

FOR SWEET CHARITY'S SAKE.

The Regulations and Purposes of the Order of Elks.

The Order Embraces Men of All Professions and is Benevolent—A Lodge to be Organized in Roanoke—The Occasion to be Made One of Special Interest—A Large Number of Applications for Membership.

"In faith and hope the world will disagree, but all mankind's concerned in charity." So sang Pope, and it reflected the most beautiful of sentiments. The lines have been chosen as one of the maxims of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, a lodge which is about to be instituted in this city.

Only one lodge of Elks is permitted in any city or town. This is done to prevent the rivalry, connet, and jealousy that so often embarrass and injure societies. There are only two degrees. The initiation varies from \$25 to \$100 in the various cities. The average dues are \$6 a year. The order is not beneficial, but it expends more in secret and unostentatious charity than any similar society, with the possible exception of one, in the world. This, expended in the shape of benefits to those in need, averages \$10 a week to those in distress, but the amount is usually only limited by the needs of the sufferer.

There are no ranks, titles, or emoluments in the order. All Elks have equal rights under their laws. To join the order one must be in good health, 21 years of age, believe in a Supreme Being, be a citizen of the United States, and have some honorable occupation or visible means of support.

The business and objects of the order are benevolent, but are also intended to aid and protect its members and their families, and to promote friendship and social intercourse. At its institution, in 1867, it was composed only of a few gentlemen of the theatrical profession, drawn together for social intercourse. It has since developed into a widespread and powerful order of benevolence and charity, with lodges in 170 of the principal cities of the Union.

Born of brotherly love, it is designed to offer its members the certainty of warm hearts and welcome hearths in the various cities to which business or pleasure may summon them. One can well realize the satisfaction in finding in each strange city a little circle of kindred minds; kind, appreciative and intelligent friends; social spirits who, linked together by the mystic tie, extend the right hand of fellowship and greet one with the kindly smile of brotherhood.

The idea has become prevalent that none but members of the theatrical profession and its dependencies are eligible for membership. This is erroneous. It is true that nearly all of the reputable male portion of the profession are enrolled in its ranks, but on that roll will also be found the names of prominent officials, merchants, bankers, newspaper men, legal and medical men, and many of the brightest lights of the world of art, literature and music.

The social occasions, the opportunity to bring brothers into a clearer recognition of the true claims for consideration of its members, is only one object of the Order of Elks. Its brotherly love and justice are not the bright jewels in the crown of a worthy member. Charity shines forth prominently in all their actions, the beam of light that guide them from the shadows of reckless liberality and the quicksands of proverbial prodigality. It is needless to refer to the well known generous charity of this order, whenever occasion demands its aid. So surely can charity of distress echo on the air, the wail of misfortune or the moan of despair cease on the air, ere the Elks tender the best efforts to aid and relieve, questioning neither country nor creed, accords no belief.

It would be almost an endless task to commemorate the acts of charity done by this order, and mention of this is only made to show that, if the order appeared to the world at large, they give to the sad and thank to the generous public, their annual benefits never fail to meet with a bountiful response from the profession, the press and the public.

The Benevolent Protective Order of Elks is a purely charitable organization, seeking to do its charity in silence, that the proud spirit that suffers in secret, fearing more the blush of shame than comes of asking than the pang of hunger, may feel that never will its sore need, nor the manner of its alleviation be published to the world, and that the faults, the frailties, the necessities, and the help extended will remain as sacred confidence, never to be divulged.

And this fully explains the reason for and the secrecy of the organization.

The lodge to be instituted in this city will bear upon its rolls the names of some of the brightest men in all walks of life, and the true Bohemian spirit will be a feature of its meetings.

Mr. Charles S. Thompson, whose place of business is at Salem avenue and Roanoke street, is now the custodian of the list of applicants for charter membership, which will be kept open a short time longer.

The occasion of organizing Roanoke lodge will be made one long to be remembered, and delegations from all sections of the State will be present. There will be a banquet, a public reception, possibly a special theatrical entertainment, and a general good time on the part of visitors, resident Elks and invited guests.

"The Books of the Bible."

The second lecture in the course of lectures to be delivered this winter in the First Presbyterian Church on "The Books of the Bible," will be delivered to-night. Subject of lecture, "History of the New Testament Text."

A Lady in Texas Writes:

My case is of long standing, has baffled many physicians; have tried every remedy, I could hear of, but Dr. Field's Female Regulator is all that relieved me. Write The Bradford-Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga., for further particulars. Sold by all druggists.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York, Jan. 13.—[Special]—Exchange quiet an steady at 48 3/4 @ 48 1/2. Commercial bills, 48 1/4 asked. Money easy at 3 @ 3 1/2, closing offered at 3. Sub-Treasurer balances—gold, \$149,719,000; currency, \$1,843,000. Government bonds dull steady—4s, 120; 4 1/2s, 103. State bonds dull and featureless.

PRODUCE AND MERCHANDISE.

New York, Jan. 13.—Southern flour, dull. Wheat, unsettled, 1/2 @ 1 higher, closing firm; No. 2 red, \$1.05 elevator, \$.06 @ float; options opened weak; slightly lower and irregular, with most pressure to sell late months on crop news; rallied on some western buying, and closed firm at 1/2 @ 1/2 advance on early months; 1/2 @ 1/2 on May, June, July, and 1/2 lower on Aug. and Dec. No. 2 red, Jan., \$1.04 1/2; Feb., \$1.04 1/2; May, \$1.04 1/2. Corn, dull, easier, closing steady, No. 2, 59 1/2 @ 59 1/2 elevator; 60 1/2 @ float; ungraded, mixed, 58 1/2 @ 60; sea-meal, mixed, 59 1/2 @ 60 1/2. Options firm, at unchanged prices to 1/2 advance on light deliveries at west and here; Jan., 59 1/2; Feb., 1/2; May, 1/2.

Oats 1/2 @ 1/2 lower; options quiet, weaker; Jan., 51 1/2; Feb., 51 1/2; May, 52. Spot price No. 2 red, 51 1/2 @ 52 1/2; spot white, 52 @ 52 1/2, mixed Western, 49 @ 53. Hops firm, quiet. Coffee, options opened steady; unchanged to 25 points advanced steady 5 down to 25 up, better cables; Jan., \$16.45 @ 16.55; Feb., \$16.00 @ 16.50; May, \$15.35 @ 15.40; Spot Rio firm; fair cargoes, 19. Sugar, raw firm, quiet; fair refined, 4 1/2; refined quiet, easier; white extra, 5 1/2 @ 5 7/8; yellow, 4 1/2 @ 5; powdered, 6 3/8 @ 6 1/2. Molasses, foreign, nominal; New Orleans firm. Rice firm, good demand. Petroleum quiet, steady; refined, all ports, 7-40. Cotton-seed oil dull, steady; crude, off grade, 20 @ 24; yellow, off grade, 26. Rosin quiet, steady; strained, common to good, \$1.35 @ 1.40. Turpentine quiet, steady; 39 @ 39 1/2. Wool firm; fair demand. Pork quiet, steady. Beef firm; family, \$9.00 @ 9.50. Tiered beef dull, steady. Cut meats strong; wanted middles easy, dull. Lard opened easy; closed firm, quiet; Western steam, \$6.20 asked; city steam, \$5.65 @ 5.70.

ANOTHER TIE BROKEN.

Algernon Had Been Given Many Privileges, but He Was Ungrateful.

"I am convinced, Algernon, that there is no such thing as gratitude in the world. I have striven against the doubt, but in vain," and Beatrice looked as desolate as a young man who calls on a stranger for the first time and never hears a familiar topic of conversation for an hour, says the St. Paul Pioneer-Press. "And how am I at fault?" said the young man, as interested as a hen with one chicken and that one a duck. "Don't trifle with me, Algy; you see I still forget that I should be firm. I must ask you some questions," and the fair maiden looked as sober as a justice of the peace when he discovers that he has left his tobacco-box at home. "Have I not allowed you to part your name in the middle?" "You have," responded the youth, with a painted, green-apple-pie expression.

"Have I not allowed you to hum 'McGinty' with your numerous variations?" persisted the fair Portia, with a life insurance agent's suavity.

"You have," answered the youth, blushing as if he had dropped a poker chip in the parlor.

"And 'Annie Rooney'?" "Yes," was the almost inaudible murmur.

"Yes, Algy, I have, and do you appreciate it? Not a particle. You men never appreciate us poor women. During this entire evening, while that horrid Banks girl was laughing in her sleeve, you persisted in saying: 'I reckon' instead of 'I fancy.' Algy, I feel obliged to say farewell forever," and the fair maiden would have wept had it not been for the violet powder on her face.

And so another tender tie was rudely broken.

STARTING LIFE ANEW.

How One Man Lost a Wife and a Little Tot to a Mother.

I was at the depot in Louisville, standing in the doorway of the ladies' waiting-room, when, writes a Detroit Free Press correspondent, a stranger beckoned me out and said: "I want you to do me a favor. See if there is a woman about forty years old in there, wearing a black silk dress, a brown wrap and a hat with two white feathers in it."

I entered the room and looked around, and returned a disappointed report there.

"Anybody with her?" he asked. "Yes; a man and a little child."

His face was pale and betrayed great emotion, and his voice had a queer sound to it as he considered for a moment and then said: "Take this pistol. I am her husband, and she has eloped. I was going to kill the man at first, but I have thought it better of it."

He entered the room, and the guilty pair rose up and turned pale as he approached. He did not look at either of them, but walked straight up to the child, took her in his arms, and went out saying: "We haven't any home now, darling, but we will go away somewhere and make one."

"Come, mamma!" called the child. "Hush!" he whispered. "You have no mother. She died two days ago!"

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RICHMOND.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 13.—The telegram from the overseer of St. Sepulchre Church, London, asking the State of Virginia to contribute to the preservation of the tomb of John Smith, has attracted very general attention. The telegram, which was addressed to Gen. Fitzhugh Lee at Glasgow, was referred to Governor McKinney. The latter, however, does not propose to answer it. He has turned over the matter to the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, of which Mrs. Joseph Bryan is the president. This association has been devoting its attention to securing the old powder horn at Williamsburg and Jamestown Island. The association will, no doubt, communicate at once with the vestry of St. Sepulchre Church and possibly suggest the propriety of bringing the ashes of John Smith to this country and committing them to the dust of Jamestown Island.

The figures from the census office show that the assessed value of real and personal property of the colored people in the sixteen cities of the State are \$3,234,542. The real estate is assessed at \$2,779,792 and personal property at \$454,750. The sixteen cities probably represent fully half of the wealth of the colored people of the whole State. The points in Virginia where the colored people hold the largest amount of property, according to these returns are: Richmond city, \$820,138; Petersburg, \$582,755; Lynchburg, \$407,192; Norfolk, \$319,854; Danville, \$180,344.

Miss Gertrude Rives, a sister of Mrs. Amelia Rives Chandler, who is reported seriously ill in Paris, is here to-day. Miss Rives says these reports about her sister's condition are greatly exaggerated.

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Do you want rooms? Do you want board? Do you want employment? Have you stock for sale? Have you rooms for rent? Do you want boarders? If you want anything or have anything to dispose of put an advertisement in THE TIMES. It will cost only one cent per word, and will bring what you want.

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SPECIAL BARGAINS.

Nine-room house and lot on Wells st. n. e.; good house, \$5,000; one-third cash, balance 1 and 2 years; rent for \$30 per month. Six-room house and lot on Fairfax st. n. w., \$1,600; \$250 cash, balance \$25 per month. Six-room house and lot on Gilmore st. n. w., \$2,500; \$300 cash, balance \$15 per month; rent for \$17 per month. Further information can be had by calling on BURCHETT & JONES, Room 3, 105 Jefferson st. jan14-1mo

OFFICES WANTED—I desire two communicating offices on second floor, in or near business center of city. MALCOLM W. BRYAN, P. O. box 233. jan14-4t

WANTED—A pleasant, nicely furnished room in private family in good location, with or without board, for gentleman and wife. References exchanged. Address with full particulars, "X," Times office. jan13-3t

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FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room for rent. Apply at 320 Campbell street southwest. jan13-3t

FOR SALE—Horse, Dayton wagon and harness; cheap, good horse for \$100; will sell separately. Apply to H. CHIPMAN & CO., or Owen's livery stable. jan13-3t

WANTED—Boarders or transient, at No. 102 Fifth avenue, s. w. Mrs. M. M. CHASE. jan11-2t.

FOR SALE—150 gallons fine Grapo Wine, cheap. Mrs. M. M. CHASE. jan11-2t.

CHAS. E. GRAVES, EXPERT LAW stenographer and typewriter of considerable experience, gives his personal attention to court reporting and the preparation of deeds, contracts, charters, etc. Instruction given in Pitman's shorthand. Agent for typewriters' supplies, 126 Salem avenue (with C. Markley). jan11-1t

WANTED—Every man and woman in the city to come to 114 Commerce street and have their furniture insured. J. F. WINGFIELD, Real Estate and Insurance Agent. jan11-1wk

WANTED—A first-rate machinist, who is used to country machine shops, tools and work. Write to MARION FOUNDRY & MACHINE SHOP, Marion, Va. jan9-1mo

FOR RENT—Large, pleasant rooms (entirely heated) furnished or unfurnished. No. 24 Franklin street. dec16-1m

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Seats on sale at Johnson & Johnson's drug store. Prices—Reserved, in advance, \$1; at the house, 50c, 75c and \$1. jan13-4t

Roanoke Opera House.

One night,

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Farewell appearance of

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In the funniest of all plays,

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The play that has made millions laugh.

Don't fail

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180 Laughs in 180 Minutes.

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AUCTION SALES.

By E. O. Young, Real Estate Auctioneer, No. 105 Jefferson street.

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSE to be removed. By order of owner, I will sell at auction in front of the courthouse of this city, on Saturday, January 17th, at 12 o'clock, that frame two-story dwelling house situated on Tyler street southside, near the corner of Tazwell street. Said building to be removed by purchaser within thirty days from this day of sale. Terms cash. jan7 E. O. YOUNG, Auctioneer.

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NOTICE.—MR. E. ROCHET, a first class dyer, has just opened a dyeing and cleaning establishment at 22 Commerce street, opposite Evans & Chalmers. Suits cleaned \$1.75; s. d. dyed, 25c. Fancy colors a specialty. jan6

ROANOKE IRON COMPANY, Roanoke, Va., Jan. 2nd, 1891. NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the stockholders, for the election of directors for the ensuing year will be held at the company's office, in Roanoke, Va., on Monday, February 2nd, 1891, at 10 a. m. JAMES E. PORTER, Secretary. jan3-30t

GENERAL AGENTS selling the patent adjustable shoe are making from \$3,000 to \$5,000 per year. Canvas \$4 to \$7 per day. Exclusive territory given. Address with 2-cent stamp, CONSOLIDATED ADJUSTABLE SHOE STORE, 44 West 14th St., New York City. dec14-4wood