

ORANGEMEN HAVE GREAT CELEBRATION

Nearly Five Thousand People Present--- Receipts from Gates, Booths, etc., Break All Records.

Marmora L. O. L. No. 319 have much reason to feel proud of the success which attended their celebration of the victory of William of Orange, which was held on Monday July 13th. There has been very few celebrations held in Hastings County which were so largely attended, or where so many Orangemen joined in the procession as in this one.

Trains from Maynooth in the north, Picton in the south, and Tweed and other points to the north and east brought in an immense throng of visitors all of whom were prepared to enjoy the day to the fullest extent. In addition to these hundreds drove in from the surrounding country and by noon the largest crowd ever seen in Marmora was in attendance.

When the grand parade of all lodges took place shortly after dinner, nearly eight hundred Orangemen joined in the procession. Among the Lodges taking part were the following:—No. 276 Montezgle; No. 624 Bancroft; No. 1183 L'Amable; No. 289 Actinolite; No. 172 Wellman's; No. 437, Queensboro; No. 1442 Springbrook; No. 253 Allen's Settlement; No. 285 Nickle; No. 517 Eldorado; No. 1070 Millbridge; No 509 Tanner; No. 319 Marmora; No. 620 Wooler; No. 206 Trenton; No. 521 Cordova, and No. 177 Marmora Loyal True Blues.

The procession was headed by the Trenton Band and was about half a mile long. With their life and drum bands, their banners, etc., they made a very imposing appearance and one that speaks well for the Orangemen of North Hastings.

After the parade, Mr. J. W. Pearce, ex-M.P.P., formerly one of Marmora's most popular citizens, and now Bursar of the Ontario School for the Deaf at Belleville, became master of ceremonies. A temporary platform had been erected and Rev. T. H. H. Hall, Rector of Rawdon parish, Rev. Wm. Sinclair, Presbyterian Minister at Eldorado, E. Gus. Porter, K. C., M. P. Robt. Cooke, M. L. A. and Sir Mackenzie Bowell joined Mr. Pearce. All made short addresses, dealing with questions which are of particular interest to orangemen and were heartily applauded.

Those who were in charge of the various arrangements for the day deserve the greatest credit for the splendid manner in which the whole affair was carried out.

The streets were attractively decorated, fine evergreen arches being erected on each of the main streets, while appropriate mottos were strung across the street. A profusion of small flags were also used by the committee and private citizens so that the village presented a very pleasing appearance.

The task of feeding the immense throng was in charge of Mr. F. S. Pearce and he has been complimented for the able manner in which he carried out this heavy contract. Instead of using a tent a large wooden structure was erected which proved much cooler than a tent would have been.

From Thursday four of the best cooks in Hastings County worked at top speed turning out pies, cakes, fried cakes, etc. Immense quantities of meat, potatoes and vegetables were also prepared and everything was well cooked. Messrs. W. Long, John McClintock, John Anderson and Philip Bosley were the cooks and they were certainly the right men for the job.

Booths were run on the grounds by the Anglican and the Methodist churches and by Messrs. W.C. Inkster and F. Wells, as well as a couple of smaller stands. These all did a rushing business and the total receipts being well over \$700.00. The Methodist church also had a booth adjoining Reeve Hubbell's yard which took in over \$130.

Mr. Casha Boyd is Master of Marmora Lodge and this celebration will make his term of office a highly satisfactory one.

The following figures will give some idea of the size of the celebration.

Crowd present about	5,000
Orangemen in procession	800
Gate Receipts about	\$1,500.00
Booth Receipts	700.00
Ice Cream sold	150 gals
Other supplies were also used in proportion.	

Orange Celebration At Marmora Was Highly Successful Event

For several years Marmora L.O.L. No. 319 had waited for the privilege of holding a Centre Hastings County Celebration here and in a number of occasions had withdrawn in favor of some other Lodge. This year their patience was rewarded, when Marmora was chosen as the place of meeting, and twenty-one Lodges united in celebrating the 250th anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne. Everything seemed to combine to make the event a gratifying success. The weather was delightful, bright and clear and yet cool enough for everyone to be comfortable, including the long line of marchers in the parade, which was about a mile long.

Officers and Members of Marmora Lodge had planned carefully and worked hard to make the celebration a success and their efforts evidently met with the approval of the big throng of visitors. Officers of visiting Lodges extended congratulations and claimed it was one of the most successful County Walks in years.

From the financial standpoint Marmora Lodge also had reason to be delighted, over 2000 paying admission to the grounds, while all children and quite a number of others were admitted free. Three booths also did a thriving business under the auspices of the Lodge.

Twenty-one lodges were represented in the parade, which complete with several fine bands, formed at the Fair Grounds and moved off from there at 2.30 p.m. The line of march through the village included south to No. 7 Highway, west to the main intersection at Forsythe street, north on this main thoroughfare to Madoc street, and from thence east on the return to the Fair Grounds.

The lodges in the order in which they marched were: Marmora L.O.B.A. No. 600; Wellman's Corners L.O.L. No. 172; Springbrook L.O.L. No. 442; Tanners L.O.L. No. 509; Allen's Settlement L.O.L. No. 253; Malone L.O.L. No. 285; Queensboro L.O.B.A. Queensboro L.O.L. No. 437; Eldorado L.O.L. No. 517; Hazzard's Corners L.O.L. No. 1433; Madoc L.O.L. No. 160; West Huntingdon L.O.L. No. 300; Stirling L.O.B.A. No. 655; Stirling L.O.L. No.110; Downey L.O.L. No. 435; Elliott L.O.L. No.335 Bogart L.O.L. No. 1135; Sentinel L.O.L. No. 2322; Campbellford L.T.B. No. 35; Stanwood L.O.L. No. 1338.

Queensboro Ladies Win

Honors for the finest appearing ladies' lodge on parade were captured by the Queensboro L.O.B.A., who resplendent in their 'white dresses, red capes and carrying red parasols, drew the judges' approval over their nearest competitors, the Stirling L.O.B.A. Sentinel L.O.L. No. 2322 of Petherick's Corners, in smart white and blue uniforms and headed by a Kiltie band, were outstanding among the male contingents. The Campbellford L.T.B. No. 35 was the judges' second choice.

Prizes awarded by the Marmora L.O.L. were later presented to representatives of the Queensboro and Sentinel Lodges by County Master E. C. Townsend.

Upon the completion of the "walk" the Orangemen gathered about a flag-draped platform in the centre of the Fair Grounds to listen to speeches delivered by various of their leading members. W. J. Cottrell, Past County Master, extended a most hearty welcome to the visitors on behalf of the Marmora Lodge, in the absence of the local Master, Bro. Orville Leonard. Two other gentlemen scheduled to be on the afternoon's program, but unable to attend were George S. White, M.P., and the Rev. Canon Swayne. A message of regret from Mr. White was read by Mr. Cottrell, explaining his absence was due to having been called for duty with the Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment on July 8th.

County Master E. C. Townsend introduced to the gathering by Mr. Cottrell, addressed the brethren briefly and then presided for the remaining speeches. "To-day," he said, "many of our brethren are now fighting, in similar circumstances in which William of Orange fought for freedom years ago. Such freedom will now be lost if Britain does not win the war, and it is our duty to see that she does win. More members of the L.O.L. have enlisted," he said, "than of any other organization in Canada." At this point Reeve Linn of Marmora extended an official welcome from the village to the Orangemen.

Rural Dean A. B. Caldwell, of Marmora, voiced the question: "Are we, who are far from that land which is being shelled, really thankful—are we taking our place in this great land—are we doing our duty? We must," he said, "ask that God's blessing be bestowed upon us."

Orangemen of this district were especially honored by the presence of Wor. Bro. H. A. Graham, field secretary and grand organizer for Ontario East, who in his first visit to Marmora delivered a stirring address to his fellow brethren. Expressing himself as proud of the L.O.L. and L.O.B.A., on this their 250th anniversary, he recalled how 250 years ago, a battle was fought for civil and religious freedom. I am glad to be supporting these principles, and happy that we have assembled here to-day with those in mind With conditions as they now are, the story of what took place 250 years ago may again be repeated.

59,000 Enlisted

"In the last war," said Mr. Graham, "59,000 Orangemen from this Dominion went overseas, and of these 21,800 never returned. We are glad today as workers in this great organization, that we are still true and loyal to the Empire, and we are sure that Britain will emerge from this conflict stronger than ever."

At this point, the speaker directed special credit to the L.O.B.A. for their excellent work in the past, and pointed out the opportunities now lying ahead for greater assistance.

"Now that our younger men are enlisting," he said, "it is the duty of we older members to lend a helping hand. Surely we can get men to fill the vacant chair, until their return. Let us be just a little better Orangemen—a little better supporters of that organization first founded in British America some 110 years ago, that the Union Jack may continue to fly over this great Dominion."

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Expressing hatred of the totalitarian system, be it in state or religion, Rev. Dr. W. P. Fletcher of Marmora, warned, "If we are going to stand for democracy we must give it a fair chance. There must be freedom for all classes, economic and industrial freedom, free press, free book and above all a free conscience. The cruellest thing happening to men to-day is the fact that they are letting others do their thinking."

Rev. A. E. Pepper, of Tweed, compared Communism, Nazism and Fascism to noxious weeds which are bound to grow unless we continually fight them.

"It seems to me," voiced Rev. Bickel, County Chaplain, "that the problem facing Orangemen today is to try and keep together this British Empire. We should be stressing one flag, one empire, one king, one gospel, freedom and liberty."

"We don't gather to celebrate, but to commemorate," said Rev. Leslie Harding, of Stirling, concluding speaker on the program. The Benediction was afterwards pronounced by the County Chaplain, followed by the National Anthem.

Orange Lodge veterans took an active part in the celebration, several of whom occupied seats on the speaker's platform, where they were introduced to the gathering by W. J. Cottrell, and some spoke briefly. Names of some of the veterans and their years' service include: Peter Luffman, Sulphide (66 years); Robert Eggleston, Stirling (66 years); Samuel Townsend, Halloway (58 years) father of the present County Master; Henry Williamson, Madoc (51 years); James Cleveland, Millbridge (50 years); R. H. Brady, Tweed (62 years); Hartchules Rollins, Allens Settlement (64 years); William McMecham, Queensboro (64 year).

Orange Celebration - Was Great Success

Parade Biggest In History of Marmora
— 41 Lodges Assemble Here on
Saturday

Marmora L. O. L. had to wait a number of years for approval of holding a County Celebration, but this year proved to be an exceptionally favourable one. No other celebration was held in Centre Hastings, or in Prince Edward County. The decision to hold the celebration on Saturday, July 10th, instead of Monday, July 12th, was also a fortunate one. The weather was ideal, fine and moderately cool for the time of the year.

The parade was over half a mile long and the L. O. B. A. and Juvenile members added much to its attractiveness. The ladies with their white dresses, some Lodges with brightly coloured capes and others with gaily coloured parasols, etc., and the boys and girls with their attractive uniforms made a parade which won much favorable comment from the many spectators. The many banners, quite a number of gray or white horses and various other features contributed to the success of the parade. There was also quite a number of experienced and lusty drummers, who beat out martial music. One noticeable change from earlier years was the great decrease in the number of fife players. Twenty-five or more years ago the fife and drum bands were one of the outstanding features of an Orange parade. Some Lodges would have upwards of a dozen players and the lilting tunes would make the marches step out like soldiers marching.

The Peterborough Examiner sent a special representative down to report the event and as he had more time both to view the celebration, and to write it up than we have we are copying his report.

The largest commemoration of the Battle of the Boyne to be held in Marmora within living memory took place in the village Saturday, for the annual Centre Hastings County parade.

Forty-one Lodges marked a record turn-out under ideal conditions.

Headed by County Director William Phillips of Madoc and the popular Madoc and District Band with Grand Master Richard Sanderson of Ontario East and County Master Milton Hagerman occupying the leading car, the procession left the Marmora Community Centre to parade along Victoria Ave., William St., McGill St., Main St., Forsyth St., Matthew St. and again Victoria Ave. to reach the grounds again

Lending color to the parade was the presence of Juvenile Orange Lodges in which Marmora J.O.L. 34, senior in organization, came first for the first year having a mounted Director of Ceremonies Bro. Elwood Jones whose ancestor Hugh Jones of four generations back was a charter member of L.O.L. 319 when the Lodge was organized 103 years ago.

Also well represented with more than

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Hundreds Of Orangemen Celebrate In Village Saturday

Sixty-five lodges headed by the Springbrook. Havelock Kiltie Band and the Marmora Juvenile Lodge led the parade here on Saturday marking the 285th anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne.

More than 2,500 Orangemen representing some 65 lodges from North Hastings, South Hastings, Frontenac and East Peterboro swarmed around the arena in preparation for the parade through town streets which started at 1.30.

There were about 15 bands in the long parade which took about an hour and a half to pass a given point.

Following the parade Reeve William Shannon kicked off the festivities with a speech welcoming the largest crowd "in a long, long time".

Other speakers were Lorne Hagerman, grand master of Eastern Ontario; Fred Bateman, past grand master of Eastern Ontario; Godfrey Barr, deputy grand master of Eastern Ontario, Elmer Sandercock MPP for Hastings West, and Rod Webb, MP for Hastings-Frontenac.

Rod Webb in his address charged that the national flag issue was the most divisive controversy in a generation.

He warned that the issue seemed part of a deliberate "rooting out of distinctive terms and symbols that bind our nation to its past."

"If it is our flag now, will it be the crown tomorrow or our Commonwealth association the day after?"

He said the removal of the Red Ensign with its symbol of three crosses is "consistent with current leftist campaigns throughout America.

"It is clear to see . . . that far from being a unifying move it is perhaps the most divisive action taken in a generation in Canada.

Mr. Webb was principal speaker to the gathering of 65 lodges here for the traditional July 12th walk.

The parade went without a hitch—despite some traffic problems. Provincial police aided by Chief Murray Brown in handling the event—complicated by the fact the community's main intersection is also the junction of two heavily-travelled highways.

"King" for the day was Murney Bateman of Centre Hastings Lodge,

Busiest spot at the fairgrounds was the Arena, transformed into a dining hall to serve the marching members before and after their walk.

The day's activities wound up with a dance in the Doctor Hamilton Crawford Memorial Arena.

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ANNUAL ORANGE PARADE HELD IN MARMORA

The annual Orange Walk marking the 233rd commemoration of the Battle of the Boyne was held in Marmora on Saturday, July 8th, under sunny skies and before a good sized crowd.

Led by County Marshal for Centre Hastings, Gordon Jones of Marmora and County Marshal for Hastings North, Cecil McEathron of Bancroft astride the traditional white horses and marching to the swirl of bagpipes

provided by the Duke of Edinburgh, Unit 231, Belleville, the parade consisting of 22 lodges left the fairgrounds at 2 p.m. travelled down William St. to Forsyth, Forsyth to No. 7 Highway, then up Bursthall to Madoc St. and back to the fairgrounds.

About 500 men, women and children wearing their orange sashes and regalia came from Campbellford on the west, Napanee on the east, Picton on the south, and Bancroft on the north.

County Warden Carmen Gibson took part in the parade.

Following the parade Past Master of Ontario East, Jackson Wildman of Smith Falls, addressed the gathering as did Reeve Jack Reynolds of Marmora Village, Reeve John Wilkes of Marmora & Lake Townships and Past Grand Master and Grand Treasurer of Ontario Fred Bateman of Stirling, Master of Ceremonies was Past Master Gavin Adams.

Prizes were awarded to the following: 1. Malone Lodge (Ladies), 2. Malone Lodge (Men's), 3. St. Ola Lodge (Men's).

Hot dinners were served in the Marmora Arena from 11:30 to 1 p.m. by members of L.O.L. 3199 and L.O.B.A. 600 Marmora to about 500 people.

A dance in the arena that evening was poorly attended. Music was supplied by Jerry Seaboyea's Orchestra.

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