I. O. F. HIGH COURT AT MEAFORD

Lakeside Town Extends a Hearty Welcome to Delegates to Independent Order of Foresters High Court.

(From our own Correspondent.)

"Hang the banners on the outer walls,
The cry is still they come."

The hearty welcome promised a year ago to the High Court of Central Ontario of the Independent Order of Foresters when they were invited to come to Meaford, was right royally extended to that representative body on Monday and Tuesday of last week. The town commenced making preparations for the receiving of the guests on Saturday. On Monday the town was richly decorated with evergreens, flags and streamers inscribed with words of "Welcome,' and "Good Will." Every citizen did all in his power to give the visitors a good time. The Foresters were greatly delighted with their reception and the beauty and prosperity of the town of Meaford.

Many of the Foresters arrived on Saturday; and on Monday afternoon and evening a large contingent was on the ground. On Sunday evening the local Court to the number of over 100, and the visiting brethren, attended the Presbyterian church, which was filled to overflowing, to hear Rev. Alex. Macgillivray, of Toronto, Supreme Chaplain of the Order.

On Monday, Capt. Cowan, H.C.R., of Barrie, and other members of the High Standing Committee, arrived and made their headquarters at the Royal Hotel. The evening train was met by the Mayor, the town council, members of the Reception Committee, the town band and a large concourse of citizens. The streets were brilliantly illuminated and the large delegation that arrived received a welcome that they will long remember.

TUESDAY.

Tuesday, at two o'clock sharp, High Chief Ranger brought down his gavel and began proceedings. Nearly every Court, of the 262 Courts in the jurisdiction, were represented. All of the officers of the High Court were present. From the report of the High Chief Ranger it appears: That the whole Order has 1506 Courts and a membership on the 31st December last of 257,000. Central Ontario has 18,000 members, while the whole Province has 55,000. During the year the Order as a whole paid out in benefits of various kinds over $2,000,000; the accumulated funds at present are over $12,250,000. The growth of the Order in Central Ontario during the year has been satisfactory; 2942 applications having been received; 151 joined the great majority and their beneficiaries received $168,665 in benefits; 113 members in the jurisdiction reached the old age limit who pay no further assessments and receive annually one-tenth of their benefit.

Feeling reference was made to the death of Bro. H. A. Collins, S.T. & A.P.H.C.R. of the Order.

Bro. Cowan, in his report, paid the following well-merited tribute to Bro. the Hon. E. G. Stevenson, S.C.R.:

"I feel that to our distinguished Supreme Chief Ranger, Brother the Hon. Elliott G. Stevenson, more than a passing word is due. We who were present at our meeting in Midland last year recall his welcome, though brief, visit and the splendid impression created by his frank, earnest and able address. Since then, the manner in which he has guided the Order, administered the vast material interests committed to him, and the fearless, statesmanlike way in which he has faced the question of placing the Order on a sound and permanent basis, by adopting adequate rates, prove him to be the right man for the exalted office that he holds, and a worthy successor of Oronhyatekha, the builder of the Order. I am confident that, on behalf of Central Ontario, the home jurisdiction, I can assure our Supreme Chief of our united, loyal co-operation in any and every effort to strengthen the position and advance the interests of the Independent Order of Foresters."

The finances of the High Court are, according to the Treasurer's statement, in a healthy condition. Receipts were $8,642; balance on hand $5,133.

The various committees were appointed by the High Chief Ranger to bring in their report on Wednesday.

At three o'clock the following address of welcome from the town was read by Mayor Horsley:—

To the High Chief Ranger, Officers and Brethren of the High Court of the Independent Order of Foresters for Central Ontario:

On behalf of the citizens of the Town of Meaford, I beg to extend to you a most cordial welcome to our town. We welcome you most heartily, knowing you represent one of those great fraternal organizations that is doing so much for the homes and families of our land and cultivating love and brotherhood among men. We recognize the great work that is being accomplished by your Order throughout not only our fair Dominion of Canada, but throughout the British Empire. Benevolence and works of charity cannot be too highly commended in any nation or among any people.

We extend to you all the hospitality our town affords—in short we give you the freedom of the municipality. We trust as you see our churches, our schools and our factories, that you will not find us behind in assisting in National progress.

We are constructing a large Municipal building for the Municipality which we trust will be in keeping with the needs of our growing town. It will cost in the neighborhood of $20,000 and will contain an Assembly Hall and Opera House capable of accommodating 800 persons, besides municipal offices, Council chamber, public library, and a basement for market or assembly hall, with accommodation for several hundred persons.

We beg to extend to your order the invitation to lay one of the corner stones on the Municipal building, which stone we have provided bearing the initial letters of the Order and the present year of grace.

In conclusion we trust that concord may characterize your session and that you will feel entirely satisfied with the accomodation we have endeavored to provide for you.

We trust that you will in the near future again honor our town with a High Court Session when you will receive a renewal of our welcome.

Yours obediently,
J. W. Horsley,
Mayor of Meaford.

Meaford, August 18, 1908.

After the Mayor had read his address he presented Alex. Cowan, H.C.R., with the key of the Municipality. The key was about three feet long and was suitably inscribed with mottoes of welcome. The key was a most original one and brought forth three hearty cheers from the 300 delegates assembled.

Bro. Rev. Alex. MacGillivray, at the request of the High Chief Ranger, replied. He thanked the Mayor for the welcome and expressed appreciation of the kind words said of the Order whose work was its justification. He complimented the town on its beauty, civic pride and manifest prosperity. An address of welcome from the local Foresters—that number 125—was presented by Bro. Albery, C.R., and responded to suitably by E. J. Hearn, P.H.C.R.

The report of the Finance Committee was being considered when the Mayor arrived to accompany the High Court to lay the corner stone of the fine new town hall at 5 o'clock.

The High Court, headed by the town band, marched to the public square, where one of the corner stones of the new municipal building was laid with appropriate ceremonies by Bro. Alex. Cowan, H.C.R. Bro. Cowan was presented with a beautiful silver trowel, suitably inscribed, by Mayor Horsley. The proceedings were witnessed by a great number of people from the town and adjoining country.

In the evening the Foresters held no meeting, but enjoyed the entertainment provided for them by the town. An open air concert on the square at which addresses were given by the Mayor and Messrs. E. J. Hearn, K. C., P.H.C.R.; Alex. MacGillivrary, P.H.C.R.; Alex. Stewart, H.T.; L. Lawless A.S.C.R.; Alex. Cowan, H.C.R. Music by the town band and a couple of songs from Bro. J. D. Keehie varied the program.

This was followed by a water carnival on the lake which proved a most unique and entertaining spectacle.

WEDNESDAY.

On Wednesday morning at nine o'clock business was resumed. After the Finance Committee was disposed of, the report of the special committee, dealing with the re-adjustment of rates of old members, was submitted by Bro. Rev. MacGillivrary, who fully explained the changes made, as follows:

"That the adoption of a new scale of rates to be paid after the first of October, 1908, by all members who joined prior to 1908 is in the best interests of the I.O.F. and essential to its continuance on a sound and permanent basis.

"That as a High Court we unanimously pledge ourselves to abide by the action of the Supreme Court. That we will loyally co-operate with the Supreme Chief Ranger and Supreme Executive in their every effort to maintain on a strong and permanent foundation thereby ensuring its combined and increased usefulness.

"We further recommend that the High Standing Committee make arrangements to have every Subordinate Court in the jurisdiction visited at the earliest possible opportunity to the end that every member may receive a full explanation of the change in rates that come into effect on the 1st day of October, 1908."

It was adopted by a unanimous standing vote and ringing cheers for the I.O.F. and Supreme Chief Ranger, the Hon. Elliott G. Stevenson. A telegram from the Supreme Chief Ranger regretting his inability to be present and extending his best wishes to the High Court was read and suitably acknowledged.

The following officers were elected: High Standing Committee, Past High Chief Ranger, Alex. Cowan; High Chief Ranger, J. T. Scott; High Vice Chief Ranger, Clarence Bell; High Secretary, R. J. Niddrie; High Treasurer, Alex. Stewart; High Physician, J. T. Smith; High Counsellor, George Albery; Auditors, A. N. Smith and R. H. Cuthbert. Appointed officers: High Orator, Rev. Scudamore; H.S.W., A. Fisher; H.J.W., S. A. Egan; H.S.B., Wm. Johnston; H.J.B., A.R. Williamson; H. Marshall, A. B. Hatchcroft; H. Conductor, Chas. Kelly; H. Organist, I. D. Keachie; H. Messenger, D. Scott; Asst. H. Messenger, J. W. Poynton.

Bro. Thos. Lawless, Asst. S.C.R. installed the officers.

Brampton was chosen as the place of meeting for 1909, the date of which will be fixed by the High Standing Committee.

The High Court presented Mayor Horsley with a gold headed cane for the kindly manner in which the Mayor and citizens generally extended the hand of welcome to the delegates of the High Court of the Independent Order of Foresters. The presentation was made by Geo. A. Mitchell, S.F.W.

The meeting closed by singing "God Save the King" and "Auld Lang Syne."

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Euphrasia Council Minutes.

The Council met at the township hall on Friday, the 14th inst., all the members being present, the reeve in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid: D. Campbell, for 16 hours work on 18 and 19 sideroad, $2.40; Jos. Conn, for 55 loads of gravel, $2.75; D. Brown, for work on 21 and 22 sideroad, con. 3, $2.00; J. R. Fawcett, for furnishing timber and building bridge on 6 and 7 sideroad, con. 5, $103.00; E. Harbottle, for drawing timber for bridge on river, 90 cts.; J. A. Clark, for 48 loads of gravel, $4.80; Peter Smith, for moving grader and work on 18 and 19 sideroad $4.60; John Clark, to pay for work in his division, $3.25; T. H. Richardson, for 40 loads of gravel, $2.00; J. McGee, for two men and team 18¾ hours on 6 and 7 sideroad, $8.43; A. Kelly, for work on 27 and 28 sideroad, $4.00; S. Marshall, for team one day on grader, $3.00; W. R. Perry, for 75 loads of gravel, $7.50; Jas. Walker, for work on town line south, $3.60; Geo. McConnell, for work on Kimberley Hill, $2.00; W. E. Brady, to pay for work on 3 sideroad $13.05; Jas. White, for 84 feet hemlock, $1.18; J. White, for nine yards of gravel, 45c.; James Reekie, for bolts and piecing bolts for bridge, $5.60; J. White, for 54 yards of gravel, $2.70; C. Irwin, for 27 loads of gravel, $1.35; W. Rorke, for 26 loads of gravel, $1.30; A. Knott, for 20 hours work in his division, $3.00; G. Armstrong, account for making tile and repairs to hall, $18.00; Thos. Lewis, 8 days on bridge, 4th line, $18.00; H. V. Gaudin, nine hours running crusher with engine, $9.00; W. T. Ellis, to pay men with crusher on valley road, lot 10, $22.50; W. T. Ellis, to pay for work on crusher, lot 7, valley road, $9.00; James McGee, to pay for work in his division, $9.60; W. T. Ellis, for work on bridge and valley road, $18.00; E. Fawcett, for rock elm stick for bridge, $4.20; J. R. Fawcett, for elm stick for bridge, $2.10; John Smith, for delivering timber to bridge, $20.70; W. Sherdon, to pay for gravelling on town line, east, $46.50; Wm. Walter, for running grader, $1.75; C. Rear, to pay for work in his division, $12.00; W. T. Ellis, to pay for six cords wood for crusher, $7.00; Fred Stuart, for moving grader, $1.50; A. Latter, for work in his division, $3.40; W. S. Bishop, cedar for culverts, $18.70; R. Rennie, bolts and washers for grader, 75c.; H. Hurd, for work on bridge, 4th line, $13.00; Ed. Fawcett, for repairing over river, 18 and 19 sideroad, $26.52; Ed. Fawcett, for building bridge over east mill creek, and repairing bridge over west mill creek, $50.47; Clark Bros., for running crusher, $339.00.

By committee of the whole council the amount of $11,880.72 was decided upon to meet the liabilities for 1909.

The assessed value of the township being $1,320,080.00, therefore a rate of nine mills on the dollar will require to be levied exclusive of all rates required by School Trustees in addition to the general School rate and all By-law rates.

By-law No. 141, levying rates, was then passed and filed.

The Council adjourned until the 11th September.

N. L. CURRY, Clerk.

FACTS FOR SCHOOL PUPILS

The report of the Minister of Education for Ontario for 1907 has reached the Standard office. It is the largest and most complete ever issued, and contains 966 pages.

From the report, we select the following, which every boy and girl should know:

It may be interesting to every boy and girl to know that you can say: "I am a subject of King Edward VIIth, and a citizen of the British Empire."

The full title of King Edward the VIIth is: His Most Excellent Majesty, Edward the Seventh, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of all the British Dominions beyond the seas, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

That portion of the Earth's land surface which is subject to the authority of King Edward the VIIth is the British Empire. Its extent is about 12 million square miles; of these only 121,000 square miles are in the United Kingdom.

The British Empire covers about one-fifth or 21 per cent. of the earth's surface.

The extent of the British Empire is greater than that of any other state. The Nations outside the British Empire possessing the largest territory are: Russia, 8,000,000 square miles; United States, 3,623,000 square miles; Brazil, 3,220,000.

The number of subjects of King Edward VIIth is about 400 millions, or about one-fifth, or about 22 per cent of the inhabitants of the earth. Of these only about 43 millions live in the United Kingdom.

The population of the British Empire is about equal to that of China, and more numerous than that of any other country.

The following statistics were gleaned from the report:

Ontario has 5,801 public schools, and in these were enrolled 398,232 pupils. Besides Kindergarten teachers, there were employed 8,753 teachers; 1,748 males, 7,005 females. The average salary of male teacher was $547; of female teachers, $369. There was expended for schoolhouses, $681,250; for sa,aries, $3,611,372; other expenditures brought the total spent on public schools in this province for 1907, up to $5,766,325.

Of High Schools there are 144, with 719 teachers, over 30,000 pupils, average salary of principals, $1,303; total amount expended on High Schools, $1,029,294.

The population of the province (as per returns of January, 1997) was 2,238,068. Enrolled in Public and High Schools, 493,442.

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Under this heading we publish in brief form notices of Municipal, Educational and Religious Institutions for the convenience of our readers. Such institutions are invited to keep us posted, so that the list may be full and correct.

POST OFFICE DIRECTORY.
MARKDALE

The P.O. will be open from 8 o'clock a.m. to 7 p.m. every working day. Mails close as follows:

C.P.R. going North, 11.40 a.m. and 8.40 p.m.

C.P.R. going South, 7.30 a.m. and 3.50 p.m.

Traverston, Waudby and Ebordale, 12.30 noon Tuesday, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Beaverdale and Wodbridge—2.30 Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

For registered letters and money orders, thirty minutes later than above. The P.O. will be open on holidays one hour after the mail arrives.

Angus Pleves, P.M.

MARKDALE OFFICIALS.

Reeve—J. H. Stephenson.
Councillors—L. G. Campbell, J. G. Matthews, W. L. Mitchell and T. H. Wilson.
Clerk—A. Macpherson.
Treasurer—Wm. Lugsdin.
Poundkeeper—Os. Walker.
Village Constable—A. McCutcheon.
Assessor—J. G. McDermid.
Collector—Chas. Reed.
Fenceviewers—John C. Walker, M. J. Duke, Wm. Ritchie.
Medical Health Officer—A. Ego, M. D.
Auditors—J. S. Rowe, J. E. Matson.
Council meets last Monday in the month at 8 p.m.

MARKDALE CHURCHES.

St. Joseph's Church.
Rev. A. J. Savage, Pastor.
Service, 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month.

Presbyterian.
Rev. A. Shepherd, Pastor.
Service every Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Prayer Meeting—Thursday 8 p.m.
Sabbath School—10 a.m. John Chard, Superintendent.
Young People's Guild Sunday evenings at 8 o'clock.

Methodist.
Rev. J.S.I. Wilson, B.A., B.D., Pastor.
Service every Sunday at 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Sunday School—2.30 p.m. W. J. Shortill, Superintendent.
Prayer Meeting—Thursday 7.30 p.m.
E.L. of C.E.—Monday, p.m. W. Halbert, Pres. A. Johns, Sec'y.
Ladies Aid Society—Mrs. W. A. Armstrong, President.
Pew Steward—J. E. Telford.

Christ Church.
Rev. J. A. Robinson, Incumbent.
Sunday Services—11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Sunday School—10 a.m. J. W. Ford, jr., Superintendent.
Bible Class—Friday evenings at 7.30, conducted by the Rector.
The Guild of the Good Shepherd, every Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.
Holy Communion, the first Sunday in each month, at the close of morning service. On other Sundays and Holy Days at 8 o'clock a.m.

EDUCATIONAL.

Public School Board.
Chairman—J. E. Trell.
Sec.-Treas.—Dr. A. Ego.
Rev. A. Shepherd, W. A. Howard and J. W. Ford, jr.

Public School Staff.
J. S. Rowe, Principal, Miss M. Neely, J. Murdoch, M. A.

Markdale Public Library.
J. G. Matthews, Sec.-Treas. Miss V. Mann, Librarian. Library open every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings.

COUNTY COUNCIL.

The County Council consists of the Reeves and Deputy Reeves of the various municipalities.

DIVISION COURT CLERKS.

No. 1—Benj. Allen, Owen Sound.
No. 2—Archd. Davidson, Durham.
No. 3—H. Henning Meaford.
No. 4—W. L. Tyson, Clarksburg.
No. 5—W. J. Bellamy, Flesherton.
No. 6—W. J. Winter, Chatsworth.
No. 7—Dunc. Campbell, Hanover.
No. 8—R. L. Stephen, Markdale.

COUNTY OFFICIALS.

Sheriff—C. H. Moore, O. Sound.
Clerk of Peace—John Armstrong, Owen Sound.
Clerk—John Rutherford, Owen Sound.
Treasurer—S. J. Parker, Owen Sound.
Warden—R. J. Ball, Hanover.
Registrar N.—R. McKnight, Owen Sound.
Registrar S.—Thos. Lawier, Durham.
M. P., North—W. P. Telford, Owen Sound.
M. P., East—Dr. Sproule, Markdale.
M. P., South—H. H. Miller, Hanover.
M.P.P., North—A. G. Mackay, Owen Sound.
M.P.P., East—I. B. Lucas, K.C. Markdale.
M.P.P., South—D. Jamieson, Durham.

NEIGHBORING MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BOARDS.

Artemesia.
Reeve—A. Muir, Ceylon.
Deputy-Reeve—T. R. McKenzie.
Councillors—Alex. Carson, Geo. Wright, Robert Best.
Treasurer—W. A. Armstrong, Flesherton.
Clerk—W. J. Bellamy, Flesherton.

Euphrasia.
Reeve—Jas. Erskine, Goring.
Deputy-Reeve—W. T. Ellis.
Councillors—R. Conn, L. Rennie, R. Johnston.
Treasurer—J. H. Gardner.
Clerk—N. L. Curry, Rocklyn.

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Clerk—J. P. Hare, Holland C.
Treasurer—John Cameron.

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Deputy-Reeve—E. W. Hunt.
Councillors—Thos. Nichol, John A. McMillan and Wm. Weir.
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Deputy-Reeve—W. J. Taylor.
Councillors—Thos. Stephens, A. E. McCallum, Henry Downs.
Clerk—Thos. Scott, McIntyre.

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Reeve—Jas. H. Corbett.
Councillors—John Aldcorn, Rich. Cronin, Robert Armstrong, Wm. Middleton.
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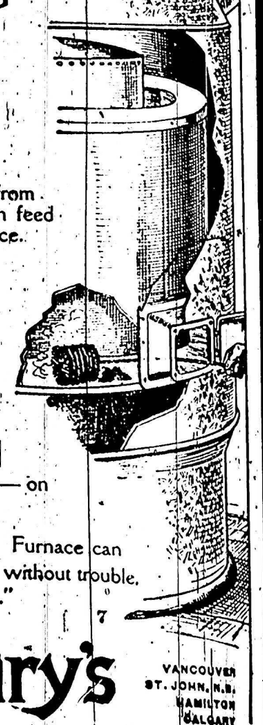

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