

Annual Meeting of County Lodge

Most Successful Meeting of County Orange Lodge for Many Years

The County Orange lodge met in the Adams block on Tuesday. The County Master, Mr. Wm. Thornbury, presiding.

There was a large attendance of representatives from all parts of the county and much interest was manifested in the proceedings.

Among those present were: Bros. Wm. Cottingham, Omamee; Robt. W. Wilson, Omamee; L. Deyman, Fenelon Falls; F. J. Aldous, Fenelon Falls; John T. Thompson, Fenelon Falls; S. P. Mills, Omamee; W. Williams, Omamee; J. J. Fee, Omamee; Wm. Gamble, Bury's Green; Geo. Brook's, Bury's Green; J. J. Williams, Omamee; J. A. Elliott, Dunstons; J. Bowins, Cobcoconk; Albert Hore, Pleasant Point; A. E. Stinson, Omamee; J. G. Beatty, Emily; Wm. Manning, Cambray; John Oakley, Cambray; Hugh Elliott, Dunstons; J. D. Copeland, Valentia; Henry Copeland, Valentia; James Courtney, Emiland, Valentia; J. Patrick, Dunstons; J. Barry, Hartley; F. G. Sanderson, Dunstons; R. McFadyen, Sonya; R. Wallace, Dunstons; J. Wallace, Pleasant Point; J. J. Vout, Dunstons; John Kelly, Lindsay; Wm. Thornbury, Lindsay; Wm. Warren, Lindsay; J. W. Elliott, Verulam; R. R. Elliot, Lindsay; Jos. Brown, Lindsay; J. W. Wallace, Lindsay; A. Marshall, Lindsay; R. J. Moore, Lindsay; Thos. Williams, Lindsay; Wm. McWatters, Lindsay.

The morning session was chiefly occupied with the reception of the officers' reports and the appointment of the various committees, and at noon the lodge adjourned until one o'clock for dinner, and to enable the committees to get to work.

Resuming at the appointed time, reports were presented by the various committees, showing the largest attendance in years, and the condition of the order throughout the county to be most flourishing.

It was decided that the different districts should be empowered to celebrate the anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne at such place as each may see fit.

A resolution of regret at the death of the late Bro. Wm. Henderson, a past officer of the county lodge, was adopted.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—
County Master—J. W. Elliott, of Verulam.
Past County Master—Wm. Thornbury.

Deputy County Master—Wm. Manning, of Cambray.
County Chaplain—R. R. Elliot.
County Secretary—John Kelly.
County Financial Secretary—W. Vout, of Dunstons.

County Treasurer—Jos. Brown.
County Lecturers—1st, S. Oliver, Lindsay; 2nd, W. Stinson, Omamee; 3rd, W. Bowins, Cobcoconk.
County Director of Ceremonies—W. Warren.

The officers were installed by Past County Master Cottingham of Emily, after which stirring and enthusiastic addresses were delivered by a number of delegates.

The lodge then turned its attention to routine business, concluding thus one of the most successful meetings that has been held for many years.

They're Going After the Lake Trade

The Grand Trunk and Northern Navigation Get Together

"From now on the Northern Navigation Company will be known as the Grand Trunk route," said Mr. C. H. Nicholson, general traffic manager of the steamship company, to the Globe lately. "The company," he continued "does not lose its identity. Relations with the other railroads will continue as before, but as regards eastern business there will be a close interest with the Grand Trunk railway and our company, very close, indeed."

At the annual meeting in Collingwood on Jan. 25 the shareholders of the Northern Navigation Company elected Mr. W. E. Davies, a Grand Trunk passenger and traffic official as a representative on the board. Terminal stations, which Mr. Nicholson claims, will not be surpassed by any city or company on the great lakes, will be built at Sarnia as soon as possible. In conjunction with this the railroad company will run a special train from Toronto to Sarnia to connect with the boats, the train to be known as the lake line special.

This new move on the part of the Grand Trunk has been entered into because of the keen competition on the lakes between the company and the C. P. R. They have thus done away with the necessity of building a fleet of their own. The opening up of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Port Arthur next summer has made it im-

perative that something be done in securing an adequate lake service for the summer. The connections with the boats at Sarnia by the special train will be absolutely sure, as the boats will be held till its arrival at the docks and vice versa.

Obituary

MERTILLA ELIDA CLAPP.

The death occurred Wednesday of Mertilla Elida Clapp, beloved wife of Mr. F. R. Holmes, Russel-st., in her 43rd year. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes have lived in Lindsay for a year, coming from the town of Renfrew. During that time the deceased has been confined to her bed with illness, until death came upon her at an early hour this morning. The late Mrs. Holmes leaves no family to mourn her loss. The funeral will take place from the residence to Riverside cemetery at 2.30 p.m. on Friday. Rev. Mr. Wilson, of Cambridge-st. Methodist church, will conduct the funeral service.

Wedding Bells

SPROULE-TAYLOR

"The Maples" the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Taylor, of Derryville, was the scene on Wednesday afternoon of the marriage of their eldest daughter, Miss Mary H., to Mr. Percy L. Sproule, of Mariposa. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. H. V. Mounter, Methodist clergyman about one hundred guests being present. The bride wore a Princess gown of white silk, and carried a shower bouquet of lily of the valley and fern. The bridesmaid was Miss Etta Taylor, and Mr. Roy Sproule was best man.

Funeral of Father Twomey

The funeral of the late Rev. Father Twomey, of Belleville, took place in that city on Tuesday and was attended by a large number of citizens of Lindsay of all classes. About sixty priests from the Archdiocese of Kingston and diocese of Peterboro were present, including His Grace Archbishop Gauthier and His Lordship Bishop O'Connor. The requiem mass was chanted by the Archbishop of Kingston and Rev. Father Mea, of Reyiopolis College, preached a masterly sermon. The remains of the dead priest were interred in a vault in the centre of the southern entrance directly under the tower. Rev. Father Collins, of Lindsay, a former curate of St. Michael's church, Belleville, was one of the clergy present.

Blessing of Throats

The ceremony of the blessing of throats took place to-day at St. Mary's church, the feast of St. Blaise, a bishop and martyr of the early days of the church. An old tradition holds that prior to entering the religious life Blaise was a physician at Sebaste in Armenia. After he had been made prelate of the same city, he was taken prisoner and condemned for being a Christian. Tradition tells that he cured a boy who was choking from a fish bone in his throat and for this reason his help is invoked against all diseases of the throat. During the prayer recited at the ceremony of the blessing the priest holds two lighted crossed candles at the throat of the applicant for the blessing.

Bigelow vs. Grand Trunk

Bigelow vs. Grand Trunk—Mr. G. A. Bigelow purchased a ticket for his son from California to Lindsay, for sixty-five dollars, but the Southern Pacific refused to honor it, and collected six dollars and forty cents more, which Mr. Bigelow sued to recover in the division court.

It appeared the Southern Pacific had raised their rates, but had failed to notify the Grand Trunk. Mr. Widdess enquired from Toronto before selling the ticket and was given the rate. The case was hotly contested as a matter of principle. His Honor Judge McMillan gave judgment for the plaintiff, holding there was no mistake in selling the ticket and that the Grand Trunk should look to the Southern Pacific. G. H. Hopkins K. C., for plaintiff; W. E. Foster, of Montreal, for the defendants.

Lindsay Girl Won a Prize

Another pupil of St. Joseph's academy has brought honors to herself and that splendid institution. Miss Florence White has won one of the five prizes awarded by the Poppy scribbler to students producing the most artistically colored vase of poppies. The competition was open to Ontario and Quebec. Congratulations are in order.

—Police court and sensational reports will be taboed from Henri Bourassa's new paper, La Publicite.

—The estimates of the Hamilton police commissioners total \$84,600, being an increase of \$13,000 over last year.

—A new police station is to be erected in Hamilton at a cost of \$600.

THE FIELD OF SPORT

What is Occurring in Local and Sporting Circles Generally.

THE TURF

There was barrels of fun at the Bobcaygeon ice races Tuesday, and the event attracted a big crowd. In the 2.40 class Lou Keswick, (Ashmore) took first money. T. Hodgins' Walter G., second money, and Dr. Mac (Dr. Broad) third. Dr. Cowan was official starter and gave first class satisfaction. The following were the different events pulled off:

Harry L.	1	1	1
City Lassie	2	2	2
Nettie Keswick	3	3	3
Teddy Rothchild	4	4	4
Joker	5	5	5

2.40 RACE.

Lou Keswick (Ashmore) ...	1	1	1
T. Finnister, Fenelon Falls 2	2	2	2
Harry Gallant, Oak, Bobcaygeon ...	3	3	3
Fanny ...	4	4	4

FREE-FOR-ALL

Walter G. (Hodgins) ...	1	1	1
Dr. Mac (Dr. Broad) ...	2	2	2
Black Mac (Hutchison) ...	3	3	3

CURLING

Hats off to the local curlers on their splendid victory in the district cup games at Peterboro on Tuesday. It's a habit they have of carrying off the silverware, and the two rinks which brought honor to the town were skipped by Mr. G. McFadden and Rev. Mr. Welch. They ran up against Port Hope, first, and although the lake shore curlers put up a plucky fight, they "bit the ice" before their victors.

In the game with Peterboro Skip Geo. McFadden defeated the strong Matthews, rink by twelve shots, and Skip Welch won from Aid. Hicks by six shots. This is the fourth district cup for Lindsay in the last five years which is a record.

Skip Geo. McFadden had the honor of being on the winning rink every time. Rev. J. W. Wallace and A. Watson have been on the winning rink twice, the rest of the players have been on the winning rinks for the first time. Following are the scores:

Lindsay	Port Hope.
J. McGillivray	J. Caldwell
A. Watson	A. Boulthée
Rev. Wallace	W. Oke
Rev. Welch	Capt. Peacock.
Skip	16 Skip
F. Williams	C. Brunscumb
W. Knowlson	F. L. Curtis
A. Williams	W. D. Stephens
G. McFadden	J. Rosevear
Skip	19 Skip

FINAL GAME.

Lindsay	Peterboro
F. Williams	J. Lyle
W. Knowlson	D. Hall
A. Williams	P. Lang
G. McFadden	F. Matthews
Skip	23 Skip
J. McGillivray	J. Montgomery
A. Watson	J. Fitzgerald.
Rev. Wallace	H. Foote
Rev. Welch	R. Hicks
Skip	24 Skip

COMMUNICATIONS.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.

LOCAL OPTION AT WOODVILLE

(To the Editor of The Post.)

Dear Sir—Some days ago we noticed in one of the Lindsay papers a statement made by Mr. Forbert, a boot and shoe maker of Woodville, but formerly of the town of Lindsay and as we claim the statement is not only misleading but unfair to the people of Woodville and surrounding country, we wish to make corrections. Mr. Forbert says people are leaving our village and locality, and are going to other towns to do their buying since local option was adopted here.

In the first place Mr. Forbert's business life in Woodville appears to have been a short one. Having only been in business a few months he was not here before local option was adopted, and therefore does not know the conditions that existed here then. Did he get his information from some one who was in sympathy with the whiskey business. If so, then we contend he got his information from the wrong source. We hear no complaints from the business men who supported local option, and if any merchants who were opposed to local option and voted against it find now that their business is going in the hole, we strongly advise them to get over on the other side of the fence, and be with the crowd. We have been in Woodville nearly sixteen years and we know something of the business situation here. The turn over of goods is not as large as it was a few years ago for at least two reasons. In the first place our population has dropped off one-third, and then the monetary stringency that struck the whole

world in 1907 affected trade generally. Now, local option had not a thing to do with the above reasons. We are living in a free country and people will go where they please to buy their goods. The temperance people are just as inconsiderate as the intemperate and sometimes are the very first to turn from their temperance friends in business, and will not only leave their own town to buy, but will give merchants supported by the whiskey element the preference.

Now, for the satisfaction of whom it might concern we might say that according to our cash books our cash sales for January, 1909 show a very satisfactory gain over 1908.

We correct Mr. Forbert's statement for two reasons; first, because it is misleading and leaves a wrong impression with those who do not know the true situation in our village, and second because it casts a slur on the people of Woodville and surrounding country, leaving the impression that people in Woodville and farmers near our village go to other towns to buy their goods, because they can also buy their whiskey there. Now, sir, the people of Woodville, Eldon, and Mariposa have already shown by their votes on local option that they are not that kind of people and the accusation is false. Thanking you for the space in your paper, yours truly,

CAVERLY & CO.,
General Merchants.
Woodville, Feb. 2, 1909.

AS TRAVELLERS COME AND GO

Movements of Citizens and Strangers Within Our Gates

From Wednesday's Evening Post

—Mr. J. Flack, of Port Perry, was in town today.

—Mr. W. A. Craig, of Cleveland, Ohio, is in town.

—Mr. G. Henderson, of Dunstons, was in town today.

—Mr. W. Culross, Allandale, is in town on business.

—Mr. W. E. Robins, of Burketon, was in town today.

—Mr. R. L. Kidd, of Peterboro, is in town on business.

—Mr. J. Morgan, of Bobcaygeon, was in town on business.

—Mr. A. C. Dafeo, of Foxboro, was a visitor in town today.

—Mr. James Robertson, of Fenelon Falls, was in town today.

—Miss May Adams, of Lindsay, is visiting Peterboro friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. Kennedy, of Oakwood, were in town today.

—Mr. B. Macpherson, of London, transacted business in town today.

—Rev. Father McGuire, of Downeyville, was in town last evening.

—Miss Etta Mitchell, of Kirkfield, is visiting Mrs. Meagher, Ridout-st.

—Capt. W. H. White, of the steamer Otonabee, Peterboro, was in town last evening.

—Rev. Father T. J. Spratt, of Wolfe Island, is the guest of his brother, Mr. R. P. Spratt.

—Rev. Father Collins, of St. Mary's church, arrived home from Belleville last evening.

—Miss Miller, of Brampton, is visiting her friend, Mrs. Crevier, of Cambridge-st., for a week.

—Miss M. McDonald, of Kamloops, B. C., is the guest of her cousin, Miss Meagher, Ridout-st.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Greenan, of South Ops, left this morning on an extended visit to Toronto.

—Mr. Jas. Gillogly was in Toronto on Tuesday taking up some important insurance in that city.

—Messrs. Robert McKay and C. E. Fairbanks, of Warren, Pa., were in town today, en route to Halliburton.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Ritchie, of Hamilton, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. R. Binns, Sussex-st.

—Miss J. B. Green, of Campbellford, sister of Mr. Byron Green, of the Bank of Montreal, is visiting in town.

—Alderman Harry Phelan, of Peterboro, manager of the Otonabee Navigation Company, who was in Bobcaygeon Tuesday, was registered at the Simpson house last evening.

—Messrs. T. Brady and R. P. Spratt, who represented the local council of the Knights of Columbus at the funeral of the late Rev. Father Twomey, at Belleville Tuesday arrived home last evening.

—Mr. W. Kelcher, who recently accepted a position with Hanna & Hutcheson, Huntsville, is evidently making the people of the north country sit up and take notice of his firm His firm have a full page advertisement in the Forester, which is his handy work, and is a good business getter.

—Wentworth council refuses to build a county refuge for the poor, as ordered by the legislature.

—Mrs. Isadore Kaufman, of Hamilton, who attempted to strangle herself three weeks ago, is dead.

Freight Rates from Niagara

McLennan & Co. of Lindsay Complain to Railway Board of the Coal Rates

(Special to The Post)
Ottawa, Feb. 3.—The board of railway commissioners, at which Commissioner D'Arcy Scott presided, have just considered a Lindsay application.

They were asked to deal with the complaint of McLennan & Co., of Lindsay, respecting freight rates charged by the G. T. R. on hard coal from Black Rock and Suspension Bridge, New York, to Lindsay, Ont. as compared with the company's rate to Cambray, Cobcoconk, Peterboro, Lakefield, Port Hope, and Belleville.

Several witnesses were heard, but no judgment has been given yet and the case will probably be further heard at the next sitting of the commissioners.

CANDLEMAS' DAY

Tuesday was Candlemas Day, or Ground Hog Day, as it is more generally known. It is the day that is supposed to mark the turning point between winter and spring, but whether spring comes or winter stays longer depends on sunshine and shadow, and the little ground hog. At least, so say the old-time prophets, and while the experts of the weather bureau and the agricultural department sniff at such prophecies as being groundless superstitions, the ground hog did not lack millions of devotees on Tuesday. For is it not written in the old jargon: "As far as the sun shines out on Candlemas Day, So far will the snow blow in before May; As far as the snow blows in on Candlemas Day, So far will the sun shine out before May."

It all depends upon the weather on that day and on the ground hog as to what the weather for the next six weeks will be. The ground hog, if when he emerges from his winter hibernating place, chances to see his shadow, he will beat a hasty retreat to his little hole and wait for fairer weather, knowing that a meteorological change is due. But if it is dark and gloomy when he emerges, and he sees no shadow the little animal will figure that winter is almost gone, and that above ground is the place for him. It is the habit of the ground hog that gave this feature to a custom otherwise so different.

The custom was instituted by Gelasius in the latter part of the fifteenth century. In many respects it resembles some of the pagan celebrations, and particularly that of the pagan Februaia, which was held at about this same period.

In fact, the Candlemas Day celebration is a substitution of the Februaia which furnishes the only logical reason for the use of the candles in the festivities attendant.

February has been dedicated to the infernal Gods by the Gentiles because at its beginning Pluto stole Proserpine, and her mother, Ceres sought and rescued her at night, and carried lighted candles. The Februaia celebration was in honor of Ceres, and the celebrants carried lighted candles, too.

The holy fathers tried to stop the celebrations, but failed, and decreed that which has been done unto Ceres should be done unto the virgin. This is how the festival came to be known as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin. During the middle ages it was also a favorite time for the ceremony among Christian mothers analogous to the Greek presentation in the temple.

With the reformation though came a reaction against the custom and from that time since it has lost the greater part of its religious aspect, even in the Latin countries. In 1554 John Ball issued a proclamation declaring that too much honor was being done to the virgin, and that the honor due unto her should be done unto Christ. This brought the character of the celebration back to its Greek meaning.

It is from England, Germany and Scotland, though, that the ground hog day customs come. There the day is observed as one of celebration in some parts, but mostly a day for weather prognostications. Many of the rhymes that one hears about the day are from the English and the Scotch. In Scotland on this day it is a custom for the children to bring presents to the teachers. Each tries to rival the other in the amount of the gift, and the boy and girl that give the most costly ones are hailed as king and queen. School is then dismissed and the children march through the village streets, carrying the king and queen upon their shoulders.

—The Makon submarine colliery in Inverness, N. S., has been filled by it?

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Dress Goods in tweeds and plain cloths, colorings of black brown and grey. Regular prices up to 50c a yard, for only	25c
Children's Grey Lamb Caps (real fur) one lot to be cleared quickly at a very low price indeed. Each.....	50c
Gauntlets in Sealette and imitation of Astrachan. Regular prices were \$1 and \$1.25 pair. Clearing.....	50c
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Profitable Meeting

An interesting session of the Cambridge-st. Epworth league was held Monday evening, with Mr. Muselman presiding. The meeting opened with a song service at 7.45 o'clock, which was much enjoyed. Rev. J. P. Wilson next gave an address on "Waiting on God." This was followed by timely and valuable remarks by the chairman, after which the secretary called the roll and seventy members responded. The watchword for the new year will be "onward." The different departments then met as committees for the organization of a plan of work for the year. One of the features for the years' work will be the study of Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress.

An Office for the Chief

Chief of police Vincent is to have a new office. This morning Alderman R. Kyle "turned the first sod" in the erection of the new quarters. Mr. Thos. Thoburn is handling the job and the office will be in the west corner of the market building with a door leading into the council chamber. A phone will also be installed in the office.

The Pipe Burst

A pipe in the boiler room of Rider & Kitchener Co's factory burst Wednesday shortly before closing down. Fortunately no damage was done beyond the broken pipe. The factory was shut down all day to-day in consequence, but expects to get going again tomorrow morning.

—A correspondent asks: "Why is it farmers sell their butter at 25c. a pound at the market, when they can get 30c. for it at the creamery, and not do any work in connection with it?"

MARRIAGES.

HILLIER — HAMILTON — At the Cambridge-st. Methodist parsonage, Lindsay, by the Rev. J. P. Wilson, B. A., William John Howard Hillier, of the township of Somerville, to Miss Ida Mary Hamilton, of Bobcaygeon.

IN MEMORIAM

RODMAN — In loving remembrance of our dear mother, Mrs. Ann T. Rodman, who departed this life at her home, Little Britain, February 5th, 1908. God called her home, He loved her best; But in our hearts she liveth yet. Her memory is as dear to-day As in the hour she passed away.

LOST

LOST—A violin between Lindsay and the boundary of Emily, on or about January fifteenth. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at The Evening Post, Lindsay.—wd.

THE SADDEST THOUGHT

What Might Have Been

We know of no circumstance that is more fittingly suited to the above quotation than one's physical condition. Think of what might have been achieved by many if they had not been handicapped by bodily ill-health. There is nothing that will, if neglected, shatter the system worse than a cough. This is the time of the year when they are very prevalent and should you need a remedy get a tested one like COUGH NOT. We specially direct its manufacture and the good results from its use will surprise you.

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DUNOON'S DRUG STORE

—Francis Xavier Droillard, a pioneer French-Canadian settler of Windsor, is dead, aged 86.