Lyman and R. B. Easton attended as representatives of Brock Lodge, Brockville; and a large delegation of members of the lodge at Iroquois were also present. When the funeral cortege left the residence of the late Dr. McPherson there were about one hundred and fifty members of the Order in line, and a large number of citizens followed the remains to the Methodist church where very impressive services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Hughes, assisted by Rev. Mr. Stuart, of the Presbyterian church, and Dr. Mark, of Ottawa. The funeral of the late Bro. Francis was held in the English church immediately after the return of the members of the Order from the cemetery. Both churches were filled with citizens who came to pay the last tribute of respect to the deceased.

TORONTO: Queen City Lodge met as usual last Monday evening; there was a large attendance. It was the first call for nominations, the following being placed in the field: Bros. Geo. A. Kingston, N.G.; Jno. A. Wilson, W. W. Brown, E. W. Owens, V.G.; W. J. Foster, R. S. Crocker, R.S.; Geo. C. Mortimore, P.S.; Jas. Robertson, Treas. It was regretted on all sides that Bro. Maccomb would not stand for reelection as secretary, circumstances being such as to preclude him from doing so. An amount was voted Metropolitan Degree Lodge to assist them in defraying the expenses re entertainment of Oshawa and Buffalo Lodges. The Concert Committee held a short session, after which the representatives of Queen City Lodge met and selected Monday, Jan. 27th, as the date for the holding of their annual At-Home. Additional members were placed on this committee, and matters will soon be in full swing. There will, in all probability, be an initiation next Monday evening; the team should all be present. L. Q. C.

TORONTO: Toronto Encampment, No. 8, met on Thursday evening last. There was a good turnout of members, it being the night of our annual election. One Patriarch was admitted by card. The result of the elections is as follows: W. H. Blight, C.P.; H. E. Terry, S.W.; Chas. Holmes, J.W.; R. S. Grundy, H.P.; W. B. Dack, R.S.; Thos. Colby, P.C.P., F.S.; Jno. Donogh, P.G.P., Treas.; Thos. Colby, P.C.P., W. B. Dack, representatives to Relief Board; Jno. A. Mills, P.C.P., representative to Hall Association. Our genial Treasurer, P.G.P. Donogh, gave us a short address, which was listened to with pleasure by the Patriarchs present, and which, I am sure, cannot help but bring forth good fruit. At our next meeting we are going to use the pruning knife on some dead wood. We intend lopping off the dead branches in or-

der to make room for new ones. If this should catch the eye of any of our delinquent Patriarchs, we hope that they will make an effort to save us the painful duty of suspending them. The installation of the new officers will take place on Thursday, Jan. 9th. PILGRIM.

TORONTO: Canada Lodge's meeting last Friday was well attended, the anticipated initiation having attracted quite a number. One brother was started upon the tortuous path which leads to primary Truth. The work was exceedingly well presented. Bro. Menzies delivered the Past Grand's charge, and, with the exception of an occasional hesitancy, did so as well as we have ever heard it done before. It is a pity that Bro. Menzies is not heard more often in this part. What is termed Bro. Dack's "awkward squad"—ironically so, we suppose—proved quite proficient, their marching being a feature of the evening. Bro. Terry and Bro. Lumsden acted as Noble Grand and Vice-Grand respectively. Bro. Smith was in his old rôle of Conductor, while Bro. Richardson and Bro. Harding gave adequate support. The committee who have in hand the At-Home of January 17th is thus sub-divided: Decoration—Frank Smith, George Craig, D. Pike; Music—A. E. Harding, B. Taylor, John Carruthers; Dancing—Bro. Burnside Robinson, B. Taylor, D. Stewart, Walter Boyce, W. B. Dack; Refreshments—W. Smith, John Carruthers, W. B. Dack; Printing—John Anderson, E. G. Richardson; Games—Harry Taylor, George Craig, W. H. Emery. Bro. John Anderson is Chairman, and Bro. E. G. Richardson, Secretary, of the general committee. OLD 49.

CHATHAM: Chatham Lodge met in their lodge room on Tuesday evening last, Bro. Fife, N.G., in the chair. The usual routine business was disposed of, and Bro. Arnold, of Chatham, was instructed in the mysteries of the Order. For the good of the Order, Capt. Inches, of the steam barge *Wyoming*, and belonging to Algona Lodge, was pleased to visit Chatham Lodge. Although born within two miles of the town, had not been here before for thirty-five years, and would welcome any brother who would visit their lodge in Algona, Mich. Brother Walter James, of Woodstock Lodge, also gave a few words for the good of the Order. Bros. Blackburn, Williams, and White, were reported improving, after which the lodge closed. Western City Lodge held its regular meeting last Monday night, Bro. H. Winegarden, N.G., in the chair, a great deal of important business being transacted. Western City is booming, propositions coming in every meeting night. Keep up the good work, brothers, but be careful of your selections. There will be another initiation next Monday night, when the Degree staff, accompanied by their orchestra, will be in full attendance. Chatham Encampment held its regular session last Thursday night, a large number of Patriarchs being present. One Patriarch was exalted to the Royal Purple Degree. The additional supplies have arrived, and will be used at next rehearsal.