

Old Boy Movement Is 13 Years Old How It Originated Way Back in '95

Mr. Nicholas Wilson and the Part He Has Played in the Reunions.

The Old Boys movement is just thirteen years old.

It originated in London, and in no city has it met with more success than here.

In 1895, a number of former London residents residing in Toronto organized an excursion to the city. A special train was run, and large crowds attended. The picnic was a great success, so great that the Old Boys residing in Windsor and Detroit joined with Toronto and several large excursions were run to London on Civic Holiday, the first Monday in August.

During the visit a meeting was held in the city hall, and the International London Old Boys' Association was organized.

The next year a monster testimonial was carried out to celebrate the fifth anniversary of Mr. Nicholas Wilson as a teacher in London's schools.

There were few places in Canada or

the United States where there were not former pupils of Mr. Wilson, and so great was the anxiety on the part of these pupils of Mr. Wilson that the executive was enabled to get in touch with many former Old Boys.

This testimonial was a splendid success. It was followed the next year by another reunion, in which former Londoners from all over the United States and Canada took part.

They were held every year until 1901, each year better and greater than the previous one.

But it was decided that a reunion every year was placing too much responsibility and expense on the home guard, so it was decided to hold them every two years.

The reunions of 1903 and 1905 were splendid successes.

At the last home-coming it was decided to hold the next one in 1908, an interval of three years.

This is the one that is being commenced under such auspicious circumstances and it bids fair to more than rival its predecessors.

Let every citizen of London do his and her best to make this one the greatest ever.

The movement is distinctively a London movement, and in the city of its birth this movement should find its greatest triumphs.

Police Are Drawing the Lines Tight

Chief Williams is taking every precaution to establish a perfect system of protection for the citizens during the coming week, when the big celebration will draw thousands of outsiders to this city and among them there is certain to be some who belong to the class that live on what they can steal.

Four special detectives, one from Detroit, one from Toronto, one from Buffalo and one from Windsor, will be in the city all the time, and as these gentlemen are familiar with all the best-known crooks of the United States and Canada, from the continent watch that they maintain at the border points, London will be well-protected.

London Customs Returns Satisfactory

The customs returns for the month of July show that trade is in a satisfactory condition and Collector Elliott expects that for the balance of the year there will be a steady increase in the monthly returns as many of the large firms are buying their stocks.

The returns for the month just ended total \$65,935 78, an increase of \$10,469 13 over the returns for June when the total receipts were \$55,466 65.

July of 1907 was the largest month for receipts that the city has ever had, and the returns then totalled \$102,361 13.

Look Out for Crooks and Grafters

Look out for all kinds of grafters and crooks from now on.

Yesterday a crook entered the home of a well-known manufacturer who resides on Wellington street, near the park, and stated to the servant that he had come to inspect the gas appliance.

The girl took him to his word, and the man was allowed to do as he

pleased, until the lady of the house became aware of his presence.

He was very bold at first, but when the lady went to the telephone he suddenly decamped.

All sorts of grafts will be worked by the crooked gentry.

Don't leave the house without somebody to watch it, and don't allow strangers to enter your home on any pretext, is the advice of the police.

Destructive Lads Fined by Magistrate

In the juvenile court this morning four small boys were fined \$4 each for the damage they caused yesterday afternoon in a South London orchard.

The boys went into the lot, and, not content with stealing apples, they broke the trees and then deliberately started in to damage a garden.

The owner appeared and succeeded in

getting the lads' names, after they had heaped abuse upon him.

Magistrate Love gave them a severe reprimand, and ordered them to pay \$4 each.

The two lads who recently broke into the gum slot machines and stole the money appeared and were again remanded for a week.

Military Pageant on Wednesday Next

At a meeting of the officers of the Seventh Regiment last night final arrangements were completed for the parade of the Seventh Regiment on Wednesday and for the programme of sports in the afternoon.

It was also decided to go ahead with the Mardi Gras dance, to be held on the same evening, and judging from the enthusiasm with which the scheme was entered into it will be a splendid function.

The following officers were elected to the dance committee: Honorary chairman, Capt. W. A. McCrimmon; honorary secretary, Capt. Gordon Ingram; honorary treasurer, Capt. G. A. Bentley.

Patronesses—Ladies of the regiment, and Lady Carling, Mrs. C. S. Hyman, Mrs. Adam Beck, Mrs. F. E. Leonard, Mrs. Coffey, Mrs. Peters, Mrs. G. C. Gibbons, Mrs. E. B. Smith, Mrs. Hale and Mrs. Stevely.

Already the committee have completed practically all the arrangements necessary for the dance. The floor is being prepared and will be in excellent condition, the best it ever was. The Seventh Regiment Orchestra, under the direction of Bandmaster Slater, will furnish the music.

On Wednesday the regiment will parade full strength. A half-holiday has been declared by Mayor Stevely for that afternoon, and the men will have no difficulty in getting away.

Aylmer Bowlers Defeated Londoners

E. A. Caughill and N. Newell, of Aylmer, today defeated Jas. Tytler and Fred Beltz, of London, in the finals of the second match Scotch doubles in the W. O. B. A. tournament. The game was closely fought out, the Aylmer team winning by a score of 10 to 9.

Tytler and Beltz had previously defeated Lind and Finchamp, of London, in the semi-finals of the doubles, and Caughill and Newell drew the bye.

The score of the battle between the two London rinks in the semi-finals was 12-10.

The completion of the doubles brings to a close a tournament that was the most remarkable ever held in Canada in every way, and to the rinks and teams which won prizes unlimited credit is due for they had to compete against the best that the Dominion afforded in the line of lawn bowlers.

A Detroit Man Was First to Register

The Old Boys have commenced to register, and at noon there was a large number registered. The majority of them have come from a long distance. Mr. Richard H. Haylock, of Detroit, was the first to write his name on the register. He was followed by many others, and for an hour there was a constant stream of visitors to the booth.

Clear across the continent they have come. From Vancouver on the west to Brunswick on the east they have come. Among those who registered this morning are:

Rus T. Collins, Toronto; Mrs. M. P. Chapman, Mount Forest; Mrs. A. K. Clyne, St. Louis, Mo.; Ephraim Webb, Tawas City, Mich.; John Gould, Stratford; Richard H. Haylock, Detroit; Fred C. Hodges, Chicago; Miss Alice Lutman, Vancouver; Leonie B. LeBlie, and Margaret LeBlie, Cleveland, Ohio; J. T. Merritt, Winnipeg; Mrs. F. C.

Mackay, Newark, N. J.; Mrs. P. W. Murray and two sons, Bennington; J. H. McConnell, Windsor; Dr. J. M. McGready, Port Arthur; W. D. Slater, Toronto; Henry Stewart, Mesa City, Ariz.; Mr. and Mrs. Terry, West Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Taylor, Fargo, North Dakota; Frank Watson, Flint, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Williams, Toronto; J. A. Williams, York, Texas; William Yeates, Hamilton; John Hume, Toronto; F. M. Wardle, Detroit; Thos. J. Carney, Kelowna, B. C.; C. P. Clarke, Toronto; Mrs. C. Dixon, Grand Lodge, Michigan; Abe E. Goldsmith, Saginaw, Michigan; Chas. Hall, Fulton, Mo.; T. J. Hodgins, City of Mexico; Geo. J. Haylock, Chesley; A. M. Lang, City of Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McLaughlin, Chicago; Gavin Park, St. Louis; Mrs. Anthony Rolfe, Denver, Col.; J. A. Smith, St. Louis; Mr. and Mrs. G. L.

Smith, Chicago; E. R. C. Struthers, Pearl Tait, Montreal; D. R. Tollhurst, New York; Mrs. R. Smithson, Tees, Detroit; W. Wiley, Ottawa; Harry Hall, Windsor; W. E. Weston, Hamilton; and Teddy Tuck, Winnipeg; Miss Ilton.



EAST END DECORATIONS ARE VERY FINE

Money and Effort Have Not Been Spared to Welcome the Old Boys.

The decorations on Dundas street, between Adelaide and Elizabeth streets, have been completed, and it is an acknowledged fact, East Londoners say, that they are the most elaborate in the city.

Long lines of electric lights and flags have been run down the centre of the road and also parallel across every few feet.

Wires have been run along the telephone poles and from these streamers of bunting have been hung.

Each building is decorated, making it the prettiest scene in London.

This evening the local Highlanders Band will give a concert, and all stores will be specially decorated.

The lights will be turned on for the first time.

The decorators were kept busy and worked all night last night.

WAGON AND BUGGY COLLIDE IN EAST END

Driver of One Rig Badly Shaken Up—Both Vehicles Damaged.

While driving down Rectory street yesterday afternoon a young man employed by a Hamilton roofer and grocer caused his wagon to collide with the rig of Mr. George Hughes, of Bathurst street.

The young fellow is alleged to be a furiously driver.

The collision occurred at the corner of Hill street with such force that the young fellow was thrown to the road. The wheels became locked and in the melee both vehicles were badly damaged.

Local Items

—Read The Advertiser's new story, "The Wings of the Morning," which begins on Tuesday.

—Rev. A. B. Meldrum, of Cleveland, will preach at both services in St. Andrew's tomorrow.

—The Ninety-first Highlanders' Band will be in charge of A. L. Davis, a former Hamilton boy, and will be entertained by him. All made a record at the last reunion, when he handled the Sarnia boys, and he will probably duplicate it this time.

—The services in Dundas Centre Church tomorrow will be of an especially interesting character. In the morning the pastor, Rev. G. B. Lancelley, will preach on the "Blessings of Home," and in the evening the Rev. F. H. Sanderson, D. D., of Marion, Iowa, will preach. The choir will be largely augmented by all the former members who can be secured, and a splendid musical programme is promised.

Banks to Close Early.
Monday being generally recognized as a holiday, the banks of the city will close at 12 o'clock. All having clearing house business are requested to attend to it as early as possible Monday morning.

A Painful Accident.
Mr. Wm. Ferguson, of McAdam & Ferguson, met with a painful accident a few days ago while moving. The wagon was jolted, throwing him out of the seat. He fell on his shoulder, dislocating it. A physician was called and attended the man's injuries. The accident will lay him up for some time.

A Quiet Wedding.
A quiet wedding took place at the First Methodist Church parsonage on Thursday afternoon, when Miss Lizzie Beatrice Fisher, of this city, was united in marriage to Mr. George Alfred Hanson, of Chatham.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. L. Rutledge. After the wedding the young couple left for Chatham, where they will take up their residence.

Port Arthur Visitor.
Dr. J. M. McGrady, president of the Port Arthur Old Boys, arrived this morning and was an early visitor at the city hall. He reports that there will be a fair crowd of London Old Boys down from Port Arthur, but not so many as he would like. "We are doing all right in Port Arthur," said the doctor. "We will have a grand city in a few years. Things are looking up splendidly in the west."

A Big Day.
"We had the biggest day in our history yesterday," said Major Hayes, the city tax collector, to The Advertiser. "We deposited \$25,000 yesterday. This is \$25,000 more than we deposited at one time before. Two years ago we took in \$67,000, but yesterday beats that. I think we have done as well with the taxes this year as any other. I have between 700 and 800 letters to open."

The Late Capt. Fuller.
Brantford Expositor: It is with very sincere regret that many former Brantford friends will hear of the death in London of Capt. J. W. Fuller, for many years a resident of this city. He was formerly employed in the G. T. R. car offices here and when the shops were removed to London, went with the staff to that city. Capt. Fuller was formerly in command of A Company, Dufferin Rifles and was a most efficient officer. He was very popular here in military circles, also amongst the members of the First Baptist Church, of which he was a most devoted member. Capt. Fuller served through the Northwest rebellion. To Mrs. Fuller, who was a Miss Page, of Brantford and the family, sincere sympathy will go out.

CAPT. FULLER'S FUNERAL HELD TODAY

Remains Taken to Brantford Via the G. T. R.

The funeral of Capt. J. W. Fuller was held from his late residence, Lorne avenue, this afternoon at the Grand Trunk depot.

The remains were taken on the 2:05 train to Brantford, where interment will take place.

EAST END NOTES.

Mrs. (Capt.) Johnston, of Cleveland, Ohio, is visiting with her mother, Mrs. Hemming, of Elizabeth street.

Mr. C. R. Somerville and family have returned home from their summer cottage at Grand Bend to spend Old Boys' week.

Mr. Arthur Harrison, of Dundas street, east, returns home from Mitchell this evening.

Miss Nina Harrison, of Dundas street, east, has returned home after spending a pleasant vacation at Port Stanley.

Miss Clara Watt, of St. Thomas, is visiting with Miss Margaret Graham, of 739 King street.

Mr. Harry Lewis and family, of Queen's avenue, have returned home from Port Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Keene and family have returned to this city from Port Stanley.

Miss Birdie Freeland, of Buffalo, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Freeland, Queen's avenue.

Orval and Eric Wyckoff, the sons of Dr. A. J. Wyckoff, have returned home after spending their holidays with relatives in Toronto.

LONDON MAN DIES IN PORT ARTHUR

Word Received of the Death of Mr. Joseph McGinnis.

Word was received from Port Arthur this morning announcing the death on Thursday of Joseph McGinnis, of this city. Mr. McGinnis was 36 years old and left London about two months ago. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Minnie McGinnis, of 84 King street. The remains will be brought to this city and the funeral will be held on Monday afternoon from the undertaking rooms of Smith, Son & Clarke to Woodland Cemetery.

TRAIN TIMES OF OLD BOY ARRIVALS

Reported by C. N. Spencer, Stockbroker, Market Lane, for The Advertiser.

New York, Aug. 1. Open, High, Low, Close.

Amal. Copper 78 1/2 78 3/4 77 7/8
American Sugar 122 1/2 123 1/2 122 1/2
Amer. Locomotive 56 1/2 56 3/4 56 1/2
Amer. Foundry 40 40 39 3/4 39 3/4
Amer. Rething 90 90 89 3/4 89 3/4
Amer. Cotton Oil 37 3/4 37 3/4 37 3/4
Atchafalpa, com. 87 1/2 87 3/4 87 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio 92 1/2 92 3/4 92 1/2
Brooklyn Transit 51 1/2 51 3/4 51 1/2
Canadian Pac. 174 1/2 174 3/4 174 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio 43 1/2 43 3/4 43 1/2
Chicago & G. W. 7 1/2 7 3/4 7 1/2
Col. Fuel & Iron 33 1/2 33 3/4 33 1/2
Chicago & N. W. 127 1/2 127 3/4 127 1/2
Distillers 36 36 35 3/4 35 3/4
Erie, com. 24 1/2 24 3/4 24 1/2
Erie, pfd. 41 1/2 41 3/4 41 1/2
G. Northern, pfd. 137 1/2 137 3/4 137 1/2
Illinois Central 143 1/2 143 3/4 143 1/2
Inter-Met., pfd. 32 1/2 32 3/4 32 1/2
Kansas & Texas, pfd. 31 1/2 31 3/4 31 1/2
Louisville & Nash. 109 1/2 109 3/4 109 1/2
Mexican Central 15 1/2 15 3/4 15 1/2
Missouri Pacific 72 1/2 72 3/4 72 1/2
New York Central 108 1/2 108 3/4 108 1/2
Northern Pacific 142 1/2 142 3/4 142 1/2
Portland & Western 73 1/2 73 3/4 73 1/2
National Lead 42 1/2 42 3/4 42 1/2
Ontario & Western 42 1/2 42 3/4 42 1/2
Pennsylvania 126 1/2 126 3/4 126 1/2
Pressed Steel Car 32 1/2 32 3/4 32 1/2
Reading 122 1/2 122 3/4 122 1/2
Republic Steel 21 21 20 3/4 20 3/4
Rock Island 18 1/2 18 3/4 18 1/2
Southern Railway 19 1/2 19 3/4 19 1/2
St. Paul 142 1/2 142 3/4 142 1/2
Texas Pacific 25 1/2 25 3/4 25 1/2
Union Pacific 159 1/2 159 3/4 159 1/2
Central Leather 27 1/2 27 3/4 27 1/2
U. S. Rubber 31 1/2 31 3/4 31 1/2
U. S. Steel 45 1/2 45 3/4 45 1/2
U. S. Steel, pfd. 109 1/2 109 3/4 109 1/2
Wabash, com. 13 1/2 13 3/4 13 1/2
Wabash, pfd. 28 1/2 28 3/4 28 1/2
Western Union Tel. 55 1/2 55 3/4 55 1/2

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.
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Chicago, Aug. 1. Open, High, Low, Close.

Wheat 85 1/2 85 3/4 85 1/2 85 1/2
May 85 1/2 85 3/4 85 1/2 85 1/2
September 90 1/2 90 3/4 90 1/2 90 1/2
December 94 1/2 94 3/4 94 1/2 94 1/2
Corn 61 1/2 61 3/4 61 1/2 61 1/2
May 61 1/2 61 3/4 61 1/2 61 1/2
September 74 1/2 74 3/4 74 1/2 74 1/2
December 62 1/2 62 3/4 62 1/2 62 1/2
Oats 46 1/2 46 3/4 46 1/2 46 1/2
May 46 1/2 46 3/4 46 1/2 46 1/2
September 44 1/2 44 3/4 44 1/2 44 1/2
December 44 1/2 44 3/4 44 1/2 44 1/2
Soybeans 15 1/2 15 3/4 15 1/2 15 1/2
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OLD BOYS ARE COMING HOME

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tion, and it is safe to say that none enjoyed the meeting more than Mr. Mayson.

Major Stevely and very many of the aldermen were also in hand, and they assisted in getting the registration under way, and helping along the reunion.

The decorations are practically finished, and the evening when the lights have all been strung.

Brilliant Illumination.
The city will be brilliantly illuminated this evening. London never looked prettier, and when lighted up presents a gala appearance.

The proceedings will be officially commenced this evening, when a band concert will be given in the armories by the Seventh Regiment Band and the Ninety-first Highlanders, of Hamilton.

This concert will be one of the artistic features of the week, and it is certain to be patronized by a very large crowd.

The great reunion is on and it will be a wonder.

Let the spirit of joy reign supreme.

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Strong's Drug Store

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Our new Cook Book, 18th edition, free. All housekeepers should have one.

RIEL'S SON DEAD.

Quebec, Aug. 1.—Fred Pelland, publicist of the department of colonization, received a dispatch from Winnipeg yesterday, announcing the death of Mr. Jean Louis Riel, only surviving son of the late Louis Riel. Mr. Riel married Miss M. L. Casault, sister of Mr. Jules Casault, of this city.

LATEST STOCK MARKET REPORTS

During July and August, Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges are closed Saturdays.

[Special from Harris, Winthrop & Co., to H. C. Becker.]

New York, Aug. 1.—There has been some persistent buying in evidence today, as was prevalent during most of yesterday's session. There was also some very heavy realizing, but these offerings were more than taken care of and the market continued to maintain a marked degree of strength up to near the close, when profit-taking became so general, many traders preferring to even up over the week-end that prices eased off quite a little from the top. The buying was again concentrated chiefly in Reading and Union Pacific, these issues making new high records for the year. Various rumors were current to account for the strength in Reading, one being that the statement for the fiscal year, ended June 30, would be surprisingly favorable and another that something favorable would soon be announced concerning the commodity clause of the Hepburn rate law. The Hill shares and copper stocks also played conspicuous parts in the advance. With the Wheeling and Lake Erie notes taken up and nothing in the immediate situation of unfavorable nature the manipulative interests had things pretty much their own way. It is said a very substantial short interest has existed in Reading and the Gould shares and that this has been quite an important factor in the advance of the past two days.

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