

FIRST YEAR

## THE BRIGHT, NEWSY, UP-TO-DATE NEW WEEKLY PAPER

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOLD A BIG INITIATION

Brethren From Different Parts of Province.

#### THE CHURCH PARADE

Sermon Delivered by Rev. Father Handley, of Kingston.

Monday the citizens of Lindsay witnessed a great rally of Knights of Columbus, one of the few secret organizations endorsed and fostered by the Roman Catholic church, and of which many of the clergy are honor members.

The convention was held under the auspices of Lindsay Council No. 1,24, K. of C., and was called for the purpose of initiating a large class of candidates desiring admittance into the Order. Brethren were here from many parts of Canada, and a number came from U. S. points, arriving by special and regular trains in the morning. In all there were about 300 visitors, many of whom were the guests of friends, the others finding excellent accommodation at the local hotels.

#### PARADED TO MASS.

At 9 a.m. the brethren and candidates assembled at the rooms of Lindsay Council in the Parish hall and marched in procession to St. Mary's church, where the centre seats had been reserved for them. High mass was celebrated by Ven. Archdeacon Casey. The music by the choir was especially pleasing, Miss Mary Flurey, contralto, Mr. Jack Hurler, basso, and Mr. Jas. Gillogly, jr., tenor, taking solos with marked effect.

#### THE SERMON.

The sermon to the Knights was delivered by Rev. Fr. Handley, Rector of St. Mary's, Kingston, and was a masterly effort. The text was a suitable one—"Let us work good to all men, but particularly to those who are of the household of the faithful"—St. Paul to the Galatians, 6-10.

The speaker said he would be wanting in gratitude did he not preface his remarks with an expression of his deep appreciation of the honor paid him in inviting him to address the Knights of Columbus of Lindsay and their numerous guests on this happy occasion. He wished to tender to them his hearty congratulations on having so strong a Council of the Order. It is a true Catholic Society, and your presence here at this mass is an expression of your faith and of your willingness to defend it.

Let me ask you to consider the aims and objects of this Society, which are so aptly expressed in the words of the text just read. Who will question the benefits of organization? Consider the condition of the laborer and mechanic to-day as compared with that of a few years ago? True,

there are faults and evils to be found in many organizations, but they must be traced to other sources than the mere banding together of men for legitimate objects. We see the evil effects of organization of another kind—that directed against the Church of Christ. It is the tendency of the day to cast aside the claims of the church—men are so busily engaged in pursuit of wealth that no attention is paid to the welfare of the soul. Passions are given full sway.

It is the aim of the Knights of Columbus to promote and spread the influence of the church. It was the aim of knighthood in the middle ages to protect the church and defend the oppressed. These must still be the aims of all Knights of Columbus—we must be brave. Are we ever ungrateful to Almighty God that we have been called to the light of the true faith? We are too often cowardly—we should see to it that the rights of the church and its individual members are better protected. There is too often a woeful lack of public spirit. The true Catholic Knight should be willing to suffer for the cause, and be ever ready to fly to its defence. If you are tempted to become disloyal you should recall the words of Christ, "Whoever shall deny me before men, I shall deny before my Father in Heaven."

The apostles, having received from Christ the command to preach His gospel, set out at once to fulfil their mission. There was no thought of danger when it was a question of saving souls, and the early history of the church shows how faithfully they performed their mission. Well did they understand the words of the Master, "Blessed are they who suffer persecution for my sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." These days of open persecution are passed away—to-day we are in the enjoyment of civil and religious liberty. To-day it is a question of example and influence on those not of our faith.

Knights of Columbus, remember the obligations you assume in joining the Order. Co-operate with your pastors and live up to the teachings of your Knightly order. Live up to the teachings of your faith, and you will be following the commandment of St. Paul in the text.

#### TAKING THE DEGREES.

After mass the Knights marched in procession to the town hall, which had been beautifully decorated by Messrs. Turner, of Peterboro. The first degree was put on before dinner, the second degree in the afternoon, and the third degree in the evening, the proceedings closing with a banquet at about 1 a.m. this morning. Many of the visitors left by special trains between 1.30 and 2 o'clock, the others taking their departure during the day. Among the more prominent Knights present were J. P. Dunn, Ogdensburg, N.Y.; J. A. Chisholm, Cornwall; D. O'Connell, Peterboro; Dr. Dolan, Belleville; J. O'Leary, Kingston; J. Corkery, Peterboro; J. Mallon, Toronto; W. J. Lee, Toronto; T. Doherty, Hamilton.

### Police Court Held in Council Chamber

WELL KNOWN YOUNG MAN FINED FOR SELLING LIQUOR TO A MINOR.

Court was held on Tuesday in the Council chamber amid unusual surroundings. The court room was gaily decked with bunting and signs of welcome all over the walls. Magistrate Jackson, however, did not give a very cordial welcome to those who appeared before him.

A popular young man of the town appeared before his Worship on the charge of supplying liquor to a person under 21 years of age, contrary to the Liquor Act. The accused pleaded guilty, and His Worship gave him a severe talking to about his habits. The minimum fine of \$10.00 and costs was imposed, which amounted to \$13.00.

Another young man who was with the accused, was called as a witness. Magistrate Jackson gave him a lecture concerning his self pride, telling him that he had all the chances in the world to make good if he would only try.

### Switchman Had Part Of Finger Taken Off

WAS TESTING A NEW SWITCH—FINGER TAKEN OFF TO THE FIRST JOINT.

While installing a switch near the Grand Trunk station Saturday, Mr. Jas. O'Neill, a sectionman, had the misfortune to lose part of his second finger.

Mr. O'Neill, with the assistance of Mr. Mitchell was performing the work. They had the switch set up in its proper place when Mr. O'Neill put his second finger into an opening of the switch to see if certain parts were working properly. Mr. Mitchell then threw over the switch, not knowing that it would work, and this caused the two pieces of iron to come together on Mr. O'Neill's finger.

Mr. O'Neill's finger was cut off clean at the first joint and he was hurriedly conveyed to the residence of Dr. Jeffers, G.T.R. surgeon, who dressed the wound. It will be some time before Mr. O'Neill will be able to use his finger.

### THE 'CAMPAIGNERS' AND THE WORKERS

GREAT LIBERAL RALLY.

One of the most successful meetings in the annals of the Liberal party in West Victoria was held Saturday evening in their committee rooms, William-st. The hall was crowded with interested voters, who were anxious to hear the candidate express himself on the questions of the day.

The chair was occupied by Mr. Walter Reesor, and he called upon Mr. E. Anderson, a student at Toronto University for a few remarks. "Ernie" delivered one of the best political speeches ever made by a young man on any platform in this county. The speaker compared the records of the Ross and Whitney governments. He pointed out in a clear manner that the Ross government had nothing proven against them by the Whitney government. He also showed that the Whitney government had broken their promises without thought or consideration of the people. Mr. Anderson was loudly applauded when he resumed his seat.

The candidate, Mr. Thomas Stewart, was next called upon, and he delivered a fighting speech against the Whitney government. Mr. Stewart dealt with the question of the Agricultural schools, and explained clearly the attitude that he took towards them. The matter was brought up before the Board of Education, the members of which left the matter of accepting the school in abeyance until they could see whether the county would help support the Agricultural school here. When it was found out that the county councillors were willing to vote the sum of money required, the Board of Education then accepted the school.

Mr. Stewart then dealt with the giving of \$130,000 to the LaRose people, pointing out that the Whitney government were either cheating the province or the LaRose people out of a large sum of money. If the LaRose people owned the mine, why, then, the Province of Ontario was keeping something that did not belong to them. If the Ontario government had a right to the mine, the LaRose people were not entitled to one cent from the government.

The speaker then dealt with the cheap school book question, showing that the government were only holding a remnant sale to oblige the Canada Publishing Co., and to take \$100,000 worth of dead stock off their hands.

Mr. Stewart next reviewed the other public questions of the day, showing clearly that the Whitney government had failed utterly in their promises to the people. The candidate was heartily cheered at the conclusion of his vigorous address.

Mr. R. J. McLaughlin was the last speaker, and dealt with a few general questions of the day. He pointed out to the people that it was their duty to support a capable man, such as Thomas Stewart.

The meeting closed with hearty cheers. If a large attendance and enthusiasm count for success in a political campaign, Mr. Stewart must certainly have felt proud Saturday evening.

### GOING OUTSIDE ITS SPHERE.

(Weekly Sun.)

A short time ago the announcement was made that the Dominion Government had in contemplation the establishment of an experimental farm in Prince Edward Island. In the House of Commons last week a statement was made by the Hon. Mr. Fisher, which indicates an intention not only to establish such a farm in Prince Edward Island, but to create other like establishments in Quebec, Saskatchewan, and Alberta.

Against this whole Dominion farm policy The Sun desires to once more enter a most emphatic protest. The creation of such institutions is a direct violation of one of the soundest sections of the British North America Act, that which leaves control of education to the Provincial Legislatures. It also involves duplication and waste, since Provincial farms have been created by the Provinces of Ontario, Manitoba, and Nova Scotia, and in Quebec the work the Province should have undertaken has been carried through by an individual.

The Dominion Department of Agriculture can perform a useful service by stimulating inter-Provincial trade in live stock and in pushing the sale of agricultural products abroad. Its work in this respect will be all the more effective if it refrains from expending its energies in a field which the constitution has allotted to Provincial control.

Messrs. Hendry & Co., of Toronto, recently fitted our public schools with a new supply of maps of Asia, Africa, South America, Europe, the British Isles, United States and Canada. Pupils will now have no valid excuse to offer for not knowing their whereabouts with respect to the world at large.

### FREIGHT CARS WRECKED MONDAY NEAR BRECHIN

Track Torn Up for Over Fifty Yards.

CAUSE IS UNKNOWN

Lindsay Men on Train—No One Hurt—Cause Unknown.

About two miles west of Brechin Monday afternoon a wreck occurred on the Midland division of the G.T.R., which caused considerable damage and held up the railway for some time.

The freight train, under Conductor Felix Gassien, of Lindsay, was going west when the wreck occurred, but the cause is still a mystery to the railway officials. They were moving along at a fast rate when suddenly the train pulled apart at the middle, and the first nine cars of the second half of the train went off the track.

The track was torn up for about fifty yards and the rails were bent into every form imaginable. The ties were dug up and the whole line for about seventy yards is utterly useless. Nine cars loaded with grain were tipping over the embankment on both sides of the track. Some turned upside down, others fell on their sides, and some of them were badly smashed. The axles and wheels were all bent and twisted, and it is not likely that the cars will ever be put into commission again. The ground where the wreck took place is very swampy, and the grain is scattered all over the adjoining vicinity.

The freight train was a double header pulled by engines Nos. 1501 and 238. Mr. Edward Golding, of

Lindsay, was the engineer on the first, and Mr. W. Chambers, of this town, was on the second. The engines went on ahead with the first few cars before the accident was noticed.

The conductor immediately sent word to Lindsay and soon two auxiliary crews, one from Allandale, and the other from Lindsay, appeared on the scene.

The Midland to Blackwater train soon came along and was held back for over an hour until an engine and two coaches came down the other way. The baggage and express were soon changed and the passengers were assisted through the wreckage to the other train. The auxiliary crews worked hard, and great credit is due to them for the rapidity in which the change of baggage and express was made from one train to the other.

This is the first wreck that has ever occurred in the vicinity of Brechin. Conductor Gassien is noted for being one of the most careful conductors on the road, and the accident is not attributed to carelessness on his part.

Dispatcher Kingsley was seen by a Free Press reporter this morning, and he stated that the cause of the wreck remained a mystery. An investigation would be made, but in the meantime nothing could be said regarding it.

#### THE LOSS.

The G.T.R. will suffer considerable from this wreck. Besides the loss of the freight cars, which can never be used again, the loss of grain must be considerable. Some of the grain might be saved, but most of it is useless. It is expected that some of the G.T.R. officials will be down to-day, when an estimate of the loss will be made.

The auxiliary crews are still at work on the wreckage, but it will be some time before it is cleared up and the line of railway repaired.

## Marvellous Growth of The Vast British Empire

AN AREA OF 11,223,000 SQ. MILES, A POPULATION OF 327,991,000.

The marvellous growth of the population and of the trade and commerce of the British Empire, and its wonderful productiveness, are concisely set forth in a report recently issued by the British Board of Trade.

With a total area of 11,223,000 square miles, the Empire possesses a population of 327,991,000. England, of course, is the most densely peopled portion of the Empire, its population being 34.5 to the square mile. The most sparsely peopled portion is Australia, with but 1.5 to the square mile. Canada coming next with 1.6. London still leads by a long way all the cities of the empire, as well as of the world, in population, with 4,752,215. Bombay following, a long distance behind, with 982,000, and Calcutta, with 955,926. Of the Canadian cities Montreal is still first in population, having 405,000, while Sydney leads the Australian cities with 538,000.

The figures as to trade volume are stupendous. The foreign and inter-imperial trade of the empire last year reached in value the total of \$7,438,164,420, of which \$5,500,467,100 represented foreign trade, and the remainder inter-imperial trade. The United States was the empire's best customer, purchasing last year \$800,000,000 worth of British and colonial products and manufactures. France, with \$333,000,000, comes next; then

follows Germany, \$260,000,000; Holland, \$195,000,000; Belgium, \$166,000,000, and Russia, \$146,000,000.

The figures as to shipping show the extent to which the British empire leads all other nations on the seas, apart altogether from her fighting navy. The tonnage in 1906 of shipping cleared in the United Kingdom from and to all British colonies and possessions reached the enormous total of 6,298,979 tons, against a grand total of all other countries of 7,550,080. It was also a busy year in ship-building in the empire, 1,100,000 tons of steam vessels having been built in the United Kingdom, 7,634, at Hong Kong (which is the second largest port in the world, in point of tonnage of vessels entered, London being first by about 17,000 tons, and Liverpool third), and 5,823 tons in Canada.

Wonderful indeed has been the growth of production and productiveness of the empire during the decade 1896 to 1906. For instance, the production of cotton increased from 910,805,000 pounds to 1,971,894,000 pounds; wool, from 820,533,000 to 1,038,158,000 pounds; wheat, from 322,500,000 bushels to 528,900,000 bushels; tea, from 265,410,000 pounds to 413,603,000 pounds; coal, from 208,273,000 tons to 284,255,000 tons; oats, from 280,500,000 bushels to 353,000,000 bushels; pig iron, from 8,713,000 tons to 10,644,000 tons; gold, from \$55,000,000 to \$250,000,000; diamonds, from \$20,000,000 to \$45,000,000; while throughout the entire list of products there have been proportionate increases.

### Steamer Kathleen Runs Excursion

The Kathleen conveyed an excursion to Fenelon Falls Monday. The boat was crowded to its fullest capacity, and the people report a very enjoyable time. Many got off the steamer at the Point, while about 100 continued their journey to the Falls.

Another excursion was also run to Sturgeon Point per steamer Manita. Many availed themselves of this opportunity to spend a quiet holiday with nature. It is estimated that fully 1,500 people left Lindsay yesterday to spend the holiday elsewhere.

### Driver Injured in a Runaway Saturday

BIT AND BRIDLE ON A HORSE BROKE—ANIMAL BECAME FRIGHTENED.

While the driver of Fluery's grocery wagon, Mr. Herb. Ingram, was making his rounds on Saturday night in the north ward, the bit and the bridle of the horse suddenly snapped. The driver lost control of the horse and the frightened animal bolted forward. It dashed down Albert-st. to Kent, and while running in the direction of the store was caught by Mr. Robinson, who stopped the runaway by driving his horse in front of it. The wagon was not at all damaged, but the driver was thrown from the wagon at the corner of Kent and Albert-sts. and sustained severe bruises about his legs and arms.

### Peterboro Man Shot At On Monday Night

BULLET PASSED THROUGH HIS CHRISTIE—POLICE MAKE INVESTIGATION.

Peterboro, May 25.—While going home last night an Auburn resident was shot at by a hidden assailant, the bullet passing through his Christie. The gentleman hurried home and telephoned for the police, but no trace of the would-be assassin was found. The gentleman who was attacked heard a shot in the direction of a near-by wood and at the same moment a bullet passed through his hat just above the band.

### Had His Head Badly Cut While Diving

MASTER JACK GROZELLE WAS INJURED MONDAY—STRUCK ROCK BOTTOM.

While swimming in Sucker Creek Monday, Master Jack Grozelle cut his head severely. He was enjoying his first plunge this year, and he thought he would like to try some mid-air diving. He got up on a piece of rock several feet higher than the bank and dove into the waters below. He happened to strike bottom, which is of solid rock, and he cut a long gash in his head. He was taken to Dr. White, where his wound was dressed. He will have to wear a bandage over the wound for several days.

### This Ottawa Man Was Not Lover-like to Spouse

ASSAULTED WIFE WITH A SHOVEL—ACCUSED OF POISONING HER.

(Special to Free Press.) Ottawa, Ont., May 26th.—Mrs. Rosario Montague took some soup which disagreed with her, and suspecting her husband had been trying to poison her took it to a drug store to be analyzed. She told this in court this morning. Pulling up the sleeve of her waist to the shoulder she showed where her arm was black, through her husband, Frank Montague, celebrating Victoria Day by assaulting her with a shovel. When she went to the police station he cut her head to pieces with a knife, and she produced the knife in court to-day. Montague was sent to jail without the option of a fine. When he comes out he will be bound over to keep the peace.

#### THE CHERRY'S CHANCE.

Ah, little cherry,  
On the tree;  
Soon in the cocktail  
You will be.  
—Detroit Free Press.

Nay, little cherry  
On the tree;  
Soon in the birdie  
You will be.  
—Chicago Record-Herald.

Poor little birdie!  
Boy with gun,  
Sabbath school lesson  
Not much fun.  
—Lindsay Free Press.

### Big Day at Omeme Games and Sports Held

SPLENDID PROGRAM OF EVENTS GIVEN MONDAY.

A large crowd attended the day of sports at Omeme Monday and report a good time. The five mile race was won by "Pink" Preston, of the local Y.M.C.A., and he made the distance in 29 min. 30 sec. The prize was a silver cup donated by Col. Sam Hughes, and it has to be run for three years before it becomes the property of the winner.

In the 100 yards class another Y.M.C.A. boy, R. Murray, carried off the first prize. Among the number who J. J. attended from Lindsay were J. J. Thompson, physical director, J. Fee, J. Baldwin, L. Blackwell, S. Perrin, Graham, E. Brown, Stinson Bros. and Bryans.

### OBITUARY NOTICES.

MRS. MINNIE HAMMOND.

About 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, at the home of Mr. Hammond, Lindsay-st., there passed away, in the person of Mrs. Minnie Hammond, one of Lindsay's most highly esteemed citizens. Her death will be learned with deep regret by all who knew her. Mrs. Hammond was 33 years of age, and came from Urbridge. The funeral took place from her late home on Lindsay-st. south to the Riverside cemetery at 2.30 Tuesday afternoon.

### Col. Sowton's Talk At The S. A. Barracks

SALVATION WORK IN MANY PARTS OF THE WORLD DESCRIBED.

At the Salvation Army barracks Saturday night, Col. Sowton, second in command of the Salvation Army in Canada, gave an excellent address before a large audience, his subject being "Under the Colors in Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Iceland." Norway, he said, was the fishing country of the world, the fish being mostly salmon and cod. He then spoke of the roughness of the country, the people having to cut through solid rock. On the new railway, he said, there were 29 tunnels through hills and mountains. He then spoke of the lovely country to be seen in Sweden and of the first railway built there. After he had been there four years he left for the United States, where he worked among the dives in Cincinnati for a time.

Later on he visited Iceland and Denmark, the latter being the produce market of the eastern countries. Closing, he spoke of the prosperous work of the Salvation Army throughout these different countries, the people of which he hoped to find ready to receive salvation when he visited them again.

### Bill Posters Meet in City of Peterboro

ABOUT 500 MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION THERE—ALL HOTELS FILLED.

About 500 bill posters gathered in Peterboro Monday, when they held their annual meeting at the Grand Opera House. The members of the Association come from all over Ontario and an enthusiastic meeting was held. All of the hotels in Peterboro were filled, and many of the visiting members had to stay at private boarding houses.

Several speeches were delivered by the managers of different bill posting firms. Bee-keepers' Association. The Bee-keepers' Association met Monday afternoon and elected their officers. Mr. Jas. Storer was elected president and A. H. Noble secretary. The president and several other members addressed the meeting on the methods of making bees a financial success. The meeting was attended by about fifteen bee-keepers from different parts of the county.

### Haliburton Citizen Makes Big Discovery

INVENTS NEW EXPLOSIVE SUPERIOR TO DYNAMITE OR GLYCERINE.

Mr. E. J. Holmes, of Haliburton, claims to have discovered a new explosive that is not only very powerful, but absolutely safe for transportation, as well as inexpensive.

Mr. Holmes and his friends have every confidence in the discovery and do not hesitate to place a quantity of the powder—for a powder it is—upon a rock, floor, ground, and set fire to it with a match, where it will slowly burn. They will also pound it with a maul or eat it and say it is perfectly harmless until excluded from the air and reached by an electric spark or fire from a fuse. The climate has no effect upon it, neither has the lapse of time, and it is evidently destined to become the best known and most used explosive for blasting purposes, if not for heavy firing guns, throughout the world.

A company is formed to promote the new enterprise, consisting of the discoverer and Messrs. Robt. Cain, Henry Brohn and Wm. Hudgins, of Haliburton, R. E. Southby, of Port Hope, and Mr. Cowan, of Toronto, all of whom were present and saw the demonstration on Tuesday evening of last week.

The new explosive is covered by patent for all Canada and patents are being applied for covering all other countries.

### Tug Was Launched On Saturday Evening

WAS CHRISTENED THE ARTHUR C.—NOW READY FOR SERVICE.

Mr. J. Carew launched Saturday evening at 5 o'clock the "Arthur C.," one of the strongest and best built tugs on the river. She is built of oak and rock elm.

The captain, Mr. W. R. Hamilton, of Bobcaygeon, expects that the trial trip will be run on Thursday next, after which his crew will leave for the lower lakes.

### Committee Prepare for the Conference

Conference committee met Monday afternoon to arrange for the billeting of the ministers while here for the conference. The conference is expected to be one of the most successful ever held in Lindsay.