

90th Anniversary of Oddfellowship

Eloquent Sermon Delivered by the Rev. J. P. Wilson B.A.

Nearly a hundred and fifty members of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, including a number of visiting brethren from other lodges assembled at the lodge room of Lindsay Lodge No. 100, Sunday morning to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the establishment of Oddfellowship upon this continent.

The meeting was called to order by the Noble Grand, Bro. H. Brimble, who appointed Bro. J. W. Anderson as Marshal, the duties of which office he discharged in an eminently satisfactory manner. When all the brethren had been supplied with buttonhole bouquets of carnations and similar—the only badge worn—the members of the order filed out of the lodge room and proceeded to the Cambridge-st. Methodist church, making quite an imposing appearance as the large body of men marched with measured steps to the house of God.

Arriving at the church the members were seated in the centre pew, the ushers, pulpit and choir being also supplied with bouquets.

Rev. J. P. Wilson, B.A., the pastor of the church, delivered a most eloquent discourse, in the course of which he commended most highly the work carried on by the Independent Order of Oddfellows. He cordially welcomed the members of this Order to the church, and looked upon those who composed such societies as the best type of citizens, for these organizations are building up in our midst great bodies of unselfish men who are doing a vast amount of work in the relief of the sick and the distressed. From Matt. xix, 19, the speaker selected as his text the words, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." When we looked out into the universe, whether in the firmament or in the world around us, we see nothing but harmony. There seems to be a nice balance everywhere. In Nature there are two forces, the centripetal and the centrifugal each performing its task in keeping the various atoms of the universe in their respective places. So in regard to human nature, the centripetal force makes man love himself and the centrifugal causes him to love his neighbor. The Lord does not say a man must not love himself but that we must not love ourselves with a low-encouraging selfishness. Sometimes we hear it said of a man that does not seem to be told to look out for No. 1. We can do all that. But it is difficult if it comes to looking out for No. 2, 3, and 4. Love for another is a poor thing if a man does not love himself. We must love ourselves and God requires that we shall, for he says "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." But it must be a high and noble love, so that when we are able to love our neighbor as ourselves we are given a beautiful lesson. We are required to give to our neighbor all the love and all the rights which we claim for ourselves. To love God is right, to love ourselves—that is right; but to love our neighbor—that is too often another thing. A man is a Christian in so far as he carries out the principles of Christ. The speaker said he did not believe in the leveling down principles of socialism or of Tolstoi. Tolstoi would say, "You are my brother, and I will go down and live with you and be dirty." Christianity said, "You are my brother; come up with me and be clean." There is going on today an uplifting influence in this world, due in a large measure to the uplifting influences of fraternal organizations, that is doing a vast amount of good in the world. Who would have believed twenty-five years ago that John Burns, a working man would rise to a place as Cabinet Minister in the government of Great Britain. If such a prediction had been made it would have been scorned. These brotherhoods are bringing about these things and they are doing a work that is a benefit to the world at large. He believed that there were not always sufficiently ready to recognize the good points in our neighbor. Many a man who has gone down might be lifted up again and placed upon his feet were we as ready to appreciate a man while he lived as when he was dead. Take the case of a person who has fallen and was lying dead. Perhaps some one will pick up some good thing he has done, and speak of it, and say he wasn't such a bad fellow after all. Another will remember another good point and say there was some good points about him. Had they said these things sooner the man might still be alive and be a good citizen. Let us love our neighbors as ourselves, and let us find out the good in each other, and when we find them let us not withhold the praise that is due. Let us also hunt up the good things in our children. How many of us really know our children or take the trouble to make ourselves acquainted with them that we should? Or do we know or study our good that is in our wives or our

neighbors. We should take an interest in every man's work. We are told that there are 12 hours for work and 12 hours for sleep. That is true for some. Employees work so many hours per day, but what about the employer, who works sixteen or eighteen. The employees' work stops when the stipulated hours elapse, but the employer must plan for his new material, for his market and for every man in his employ. Men do not always consider the work that others do; but we should consider, not only our own, but the other fellow's, and we should consider his interests. The man who is grasping and who looks upon every stray dollar as his own is not the best type of citizen and is not the man whose example we should follow. It was that our neighbor's interests, his distresses and his difficulties might be considered and relieved that such societies as the Oddfellows was formed. This organization has two great principles, viz.: the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God. This is Oddfellowship. Its lessons are drawn from the bible, and every line of its ritual is taken from the word of God. The principles taught are friendship, love and truth. Friendship, the first lesson, is illustrated in the story of David and Jonathan; the second lesson, that of brotherly love, is told in the parable of the good Samaritan, who came upon the man who was wounded and robbed and left by the wayside, and who not only bound up his wounds, but set him up on his own beast and took him to an inn and made provision for his maintenance until he should recover. The third lesson is truth, the highest and greatest lesson of all, without which the world cannot prevail. The work which the members of the Order set themselves to do is to relieve the distressed, visit the sick, bury the dead, and care for the widows and the orphans. This was practical Christianity which enabled the Order and its membership. The lodge room was a good school for the young man for it taught him how business should be conducted. He came in contact with men who knew how it should be done, and thus he learned of them. When he was sick his brothers cared for him. If he was distressed they relieve him. When he dies they bury him, and more than that, they care for his widow and for his orphan. The speaker said it should be born in mind in connection with these benefits, that they were not a charity, but they were his right, for he had paid for them, and they belonged to him. It was sometimes said that the act of making a provision for the future was a tempting of Providence. He did not agree with that. He believed that God put it into our minds to make these provisions, and honored the earnest men who formed these organizations that they might provide for themselves and their families in time of sickness or of death. They paid their money in while in health, and in this way made it possible to come to the aid of any of their number who might be in such condition as to call for that help to which he was entitled. He highly commended the work of Oddfellowship, and pointed out that it paid out benefits to the extent of upwards of \$5,000 per day to its members or their widows and orphans.

The music rendered by the choir under the leadership of Mr. C. C. Forsythe was of an exceptionally high order, the anthem being very creditably rendered as was also a solo sweetly and exceedingly well sung by Mrs. Geo. Blackwell.

On returning to the lodge room thanks were passed to the Rev. J. P. Wilson, for his splendid discourse, to the choir, and to the trustees of the church, after which the visiting brethren were entertained by the committee at dinner at the Pym house.

Among the visitors were Bros. A. Dixon, Wm. Matthews, J. Keeler, and Thos. Short, of Manilla; Robt. G. Allen and A. C. Read, of Reaboro, and Wilmot Webster, of Dunsford, besides a number of members of other lodges who are resident in Lindsay.

Retributive Justice

A newspaper publisher recently brought suit against forty-five men who would not pay their subscriptions and obtained judgment in each claim. Of these twenty-eight made affidavit that they owned no more than the law allowed preventing attachment. Then under decision of the supreme court they were arrested for petty larceny, and bound over in the sum of \$300 each. All but six gave bond, while six went to jail.

Will be a Leading City

Mr. Fred Robinson, of Saskatoon, paid The Post a friendly call Wednesday. He is spending a few days in town and is very much interested in the budding city of the West, which he predicts will be one of the leading cities of that portion of the Dominion.

The report that the flyer on the main line of the G. T. R. would not stop at Port Hope after May 1st is denied.

Lindsay Curlers Attend Church

Annual Parade Takes Place to the Baptist Church

The members of the Lindsay Curling Club attended divine service at the Baptist church on Sunday evening, when Rev. G. R. Welch, who is an enthusiastic member of the club, delivered a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

Mr. Welch took his text from Joshua iv : 6, "What mean ye by these stones?" The Israelites were at this time making the passage across the Jordan, and as a memorial of that place, Joshua commanded that twelve men, a man from each tribe should take twelve stones from where the feet of the priests stood. These stones were to be a sign unto the children in the days to come that the waters in the Jordan were cut off when the Ark of the Lord passed over. By these stones that scene of how the children of Israel passed over Israel was remembered. To-day it is necessary that our deeds of valor be remembered. It is always the wisest and safest way to fight the battle clean. In our sports there is a tendency to let crooked ways creep in. We should fight our games in a gentlemanly manner. If we do this we will derive a pleasure and a profit out of the game which we otherwise would not get. Mr. Welch closed with warning the organization that whatever they did to always do it in an open, straightforward manner.

Old Lady Struck Down by a Car

Peterboro Lady Injured in Accident—Cut in Head and is Badly Shaken Up

About 11 o'clock Saturday Mrs. Carroll, of Ashburnham, met with a painful accident in Peterboro, and on account of her advanced years she was very fortunate in not being more seriously injured than she was.

She was going across the crossing at the corner of George and Simcoe street when she noticed a street car approaching. Thinking she was in danger, she struck back instead of continuing, and did not get across the track quickly enough to avoid being hit by the car, which knocked her down. She received a couple of bad cuts in the head, and was severely shaken up.

The injured woman was carried to Payne's drug store, and was attended by Drs. Greer and McPherson, who stitched the wounds. She was later taken in a cab to St. Joseph's hospital.

Funeral of Mrs. Brady

The remains of the late Mrs. Thos. Brady arrived from Buffalo Wednesday evening, and were conveyed to the residence of Mr. Jas. Fleury, corner of Kent and St. Lawrence streets. The funeral took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Roman Catholic cemetery. The following relatives of the deceased were present at the funeral: Mrs. J. Meard, Mrs. Downs, Mr. and Mrs. C. Brown Terrence, and Mrs. Brady, and Thos. Brady, all of Buffalo; Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Stack, and Mrs. Keptner, of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Got Back the Machine

Chief of Police Vincent has secured the sewing machine which a "traveling mechanic," secured a few days ago for the purpose of mending, and it is now in the owner's possession. Too much care cannot be exercised in dealing with strangers of this kind. There are a number of local men who make a specialty of repair work, of this nature, and they should certainly get the preference and not outsiders, who too often possess shady reputations and cannot be trusted.

A Degree Team from Lansing

The local council Knights of Columbus met last Monday. A grand initiation will take place in Lindsay on Victoria day, when a large number of candidates will be admitted to membership. A degree team from Lansing, Michigan, will be present to assist in the ceremonies, which will take place in the town hall. High mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's church, and the Knights will attend in a body.

Didn't Have a License

A local teamster was to have appeared before the police magistrate this morning charged with carting without a license, but by the consent of the town solicitor the charge was dropped, and the teamster went on his way rejoicing.

Serious Explosion at Haliburton

Three Men Injured, Two of Whom May Lose Their Lives

Haliburton was the scene of a disastrous explosion on Saturday evening, which caused great excitement among the residents of the village, and which may result in the loss of two lives.

Messrs. William and Geo. Hancock and George West were engaged in blasting operations when the trio were blown up. William Hancock and Geo. West were seriously injured, and it is feared they will not recover. George Hancock's injuries, while of a serious nature, will not have fatal results.

The accident occurred about one mile and a half from the village of Haliburton, in the middle of a large field. The three injured men, together with a man named Releford were trying an experiment with blasting compound, and were in the act of leaning over the explosive, when by some mistake it went off. William Hancock and George West were the most severely injured, as they were the nearest to the explosive. Mr. Hancock's face was split from ear to ear, and his eyes were severely burned. The lower part of his body was more or less injured. Mr. Geo. West had a big piece taken out of his throat, besides having his right arm blown to pieces. The clothes were completely stripped from his body from the knees up. Mr. Geo. Hancock was less severely injured, and got off with a few serious cuts. Releford also escaped serious injury.

The injured men were hurriedly brought to the village and now lie between life and death. The medical men are doing all in their power to ease the suffering, which is indeed very great.

Contributes \$5,000 for Chinese Education

Peterboro Lady Makes Generous Gift to Help the Youth of China

Peterboro, April 23.—It was announced by Rev. J. G. Potter, at the laymen's missionary banquet at St. Andrew's church last evening that Mrs. Mary A. Maxwell, a member of the congregation, had given five thousand dollars to the cause of missions in China. Mr. Potter stated that Mrs. Maxwell had always said that when she was able to dispose of some of her property she would give the proceeds towards helping to educate the youth of China.

The money was forwarded to Rev. Dr. McKay, secretary of the foreign missions for the Presbyterian church at Toronto, this week, and yesterday a receipt for the same was received by Mr. Potter. Rev. Dr. McKay, in his letter, expressed his sincere thanks on behalf of the Mission Board for her generous gift. She would have no small share in the carrying of the gospel to the children of China. It would be known as the "Mary A. Maxwell Home."

Line Men Gone to Orillia

No longer will we hear that old familiar voice from high up on the telephone poles; no longer will we stop and watch the man stringing the long line of cable from pole to pole, for the workmen have gone—they have moved to another field of action.

The telephone men who have been operating in Lindsay for some time past moved last Monday to Orillia. During their stay in Lindsay they have done a big work and have made an excellent job of it. They will be engaged in Orillia for some months.

Candy vs. Alcohol

But a very few years ago women used to be jeered at and even reproved for their craze for goodies and a man who was seen eating sweets was accounted a rather poor thing. Now figures show that the consumption of sugar is increasing, while the amount of alcohol is declining. This is explained by the fact that men of all classes eat sweetmeats much more than they did, and whenever a people eat largely of sugar they take less intoxicants.

—Kenneth Plewes, the twelve-year-old lad who ran away from his home in Orillia, to Toronto, last week, was brought back by his father, who found him in one of the boys' homes of the city. The lad now realizes his folly, and will settle down to school and endeavor to be a good citizen.

—A branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses has been established in Galt.

—A plot has been discovered in Ecquogor to overthrow the administration of General Eloy Alfaro.

—Electric motors and organ blowers have been placed in the Orillia Methodist and Presbyterian churches.



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Housecleaning Season

THIS IS FURNISHING TIME ALSO

After your spring housecleaning, you naturally will need some new furnishings—Always the way, isn't it?

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