

SWIFT BROS.

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WATFORD OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

Objects and Aims of the Organization.

The question of holding an Old Boys' Reunion in Watford has been mooted in town for years, the old boys themselves being enthusiastic in advocating a home coming of the former residents of the old town and vicinity. Nothing definite was done until the matter was taken up by the directors of the East London Fair Board.

At a meeting held on November 2nd, 1906, articles of organization were drawn up.

A public meeting was held in the Council Chamber on January 24th,



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CHAS. POTTER, B. A.
Principal Watford High School.

when the organization was completed and officers and committees formed.

OFFICERS

Hon. President, R. Gibson, M.D.
President, John Farrell.
Vice-President, T. B. Taylor.
Secretary, H. F. Williams.
Treasurer, Col. Kenward.

HONORARY PATRONS

Hon. W. J. Hanna.
D. W. Bole, M.P.
W. S. Calvert, M.P.
I. B. Lucas, M.P.P.

COMMITTEES

Executive—D. G. Parker, Dr. Mc-Gillicuddy, J. H. H. me, H. A. Cook, C. A. Class, G. Chambers, W. H. Shrapnell.

Transportation—W. E. Fitzgerald, A. G. Brown, D. O'Neil.
Finance—E. D. Swift, J. W. McLaren, W. S. Fuller.

Publicity—E. A. Brown, C. H. Howden, F. P. McDonnell.
Reception—Dr. Newell, Dr. Kelly,

Dr. Gibson, Dr. Auld, J. S. Williams, T. B. Taylor, T. Harris, W. McLeay, D. Roche, J. F. Elton, C. Potter.
Decorators—L. D. Caldwell, Dr. Kenward, W. T. Fuller, P. E. Fuller.
Program—President, Secretary, T. G. Mitchell, R. E. Pantis, F. R.



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W. H. SHRAPNELL.
Principal Watford Public School

Luckham and P. J. Dodds.

The committees immediately got to work, and their efforts were heartily supported by the citizens generally, including the residents of the adjoining townships of Warwick and Brooke.

Over 2,000 invitations have been forwarded, and the responses received are an assurance that Reunion dates will be the greatest days Watford has ever seen. The homes of the people will be thrown open, and every effort made to make the visit of our old boys and girls a pleasant one. The dates are August 19th and 20th, and will long be remembered as red letter days in the history of the old town.

The membership fee has been fixed at 50c, which entitles the owner to free admission to the grounds both afternoons of the Reunion. It is the intention to devote the surplus, if any, to the improvement of the town park. Welcome, thrice welcome, Old Boys and Girls.

BE DILIGENT.

To those of us whose early recollections linger about the farm, the log heap stands out as the sturdy developer of latent idiosyncrasies of men. The opportunities for "sodgering," the provocation to "pig-headedness," and the general tendency to the development of "queerness," have no doubt frequently occurred to us in contemplation of the joys of "logging." There was the man, for instance, who did most of the shouting and all of the swearing, and who never gave a square lift on the whole job. There are a lot of people who spend their time "log-rolling." They hate straight work like an Orangeman hates holy water, and will spend two days scheming any time, rather than half a day at honest toil. They are the men who

make a bluff at doing business and who are noted for what they are always "going to do." They spend hours figuring why business is not good and how the money circulation is affected by the drop of the price of cabbages. They persuade everybody but God Almighty and their wives that they are busy men, but these two know them. If some of you who read this paragraph would quit scheming and get down to honest, square effort this year, your creditors would get their due and your families would be better kept. Put that down. Be "diligent in business," not in "log-rolling."—Journal.



JOHN FARRELL
President Old Boys Reunion Association

THE HEILAN MAN'S PRAYER

Oh, Lord—Lord o' the Glens an' the Bens, an' the hills an' the stills an' the gills an' hauf matchkins—hear our prayers. Pless a' the pig Floras and the wee Floras, an' the pig Archies, an' the Ronalds an' Tonals an' the rest of us, moreover. Pless a' oor wee coos an' oor prave polismans specially, an' sen' them plessin's, too. An', Lord, don't forget to sen' us some whusky, an' after that, some more whusky; an' sen' us hills o' joy, an' mountains o' love, an' rivers o' prose, an' oceans o' whusky more specially. An', Lord, pless a' oor ponnie pappies, an' oor pinnie pappies, too, moreover; an' sen' them, wi' them, Lord, gales o' win, to fill their pipes an' send them in Thy praises. Lord, pless oor pig coos an' oor wee coos, an' oor pig soos an' oor wee soos, an' oor polismans partik'ler. Mak' them prave, Lord, an' always ready wi' their patons to knock tarnation out the Lowlanders.

An' ton't forget, pless us a' to day an' tomorrow, an' the mornin before, an', Lord, do not forget the whusky, an' the glory be Thine for evermore.
AMENS.

JOHNNY ON TWINS.

When asked to write a short composition on some interesting experience, Johnny, after much labor, handed his teacher the following:

"Twins is a baby, only it's double. It usually arrives about 4.37 in the morning when a fellow is getting in his best licks sleepin'. Twins is accompanied by excitement and a doctor. When twins do ennything wrong, their mother can't tell which one to lick, so she gives it to both o' em so as to make sure. We've got twins in our house, and I'd swap 'em enny day for a li ly goat or mos' enny thing."

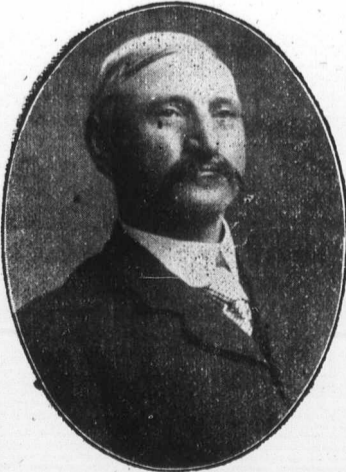


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H. F. WILLIAMS
Secretary Old Boys Reunion Association

A contemporary talks of the equality of the sexes. Equality! Why, woman is superior to man. Man was made out of clay, but woman was made out of man.

Old Boys and Girls

When the time comes we will be ready with a variety of

SOUVENIR GOODS

Inexpensive but very appropriate for the occasion, including

Pin Trays, Pocket Mirrors, Button Boxes, Burnt Wood Goods, Post Cards, and many other little novelties too numerous to mention.

FOR DECORATING we have Flags, Welcome Old Boys Banners, Japanese Flags and Parasols, and Small Silk Flags.

J. W. McLAREN,

Druggist. Issuer of Marriage Licenses. Stationer.

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Beaver Flour

is a blend of Manitoba Spring Wheat and Ontario Fall Wheat in just the right proportions of each to make the most wholesome, most nutritious bread—the whitest, lightest cake and Pastry—and yield the MOST of each to the barrel.

AT ALL GROCERS.

Dealers, write for prices on all kinds of Feeds, Coarse Grains and Cereals. T. H. Taylor Co., Limited, Chatham, Ont.

WELCOME.

The festal colors, bright and gay,
And pennants floating in the air,
Proclaim a long planned holiday
And joyous welcome everywhere.

As days of old when heroes came,
Renowned with victories from afar,
When all did honor to their fame
In battles fought for cruel war.

So now they come in great array
'Neath fluttering flags and arches
high,

A march triumphant—pagan gay,
For all have heard life's battle cry.

What say the martial flags on high
And what the bunting as it floats,
Why blare the trumpets and what cry
Give forth the piccolo's shrill notes?

"Thrice welcome all, you're home once more
We greet you now; we're glad you're here,
May each one as in days of yore
Feel Watford's homes, the homes of cheer."

Yes, welcome to you one and all,
Let's all unite in one grand song:
That we may happy days recall
And make this time remembered long.

—M. S.

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Confectionery

—AND—

Ice Cream Parlors.

OLD BOYS AND GIRLS

Take home a box of our Made in Canada Bon Bons.

If you enjoy a good smoke we keep the very best brands of Domestic Cigars. Take a box home with you.

All kinds of Cooling Drinks.

Call and see us. If we don't know you we want to make your acquaintance.

S. E. THOMPSON,

The North End Bakery.

Obituary.

An exchange in speaking of a deceased citizen said: "We knew him as old Ten Per Cent—the more he had the less he spent—the more he got the less he lent—he's dead—we don't know where he went—but if his soul to heaven is sent—he'll own the harps and charge 'em rent'."

No Difference.

"I lost heavily on the races yesterday."

A fool and his money are soon parted," replied the sardonic person.

"Ah, but I won to-day."

"A fool for luck!"

Fond of Bones.

Mabel (aged six)—Ain't you afraid of our big dog? The Parson (very thin)—No, my dear. He would not make much of a meal off me, Mabel—Oh, but he likes bones best.