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(To J. H., St. Paul, Minnesota.)

ENGLAND.

England! The centre of our race,
Nor time, nor distance can efface
The love we bear to thee.

Our Father's blood still pulses pure
Within our veins as when, of yore,
They sailed across the sea.

Thus, though we live 'neath other sky,
Or o'er us other flag may fly,
Our hearts beat true to thee

CHRISTMAS, 1897.

Written by the Past Supreme Grand President for an English boy in the United States.

BENEFICIARY INSURANCE.

(COMMUNICATED).

The action of the Dominion Senate in refusing to endorse the decision of the Lower House whereby the Sons of England could work under a Dominion charter, is a blow struck at all fraternal organizations in Canada.

It has brought us and kindred societies to the fact that life insurance, based upon mutual assessments, and so economically conducted, are an eyesore to the life line companies, and that every effort is being made by them to make it impossible for us to carry on our business unless we are compelled by Act of Parliament to put into force a scale of rates similar to their own.

Are we to await the legislation which has been promised for the past ten years, and in all probability another ten years will elapse before the Government will seriously take up this matter. Our answer is no. What then are we to do? Let us follow up the work begun by our Present Executive and the brethren of Ottawa, who worked so energetically whilst the bill was before the House.

It is a bold assertion to make, that there are a large number of members of both Houses of Parliament, who, in our opinion, are not intimately acquainted with the workings of fraternal insurance; if they were it would be very little trouble for fraternal societies to obtain justice at their hands.

Each of the fraternal societies in Canada has during the past been working in their own individual interests, selfishly may we say. The number of members added to its roll has been the chief aim and object of its Executive, whilst the financial and legisla-

tive departments have been allowed to follow, or, as a matter of fact, the legislative part of our system has been left to our opponents, as no effort on the part of our friends, or combined action by fraternal societies, has been made to check legislation which would be injurious to fraternal societies.

It is a well known fact that all large interests whose power of action is governed by the laws of individual states, or by the Government of the Dominion, have representatives at headquarters watching for any action upon the part of the Government which would be detrimental to their interest. In the case of fraternal societies there is no such representative, and owing to this legislative laws are enacted, old laws are added to, touched up we may say, with a slight alteration or an additional clause, which materially alters the original, and always against the interest of fraternal societies.

At present we are threatened with such an increase in our assessments, which, if they become law, we may as well commit our policies to the waste paper basket, from the fact that no member would agree to pay the rates.

Combined action on the part of all fraternal societies is wanted to frustrate the ends of our opponents. If the Legislature is brought to know the power we have when, as a whole body, we demand an honest and just law, then they will awake to the fact that fraternal insurance societies are only asking for justice. When the Sons of England asks for a charter and are willing to accept an Act which can honestly and faithfully be acted up to, and it is refused, because a few days before another society, in order to obtain its charter, is willing to accept conditions and scale of rates out of all proportion to the class of business which is being carried on, are we not to complain?

H. F.

HISTORY OF BRITANNIA LODGE, NO. 8

Britannia Lodge, No. 8, was instituted on April 8th, 1878, by Grand President Bro. Millington, Grand Vice-President Bro. R. R. Southcombe and Grand Secretary Bro. J. Banks; assisted by Bros E. W. Coldridge, R. Caddick and F. Neil, working under the charter of Kent Lodge, No. 3, of Toronto. The charter members were, Wm. Monk, J. B. Buckingham, J. Marsh, G. W. Belling, Wm. Bromell, G. Richards, F. J. Rastrick, Wm. Fell, Dr. S. C. Reid, J. Bryer, Wm. Ibbertson, J. W. Ripley, B.

Carter and G. H. Blockley. The Officers elect being, Bro. Wm. Monk, W.P.; Bro. W. Hand, W.V.P.; Bro. I. B. Buckingham, W.S.; Bro. F. J. Rastrick, W.T.; Bro. E. H. Blockley, W.C. Managing Committee, Bros. Marsh, Ibbertson, Carter, Bromell, Ripley and Bryer. Inside Guard, Bro. G. Richards; Outside Guard, G. W. Belling, Lodge Surgeon, Dr. S. C. Reid. Representatives to Grand Lodge, Bros. F. J. Rastrick and Wm. Hand, where Bro. F. J. Rastrick was elected Grand Vice-President, and rendered valuable service for the two following terms. Britannia Lodge had an up-hill fight at first, but by dogged determination of the members forged ahead, as the Secretary's report of 1883 shows a membership of 162 and a cash balance of \$1,523.62. At the close of that year, the members materially assisted by their efforts in placing one of their number, Bro. J. J. Mason, in the Mayor's chair for the city of Hamilton.

In 1884, Britannia Lodge, No. 8, saw her first sister lodge in Hamilton. P. P. Bro. John Clayton made application for permission to open a new lodge, and after a hard fight by some of the members to keep Britannia Lodge intact, P. P. Bro. John Clayton gained his point, and Acorn Lodge, No. 29, was instituted, P. P. Bro. Clayton being W. President. In this year Bro. J. B. Buckingham retired from the Secretaryship and assumed the W. President's chair in 1885, when the present W. Treasurer, Bro. K. Hannaford, first took over the cash box. In 1886 the present W. Secretary, Bro. J. Fisher, was elected, and the following year, 1887, Bro. Dr. E. A. Gaviller was first elected Lodge Surgeon.

Britannia Lodge, No. 8, in the past ten years has seen five lodges instituted in the city of Hamilton. During that period there has been a heavy drain on the funds for sick benefits. We have had one member, Bro. T. P. Miller, on the superannuated list since 1891, and in 1892 the Lodge, by special summoned meeting, levied each member 5 cents per month for the maintenance of Bro. Francis Thompson in the Home for Incurables, which was cheerfully paid until the death of our Bro., which occurred on October 11th, 1896.

The Past Presidents are, Bros. Wm. Monk, F. J. Rastrick, two years; Wm. Bromell, John Clayton, two years; P. J. Thomas, J. B. Buckingham, W. Hover, two years; Alfred Hannaford, two years; Edwin Layland, Wm. Hunt, two years; F. H. Revell, G. Alderson, T. Paradine, two years; and John T. Laing, Bros. J. B. Buckingham, Alfred Hannaford, Wm. Hunt and Robert Hannaford, having filled the office of District Deputy, all of whom were good workers; Bro. Alf Hannaford having instituted three Lodges in one evening. The present membership is 180, cash balance, \$1,643.22.

Britannia's Memoriam: Benjamin Lester, Richard Reale, Francis Booth, Wm. Sutton, Chas. Stoneman, John Butterfield, Wm. Kench, John Edmonds, P. J. Thomas, P. P.; George King, Francis Thompson, F. J. Rastrick, P. G. V. P., Honorary Member,

and F. Day. The first burial Britannia Lodge performed was Bro. J. Plumbridge, who was drowned at Orillia, and unfortunately was out of compliance. Britannia Lodge, No. 8, shared the expenses of the funeral with the Prentice Boys of Hamilton, paying same from the contingent fund.

The Lodge has paid out for sick pay the sum of \$6,417.96 since its inception, and hundreds of dollars have been paid to its own members, and members of the Order, when in indigent circumstances. The social side of life has not been neglected, and many demonstrations and evening entertainments have been held under its auspices. Its anniversary dinners have been full of fire and enthusiasm for the maintenance of the British Empire, love for the motherland, and loyalty to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria. Much could be said of the pioneers of the Lodge, who were looked upon as Socialists or worse, but the survivors of the charter members who have lived to see the Society, are proud to-day, and wish for its continued prosperity.

A word should be said in favor of Professor Bro. W. Hand, of pyrotechnic fame, who, as an early member of Lodge Kent, No. 3, was the instigator of Britannia Lodge, No. 8, and was a generous contributor in many ways to its success.

The Lodge has at all times been generous in connection with the Sons of England Band of Hamilton, its members contributing freely to its support, and which under the leadership of Bro. Wm. Peel in the past, and at present by Bro. H. A. Stares, is doing much to popularise the Order in the city under the hill.

Where is the Candidate you promised to bring up ?

In the Lodge Room

Lodge Secretaries are cordially invited to send us brief reports of their meetings from time to time.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Dudley—

Dudley Lodge held its regular meeting June 14th with a very fair attendance. Seven applications for membership were handed in. We are informed that the S. G. Lodge has offered a prize for the lodge initiating the largest number during a certain time, and by present appearances Dudley is going to win. Well done, Dudley.

St. John's—

The District Deputy, Bro. E. Browne Lloyd, reports: Our church parade has come and gone. Elaborate preparations were made for the reception of the Society by Brothers Cooksley, Parmiter, Harvey and Coyle of the South side in the shape of a beautiful arch, which was grand, massive and superbly decorated with a gilt-framed portrait of Her Majesty the Queen, Crown and other Royal designs and devices, together with mottoes, such as S.O.E. and "Welcome Dudley Lodge, No. 227," and "God Save the Queen," etc., besides the different flags: Union Jack, ensigns blue and white (the latter the lodge flag with letters S. O. E.) floating to the breeze in the three pinnacles of the arch. The S.O.E. ensign being in the centre. There were also strings of bunting in three or four different places across the bridge which

spans the river, and which connects the north and south side of St. John's. The Church of St. Mary the Virgin is situated at the end of this bridge.

The morning of Sunday, the 22nd May, was anxiously looked forward to being a fine day, but sad to say the same weather as had been for the whole week before, broke in with thick fog and drizzling rain, which, together with the mud of St. John's, was anything but pleasant. However, in spite of the disagreeableness of the weather the arrangements were carried out in that noble style worthy of Englishmen, though a few of the brethren wanted a postponement. Such an action I considered unworthy of Englishmen, so with full determination we decided to go forward. Assembling in our hall at the appointed time, 2.30 p.m., we proceeded to business. Opened lodge and then started on our parade (about 120 in number), members first, officers last, preceded by two pipe and drum bands of the Church Lads' and St. Andrew's Brigades, which played sweet martial airs alternately during the line of march to and from church. Arriving at the arch opened ranks and counter-marched, so that officers would lead on entering church. The service (copies of which I have mailed for the Supreme Executive, together with the interior view of St. Mary's decorations for the Diamond Jubilee celebration on the 20th June, 1897, and your humble servant on his organ stool. It was taken by Brother Vey on the morning of the 21st June and the weather was just then beginning to be overcast. The exposure occupied about 12 minutes) The service of this year was thoroughly and reverently enjoyed, the musical part was good, and the sermon, or patriotic and soul address was something eloquent and soul-inspiring. The Venerable Archdeacon (himself an Englishman) had thoroughly perused the constitution and was, therefore, able to speak in glowing and praiseworthy terms of our noble Brotherhood. He desired me to have the collection devoted for the starting of a widows' and orphans' fund, which can very well be included in our contingent fund, so that those amounts will be kept entirely for such purposes. Our worthy treasurer is just the man that will keep a strict look out that they shall not be used for any other purpose. We had thought of giving the same to the two orphanages—Episcopal and Methodist—but the Archdeacon had thought it was time for us to prepare for our own widows and orphans as a society, and that the others would have their own accustomed friends and supporters.

The church was pretty well crowded. A certain number of pews had been reserved for the Society, as well as four front ones two on either side of church, for the following distinguished personages to whom invitations had been sent, viz.: His Excellency the Governor and suite, the Lord Bishop of Newfoundland and Lady, Right Hon. Sir W. V. Whiteaway and Lady, Sir James S. Winter and Lady, and the Hon. John B. Ayre and Lady.

The procession returned from church in reversed order, officers first and members last. Arrived at hall, thanked the brethren on behalf of Supreme Grand Lodge for their attendance, and moved that special votes of thanks would be deferred till our regular meeting on the following Tuesday—the Queen's Birthday. Closed Lodge and disbanded for our various homes, as it was time to get ready for evening service.

Tuesday, the 24th.—Hall decorated and bunting in abundance outside in honor of Her Majesty's Birthday. Had a regular good meeting. One initiation and several

propositions. Several votes of thanks were proposed and seconded, also that the sermon delivered to us on Sunday be printed with the Archdeacon's permission, for the benefit of the Order. After closing of Lodge the brethren enjoyed themselves right heartily, a light spread having been prepared, which, together with songs and recitations, brought the happy day to a close, with an outburst of "God Save the Queen."

NOVA SCOTIA.

Lodge Chebucto—

Halifax joins in mourning with their Bro. Monamy the death of his wife after a very short illness. The Lodge attended the funeral in large numbers and also placed a splendid floral wreath upon the coffin. Many of the citizens expressed themselves as greatly impressed at the way the Lodge turned out, and several stated their intention of joining what they termed a good old English Order and true to its members.

N. W. TERRITORIES.

Moosomin—

The brethren of King Alfred Lodge, No. 211, Moosomin, held their annual church parade on Sunday, June 12th, at St. Albans' Church, Moosomin. The brethren assembled in their lodge room at 2.30 in the afternoon, and decked themselves with beautiful red and white roses, which had been obtained from R. Alston, of Winnipeg. They then proceeded to march to church. The Rev. Bro. F. V. Baker, of All Saints', Winnipeg, and Chaplain of Shakespear Lodge, preached a very appropriate sermon to the brethren and a large congregation. The collection, \$12.50, will be devoted to the Winnipeg General Hospital. After the service the brethren marched back to their lodgeroom; on arriving there the Worthy President, T. R. Purdy, called the brethren to order, when Bro. John Ward, our newly-appointed District Deputy, moved a vote of thanks to Bro. Baker for his kind services rendered, seconded by Bro. John Smithers. Bro. Baker is the first of the brethren that has visited King Alfred Lodge and if lodges could have more frequent visitors like Bro. Baker they would be greatly benefited, and, further, if any of our Grand Lodge officers could come among us, we should be greatly happy to welcome them, and we feel sure that it would be for the benefit of the Society, for it would not only do us good, but they would have a better idea of how the lodges stand in Manitoba and the West.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

New Westminster—

Lodge Rose of Columbia held their annual church parade yesterday (June 12th) instead of May 29th, which was to have been the day, as we found that our former brother and chaplain, the Rev. H. H. Gowen, now of Seattle, was to be visiting this town about that time, and so we secured his services (very willingly given), and were well repaid. We marched from our lodge rooms to Holy Trinity Cathedral, under the leadership of P.P. Bro. E. B. Stinchcombe, who was marshal, and very ably discharged his duties. There was a very creditable muster of our own "boys," also a detachment from Lodges Wilberforce and Western Jubilee, of Vancouver. The service was bright and short, and the sermon A 1, eloquent, stirring and patriotic, and such a one as he is noted for giving; and yet those that knew the speaker knew that it was not mere sentimental gush, but spoken from the ground of

the heart. Service over, we marched back to our rooms, and our marshal gave us a little hill-climbing on our way. Then after a rest and exchange of civilities, all dispersed satisfied with the afternoon. On May 22nd some twenty of our "Roses" went over to Vancouver to assist at their parade. Propositions come popping in all the time, but we greatly need a team for initiations, as if they are slovenly performed they fail to impress the candidate. Still we are improving. Have several initiations to-morrow night, and some to advance on the 28th. Now for a few words about the RECORD. I think it is becoming liked; but one fault is that it comes to some and not to others. For my part, I think that it would be better to pay twenty-five cents or fifty cents a year and have it sent properly than five cents at present conditions, and I think that the brothers should look upon it as their duty to support an official paper. All other Orders have a paper, and none at so cheap a rate as the S. O. E.

QUEBEC.

The D. Deputy of centre division, Montreal, reports having made the round of the lodges in his district; has great pleasure in reporting that they are all doing well; there is not much sickness at present, which accounts for it, and hopes all will continue so. They seem to be more united together than in the past, and the outcome of it all is that there is a great deal more visiting going on. With this end in view the Lodges will get along all right.

The last meeting night of Lodge Excelsior he installed three Committee men, the ceremony passing off very nicely. Afterwards refreshments were served, and all present enjoyed themselves.

ONTARIO.

Toronto—

Cheltenham Lodge, No. 178, held their quarterly meeting on Tuesday, June 28th, in Shaftesbury Hall, Bro. Atherton in the chair. The lodge business was gone through in short order (as there was something good to follow). One proposition was received, and the receipts amounted to \$80. After lodge closed Cheltenham celebrated their anniversary in splendid style. Speeches, songs and recitations, interspersed with refreshments, made the evening pass all too quickly. Among those who contributed towards the entertainment were Bros. Collins, Cross, Raynor, Banfield, Nye, Rapkin, Atherton, M. Terry, Walker and Dr. Watson. After singing the National Anthem, the brethren, among whom were contingents from Richmond and Shrewsbury, dispersed, having thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Lodge London intends running an excursion to Niagara Falls on Saturday, July 23rd, per steamers Chippewa, Corona and Chicora. They are giving special rates to members who apply before the day of the excursion.

On June 23rd Somerset Lodge opened their new hall (in Parkdale Hall) which was a great success. There were over 100 in attendance without taking into account the Naval Brigade Band and Drill Corps. Amongst the visitors were: P.S.G.P. Barlow Cumberland, Bro. Clatworthy, P.P.S.G.P., Bro. Mayor Shaw, George Sturdy, D.D., and others. All spoke highly of the progress of the Lodge, also the Naval Brigade and life-boat crew. After Lodge refreshments were served to which great credit was due to the Lodge's Amusement Committee.

P.S.—Lodge Somerset gives a cordial invitation to visiting brothers.

Ingersoll—

Bro. J. W. Cudlipp, Secretary of Lodge Imperial, Sons of England, has received the following reply to the letter of condolence recently sent by the Lodge to the Gladstone family:

Hawarden Castle, Chester,

June 22nd, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—On behalf of my mother and the family, I beg to thank Lodge Imperial for their kind message of sympathy.

I remain very faithfully yours,

HERBERT GLADSTONE.

Belleville—

The picnic of Lydford Lodge, 184, Sons of England, to Massassa Springs yesterday was well attended and was most successful in every way. The steamer Ella Ross made frequent trips and fully accommodated the crowd. Games for the children were given during the afternoon and were most successfully carried out. A game of rounders, the inception of baseball, was played, and a great feature was a cricket match between Lydford and Oxford Lodges. The Lydford team was in command of Mr. John Harker, while the Oxford team was under Mr. Craig. The Oxford men were too much for their opponents and won by a score of 17 to 27. The game was one of the most enthusiastic ever played and was a good exhibition of that game. The Lydford men will not give up, but will try to beat their opponents at some future date. Messrs. Hayes and Gill umpired the game in a most satisfactory manner. In the evening a moonlight excursion to Trenton was held which was well patronized. During the day and evening an orchestra furnished plenty of music for dancing, both on the grounds and boat. The members of the Lodge worked hard to please their patrons.

Aurora—

Lodge Loyalty, Aurora, as usual, were to the fore in their Dominion Day observance. The District Deputy, Bro. Rogers, reports: No doubt a few lines in reference to one of our lodges in the north will be of interest to our brethren. On July 1st I boarded the nine o'clock train at that pretty little station, Davenport Road. The train was loaded, consequently I had a standing seat all the way to Aurora. On arrival there, the town was alive, the members of Loyalty having made up their mind to have a big day for everybody, and I am sure they must have been more than satisfied. During the day a continual list of sports and races of all kinds, open and free to all, not a charge of any kind, the Band of the 12th Rangers supplying good music during the day. Dr. Stephenson, Bros. Duval, Lennox, Petch, and a strong committee, worked very hard the whole day long. I am sure they must be pleased at the success of the day's pleasure supplied to all. Among the prominent gentlemen on the grounds were Dr. Coulter, Deputy Postmaster-General, G. Powell, Postmaster of Vandenborch. The merchants of the town, I am informed, were very liberal in supplying funds for the prize list. Altogether, the members of Loyalty are to be highly congratulated on the success of the day.

Bristol—

In spite of the hot weather our meetings are well attended, and great interest is shown in our lodge work. At our meeting on the 5th we initiated one new brother and received one by clearance. The report of the auditors was read, which showed the

lodge funds still in very good shape, when we consider the run of sickness we have had this last three months. We have two brothers sick at present, both improving at the time of writing. We had a visit from our Worthy District Deputy, when he gave us lots of good advice, and congratulated the members with the showing they made at our meeting, although it was much pleasanter to be out of doors. He expressed his regret that he could not stay and assist us with our White Rose Degree, owing to a previous engagement. We advanced three of our brethren besides our own officers; we were assisted by Bro. Gibbon, Worthy President of Albion Lodge, and Bro. Lewis of Kent Lodge. We may have a picnic or something before long if our committee does not forget all about their appointment.

Newtonville—

Lodge Newton, 166, is steadily growing in numbers, having 82 members on the roll; there are several other propositions coming in. Our bank account is on the increase. Wishing the Order every success.

Toronto Lodges, Western District, Excursion to Berlin and Waterloo.

The Western District Lodges have completed arrangements to hold a grand combined excursion to Berlin and Waterloo over the G. T. R. system Civic Holiday, Aug. 8th. No doubt a large number will go with the excursion, and the brethren should not miss this opportunity of visiting our German cousins and their bustling and unique twin cities. Further information can be obtained from advertisement in another column.

Port Arthur—

The Sons of England entertained about 250 guests at a social gathering in the town hall on Wednesday evening. The hall was handsomely decorated with flags, bunting, flowers and paintings. The chair was occupied by Mr. J. G. King, who opened the proceedings with a short address, in which he reviewed the objects of the society, its numerical strength, etc. He announced the various selections that appeared on a most pleasing programme. The music was furnished by the Rapsey orchestra, an organization of local young people that possesses talent of a marked degree. The programme was made up of songs, solos, duets, trios, recitations and musical selections, and furnished the audience with a great deal of pleasure. At the close of this part of the programme, the floor was cleared, and while one portion of the guests were partaking of a most inviting repast upstairs the other sought amusement in tripping the light fantastic toe. This amusement was continued until about one o'clock, when the guests withdrew with a feeling of thankfulness to the Sons of England for having furnished such an excellent evening's entertainment.

Lodge Rooms are not as well filled during the summer as they are in winter, but the business goes on all the same, thanks to the energy of the earnest working lodge officers. If you do not attend, why not occupy your time in talking S.O.E., and come back in the fall with a sheaf of propositions for your lodge.



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THE POSITION OF "THE RECORD."

So many misrepresentations have been persistently made with respect to THE RECORD that we think it but due that a plain statement should be made as to its management and its connection with the Society. On the 15th June THE RECORD entered into the third year of its existence. It is the property of and is owned by the Society itself, and published in accordance with Article XXXVII. of the Constitution. All monies received from the members or from advertisements are paid direct to the Society. It is managed by THE RECORD Committee, appointed and authorized by Sec. 184, the members for 1898-99 being: Representing Grand Lodge, P.S.G.P. G. Clatworthy; the Beneficiary Board, P.S.G.P., J. C. Swait; the S.G. Executive, P.S.G.P., B. Cumberland. The paper is printed under a contract requiring its publication on the 15th of each month. The mailing list is now placed as a Department in the S. Grand Executive office, and is corrected from the quarterly returns and the special changes sent in by the subordinate Lodge Secretaries. Copies are mailed to every member of the Society shown in good standing and to his address as

appearing in the Secretaries' reports. The circulation for June was 11,700 copies and for July will approximate 12,000, owing to the better lists now being received. The paper therefore goes to every Lodge and to every member of the Order in good standing. THE RECORD Committee has received from the Supreme Executive the official notices from time to time issued, and has been instructed to insert them in its columns with the Society's seal attached, to be read by the Secretaries to the Lodges as being the official medium by which these notices are communicated to the Lodges.

By this method the Executive effect a saving in expense to the Order, and the Official Notices are brought direct to the attention of each member in addition to being read in open Lodge.

As a means of recording the proceedings of the Society and the events occurring in the several Lodges, THE RECORD has proved its utility. Its columns have been thoroughly non-partizan yet hopeful and helpful to everything tending to the good and strengthening of the Order, the guiding motive of the Committee being, "nothing extenuate nor ought set down in malice." As the lodges more frequently make use of its columns its usefulness will continue to be more widely extended.

The Society pays for every paper issued, and members who do not receive their copies regularly are earnestly requested to see that their addresses are correctly given to their Lodge secretaries.

Where is the proposition form you promised to get filled up?

QUEBEC LEGISLATION.

It will be remembered that the matter of the action to be taken by the Society with reference to the Act passed by the Quebec Legislature which required the registration of Friendly Societies doing business in that province, was referred to the Executive by Grand Lodge at St. Catharines. The subject was laid over during the press of business, due to the application for incorporation by the Dominion Parliament. The Society had taken all steps necessary under the Act passed by the Legislature of Quebec in 1897, and had been duly authorized to transact business, but the subsequent Act passed Jan. 1st, 1898, required further conditions to be complied with, which were to be completed before the 30th June. At the request of the Executive, Bro. P.S.G.P. Cumberland undertook the work, and proceeded to Quebec. We have great pleasure in reporting that the Sons of England application under the new Act was very favorably received, and the Society's position being shown to fulfil all the conditions required, and the necessary deposit of \$5,000 having been made with the Treasurer of the province, a special Order-in-Council was passed by the Lieutenant-Governor on 30th June granting a license to the Society

to conduct its operations in the Province of Quebec. It is a satisfaction to find the good work done by the Society in the province is acknowledged, and we trust the brothers in Quebec will show their appreciation of the action taken in their behalf by rolling up an increased membership, and thus energetically extending the advantages and usefulness of our Order in their community.

Where were you last Lodge night?

THE NEW MEDICAL EXAMINATION FORMS.

The new medical examination forms have been issued to all the Lodges. Secretaries will see that they are delivered to the lodge surgeons without any delay. No candidate examined on the old form after the issuance of these books from the Executive office will be accepted for registration in the Supreme Lodge books.

It should not require any excuse for the adoption of this new form, as past experience is sufficient to testify that the examination has not been all it should have been. In some cases it was just a few questions, such as "Are you in good health?" "What is your age?" etc., etc., with the result that candidates were admitted who were not physically qualified. This will be remedied by the present examination form. These forms must be sent in to the Supreme Secretary for registration of names and filing of papers with the usual quarterly reports.

Why did you accept office when you knew you could not regularly attend?

BRITANNIA LODGE.

With this issue we publish a short history of Lodge Britannia, No. 8, the pioneer lodge in the city of Hamilton. Few lodges have done more good work than Lodge Britannia. It has been exceptionally fortunate in having good officers from its very inception. Bro. F. J. Rastrick, at one time Supreme Grand Vice-President, was a true specimen of an Englishman. The lodge roll contains the names of some good earnest and prominent workers in the Society during its early history. Bros. Monk, Buckingham, Clayton, Hand, Hunt, Revell, Alf, Hannaford, Fisher, W. Fell, and a host of others we might mention if space permitted. We wish Lodge Britannia every prosperity.

PROMINENT VISITORS.

We were pleased to receive a visit from Bro. Elstob, District Deputy of the Carman District of Manitoba. He is enjoying a holiday trip to England, after an absence of several years. Bro. Elstob speaks very encouragingly of the prospects of the Order in Manitoba. Being largely interested in the grain business, he was enthusiastic in

his description of the wonderful prospects of the crops this season. Bro. Elstob, while being of a free and easy disposition, is a true representative of the John Bull Englishman. We wish him a safe return home.

Bro. Malcolm Davis, the young and popular secretary of Lodge Queen of the West, situated in Russell, Manitoba, also paid the Executive headquarters a flying visit while on a trip to his friends in Toronto. Bro. Davis, though only a young man, was largely instrumental in organizing the lodge at Russell. He states that the town is growing rapidly, and the country all around that district is filling up with settlers who are there to stay. We were pleased to meet Bro. Davis.

Why don't you always wear your emblem pin?

NOTES.

The Jubilee charter rates for new members closed on the 30th of June.

The Supreme Lodge Journal of Proceedings are printed, and have been distributed to all the lodges. An secretary not having received his copies should notify the Supreme Grand Secretary at once.

The Western District of the city of Toronto is arranging an excursion to Berlin on the Civic Holiday. For particulars see advertisement.

The re-organized Hospital Committee of the Toronto lodges is in full swing, with Bro. Riley, of Lodge Richmond, chairman; Bro. Frank Vipond, of Lodge Mercantile, secretary; and Bro. F. Packham, of Lodge Brighton, treasurer.

We are pleased to note the safe return to Toronto of Bro. Skelcher, secretary of Lodge Portsmouth, who paid a flying visit to Victoria, B.C., on business in connection with the Government buildings.

The *Fraternal Echo*, of St. John, N.B., is a spicy little society paper, and all the members in St. John and vicinity should subscribe for it.

Lodge Chelsea initiated five new members on their last meeting night. "That's all right." Those five new members, properly instructed and encouraged, will become five new advertising agents.

The members of Lodge Marlborough are anticipating a successful picnic on the 21st.

A son of Bro. H. H. Wright, of Aylmer, presided at the organ in the Jarvis Street Baptist Church, Toronto, on Sunday, July 3rd.

Many are wearing flag emblems nowadays. Why not wear the glorious "White Ensign," the emblem badge of the Sons of England?

Are you a Son of England? If so, carry out your promises.

BENEFICIARY.

The Beneficiary Board met on Wednesday, July 6th, and received twenty applications, eighteen of which were accepted, amounting to \$22,500. The Supreme Secretary presented the half-yearly cash statement, showing that \$14,408.23 had been received from assessments, and \$12,500 had been paid for death claims. The amount of cash in the reserve fund, \$10,128.97. In the general fund, \$11,623.96. There are three disputed claims to be settled. Every member who is eligible should join this department.

THE BANNER LODGE, 1898—WHICH?

Is your lodge going to win the prize for the largest number of members initiated this year?

Lodge Dudley, which was the banner lodge for 1897, writes, through Bro. Brown-Lloyd: "Every member is putting his shoulder to the wheel. There were seven candidates proposed at our last meeting. Hopeful anticipations that we shall carry off the prize for 1898."

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

Lodges Warwick and Launceston are organizing a juvenile branch in connection with the joint lodges in the northern district of Toronto. There is every prospect of this district having one of the finest juvenile lodges in the Society.

A juvenile lodge is being organized by the officers and members of Lodge Stafford in the eastern district of Toronto. Lodge Stafford has a host of live members, and if their interest in the adult lodge is any criterion, we may expect a first-class juvenile branch of the Society in connection with the lodge.

Juvenile Lodge Prince Alfred, Kingston, transferred one of its juvenile members to the adult Lodge Leicester during the last quarter. Prince Alfred is saving money. During the last quarter no members were sick. They have \$112.90 to their credit, with good prospects. Leicester Lodge should encourage their juvenile branch.

The President of Juvenile Lodge Star of the East, Brockville, writes: "Our juvenile lodge is getting along splendid, and we expect to make quite a show of new members before the year is over."

REGISTERED AT SHAFESBURY HALL.

The following members registered at the Supreme Grand Secretary's office during the month: Bros. W. H. Lodge, Lodge Derbyshire; Thos. Elstob, Lodge Manitoba; F. L. Barrow, Lodge St. Aidans; James Boxall, Lodge Westminster; Geo. Brown, Lodge Lydford; John Leach Frear, Lodge Chester; Arthur Woodman, P.P., Lodge Londesboro; M. E. Davis, Sec. Lodge Queen of West; A. F. Brown, Lodge Primrose; Joseph Gibson, Lodge Imperial; H. H. Wright, Lodge Prince Albert; F. C. Maffey; Lodge Mistletoe; W. J. Wright, Lodge Suffolk; T. Elliott, P.S.G.P.

IN MEMORIAM.

The following deaths have been reported to the Supreme Grand Secretary during the month:

Bro. Geo. Murrell, Lodge Brighton; initiated Nov. 2, 1888; died June 10, 1898; age 29.

Bro. John Wilson, Lodge Holly; initiated March 8, 1894; died May 29, 1898; age 39.

Bro. Wm. Pilton, Lodge Hearts of Oak; initiated Aug. 4, 1890; died May 25, 1898; age 54.

Bro. Wm. H. Osborne, Lodge Norfolk; initiated Feb. 3, 1891; died June 16, 1898; age 47.

Bro. Geo. Brown, Lodge York; initiated March 30, 1886; died June 10, 1898; age 56.

Bro. H. Maudsley, Lodge Piccadilly; initiated May 3, 1889; died June 21, 1898; age 61.

Bro. Joseph Strickland, Lodge Pride of Island; initiated Nov. 16, 1897; died May 29, 1898; age 43.

Bro. Charles Brine, Lodge Victoria's Jubilee; initiated May 17, 1889; died June 20, 1898; age 50.

Bro. F. H. Sims, Lodge United Empire; initiated Oct. 24, 1890; died May 12, 1898; age 54.

Bro. Geo. Perkes, Lodge Salisbury; initiated April 14, 1887; died June 30, 1898; age 54.

APPEAL FOR BRO. HURST.

Subscriptions received on behalf of Bro. Hurst, of Lodge Victoria, No. 12; previously acknowledged, \$185.19; Royal George, \$2; Londesboro, \$2; Calgary, \$2.50; Royal City, \$1.10; Derbyshire, \$2.00; Wolverhampton, \$1; Tilton, 95c.; Canterbury, \$2; Newton, \$2; York, \$2; Berkeley, \$1; Yorkshire, \$3; Clifton, \$5; Yarmouth, \$1; Mitchell, \$4.75; Truro, \$2; Empress of West, \$2.50; Victoria's Jubilee, \$2.00; Wilberforce, \$10.00; Diamond Jubilee, \$11.80; Birmingham, \$1.00; White Oak, \$1.10; Hull, \$2; Britain, \$1. Total to date, \$250.89.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

HULL, Yorkshire, England.
June 16th, 1898.

Extract from letter received by Bro. R. Oliphant, from Mrs. Hall, acknowledging receipt of draft covering \$1,000.00 Beneficiary Certificate, on the life of her late husband and our Bro. James Hall.

"I must now tell you I received my insurance money yesterday. It was £204 10/11, for which I am very thankful. I want you to go to Mr. Fenn and tell him I received the cheque all right and I am very thankful to you and him and Oxford Lodge for what you have done for me; indeed I cannot thank you and the society enough."
HANNAH HALL.

HAMILTON, June 27th, 1898.

Bro. Richard Avis writes: "I beg to acknowledge receipt of cheque for the sum of \$500, being the amount of my disability claim. I also ask the officers of the Grand Lodge and the secretary and members of Rose of England Lodge to accept my thanks for the prompt manner in which they adjusted my claim. Hoping that Rose of England Lodge will prosper in future as it has done in the past; this is my earnest wish."

ADVANCE ON KHARTOUM.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT OF THE GREAT
ANGLO-EGYPTIAN EXPEDITION TO
BE MADE IN AUGUST.

There is good reason now for the belief that before the end of the year the stronghold of the Khalifa will be in the hands of the Anglo-Egyptian army. The abandonment by the Dervishes of Shabluka, a narrow defile on the Nile between Berber and Khartoum, will open a way, and when the rainy season is over, about the middle of August, an advance will be made. In the first week of August the 21st Lancers, now stationed at Cairo, will leave for the front. It has been decided to reinforce the Anglo-Egyptian troops by the 21st Lancers, 32nd Field Battery, the Northumberland Fusiliers, the Lancashire Fusiliers, 2nd Battalion Rifle Brigade, and the 1st Grenadier Guards. Of these, all are now at Cairo except the rifle brigade, which is at Malta, and the Grenadiers, who are at Gibraltar. Colonel Lyttleton will command the new brigade.

HEAVY ARTILLERY FOR EXPEDITION.

It has been decided to add to the existing force heavier ordnance in the way of 40-pounders and howitzers, the value of the fire of which against mud fortifications was successfully demonstrated a few weeks ago near Cairo. As far as the large new gunboats are concerned, the Sheikh Melik and Sultan, specially sent out from England for this portion of the expedition, have been put together, and are already practically ready for service at Abeidieh, from which point at high Nile there is a clear waterway to Khartoum. When all is ready for the final advance, the Anglo-Egyptian force will number almost 20,000 men, and it is expected that the distance of 180 miles to Khartoum will, counting for delays, be covered in about a month, and that by the beginning of October, the Khalifa's stronghold will be in the hands of the Sirdar.

THE APPEARANCE OF KHARTOUM.

Khartoum consists of about 3,000 houses of a very primitive character. The most important building is the old palace of the governors. Here it was that Gordon was murdered and his head cut off. The palace was formerly called the *Hukumdarieh*, and Gordon described it as being "as large as Marlborough House." In his day it contained not merely the residence of the governor, but the offices of the then government, and barracks for the small force of troops then at his disposal. In the market-place is a large brick mosque, besides the bazaar, coffee houses, etc. Formerly there was a Roman Catholic and a Coptic chapel, but on the tide of Mussulman fanaticism these are certain to have been destroyed.

Since the death of Gordon only two Europeans have escaped from Khartoum, Slatin Bey and Father Ohrwelder, the Roman Catholic Priest, so that our knowledge of the actual state of affairs there is not very certain. It is reported, however, that there have been many quarrels among the Dervishes, and that the Khalifa is short of ammunition. On the other hand, considerable quantities of ammunition are believed to have been smuggled to him out of Lower Egypt. Khartoum is surrounded by a wall and ditch, except where it is protected from land assault by the blue Nile, but this will be a very vulnerable side to attack by the new gunboats.

ENGLAND MAKES FOR THEM ALL.

In a letter addressed to the *Pottery Gazette* recently, there are some curious statements about the manufacture of "foreign" goods in England. Some years ago, the writer says, a firm of London merchants, ostensibly in the foreign trade, had quite a small showroom of what were exhibited as foreign ornaments and glass. All these ornaments were made in the neighborhood of Hanley and Stoke-on-Trent, and the glass came from Gateshead-on-Tyne. About twelve years ago there was a great outcry about the superiority of American mould glass over English. A northern merchant cleared hundreds of pounds out of selling tumblers, made at Gateshead-on-Tyne, as of American origin. So they were in a sense. They were made in moulds formed on the American principle, which increased the output. It used to amuse him when the Newcastle-on-Tyne people sent for these tumblers in large quantities. Had they but known that they were made at their very doors, they would not have bought them so readily. A well-known firm of foreign merchants, some time ago, introduced a novelty in sets of cheap dishes. They were of good quality, and sold well until, owing to some split in the camp, they were proved to be of English make. The sales then came down with a bump, despite their good quality, and it was some time before matters adjusted themselves. Everyone in the trade will remember a patent pie dish, which professed to emanate from Birmingham, but which was made in the neighborhood of Burton-on-Trent. The same thing is taking place today in connection with fire-proof ware. Much of the English ware is being sold as foreign. Recently the writer was shown what purported to be a special line in German jet ware teapots. Immediately he saw them he knew they were made in Scotland. A small manufacturer in the Potteries, some years ago, astonished everybody by the rapidity by which he seemed to jump into fame. His chief productions were idols, and quaintly decorated pottery and china, in which he closely followed China patterns. The goods, to this day, may be seen side by side with genuine Chinese and Japanese ware. The same thing is found in other trades, especially in Bradford stuffs and Yorkshire cloths. Certain kinds are sold as German, although they never saw Germany. Birmingham, as many people know, makes any number of so-called German and French goods; while, on the other hand, both nations make imitations of our manufactures, stamped with the name of English firms.

A MUSICAL EPISODE WITH THE HAMILTON S. O. E. BAND!

Whilst the Hamilton S.O.E. Band were waiting for the Radial Railway to proceed to Burlington for their church parade, an officer of the police, who may have been lately introduced to the police force, attempted to prevent the band from playing. The bandmaster asked the policeman if there was objection to sacred airs being played. The policeman replied, "No." When the band struck up, the tune resembled very closely the popular air, "All Coons Look Alike to Me." This was sufficient for our friend of the police force, for he turned majestically on his heel and walked off, no doubt consoling himself with the fact that entering a protest to the band playing was all that was required of him.

ANNUAL SERMON TO THE SONS OF ENGLAND.

BURLINGTON, July 12.

Burlington Lodge, No. 156, S.O.E.B.S., was joined by a goodly number of their brethren from Hamilton on Sunday afternoon, who marched to the Methodist Church, headed by the Sons of England band from Hamilton, for their annual sermon. They reached the church in the midst of the gale that was blowing, and were comfortably in their places before the rain fell. The sermon was preached by Rev. R. J. Elliott, who spoke to them on Christian Patriotism. The choir sang an appropriate anthem and Miss Renton sang a solo, much to the enjoyment of all. After the service the members returned to their lodge room, where congratulatory resolutions were passed and addresses made. No doubt the attendance of citizens would have been larger had not the heat and storm prevented many from being present.

HE TWISTED THE LION'S TAIL.

AND THE LION GOT EVEN BY CHEWING UP THREE OF HIS FINGERS.

The man sitting on a salt barrel had a hand on which only two fingers were left, and sizing him up for a veteran of the war, asked him if he hadn't been wounded by an exploding shell.

"No, not as I remember of," he replied, as he held up his hand and turned it over and over.

"I thought that might have been the case, but you probably got caught in some sort of machinery?"

"No, not exactly machinery, sir."

"Gun explode in your hands?"

"No; no gun didn't explode."

I gave it up at that, but after a few minutes the man looked up and said:

"Stranger, you've seen a lion, I reckon?"

"Oh, yes."

"Seen 'em caged and looking as harmless as cats?"

"Yes; they generally look that way."

"That's the way I sized up one in a cage in a circus. He lay there, looking so sleepy, and good-natured, and harmless, that I thought it was a swindle on the public, and I'd try to rouse him a bit."

"And so you poked him, I queried."

"No, sir; no poking. I just calculated to gin his tale about three twists, and make him feel that life wasn't all beef and bones and sunshine. I waited for my chance, and then I reached my hand in. How far is it from a lion's mouth to the middle of his tail?"

"Several feet, at least."

"I thought it was about a rod, but I know better now. I hadn't more'n got hold of the tail when he got hold of me and was gulpin' down them missing fingers. He wanted the bull hand and arm, but they beat him off. I thought at first I wouldn't explain matters, but then I thought I would. I look a good deal like a fool, don't I?"

"Hardly that."

"Well, you do, and that's why I explained. I was fool 'nuff to want to twist a lion's tail, and you may be fool 'nuff to want to poke one in the eye, and so my advice is—don't."

SUBORDINATE LODGE DIRECTORY.

Secretaries will kindly notify the Editor by the first of each month of any changes or corrections.

LOCATION.	LODGE.	No.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	PLACE OF MEETING.	SECRETARY'S NAME.	SECRETARY'S ADDRESS.
ONTARIO.						
Allandale	Kempfeleid.	153	All. Wed. from June 23	B of RT	Hall W Keley	Box 55, Allandale
Almonte	Nelson	431	1 and 3 Friday	S O F	do James H Bennett	Box 217, Almonte
Arnprior	Severn	1891	do 3 Wednesday	Workman's	do	Arnprior
Aurora	Loyalty	741	do do	Masonic	do W H Taylor	Aurora
Aylmer	Prince Albert	611	do 3 Friday	S O E	do A J Elliott	Aylmer
Bai Shoro	Coventry	1612	do 4 Thursday	S O E	do H G Tippet	Bailshore
Barrie	Southampton	2812	do 4 Wednesday	A O F	do J N Holey	Box 34, Barrie
Belfountain	Scarboro	1182	do 4 Monday	S O E	do R Jones	Belfountain
Belleville	Oxford	171	do 3 Tuesday	S O F	do John Fern	376 Front street, Belleville
do	Lynchford	184	All. Monday from June 21	A O F	do Willmott Rosbourn	Box 302, do
Bemiller	Barnstale	2241	and 3 Monday	Gledhill's	do R H Mew	Bemiller
Blackstock	Grimsby	1061	do 3 Tuesday	Orange	do R H Frost	Blackstock
Bowmansville	Wilmington	191	do 3 Tuesday	S O E	do E R Dunham	Bowmansville
Bracebridge	Lancaster	281	do 3 do	Bastedo	do R J Ford	Bracebridge
Bracondale	Vernmouth	1071	do 3 do	Wychwood	do R Pelyus	Bracondale
Brampton	Hrampton	1091	do 3 do	Treadgold	do W Warr	Box 229, Brampton
Brantford	Salisbury	45	All. Thursday from Jan 3	A O F	do W A Peart	Box 475, Brantford
do	Welfs	105	do do do 24	A O F	do R W Edwards	53 McMurry street, Brantford
Brookville	Suffolk	872	and last Monday	S O E	do A C Bacon	Box 75, Brookville
Burke's Falls	Guinsson	1571	do 3 Tuesday	Orange	do H C Swain	Burke's Falls
Burlington	Burlington	1562	do 4 Thursday	George Allens	do W Flestman	Burlington
Calcion East	Forlay	1082	do 4 do	Orange	do J MacCann	Mono Road P O
Callander	Devonshire	2002	do 4 Monday	White's	do R J Cummings	Callander
Campbellford	Devonshire	921	do 3 do	A O U W	do A Siders	Box 145, Campbellford
Cannington	Berkely	1322	do 4 Tuesday	Temperance	do A Siders	Cannington
Canton	Selly	1354	Monday	Ladies Aid	do R F Peters	Canton
Carlton Place	Beaconsfield	171	and 4 Monday	Cliff's	do G H Ashman	Carlton Place
Chathara	Phames	101	Every do	Forester's	do C F Chaster	Box 629, Chatham
Clinton	Sheffield	831	and 3 Thursday	S O E	do P W Watts	P O Box M, Clinton
Coloung	Coloung	2201	do 3 Thursday	L O E	do G L Cook	Coloung
Collingwood	Canterbury	342	do 4 Friday	Union	do G E Hawkes	Collingwood
Cornwall	Victoria	121	do 3 Wednesday	Sidley's	do John Sugden	Box 424, Cornwall
Deseronto	United Empire	1251	do 3 Friday	Masons	do Stephen Jarrett	Deseronto
Elgin	Marie Leach	2102	do 4 Friday	Towship	do E W Johnson	Elgin
Enhed	Holborn	2222	do 4 Monday	Temperance	do J F Harbut	Enfield
Exeter	Plymouth	631	do 3 do	I O F	do Capt G Kemp	Box 125, Exeter
Fargo	Order of Harwich	214	All. Tuesday from Jan 4	Foresters	do Thomas Knott	Box 37, Charing Cross
Forest	Britain	2341	and 3 Monday	Jones	do Henry O Lane	Forest
Fort William	Guildford	1112	do 4 do	S O E	do E E Reese	Fort William
Fruitland	Roseary	212	do 4 do	do	do A Has F Gardlet	Fruitland
Galt	Royal Oak	26	All. Tuesday from June 22	S O E	do Richard Barnes	Box 197, Galt
Gananoque	Canbria	1242	and 4 Tuesday	Roger	do R F Foster	Gananoque
Goderich	Liverpool	1402	do 4 Thursday	A O U W	do A Dymock	P O Box 17, Goderich
Gravenhurst	Dover	2171	do 3 Monday	Society	do E S Johnson	Gravenhurst
Grimsby	Great Grimsby	2171	do 3 Monday	Society	do E S Johnson	Grimsby
Guelpth	Royal City	732	do 4 Thursday	Toyle's	do H Bolton	Guelpth
Hamilton	Britannia	212	do 3 Tuesday	Victoria	do John Fisher	101 Oak avenue, Hamilton
do	Acorn	292	do 4 do	S O E	do W H Mason	117 East Ave N, Hamilton
do	Hearts of Oak	941	do 3 Thursday	Wentworth	do P W Watson	306 Victoria Ave N, do
do	Rose of England	1411	do 3 Wednesday	Queen's	do M E Hall	12 Mountain ave. west, do
do	Cornwall	1211	do 3 do	S O E	do Sawville Hill	213 Perseus Ave. S, do
do	Osborne	1222	do 4 Monday	Bricklayers	do J Maynard	429 King William street, do
do	Hamilton	1222	do 4 Wednesday	S O E	do H P Boucy	635 King street east, do
Kingston	St. George	1402	do 3 Tuesday	S O E	do J J Grand	Box 125, Kingston
Kintaville	Croydon	852	do 4 Tuesday	Odd Fellows	do A Ventross	Kintaville
Ingersoll	Imperial	1762	do 4 Thursday	A O F	do J W Culliss	Box 257, Ingersoll
Kingston	Leinster	332	do 3 Monday	S O E	do W H Crisp	699 Albert street, Kingston
Lakefield	Exeter	892	do 4 Tuesday	S O E	do C J Burgis	Box 72, Lakefield
Lambton Mills	Bradford	912	do 4 Thursday	I O F	do H Phillips	Lambton Mills
Lindsay	Westford	201	do 3 Tuesday	S O E	do John Way	Lindsay
Little York	Cambridge	54	All. Friday from June 25	Society	do W Harker	Coleman P.O.
Londeshoro	Londeshoro	1431	do 3 Friday	Foresters	do Albert E Brundon	Londeshoro
London	Chelsea	37	All. Friday from June 25	do	do Thus Spangius	261 1-2 Richmond st. London
do	Travalar	312	and 4 Friday	A O F	do Thomas May	173 Langarth street, do
do	British Lion	532	do 4 Wednesday	Victoria	do W H Thorne	529 King do do
do	Kenington	661	do 3 Thursday	Albert	do W Tyler	43 Saunby do do
do	British Oak	821	All. Thursday from June 24	Cullin's	do Andrew Lepper	High street, South London
do	Piccadilly	882	do 4 Wednesday	K of P	do Joseph Hoos	289 Matland street, do
do	Bereford	2092	do 4 Thursday	Odd Fellows	do P W Bayless	62 Waterloo do do
Merlin	Pride of England	231	Alternate Saturday	Foresters	do Jno C Dent	Merlin
Merritton	Union Jack	232	do 4 Monday	R T of P	do John Pullan	Box 92, Merritton
Midland	Cromwell	841	Monday	Forester's	do W E Swales	Midland
Milton	Milton	1721	do 3 Thursday	Hanstreet's	do W H Wilson	Milton West
Mitchell	Mitchell	1661	do 3 Monday	A O U W	do F C Ford	Mitchell
Newcastle	Newcastle	462	do 4 Tuesday	S O E	do W Groywood	Newcastle
Newtownville	New on	1662	do 4 Monday	Orange	do J W Bradley	Clarke
Niagara Falls	Niagara Falls	1662	do 3 Wednesday	S O E	do E H Cook	22 Elgin
North Toronto	Sherwood	709	do 4 Tuesday	Town	do D Robertson	Niagara Park, Toronto.
Orangeville	Northampton	932	do 4 do	S O E	do A Collier	Orangeville
Orillia	Rose of Couchiching	232	do 4 Monday	Orange	do W Swinton	Box 63, Orillia
Orondago	Cumberland	1671	do 3 Tuesday	Victoria	do A Blackstock	Box 111, Orondago
Oro	Wolverhampton	1282	do 4 Monday	S O E	do D T Allen	Box 120, Oro
Oshawa	Essex	4	All. Tuesday from June 22	S O E	do W S Rowden	Box 249, Oshawa
Ottawa	Berly	202	and 4 Tuesday	Victoria	do John Hunter	624 Maria street, Ottawa
do	Bowood	411	do 3 Friday	A O U W	do Joseph Berry	16 William street do
do	Stanley	552	do 4 Thursday	Wellington	do G G Folkes	Bank of Commerce, do
do	Albert	561	do 3 Tuesday	S O E	do W Short	35 Creighton street, do
do	Queen's Own	2332	do 4 Monday	Mooreland's	do J S Worsley	157 Percy street do
Owen Sound	Mistleton	862	and 4 Wednesday	I O F	do A W Manley	Owen Sound
Paris	Derbyshire	1571	All. Monday from June 28	S O E	do J Drewe	Paris
Pembroke	Black Prince	1371	and 3 Friday	Foresters	do W C Gresser	Pembroke
Pentanguishene	Maedonfield	1263	Tuesday	Workman's	do A C Andrews	Pentanguishene
Peterboro	Landowne	251	and 3 Monday	S O E	do H H Real	Peterboro
Petrola	Duke of Cornwall	182	do 4 Tuesday	Beaver	do John Reas	Box 205, Petrola
Port Arthur	Winchester	991	do 3 Thursday	K of P	do Thus H Fisher	Port Arthur
Port Hope	Durham	15	All. Wednesday from June 23	S O E	do J H Rosevar	Box 375, Port Hope
Port Perry	St. George	91	and 3 Tuesday	S O E	do T J Widdien	Port Perry
Rat Portage	Algona	197	All. Monday from Jan 10	Hilda	do H Webster	Box 47, Rat Portage
Ridgetown	Lancashire	1901	do 3 Wednesday	S O E	do Delaski Marr	Ridgetown
Roseau	Emping	1452	and 4 Monday	Orange	do W H West	West Grove P O
St. Catharines	Victory	173	do 3 Tuesday	A O F	do A L Wright	Box 305, St. Catharines
St. Thomas	Chester	182	do 4 Friday	A O F	do E W Trump	Box 1063, St. Thomas
do	Truro	621	do 3 Tuesday	East End Orange	do A Calver	Pacific House, St. Thomas
Sarnia	Friday	294	do 3 Friday	I O F	do Geo J May	Sarnia
Simcoe	Royal George	1302	do 4 Thursday	S O E	do J W Horton	Simcoe
Smith's Falls	Guelpth	1241	and 3 Monday	K of P	do A Cheeborough	Smith's Falls
Stratford	Queen Victoria	782	do 4 Monday	Shakespeare	do John Richards	Box 236, Stratford

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LOCATION.	LODGE.	No.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	PLACE OF MEETING.	SECRETARY'S NAME.	SECRETARY'S ADDRESS.	
Sudbury	Sudbury	168	do 3 Monday	Victoria	Hall	Arthur Evans	Sudbury
Thornbury	Lawlaw	141	do 3 Tuesday	Keats	do	Wm Geen	Thornbury
Toronto	Alton	11	do 3 Thursday	Shaftesbury	do	C E Smith	378 Parliament street, Toronto
do	Middlesex	2	do 4 Wednesday	McBean's	do	W H Syms	140 George avenue do
do	Kent	3	do 4 Monday	Shaftesbury	do	Charles Sims	57 Leonard do do
do	Brighton	61	do 3 Thursday	Avenue	do	James Baylis	107 Concord do do
do	Somerset	10	do 4 Thursday	Shaftesbury	do	W Pugh	108 London street do
do	Surrey	112	do 4 Monday	Bloor and Bathurst streets	do	R Clayton	241 Lippincott street do
do	Warsaw	132	do 4 Friday	Jackson's	Hall	W H Wilkes	29 Oxford ave do
do	Manchester	141	do 3 Monday	Winchester	do	Thos Jones	30 Price do do
do	St. George	27	do 3 do	Forum	do	C F Moorhouse	220 Queen street east do
do	London	32	do 4 Wednesday	East End Masonic	do	A Dimond	706 Gerrard do do
do	Stafford	32	do 4 Monday	St. George's, Queen Berkeley	do	Thos. Yeomans	315 Wilton ave do
do	Windsor	35	do 4 Tuesday	286 Ossington Ave.	do	S Rich	23 Woodley street do
do	Norfolk	37	Alt. Monday from Jan. 3, 1898	Society of Friends	do	W G Skeicher	426 Ossington avenue do
do	Richmond	65	do 4 Tuesday	West End Dominion	do	A E Porth	320 Dovercourt road do
do	Preston	67	do 4 Wednesday	Snafestary	do	W A Goile	47 St. Lawrence market do
do	Birmingham	69	do 3 Thursday	East End Dominion	do	A A Earl	1299 Queen street W do
do	St. Alban's	76	do 3 Wednesday	Shaftesbury	do	E S Grundy	73 Carlton do do
do	Rugby	80	do 4 Friday	do	do	W Barker	73 Carlton do do
do	Yorkville	81	do 4 Saturday	St. George's	do	J F Scott	47 Brunswick avenue do
do	Bristol	81	do 4 Tuesday	Shaftesbury	do	W E Swain	20 Brait street do
do	Hull	104	do 3 do	Occident	do	A Chapman	103 Victoria street do
do	Chatham	129	do 3 Monday	Shaftesbury	do	V T West	13 Markham Place do
do	Lichfield	142	do 4 do	Forum	do	J E A Wildman	122 First avenue do
do	Launceston	154	do 4 Monday	Jackson	do	J Bushell	641 Church street do
do	Shrewsbury	163	do 3 Thursday	Forum	do	J W Bryant	Swiss Laundry, 107 Simcoe, do
do	Clifton	163	do 3 Monday	Occident	do	A E Manning	62 Woodley street do
do	Cheltenham	178	do 4 Tuesday	Shaftesbury	do	C S Chalk	73 West Lodge avenue do
do	Hammesmith Commercial	183	do 4 Wednesday	East End Dominion	do	George Vennell	484 Page do do
do	Worcester	47	do 3 Thursday	Campbell's	do	W Harris	Box 368, Toronto Junction do
Toronto Junction	Temple Bar	215	do 3 Monday	S O E	do	F G Byam	Tyrene
Tyrene	Burns	218	do 3 Saturday	S O E	do	W W Jones	Allanville
Uxbridge	Buckingham	40	do 4 Tuesday	McGillivray's	do	H A Crossall	Uxbridge
Wallaceburg	Sydenham	232	do 4 do	Shaw's	do	R M Southgate	Wallaceburg
Welland	Welland	225	do 4 do	Orange	do	T Main	Welland
Weston	Leeds	42	do Friday	Public School	do	H Holdaway	32 Charles st., Toronto Junction
Whitby	Sussex	5	Alt. Friday from June 25	S O E	do	W Rolson	Box 236, Whitby
Windsor	Finance of Wales	52	do 4 Monday	Laird's	do	S S Watkinson	Box 680, Windsor
Woodstock	Torquay	102	do 4 Tuesday	G O F	do	G A Newton	Wingham
Wyoming	Bedford	211	do 3 Thursday	Imperial	do	E T Brett	Box 316, Woodstock
	Coronation	263	Alt. Friday from Jan. 7	Orange	do	F Parker	Wyoming
QUEREC.							
Capelton	Albert	114	and 3 Saturday	Albert	do	J G Cordy	Capelton
Hull	Trenton	161	do 2 Wednesday	S O E	do	Geo Harbutt	25 Brewey Creek
Lachine	Royal Rose	147	do 3 do	St. Stephen's Church	do	F Goucher	Box 30, Lachine Locks
Lennoxville	Clarence	132	do 4 Thursday	S O E	do	W H Perry	Lennoxville
Montreal	Excelsior	62	do 4 Wednesday	Craig St.	do	Wm. Field	29 Metcalfe avenue, St. Henri
do	Yorkshire	39	do 3 Friday	Chatham St.	Hall	B T Sellers	132 St. Gabriel street, Turcot
do	Victoria's Jubilee	41	do 4 do	Fraternity, Pt. St. Charles	do	John P Hartley	711 Wellington do Montreal
do	Denbigh	41	do 4 do	2291 St. Catherine St.	do	W Wynn Hayes	21 Charon do Pt. St. Charles
do	Britannic	96	Alt. Wednesday from Jan. 5	Unity	Hall	W Wynn Hayes	681 Wellington do Pt. St. Charles
do	Britannic	130	do 3 Friday	St. Philip's sur	do	John Croxon	621 Wellington do Montreal
do	Monarch	121	do 3 Friday	St. Mary's Schoolroom	do	F G Evans	36 Robelard st., Hochelaga
do	Cardigan	206	do 4 Monday	Unity	Hall	F G Withers	229 St. Catherine st., Montreal
do	Fidelity	172	do 4 Thursday	New Rockland	do	Jacob Davies	Box 6, New Rockland
do	Richmond	122	do 4 Saturday	Old Fellows	do	Thos H Harger	Richmond
do	Gloucester	103	do 4 Tuesday	Odell's	do	Alfred Tester	East Sherbrooke
do	Lincoln	152	do 4 Thursday	St. Barnabas	do	G Fred Anerum	St. Lambert, P Q
do	Westmount	221	2, 3 and 4 Friday	Elm	do	S Barker	4209 Western ave., Westmount, P Q
BRITISH COLUMBIA.							
Chilliwack	Chilliwack	191	and 3 Saturday	Munro	do	S Mellard	Chilliwack
New Westminster	Rose of Columbia	115	do 4 Tuesday	Orange	do	T Haylock	New Westminster
Nelson	Nelson's Queen	241	do 4 Monday	K of P	do	Chas H Farrow	Nelson, B.C.
Vancouver	Wilborforce	77	do 3 Monday	K of P	do	Gregory H. Tom	316 Barnard street, Vancouver
do	Western Jubilee	27	do 3 Thursday	Masonic	do	T H Cross	1043 Howe st., Vancouver, B.C
Victoria	Alexandra	116	do 4 Thursday	A O U W	do	J G Taylor	Chak Bay avenue, Victoria
do	Pride of the Island	131	do 3 Tuesday	do	do	H T Gravlin	Hulth street, Victoria
MANITOBA.							
Alexander	Ivy	212	and 3 Wednesday	Masonic	do	John Farden	Box 72, Alexander
Brandon	Brandon	174	do 3 Tuesday	C O F	do	C A Smith	Box 350 Brandon
Carman	Manitota	181	do 3 Thursday	Old Fellows'	do	N E Mitchell	Box 79, Carman
Hamiota	White Oak	238	do 3 do	Orange	do	A E Connell	Hamiota
Morden	Anglo-Saxon	175	do 3 Monday	Dufferin	do	Arnold W Bowen	Morden
Rathwell	Holly	198	do 3 Wednesday	Ens. J. Cole's House	do	Thos Wainway	Rathwell
Russell	Queen of the West	230	and 3 Monday	Fosterers	do	M E Davis	Barnardo
Selkirk	Runnymede	155	do 3 Tuesday	S O E	do	Rev C E Littlef	Selkirk
Viridon	Sunderland	187	do 4 Monday	Foresters'	do	J F C Minlove	Box 715, Viridon
Winnipeg	Westward Ho	281	do 4 Saturday	S O E	do	Joseph Harrisob	Box 625, Winnipeg
do	Neptune	144	do 4 Friday	Foresters'	do	H R Scrimmes	373 Flora avenue do
do	Shakespeare	164	do 4 Monday	S O E	do	Fred Clark	347 College do do
ASSINIBOIA.							
Moosomin	King Alfred	211	and 3 Tuesday	Masonic	do	A Pogson	Moosomin
Regina	Empress of West.	177	do 3 Wednesday	Odd Fellow's	do	A Clowinton	Regina
ALBERTA.							
Calgary	United Roses	117	do 3 Thursday	Madison Block	do	W R Winter	Calgary
do	Calgary	240	do 4 Monday	Odd Fellow's	Hall	Owen H Bott	do
PRINCE E. ISLAND.							
Charlottetown	Eton	148	and 3 Thursday	S. O. E.	do	A T Newson	Charlottetown
NOVA SCOTIA.							
Dartmouth	Dartmouth	228	do 4 Thursday	U P C	do	George Hutchinson	Canal street, Dartmouth
New Glasgow	Kenilworth	149	Alt. Saturday from Jan. 8	S O E	do	A E Feney	Box 411, New Glasgow
Halifax	Halifax	150	and 3 Tuesday	Maling's	do	W Taylor	Merkles st., Merklefield, Halifax
do	Chelneto	223	do 3 Thursday	College	do	W Reeves	3 Willow street Halifax
do	Springhill Mines	128	Alt. Friday from Jan. 8	S O E	do	Arthur Cook	Springhill do
Stellarton	Worthing	229	Alt. Wednesday from May 18	Grant's	do	George H Burden	Stellarton
Westville	Forest of Dean	192	Alt. Saturday from Jan. 1	McGregor's	do	G Cross	Westville
NEW BRUNSWICK.							
Fredericton	Island	151	do 4 Thursday	Church of England	do	A D Thomas	Fredericton
Moncton	Shaftesbury	208	do 4 Tuesday	Old Fellows'	do	C E Norton	Moncton
St. John	Marlborough	207	do 4 Thursday	Gordon Division	do	Charles Ledford	21 Richmond street, St John
Stanley	Rose of Stanley	160	do 3 Monday	Temperance	do	T S Tupper	Stanley, York County
NEWFOUNDLAND.							
St. John's	Dudley	227	do 4 Tuesday	Temperance	do	R H Parsons	Box 846, St. John's
Harbor Grace	Diamond Jubilee	236	and 3 Wednesday	British	do	N Davis	Harbor Grace



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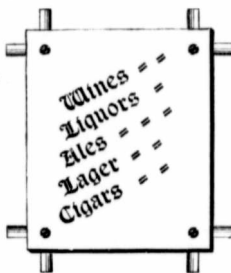
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Men are educated in its lodges: in the principles of worthy manhood; in the duties which they owe to their Queen and Country, and the privileges they enjoy under British Rule; in brotherly love and in the happiness of giving benevolence and aid to those in distress; in forethought by preparing for a time when sickness may interfere with their daily work; in the duty of providing for their family after death. In addition to these objects of practical advantage there is the pleasure of joining in social enjoyment with brothers of the same blood and kinship, all met for the same patriotic purposes, glorying in the great history of our Nation and united for its well being and advancement. Every lodge of the Sons of England is a centre of National enthusiasm, and offers a loyal and patriotic association, which is obtainable in no other society.

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Membership in the Society is now open to all those who were either themselves born in, or are descendants either through their father's side or through their mother's side, of ancestors born in England, Wales, Isle of Man, or the Channel Isles. It is a further requisite to membership that applicants shall pass a medical examination, certifying that they are in sound health, and be of good moral character. They and their wives must be Protestants.

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