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1905---A Year of GREAT RESULTS.

The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company on Dec. 31st, 1905, closed its most successful year. Some of the year's results were as follows:

Insurance in force Dec. 31, 1905, over	\$42,270,272 00
Applications received during 1905	8,566,355 00
Net Premium Income	1,645,385 58
Total Income	1,945,840 31
Increase in Insurance in force	4,601,804 00
Increase in Assets	1,072,337 09
Making Total Assets	7,184,681 66
Increase in Surplus	130,088 94
Making Total Surplus	901,956 06
(Including \$300,000 00 Capital Stock.)	

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March 21st.

The Grand Orange Lodge.

The 63rd annual meeting of the Orange Grand Lodge of New Brunswick opened in the opera house, Woodstock, on Tuesday evening, April 3rd, Right Worshipful Grand Master Harry F. McLeod, presiding. It was one of the largest annual meetings ever held by the Grand Lodge, there being over one hundred delegates present.

A cordial address of welcome was presented by Charlie M. Shaw, County Master. The annual address and report of the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary showed a most gratifying condition of affairs within the order. In the year 1905, four hundred and seventy-nine new members had been added to the order, two new lodges were organized, three old lodges were resuscitated and ten primary lodges were incorporated.

The Grand Master had dedicated four fine new halls and there is another, at McAdam, now awaiting dedication. In the course of his annual address the Grand Master said:—"There had been a misconception of our principles. Through all the years the Orange order has had to contend with insidious accusations, which whispered darkly that the order stood for hatred and strife. Happily the dawn of better knowledge is already with us. Few men will assert today that the Orange order has a quarrel with any man on account of his religious belief. We accord freely to every man the right to worship God as his conscience dictates, and we are bound together to support religious liberty for every faith." The order is opposed to sectarian schools and to the liquor traffic.

The election of officers resulted as follows: H. F. McLeod, of Fredericton, re-elected grand master by acclamation.

Geo. F. Dryden, of Sussex, senior deputy grand master.

John Kenney, jr. St. John, junior deputy grand master by acclamation.

Rev. J. G. Fulton, Hampton, grand chaplain.

Neil J. Anderson, St. John, grand secretary, by acclamation, elected for the ninth year.

H. G. Wyman, Moncton, grand treasurer, by acclamation.

A. R. Mowatt, McAdam Junction, deputy secretary, re-elected.

John Brooks, Newcastle, grand director of ceremonies.

M. Corbett, Queens county, grand lecturer. Rev. Messrs. I. N. Thorne, Northumberland; A. J. Prosser, St. John; A. D. Archibald, Queens county; J. E. Flewelling, York; J. C. Bleakney, Carleton; O. N. Mott, Charlotte; G. H. Thomas, Westmorland; E. H. Cochrane, York; J. B. Dagget, Kings; A. W. Currie, Kent; A. F. Brown, Northumberland, and Charles Sterling, Carleton, deputy grand chaplains.

E. A. Nesbitt and J. T. Haines, grand auditors.

The following were appointed delegates to the triennial council in Toronto this year: H. F. McLeod, P. E. Heine, R. Maxwell, J. W. Clark, A. D. Thomas, Rev. R. G. Fulton, N. J. Morrison, H. G. Wadman, Col. A. J. Armstrong, W. B. Wallace, S. Bastin, David Hipwell, George F. Dryden and R. G. Magee the latter seven being alternates.

The election of officers was conducted by P. G. M. Heine and on conclusion P. G. M. Hipwell took the chair and installed the elected officers.

Smith-Hartt.

A pretty wedding was held at the residence of the bride's uncle, D. F. Alexander, Jacksontown, March 21st, when Miss Ruby M. Hartt, of Boston, was united in marriage to Sandy P. Smith, of Summerfield. Miss Eva A. Smith was bridesmaid and Dibblee Smith groomsmen. The bride was given away by her uncle. The wedding march was played by Miss Hattie Kitchen. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Freeman, of Centreville. Mr. and Mrs. Smith at once proceeded to their home in Summerfield where on the 22nd a reception was given for them. The groom is a brother of Mrs. Thomas Wallace, of Woodstock. The bride was the recipient of many presents of which the following is a partial list.

Mr and Mrs D F Alexander, 4 piece tea set; Mrs Geo Alexander, silver set of pitchers; Mr and Mrs Geo Grant, bed spread, one dozen napkins, toilet set; Mr and Mrs John E Alexander, half dozen tea spoons; Miss Eva Alexander, sugar shell; Mr and Mrs John Smith, comode set; Miss Eva Smith, bed spread; Mr Dibblee Smith, water set; Mr and Mrs Dudley Smith, sugar shell, butter knife, toilet mats, table cloth; Mr and Mrs Granville Follett, vase; Mr and Mrs Thomas Wallace, dining-room picture; Mr and Mrs David Burpee and family, half dozen teaspoons; Misses Maggie and Lena McLeod, half dozen silver teaspoons; Miss Bessie Rockwell, 4 piece tea set; fur coat, the groom; Mr and Mrs Geo Watson, parlor lamp; Miss Eva McLeod, one dollar; Messrs Barty and Colby Rockwell, picture; Mr Geo and Miss Hattie Kitchen, lemonade set; Mr Charles H. Hartt, one half dozen silver tea spoons and napkin ring; Mr and Mrs Duncan Lunn, pie knife and berry spoon; Mr and Mrs Charlie Giberson, silver jewel dish; Mrs Geo Lee, scallop dish; Mrs J. D. Miller and Harry, 4 piece tea set and child's set; Mr Bradford Smith, toilet set; Mr and Mrs Sandy Ritchie and Helen, comode set, cake plate; Mr and Mrs Geo Knox, picture; Mr and Mrs D M McGaffigan and family, rocker; Mr and Mrs C J Green, chocolate set; Mr and Mrs Albert Kinney, parlor lamp; Mr and Mrs S M Tompkins, child's set and one half dozen table spoons.

Japanese Famine Fund.

Mrs. L. P. Fisher	\$100.00
T. H. Estey	1.00
Mrs. John Fisher	1.00
Mrs. Sanford Pugsley	1.00
Mrs. Vince	1.00
Miss Vince	1.00
Mrs. C. L. Stairs	1.00
Burril Britton	25

Bowling.

On Thursday evening last the ever popular Sullivan's Alleys witnessed a mighty struggle with the Candle-Pins between the All Star Ladies' Bowling Team captained by Miss Blanche Dibblee and the Pinafore Sextette captained by Mr. N. Foster Thorne. The contest was the result of a challenge from the former to the latter, and the ladies displayed no less skill in selecting the personnel of the team that they desired to compete against than they did in administering a good nice trouncing when they met them in the lists.

The ladies bowled exceedingly well, their averages for the three strings extending from 84½ made by Miss Marion Dibblee to 93 made by Miss Connell.

Some of the gentlemen also bowled well. The crowd was thrilled by the hot scramble between Captain Thorne and Mr. Creighton for the foot of the ladder.

A return match will be played in the near future when the Pinafore Sextette expect to carry on the field their standard of sky blue pink velvet, beautifully decorated in the upper left hand corner with a dove-coloured apron in miniature pierced by a crochet hook crossed by a white feather.

Following is the summary:

Miss G. Connell	96	86	97	279
" E. Brewer	97	160	78	275
Miss B. Dibblee	97	97	76	270
" J. Denison	87	96	85	268
" K. Bourne	89	82	86	257
Miss M. Dibblee	78	92	84	254

G. Mitchell	83	97	103	283
G. E. Balmain	103	90	86	279
W. Dickinson	97	86	84	267
C. Comben	92	76	90	258
N. F. Thorne	85	87	85	255
J. S. Creighton	75	87	58	220

Arthur Grant won the box of cigars in the bowling alleys on Monday evening last. Following is the result:

Grant	197
Ketch	97
Lingley	94
Kirkpatrick	94
Thorne	72

Sudden Death of Robert E. Stephenson.

The sad news was received last week of the death of Robert E. Stephenson at Oatonsagon, Mich., who died on Friday March 30th, at the age of 65 years. He had been ill of pneumonia only a few days. Dr. Fred Colter, of Marionette, Wisconsin, was called in and was with Mr. Stephenson two days, but nothing could be done for him.

Mr. Stephenson was born in Jacksontown, and was the son of the late Matthew Stephenson. At one time he owned the farm now owned by Fred and Ellis Smith. Later he owned and occupied the J. Fred Dickinson residence in Woodstock. In partnership with a Mr. Sharp he built the mill and dam at Monticello, Me.

About 34 years ago he went to Michigan where he has since been engaged in the lumber business. Four years ago he married Miss Margaret Stephenson of Woodstock, who survives. There are also surviving a son two and a half years old and a son 28 years of age by a former marriage. Mr. Stephenson had a very large number of friends and relatives in Carleton County who will be sorry to learn of his death. He was respected by all who knew him for his manly qualities. He was a very generous man and his charities though many were not published abroad. The bereaved family have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends and relatives both in the West and in New Brunswick.

An Early Protest.

Soon the snow will be gone and then spring, the real spring, will be here, and the merchants will put up their awnings again.

Once more we make an appeal for the tall man and the woman with the parasol. The merchants ought to swing their awnings so high that we won't have to go on our knees to get under them, or take to the street.

The Woodstock awnings make one wish he were a ghost, if all ghosts are like one of whom Dickens says in Christmas Carol; "It was a remarkable quality of the ghost which Scrooge had observed, that notwithstanding his gigantic size, he could accommodate himself to any place with ease; and that he stood beneath a low awning as gracefully and like a superhuman creature as it was possible he could have done in any lofty hall."

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN.

There is no telling when a medicine may be needed in homes where there are little ones. Therefore, the prudent mother will always keep a box of Baby's Own Tablets on hand. These tablets promptly cure indigestion, colic, sour stomach, constipation, diarrhoea and teething troubles. They break up colds, prevent croup, expel worms, and give the child sound natural sleep. Mothers have the guarantee of a Government analyst that these Tablets contain no opiate or poisonous soothing stuff. Mrs. J. C. Gilhart, Prosser Brook, N. B., says: "Baby's Own Tablets act like magic when a little one is ill, and I would not feel safe without a box in the house." You can get Baby's Own Tablets from your medicine dealer or by mail at 25 cents a box from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

The Enforcement of the Scott Act.

At the meeting of the town council last Friday evening Coun. Fields moved that Mr. Colpitts, Inspector under the Canada Temperance Act, be paid a salary of \$200 if he enforced the Act by 1st, 2nd and 3rd offences, and only \$100 if he does not do so. The motion was withdrawn, but on a motion of Coun. Fields, seconded by Coun. Fisher a committee was appointed to wait on Mr. Colpitts and give him the views of the board.

The manner in which Mr. Colpitts enforces the Act has been for years the most prolific subject of discussion in the town and county councils and in the community at large.

Wars, famines and prize fights come and go. They attract attention for a few brief days or weeks and are forgotten, but this question we have always with us. Every year some councillors, at both boards, demand that the Act be rigorously enforced, that a man shall be fined only once on a first offence, the next information shall be for a second offence and the third information, they demand, shall be for a third offence, the penalty for which is three months imprisonment, with no option of a fine.

Eight or ten years ago Mr. Colpitts adopted this method of enforcing the act, and we all remember what happened. He sent four well known citizens to jail, and the town arose in wrath, almost as one man, and declared the proceeding to be a disgrace to the community and there were not a dozen men who dared to defend the action of the inspector.

The moral of this is plainly to be seen. Woodstock is a temperance sort of town in name. Public sentiment seems to agree that a man who violates the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act shall be fined now and then, but it won't stand for putting anyone in jail, unless it be some poor pocket peddler who has no friends.

The only enforcement of the Act that Woodstock can ever have, with the present temperance sentiment, is just such enforcement as Mr. Colpitts is now giving.

Temperance sentiment in town is very weak. It is true a petition to repeal the act could not get the requisite number of signatures to bring the matter to a vote, because there are many people, who, though they might like to see the act repealed, for business reasons would not dare to sign the petition, but if the matter could be voted on the act would undoubtedly be defeated.

To put the matter in a nutshell, with the present sentiment on the temperance question in existence, there will be just the sort of enforcement we have now, or none at all.

Death of Mrs. Elbridge J. Bailey.

Mrs. Annie L. Bailey widow of the late Elbridge J. Bailey died at the residence of her mother Mrs. James Watts on Monday afternoon at half past five o'clock, after a lingering illness, at the age of 39 years.

Mrs. Bailey was married about 14 years ago and after less than two years of married life her husband was killed. The shock of her husband's death was so great that she never fully recovered from it. She was the eldest daughter of the late James Watts. She leaves a mother, one brother, James of Boston and two sisters, Mrs. C. V. Wetmore of Sydney C. B. and Miss Isabel Watts of Woodstock. The funeral will be held to-day at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Geo. A. Ross will officiate.

To Extend the Tobique Valley Railway.

Ottawa despatches tell of a delegation of New Brunswick members of parliament waiting upon Hon. Mr. Emmerson favoring a subsidy for extension of the Tobique Valley Railway.

This refers to the project of the Tobique and Campbellton Railway Company to build a line twenty-eight miles long from Plaster Rock which is the northerly terminus of the C. P. R.'s Tobique branch, to Riley Brook and likely ultimately to connect with the road which Thomas McLeod is now building across New Brunswick from Campbellton to St. Leonard's. The country which the new railway would traverse is thickly wooded and it is claimed that the road would open up a valuable tract and tend to establish large saw mill industries. Subsidies are asked from both Canadian and New Brunswick governments and it is said the sums asked total \$6,000 a mile.

James McNair is president of the Tobique and Campbellton Railway Company. J. E. Stewart is managing director and the other directors are J. F. Tweeddale, M. P. P., Arch. Fraser, N. N. Marchie and David Aiton.

BORN.

LOCKHART.—At Sydney, Cape Breton, March 31st, to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lockhart, a son.

MARRIED.

KING-FORREST.—At the home of James Forrest, April 2nd, 1906, by Rev. J. F. Polley, B. D., Frederick J. King to Minnie E. Forrest, both of the Parish of Woodstock.

To arrive Friday another lot of Carnations at H. G. NOBLE'S.