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**The Red Lion" Hotel, which stands on Tonge-street, a few yards north of Bloor, onesumbed a year ago to the knife of the moral reformer and now stands silent, and yet unspeakably suggestive of the reminiscences of
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Mr. Playter received from the Crown the patent of 200 acres of kind upon the corner of
which was built afterwards the "Red Lion," for the accommodation of travelers from the
morthern country. This property afterwards passed into the hands of a French Canadian, named McDougall, who sold it easily in the present century to Daniel Tiers, and by whom the hotels, as it now stands, was built in 1800. There are some people living yet who remember "Ren, and speaked him as a typical waynight hotel-keeper, with the characteristic bendency of his class of that period to give
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An old acquaintance of mine, the landlord of the "Red Lion," who was a jolly fellow, although his name was Tiers (what his wife's same was before marriage is now forgotten, for Tiers dropped upon the word and blotted it out forever), puzzled a gentleman sorely in my presence by telling him that he (Tiers) was tired of public like, and must red ire from the bar. I myself was once canvassing for a seat in Parliament, and applied to an Irish friend to let me have some wild land, that being considered the only qualification necessary in a member. I began by telling my friend (Tiers) in the elevated and patriotic style, which the election time produces, that I was desirous of having a stake in the country. "Then, "says he. "You're better go to old Ireland for that same, for the never a steak you'll get in this country fit to sit for love or money."

This is all that can be said to commemorate the first landlord of the Red Lion and its sarly history. The mechanic who hewed the timber, put the frame together and finished the building deserves a notice; for four years afterwards he died fighting gallantly in behalf of his king and country. This was one sanders, who came over with Governor Simcoe and settled in the immediate neighborhood of the Red Lion. He was killed at the blowing up of the Old Fort in the war of 1812. The value of land and property during Tiers' time was very small: it is known that he offered the hotel and the two hundred acres to Mr. John Smith's father for \$400, which of course was refused owing to the valueless character of the land.

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It was not until the troublesome times between 1830 and '37 that the Red Lion came into prominence as a place of public entertainment and accommodation. The Home district was then very well a settled and farmers from Holland's Landing and other districts were compelled to team their produce to York, sometimes taking from two to three days in their journey. In this way it was crowded almost every evening with farmers, who stopped there during the night and as daybreath wended their way to the York markets. By staying at the Red Lion in preference to proceeding at once to the town the farmer evaded double toll at now where Eleor-street crosses Yonge, as he could go and come back the same day. This made the Red Lion, especially at a time when political feeling ran high, the most important public resort in the district, these farmed many public resort in the clastrict, these farmed many public resort in the clastrict, these farmed many public resort in the clastrict, these farmed many public resort in the social life of the Court of the class of the country of the class of the country of the class of the country of the public resort in the social life of the Court and the country of the class of the country

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It was in this very ball room that probably many a grey-headed citizen of Toronto or settler of the adjoining district met that woman who was the partner of his joys and sorrows.

Here met the radical politicians of the time and with thundering words denounced the cligarchy of the period, and formulated resolutions which afterwards became incorporated in the constitution of the country. It was in the very room that William Lyon Mackenzie was presented in 1832, on his expulsion from the Legislature with a gold chain and medal by his sympathizing friends, and it was from the Red Lion more than a social prominence, for within it walls was the birthplace of the liberty of speech, and the freedom of the electorate in Canada.

It is not necessary to prolong this obtuary of an at one time famous hostelry. The building and inside arrangements are as yet in remarkably good state of preservation, considering that it has weathered almost eighty winters, but this will not save it from the dairy in the surpers of the stage coaches and warned the sarveler, lingering over the refreshments of a remarkably good state of preservation, considering that the has weathered almost eighty vinters, but this will not save it from the dairy in the surpers of the stage coaches and warned the sarveler, lingering over the refreshments of a remarkably good state of preservation, considering that it has weathered almost eighty vinters, but this will not save it from the dairy in the surpers of the times.

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The movement started some weeks since looking to the organization of the Canadian Ticket Agents' Association resulted in its formation at a fairly representative meeting yesterday afternoon. These gentlemen were present: H. G. Hunt, St. Catharines; E. De la Hooke, London; J. A. McKenzie, Woodstock; C. E. Morgan, Hamilton; F. H. Sharpe, St. Marys; W. R. Callaway, P. J. Slatter, Barlow Cumberland, Toronto; P. Long, Port Hope; G. A. Currie, Cobours; W. H. Bowman, W. R. Jaffray, Berlin; J. C. Robertson, Newmarket; J. C. Heaton, Brant. ford; B. Travers, Paris; W. H. McCall, Port Credit; W. R. Climie, Bowmanville; J. Sallsbury, Port Hope; T. Menzies, Peterboro; A. W. Flack, Cornwall; and J. W. Cowell, Mitchell.

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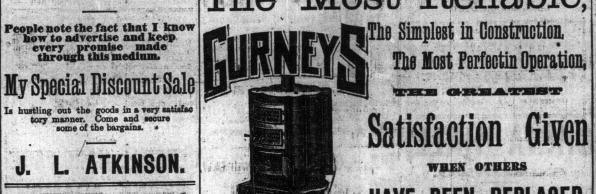
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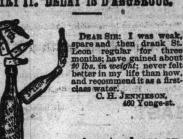
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