

IN PLEASURE BAY.

Prolonged and Prosperous Cruise
of the Young Liberal Fleet

Under Command of Admiral Wanless and His Efficient
Corps of Officers.

Sports and Fun at the Park—Exhibition Drill, Foot Racing,
Horse Racing, Bicycle Racing, Tent Pegging, Tumbling,
Bar Performance and Slack Wire Acts—The
Evening Barbecue—A Tremendous
Crowd and Many Strangers
Present.

London was a maritime city yesterday and Jack Tars (Liberal ones) were almost as numerous as they are around Chatham dockyard or Portsmouth on the occasion of a review of Her Majesty's royal navy. Not being election time the Fleet had no hostile intentions and it was not necessary to clear the decks of the ships for action. In fact the weather was so propitious and the sailing so smooth that decks were discarded entirely, and notwithstanding that fact no water was shipped until port was made at Queen's Park and the taps, with the cups attached, reached. To facilitate a quick passage cumbersome ship furniture was left at the dockyard in armory "B," and the trip made with only the necessary yard arms and cane rigging. The squadron set sail about 1:30 p.m. from armory "B," nine ships in all, with Admiral Wm. Wanless, Jun., and Rear Admiral Dr. Geo. C. Davis in command. The sky was clear and the wind cool and in the right direction. The flotilla bore down Lake Simcoe (street) and, at the signal from Admiral Wanless, tacked into Richmond Gulf and held a direct course until the mouth of Dundas River was reached. The direction was then changed to east, and, with the wind on the quarter, the park was made in good time. Here anchors were dropped and the colors furled until the programme was commenced.

The shores all along the route were lined with spectators and small craft. At noon the crowd started to gather, and like a well-intentioned businesslike host, it continued to gather until the Fleet sailed by. Boulevards, street corners, bank steps, residence windows and sidewalks were lined everywhere, and the seamen were heartily applauded as they passed through their many pretty movements and drill evolutions. The marine band of "H. M. S. Hyman" and the drum corps of "H. M. S. Clarke" supplied music for the journey and the straining strains were wafted shoreward and lost among the tall buildings that lined either way. Every man Jack was spick and span in dress and deportment. The old sailors of last year had the lurch and roll of the regulation salt, and their younger brethren, even if it was their first voyage, had almost found their sea legs when the harbor was reached. Some, who are said to have been sailors, or friends of ship tailors, by dint of pressing their white ducks a certain way, had a beautiful pair of bow legs. Others there were for whom nature had done the pressing, but even they did not feel at all bad. They were strictly "in it."

The ships that passed in the daylight were:
H.M.S. "Hyman," Capt. E. L. Evans.
H.M.S. "Jacobeth," Capt. A. Magee.
H.M.S. "Reid," Capt. A. Somerville.
H.M.S. "Clarke," Capt. Clarke.
H.M.S. "Hobbs," Capt. A. MacDonald.
H.M.S. "Davis," Capt. Geo. Sippi.
H.M.S. "Little," Capt. Nip Tune.
H.M.S. "Gibbons," Capt. J. McCrimmon.

H.M.S. "Pardom," Capt. Wm. Martin.
And the reason for it all?
Why, it was the annual picnic and demonstration of the Young Liberals of London, Ontario. With a fair field and no favors (judges byered and fair weather required) the Young Liberals of London can make a success of anything they undertake. Last year's demonstration was a success, and as for this year's—well, all that was necessary to tell what kind of a success it was, was a prep at the crowds that filled the stands at Queen's Park yesterday. And they are not small stands by any means. But that was not all. Besides the crowded stands the fence around the ring was lined on either end for a couple of hundred yards. The fence on the inside of the ring was black from end to end of the stands and about 100 carriages were in the arena. There could not have been less than 7,000 people present.

It was 3 o'clock before the programme was got underway, and at 6 it was concluded. The judges of the foot races were Messrs. T. A. Browne, Ald. J. W. Jones and Thomas Gilean. Mr. James H. Brown officiated in the dual capacity of judge and starter, and Mr. J. W. Hyman also had a double position as clerk of the course and timer. Both gentlemen did their work satisfactorily, in the face of a crowd that took the bit in its teeth and climbed all over the track. Ald. Rank Drenney was on the judges' stand and floated a bright red Fleet badge. Charles S. Hyman, M.P., L. W. Burke (president of the Young Liberal Club), George C. Gibbons, Q.C., Daniel McKenzie (London township), Daniel McKenzie (city), and Geo. B. Cairncross were also on the judges' stand.

An exhibition drill was the first event. In it seven of the ships participated, and the other two supplied the music necessary to keep time. A prettier sight has not been seen in London for many a day. The sailor uniform is particularly adapted to a neat showing, and when seven companies of 24 men and 3 officers each spread themselves along the course and perform the same movements the effect is beautiful. The crowds on the stands applauded time and again as the ships marched by in order. From times they returned in open crosses, and then formed a column of sixes. From this position they reformed into a cross of different proportions. But the prettiest evolutions of all were the circle

in costume. Mr. Donald McGregor played the pipes.
Then the Orient acrobats—Avey, Reidy, Selby and Cheyne—displayed their skill as tumblers, and performed a large number of difficult feats to the plaudits of the crowd. Avey was especially good in the somersault line. Fred Taylor, contortionist, improves with each appearance. His actions yesterday were apparently without effort, and he tied himself up into all conceivable shapes with astonishing ease.

A squad of men, under Capt. J. D. McCrimmon, marched onto the stage and went through the manual of firing and bayonet exercises with rifles. The squad consisted of Messrs. H. Erskine, J. Spicer, G. Rose, B. Todd, H. Brown, Joseph Rose, J. McKenzie, R. Stein, George Hayman, V. Somerville and A. Galbraith. Their act was deservedly applauded.

Then the Marine Band, conducted by Capt. Fred L. Evans, furnished a splendid musical programme throughout the whole of the afternoon.
And last, but not the least amusing part of the performance was the watching of the roasting of the bull. It commenced at 10 a. m., and the beef was done brown by 6 o'clock. The officers and the majority of the men of the Fleet had supper on the grounds. It was wholesome fare—corn beef, bread and butter and coffee, with a slice of the celebrated bull. A couple of hundred people brought luncheon and stayed on the stands and about the grounds. They, too, had a slice of roast meat.

In the evening.
The crowd at the evening performance was little if any smaller than that of the afternoon. It naturally made the promoters of the affair feel glad, showing as it did that Young Liberal undertakings are decidedly popular with London's residents. It was an appreciative crowd that knew a good thing when they got it. The barbecue was a novelty never before introduced in the city. The big ox was dangling over a hot fire all afternoon and was ready for disposal before the evening performance.

The preparation of the carcass was under the supervision of Mons. Ernest Rat, from Paris, France, and one of the leading chefs in Ontario. It was sliced up and passed around, and soon disappeared.

At 8 o'clock the stands were well filled, but still the throng kept increasing, and at 8:30 there must have been fully 5,000 people seated, with about 1,000 strolling around. The Marine Band took its position on the platform and struck up a lively air. The Fleet marched in the ring with Admiral Wanless at the head and for half an hour executed some difficult movements with scarcely a mistake. The grand march past was loudly applauded, and the moves—including crosses, circles, squares, etc.—won the admiration of the spectators.

The special attractions were first-class in every respect. Messrs. Stevens and Partidge in their features of the hat and wire, were just as good as in the afternoon, and were just as much admired. Their acting is simply marvelous.
Surprising, too, was the work of Messrs. Avey, Reidy, Taylor and Cheyne. The quartet belted to the Orient Minstrels, but they did no acrobatic specialties equally as good, if not better, than many aristocrat professional troupes. Taylor's work was exceptionally clever.

Messrs. W. Templeton, John Butts and William Allen tripped the hornpipes, Irish jig and fling respectively. Donald McGregor accompanied Templeton and Allen with the music of the bagpipes.
A fun event—of the best of the day—was the obstacle race. The course was 100 yards and return, and the obstacles consisted of two four-foot hurdles and barrels. Through the latter the contestants had to crawl the best and quickest way they could. The barrels were suspended on ropes, and the sight of a man hanging in with his head out of one end and his feet the other struggling hard to get through, caused a great deal of laughter.

Shirts were torn off the backs of some and braces from others. The barrels did not trouble Charley Caswell at all, for he went through without any difficulty. Three heats were run. Caswell and Short won first and second places in heat No. 1, J. Bennett and J. Connors in the second. In the final Connors, Bennett and Fitzgerald were first, Caswell and Short second, with Hayden and Connors third.

The wheelbarrow race was captured by M. McKenzie and Avey, with J. Crawford and F. Frizelle second and E. Hayden and J. Connors third.
The jockey race was 100 yards, and half way it was necessary for the men to change. At the start some hit the dust and dropped out. Those who remained in it made a close finish. Bennett and Fitzgerald were first, Caswell and Short second, with Hayden and Connors third.

Mr. Dan McKenzie was starter, Messrs. James Brown, C. H. Fawcetts and S. Stewart judges. Mr. T. Gilean acted as referee.
The jockey race completed the programme, the band struck up "God Save the Queen," and the crowd went home.

NOTES.
"Such a clown! And a good one.
The cowboys who preceded the Fleet to the Park were under command of Archie J. Black.

On the way out Major Thomas Beattie saluted the Fleet by dipping the flag at his residence three times. The boys acknowledged.

Now "Jack" Trebilcock is even with that bull. Mr. Trebilcock has a slightly scarred face, but is still in the ring, but where, oh where is the bull?
The crowd was great, beyond expectation, and the bull was not large enough to go completely around. There had to be two bulls next time, even if "Jack" Trebilcock gets killed in the round up.

Dave Smeadin, the cavalier whom Alex. Furness defeated at tent-pegging, was the some accident he could not get the horse he usually rode, and then as he had arranged to be married at 7 o'clock in the evening he probably was a trifle nervous.
Lieut. Fred Saunders was on deck, although he was suffering from a severe cold. After working so hard to make the affair a success, he could not stay away—sick or well.

Drum Corps were photographed during the afternoon. President Burke will present each of the 60 members with a copy of the picture. The entire Fleet was afterwards photographed.

Dissatisfaction was expressed by a few over President Burke's decision where outside professionals entered against members of the club in the races. Mr. Burke ruled that unless the event was marked "Open," none but Young Liberals could compete. And rightly, too.

Did you see the broad smile on Admiral Wanless' face? He was the happiest man in town.

The street car service was excellent.

A big group of Conservatives watched the parade at the corner of Dundas and Richmond. They couldn't help but admire it.

Rear-Admiral Davis entertained his company to supper after the evening barbecue.

Late Canadian News.

Marriage of Minister Patterson's Daughter—Hull Taxpayers Won't Pay—A Tramp's Threat.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen left St. John, N. B., Wednesday afternoon for Fredericton.

Sir John Thompson has promised to open the Toronto Industrial Exhibition in September.

Mr. Mercier's condition is greatly improved, and hopes are entertained of his ultimate recovery.

The body of an infant wrapped in a linen shirt was found in McKay's bush at New Edinburgh, Carleton county.

The Bank of Montreal has received advice that Montreal's \$2,000,000 loan was over subscribed for by \$1,000,000.

Mr. Wesley E. James, B.A., Toronto, has been appointed lecturer in mathematics at Manitoba College, Winnipeg.

Brakeman Albert McInnes, of the I. C. R. works, Truro, N. S., was fatally injured at Millford Station Wednesday morning.

There are 104 applications in from students anxious to attend the Normal School, Ottawa. The necessary accommodation has been provided.

The tramp who threatened to kill Mayor Walmesley, Belleville, on Monday, got sentence of six months in the Central Prison Wednesday morning.

The steamer Warwick, from Montreal, arrived at Avonmouth dock on the 14th inst., and landed her shipment of live stock, 63 cattle, in good condition.

The officials of the city of Hull are unable to collect any taxes. There are now 250 delinquents, and the council has decided to sell their properties.

Walker, who is awaiting his trial at the Brampton assizes for the alleged murder of Mrs. Williams last December, is very ill. The jail physician is in constant attendance.

In Grace Church, Ottawa, on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock Miss Alice Patterson, daughter of Hon. J. C. Patterson, Minister of Militia, was married to Mr. A. St. George Ellis, prominent young lawyer of Windsor, Ont. The bridesmaids were Misses Kathleen and Annie Patterson, sisters of the bride, and Mr. J. F. Patterson, her brother, was best man.

TELEGRAPHIC DOTS.

Louisiana does not like the reduction on the sugar duties.

The State of Wisconsin is about to sue the United States for \$7,975,005 77 for munitions of war, etc., furnished in 1861, which were paid for only in part.

The village of New England City, twenty miles from Chattanooga, Tenn., was nearly wiped out of existence by a hail and wind storm Wednesday, but no lives were lost.

The amount of pine burned over in Ontonagon county, Mich., is estimated at 150,000,000 feet. Forest fires are still raging, though somewhat checked by light rains.

The tug C. D. Thompson and the new tug C. L. Boynton, both of Port Huron, are going to leave from that city to Sand Beach for \$500 a side. The distance is a little over 60 miles.

The striking coal miners of Mercer county, Pa., numbering nearly 1,000, resumed work Thursday. They have been out eight months, and many are in destitute circumstances.

A Dubuque, dispatch says the biggest lead mine ever struck in Iowa, has been discovered by Jones, Goldthorpe & Co., on a claim once abandoned on account of water. It contains veins full of lead ore as large as ordinary dwelling rooms, and yielding 50,000 pounds daily.

BURNED OUT.
NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Fire this afternoon in the wholesale grocery house of R. C. Williams & Co., corner of Hudson and Thomas streets, damaged the building and stock to the extent of \$250,000.

BELLEVIEW, Aug. 15.—Fire in John Matheson's broom factory on Church street this morning destroyed the building and stock.

SARNIA, Ont., Aug. 15.—The large grand stand on Bay View Athletic Park was set on fire and burned this morning, along with a large open stand, which had been erected for spectators at the bicycle club meet.

The management of the bicycle club immediately after the fire arranged for the erection of a large 150-foot grand stand in time for this afternoon's races.

BRIDLE, Ont., Aug. 15.—This morning the Ain's lively stable and the carriage works of Ephraim and Aaron Bricker, on Queen street, were wrecked by fire. Loss is estimated at from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Took His Wife for a Burglar.
KALAMAZOO, Mich., Aug. 15.—Frank Proteus, a young farmer living in Portage township, shot and instantly killed his wife early this morning, mistaking her for a burglar.

She is a Fraud.
KINGSTON, Aug. 15.—Two women, one dressed as a nun, have been canvassing in Deseronto, the nun claiming to be the mother superior of the Sacred Convent of Mount Lebanon. Some people subscribed, but others became suspicious and refused. Rev. Father Hogan telegraphed from Kingston: "Person claiming to be a nun must on no account collect."

A single plant of wheat is capable of producing 2,000 seeds in one season.

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THIS WEEK our offerings should attract the thoughtful attention of all prudent buyers. The midsummer merchandise movement is in full sway. It will pay you to join the money-saving multitude here—very often.

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18 Ends Real Twilled Surahs, 39c
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(25 inches wide).
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26 in. wide, especially for blouse waists.
Former price 75c, for.....

6 Ends Figured Shanghai Silks, 55c
Light colors.
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27 Ends Figured Shot Surahs, 68c
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20 PER CENT

Discount

Every Piece Marked in Plain Figures.

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SHADY HATS, STYLISH HATS, NEW HATS, CHEAP HATS, JAUNTY HATS, SAILORS.

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At 33c

BLACK WOOL CREPON—All wool, new, fresh, of this season's buying. Sold swiftly at 70c.

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Dress Stuffs.

AT 4c

You can't go wrong, 3 cases 27 inch SAVOIE - DE - LAINES, fast colors, 12 patterns.

AT 5c

ORGANDIE MUSLINS. Used to be 20c.

AT 10c

3 cases 32-inch LISBON PERCALES, fast colors.

Carpets.

Twice each year a clean-cut and clean-up in the Carpet store. Cost don't count when it's a question of being rid of the remnants and odd pieces, the Carpets without Borders and Borders without Carpets, as well as styles that are to be dropped. Thrifty housekeepers remember these putting to rights days and often get the Carpets for two rooms at the price of one.

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