REV. C. G. SMITH REVIEWS "THE GRAND MARCH PAST"

Takes Rather a Humorous View of the Riot in Toronto—Some Amusing Incidents—Temperance Forces Should Press Their Demands as Sensible People, Not as Cranks.

(From Monday's Daily)

Rev. C. G. Smith, pastor of the Baptist Church, who is one of the Citizens' Committee of One Hundred that has been so much in the limelight the past few days, gave last night a most interesting and impressive sermon upon the subject, "The Grand March Past or Mobbed in Toronto." He took for his text, Rev. 19: 11-14. "And I saw heaven opened and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True," etc.

In Biblical times, said Mr. Smith, the white horse was emblematic of victory. The conqueror always came home in triumph riding a white charger and there was a grand march past of the victorious army and the captives in bonds.

History recorded many grand marches past but he would only mention three.—The triumphant march past of Cromwell after his victories over the Royalists; the march past of William III. as he returned to London from his victories in Ireland, and one that he himself had witnessed, at Bloomsbury Chapel, London, when those who had fought to end the reign of svavery on the Congo came onto the platform showing the bonds, the knouts, the whips that had been used to punish and torture the African slaves.

These marches past indicating moral and spiritual advancement and the breaking of the light of liberty.

On Wed. March the eighth he had witnessed another grand march past in the city of Toronto.

Teh march past represented two things, (1) The result of the efforts of 35,000 field workers in Ontario, (2) The voice of the people expressed in more than 800,000 signatures.

This combined representation said as plainly as any language could express it that the greatest power for evil of all the ages should be ended.

The speaker had a special chance to witness the grand march past from the steps of the Parliament Buildings. As he saw thousands upon thousands of processionists march past he thought of the 19th chapter of Revelation and the final victory over evil and he said to himself this is surely one of the greatest marches past of all the ages. He was glad to be privileged to be a witness of such a procession. He knew Toronto as a student twenty-five years ago and at that time the thought of any such demonstration by the temperance forces would have been regarded as chimerical.

Then a door in the Parliament Buildings opened and the Committee to the number of about 125 were admitted to the presence of the cabinet. They had a splendid address by Judge Clement of Berlin and a splendid reply by Premier Hearst. The Premier was cheered to the echo for his straightforward message.

Was there a riot? There was. He was near the front of the procession immediately behind the Highlanders' band. They were jostled by the soldiers as they passed the Armouries and his hat was stove in and he received a blow across the face. He did not offer to retaliate in kind, but one old farmer squared off, pulled up his sleeves and exclaimed,—"I'll take no lip from any of them city fellers." A New York newspaper woman who was in the procession pulled out a hatpin and put a number of the soldiers to rout.

Then came the students and the students had a real good time mixing it with the soldiers. To the students his was but another Hallowe'en revel.

Mr. Smith did not believe the disturbance was caused by Toronto people. There was no more law-abiding city in the world than Toronto. Neither did he think the outbreak was occasioned by the organized liquor traffic. The traffic was not foolish enough to do that.

The riot was really the work of some raw recruits who were not yet under discipline and who were looking for some excitement.

After the parade he was interviewed by a reporter who asked him his name, and when he said "Smith" the reporter answered "Oh, that's what they all say."

A nearby friend corroborated Mr. Smith's identity and further remarked,—"He's a Baptist minister," which only drew from the reporter the statement,—"That's another."

No one regretted the outbreak more than Gen. Logie, the officer commanding at Toronto. He had written a most gentlemanly leter of apology to Mr. Warburton, president of the Committee, expressive of the deep regret he felt that the temperance people should be subjected to indignities at the hands of the soldiers.

Gen. Logie has signed the Prohibition petition and was with the movement heart and soul.

In conclusion Mr. Smith asked his people to be fair with those who held the opposite view on the temperance issue. They should press their demands as sensible citizens, not as cranks. They should adopt the slogan "Follow the King."

JAMES SMITH EXPIRED VERY SUDDENLY

(Special to The Ontario.)

(From Monday's Daily.)

James Smith, a highly respected resident of Thurlow township passed away almost instantly about 4 o'clock yesterday morning. With Mrs. Smith, he went on Saturday afternoon to the home of Wm. Farrell, who resides about three miles west of Stirling, to visit over Sunday. About four o'clock Mrs. Smith was awakened by the struggles of her husband who seemed to be in great agony. He expired almost before she could alarm the household.

The late Mr. Smith was a native of Thurlow and was sixty-one years of age. His home was near Ross' Corners, but for a number of years he has worked in the tile yards at Foxboro. In addoition to his wife he is survived by two sons, Theodore of Seattle, Wash., and Everett at home, and two daughters, Mrs. C. A. Gardner of Foxboro and Miss Olive at home.

Mr. Smith was in religion a Methodist. The funeral will take place tomorrow to the Stone Church, 4th of Sidney.

Death of Former Resident

A well known former resident of Belleville, Mrs. Mary White passed away yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Pope in Toronto at the ripe old age of 86 years. She was the widow of the late S. J. White and lived in Belleville many years before going to Toronto to reside with her daughter. The remains will be brought to Belleville cemetery for interment.

Another Printer Enlists

Jas. A. Saylor, son of Mr. Chas. S. Saylor, Coleman St., and a member of The Ontario staff has enlisted with the 155th. This makes the 19th member or ex-members of The Ontario staff to enlist since the outbreak of the war.

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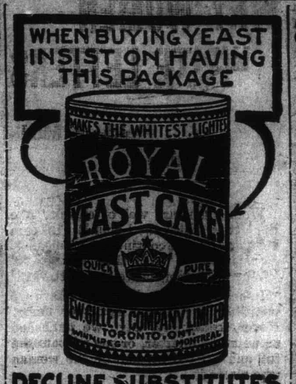

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C.N.R. TRAIN WRECKED

The C.N.R. through Express for Toronto which passed through Belleville at an early hour on Saturday morning met with a mishap near Colborne which fortunately did not prove very serious.

Three well-known Torontonians—Messrs. J. W. Flavelle, Chairman of the British Munitions Commission; C. C. James, and Arthur Hawkes narrowly escaped serious injury early Saturday morning when a Canadian Northern Pullman car jumped the track and rolled down an embankment midway between Colborne and Toronto. Mr. J. Keefer, a solicitor, of Welland, had one rib broken and Mr. Phil. C. Young of 82 Wroxeter street, who was also on the train, was so badly bruised he has since been confined to his bed. Others in the car were Messrs. J. H. Fisher, Paris; W. G. Weichel, M.P., Waterloo, and George A. Elliot, of Middlesex.

Of the remaining three sleepers on the train the trucks of two left the rails, but the cars were replaced on the line without serious trouble.

The accident is attributed to snow and ice. Over six inches of snow fell on Friday over accumulations of the past two weeks. The train service was very much disorganized for a few days last week on account of a blizzard, which was the worst witnessed in that section of the Province in the past twenty-five years.

Wrecking crew was soon on the scene and the forward section of the train went on to Colborne, where the passengers had breakfast, after which a special train brought them to Toronto, where they arrived six hours late.

Mr. W. A. Hewitt on the Game

Mr. W. A. Hewitt, secretary of the O.H.A. writes as follows on the Belleville-Sarnia game here on Tuesday night—

"The unexpectedly large margin was even greater than the most sanguine supporters of the home team thought possible; a lead of three or four goals at the most was hoped for, but none dared to think they would take a nine-goal lead to Sarnia for Friday night's game.

"An unaccountable collapse of the Sarnia team in the second period was the cause of the upset. Sarnia led at the end of the first period by 3 to 2, and had the better of the play, but in the second period they could not get the puck out of their own territory, and Belleville ran in 8 goals in the 20 minutes. In the final period Belleville got the breaks, and outscored the visitors by 4 goals to 2.

"The outstanding star of the game was Symons, the big defence man of the Belleville team. He played a great defensive game, and his grand rushing made it possible for his forwards to combine for an irresistible attack on the Sarnia goal. Symons, while a big man, is very clean in his methods and an excellent type of hockey player. Inspired by Symons' coaching and rushing, the rest of the team dashed in and simply stood the visitors on their heads in the second period and scored almost at will. Finkle and Whitty were in especially good form and were very hard to stop. The Belleville wings, Mitchell and S. Symons, ran loose most of the night and were always dangerous. Whalen, at center, did good work around the net, and Conley, the midget goalkeeper, stopped them from all angles.

"In the first period the Sarnia team looked very good. They broke fast, trailed the man with the puck, and showed good team play. McCart and Grannary shone in this period, the former doing extra good work, and Hillman and Halpin were very aggressive and showed speed and skill on the attack. In the final period Grannary went up on the forward line and Halpin back on the defence. This seemed to steady the team down after their aerial ascension in the second period. Dwyer, in goal, stopped dozens of likely-looking shots, but they came so fast and furious and from so close in he had little chance with those that beat him.

"Belleville checked their men hard all the way, and seldom let a man run loose, and as a result the Sarnia players had difficulty in getting inside of Belleville's strong defence. The ice was good, considering the soft weather, and the game was fast all the way. Play was clean, with penalties for minor offences only."

Miss Lena Haines, College Street, spent the week-end with her parents, at Napanee.

Mrs. Phillips, Pine Street and Mrs Bennett, Murney street arrived home last night after attending the prohibition demonstration in Toronto.

80th Battalion Band at Ottawa

The Ottawa Citizens speaks of the 80th Battalion band, which appeared there recently, in this manner—

"It is a great band. It seems almost incredible that such an organization could be assembled in the short time the 80th Battalion has been organized. The band has 48 musicians coming from different parts of Ontario, many of them being from the 91st Highlanders of Hamilton, which unit has also provided the bandmaster, Lieut H. A. Stares, Mus. Bac. The band received a new recruit last night, William J. Farmer, a trombone player, who sold out his business in Hamilton, took the train to Ottawa and at once got into uniform. He played last night. He was formerly a member of the 91st band.

"Every member of the band is an artist but in addition they are soldiers. With very few exceptions they are young husky men who in ambulance work, to which bandsmen are usually allotted when they reach the trenches, or even shouldering a rifle, will be able to take their places when they get into France.

"It is believed to be the best band yet organized in connection with the overseas force. The instruments of the band cost about $4,000. And they have the men who can play them.

"Lieut. Stares used good judgment in selecting the music for both programs, compositions that gave great scope for the well-balanced band and pleasing for an indoor concert. The great audiences were enthusiastic over the work of the band and every number was given great applause. The cornet solo parts were taken by Band Sergt. Cummings who comes from the 91st regiment and Eldon Brethour.

"Miss Gertrude and Miss Victoria Stares, soprano soloists of Hamilton, assisted greatly in the success of the concerts. The sister have sweet captivating voices and in the duets they sang they were particularly popular. They were encored on each occasion and were presented with bouquets of roses during the program."

HILLIER.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Palmer were in Wellington last Saturday.

The members of the Women's Institute held an "at home" at Mrs. M. Trumpour's last Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Gordon of Wellington spent the week-end with Miss D. Young.

Miss Helen Gilbert spent Saturday with Miss Jennie Wright.

Mr. Clarence Thompson enlisted at Brockville last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Foster visited Mr. D. Jones last Wednesday.

Mr. Geo. Carter has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Frank Jones.

Mrs. J. D. Campbell is spending a few days with her sister, Miss Palmer.

Miss Luella Palmer is confined to the house with a severe cold.

The young people are purchasing a new piano for the town hall.

Miss Maggie Rupert has gone to Madoc to work at the millinery trade.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Lord spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. Palmer.

Misses H. Gilbert and W. Foster and Messrs. K. Terry and C. Foster spent Sunday at Mr. O. W. Foster's at Bloomfield.

THE HILL.

March 8—Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Reddick and Mr. Brownell spent Friday of last week at Trenton.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Demille are home after their honeymoon.

Mr. Ben Barker has enlisted to go to the front.

Mr. H. Shorey is home after spending a few days with friends in Belleville.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Cassidy spent Sunday with friends on the Second.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Shorey spent Sunday at Mr. N. Scott's of the Sixth.

Miss Effie Bell is spending a few weeks in Belleville.

TABERNACLE.

Rev. Mr. Knox took dinner at Mr. Herb. Perry's on Sunday.

A number from here attended the lecture at Wooler on Tuesday evening by Gypsy Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Floud took dinner at Mr. Thomas Elliott's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McCall visited Mr. Herb Perry on Sunday.

Mr. Cassidy and his daughter, Mrs Whitty visited his daughter on Sunday, Mrs. Arthur Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Leach visited the latter's brother, Mr. Peter J. Delong near Redneersville on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Moran were the guests of Mrs. Walter Fox on Sunday.

Miss Irene Brickman of Redneersville is spending a few weeks the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Chas. Leach.

W. C. MIKEL K.C. HANDS RUDE JOLT TO SHAUGHNESSY.

Mr. W. C. Mik elK.C., was one of the speakers at the recruiting meeting at Loew's Theatre, Toronto last night. In the course of his address he handed out the following rude jolt to Lord Shaughnessy,—

Baron Shaughnessy of Montreal had disbraced the title donferred upon him by the King by his remarks last week. He ought to be ashamed of himself, Mr. Mikel denlared. He said it was a "damned lie" that Canadians were not enlisting rapidly because they were cowards. It was just that the realization of the big struggle had not come home to many of them.

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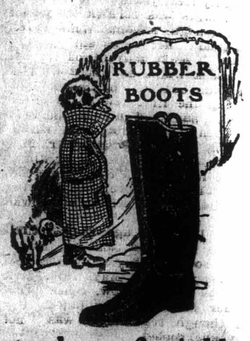

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