## Happenings in London as

Events of Interest Covering a Space of Nearly Eighty Years-Erection of the First House, Visits of Royalty, the Big Fires, the Rebellion and Disasters.

land street. The military remained until

the outbreak of the Crimea war in 1854.

After the Fenjan raid the troops were

2. Polka ... ... Mrs. Watson

5. Waltz ... ... Miss Prince

6. Gallop ...... Miss Askin 7. Quadrille ..... Mrs, Judge Small

8. Waltz ... ... Miss Hamilton

The prince and his party left London

In 1869 Prince Arthur visited London,

Thrice London has sent her sons to

war. The first time was in 1867 at the

time of the Fenian Raid. Again the

o visit Niagara Falls.

gain quartered here for a time.

people care to wade through a very lengthy history of any place even though it happens to be one's own though it happens to be one's own town. Consequently in preparing this town. Consequently in preparing this control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many the next town was elected again in 1904, at the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation. At the court house here many control of the after effects of the agitation and he was elected. In 1900, Hon. C. S. Hyman opposed him and was returned.

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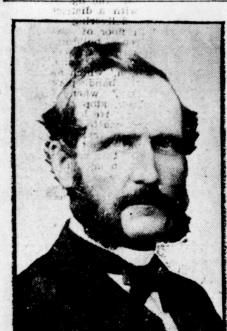
CALENDAR OF THE CITY. people care to wade through a very day.

near Port Talbot. At that time its zen of London was hanged or banished, limits were as follows: On the north however, though the city appears to and member for London down to 1894. by North street, now known as Queen's have sided somewhat with the rebellion. when he resigned. Then Mr. T. S.

there was only one shanty in London. It was maintained by a Scotchman who sold whisky to all who happened who sold whisky to all who happened the site now occupied by the Bank of at the election held last winter Mr. who sold whisky to all who happened to come this way. As the present Brick street, or more properly speaking, the first concession of Westminster, was the highway to Detroit and the west, not many people came into the west of the west, not many people came into the west of the west, not many people came into the west of the west of the west, not many people came into the west of the west, not many people came into the west of the west London proper, The second house is Roman Catholics in 1834. The two lat- leigh in 1831, which was the first execusaid to have been put up by a man ter were destroyed in the big fire of named Abe Carroff, of Oxford County. 1844. Both were re-erected. St. Paul's and built another.

nd built another.

In 1832 London was visited by the cholera and the two medical practi-Westminster, at the foot of Ridout tioners who were in the village at the street. Its construction saw the first time are said to have fled. There were crime committed there, when one of many deaths. the workmen stole an axe. The com-In 1838, because of the rebellion, sol-He was overtaken by Levi London. The Thirty-second Regiment Merrick, the bridge architect, and was was the first to arrive. It was commanded by Col. Maitland, hence Mait-



Catharines, the architect, and William Hale, of London Township, made the 1. Quadrille ... ... Miss Moffatt bricks. The original courthouse was a frame building and it was later a grammar school, in which Mr. Bayly, father of the present Mr. Richard Bayly, K.C., taught the young 'ideal how to shoot. The old building, which is somewhere in the neighborhood of 80 years of age, is 9. Lancers .. .. Mrs. W. L. Lawrason used by the city as a tool house for 10. Polka ..... Miss Jennings the board of works, and it stands on 11. Gallop ..... Miss Meredith 

courthouse property.

In 1836 London Had a population of 14. Gallop ... Mrs. Rivers 1,037, and it that year returned its 15. Lancers ... Miss Gzowski first member to the Legislature. His 16. Gallop ... Miss Hope name was Mr. Manion Burwell. His 17. Quadrille ... Miss Dalton ... Miss Paul opponent was Mr. John Scatcherd. In 18. Waltz ... ... Miss Paul opponent was Mr. John Scatchers 18. Waitz ... 1836 the assessed value of London was 19. Lancers ... Mrs. Taylor \$34,380. 

Waltz ... Mrs. James Daniell 20. Waltz ... Mrs. James Daniell Mrs. Brough

1.716, and it was incorporated as a village that year. A board of police was established the first year, and Hon. George J. Goodbie, who was also the first man to conduct business in London, was made the first president, here Goodhue ran degeneral store on what is now known as Brick street, in South London. Later here became a representation of Barbarata Burwell streets. Barbarata Barbarata Burwell streets. don, was made the first president. Mr. In 1847 London became a town and elected Mr. Simeon Morril, a tanner, its

In 1855 London was raised to the Seventh went to the front in the Riel dignity of a city with a population of rebellion of 1885, and when the Boer the Legislature

postoffice was not deemed convenient she turned turtle. Somewhere in the the villagers petitioned the Govern- neighborhood of 200 people

colonel's election was voided, however, don,

history of the city of London for the especial edification of the visiting old Boys, The Advertiser is actuated by a desire to give all the facts it is possible to glean in few words.

The city of London was laid out in 1826 on lands reserved in 1796 by Governor Simcoe. It was surveyed by Col. Burwell, who lived on the Talbot road, near Port Talbot. At that time its limits were as follows: On the porth. by North street, now known as Queen's avenue; off the east by Wellington and, at one time a rising was planned street, and on the south and west by the two branches of the River Thames. The late Col. Talbot was appointed by the Covernment to grant the lots.

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have sided somewhat with the rebellion. Hobbs was elected and sat at Toronto for four years. Upon his retirement in 1898 Col. F. B. Leys was elected, and be also represented London for four years. In 1902 Hop. Adam Beck. Who Up to 1826, according to one historian, stopped the slaughter of the prisoners. years. In 1902 Hon, Adam Beck, who

Appenings in London as a Village, Town and City

In January, 1898, the floor of the city hall collapsed while a municipal election jubilation meeting was being held, and 23 people were killed, some of them being amongst the most prominent of London's citizens.

Among London's early representatives in Parliament were the following: Col. Mahlon Burwell, H. H. Killally, Lawrence Lawrason, W. H. Draper, John Wilson and T. C. Dixon. In 1857 (Col. Mahlon Burwell, H. H. Killally, Lawrence Lawrason, W. H. Draper, John Wilson and T. C. Dixon. In 1855 (Rilled his wife with a poker on Regent with the exception of the term between 1874 and 1878, and also one year, when list and also one year, when shot people while a municipal election; Burleigh killed as constable 1874 and 1878, and also one year, when known as the Peg-leg, who shot Po-he was defeated by Col. Walker. The liceman Toohey in 1898 in East Lon-

and J. H. Fraser sat for London for London's fire chief, the late John A. In these hustling times but few just east of the Liberal Club of tobeople care to wade through a very day.

Roe, was killed at a fire in Sterling's
John ran again and he was elected. In

-	CALENDAR OF THE CITY.	
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)-		tion.
g	Gov. Simcoe's visit, March	
-	First house built 1826	
al	London surveyed	
it	Court house built1827	133
n	Created a municipality1838	100
3-	Incorporated as a village 1840	2,000
-	The great fire1845	3,500
n	The first hospital built 1847	0,000
4,	Incorporated as a town 1848	4.668
5.	Public schools established 1848	-,000
0	Decennial census	7.035
n	First railway train1853	1,000
a	Incorporated as a city 1854	10,060
I	Lighted with gas	20,000
O	Visit of the Prince of Wales, 1860	11,200
n	Decennial census 1861	11,555
a	Decennial census 1871	15.826
	waterworks established 1877	19,000
	Wreck of the Victoria, May	
-	1 24 1881	19,725
n	East London annexed 1885	26,075
f	South London annexed 1890	30,075
-	Decennial census 1891	31,977
	West London annexed 1898	38,224

### While he was building it, it was destroyed by fire. Like a good Londoner, down in 1884 to make way for the and also Bruce's spider, he tried again present magnificent cathedral. SAW LONDON'S SITE BEFORE A HOUSE WAS BUILT ON IT

munity was horrified and pursued the diers were permanently stationed in Mr. Wm. Percival Has Spent Seventy-Nine Years Here—The Stormy Times of the Rebellion-The Days of the Soldiers - Many Interesting Reminiscences.

On Oct. 16, 1844, fire almost wiped

was mayor of the city at the time. Two thousand school children sang the National Anthem as the prince are feet. After the first day's festivities prorated city.

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MR. WM. PERCIVAL. Only Man Living Who Saw Site of London Before a House Was Built

dignity of a city with a populate the war broke out, "B" Company of the 10,000. Mr. Murray Anderson was the war broke out, "B" Company of the Church which stood on York street, a few yards west of where the Tecumseh spending days of a well by the closing days of a well by the Wilson, Q.C., its first representative in the Legislature.

When the war of 1812 bloke out the lew yards west of where the recumsent Subsequently many Londoners also elder Percival objected to fighting House now stands. But things did not spent life in his handsome and companies also went to South Africa as the war dragagainst the Empire, and things were against the Empire, and things were go well with the rebels, and they called modification for the least of the proposed stands. But things did not spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went to be a spent life in his handsome and companies also went life in Mr. Morrill's tannery, established in 1830, was the first industry of importance.

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London had been surveyed as a even site some time before 1800 by or administered to the ailing, works won-Col. Simcoe, and as a consequence ders. while there were quite a number of deeple settled on farms around what oldest lawyer in the United States, s now known as the city, there were own site survey. On their way to the farm which they had secured—the second farm on the side read just north

London from the map. It commenced living who saw London before a house on Queen's avenue, west of Richmond. On Sunday, April 13, 1845, fire again visited the place. It brokes are the place of the plac

From 1852 to 1858 London enjoyed a land boom. In 1853 the assessed value of real estate in London was \$146,020; in 1854 it had reached \$228,160, and by 1855 it had jumped to \$426,966. Then the boom collapsed and hundreds of people were ruined. After the crash the assessed value of London stood at \$234,976.

The first railway train pulled into The first railway train pulled into to run over the history of their home dwelling house ever put up in London. London on the 15th of December in town the story will be found little 1853. This was when the Great West-short of fascinating. As the years roll ern Railway, afterward absorbed by short of fascinating. As the years roll and it stood on the southwest corner. the G. T. R., entered London.

In 1860 the present King of England, then known as the Prince of Wales, visited London, Col. Moffatt was mayor of the city at the time who are able to talk of the early days in London grow steadily less in number, and as the weeding the county town, and today he remembers all that will be left to the present gentland. The process continues for a few years more, and as mayor of the city at the time who worked on the jail, and it stood on the southwest corner of the old dent o

a store and distillery and was very road. Dundas street, when the swirl of the waters which meet there overcame him and he lost his life. The event caused almost a panic. There were but few people in the district at the time, and people in the death of Owrey made an impress the death of Owrey made an impress of the lost street, hear Lyle, down to the hot resided here for many years. When he gets in London and sees the many familiar places and faces, it brings to his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned an impress the days which he looks he death of Owrey made an impress the days which he looks my early education was attended here for many years. When he gets in London and sees the many familiar places and faces, it brings to his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned and which he looks he looks he looks he looks he gets in London and sees the many familiar places and faces, it brings to his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned he gets in London and sees the many familiar places and faces, it brings to his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned he gets in London and sees the many familiar places and faces, it brings to his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned he gets in London and sees the many familiar places and faces, it brings to his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned he gets in London and sees the many familiar places and faces, it brings to his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned he gets in London and sees the many familiar places and faces, it brings to his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned and under the superintendence of his mind, as nothing else can, his boyned and the looks have the conscientions efforts of our highly-like the looks and the conscientions efforts of our highly-like the looks and the conscientions efforts of our highly-like the looks and the conscientions efforts of our highly-like the looks and t

bellion of 1837-38. For two or three years try did not appear suited to before hostilities broke out the people at least a portion of them—were very discontented. Political arguments were rife and there was much ill-feeling and much distrust of one another by the settlers. At last matters came to a head by the outbreak in Toronto. It

At night they could be heard howling had been planned that the disaffected in the swamps north of the asylum, in London should rise in rebellion at and not infrequently they attacked the same time as the rebels in Toron- the sheep of the settlers. Deer were alto, or York, as it was then known. In so plentiful,

will soon enter his 100th year. Juni Aho, the Finnish poet, has been granted a pension of \$750 a year for a decade by the Senate of Finland.

a BENEFACTOR TO ALL.—The soldier, the sailor, the fisherman, the miner, the farmer, the mechanic and all who live lives of toil and spend their existence in the dull routine of tedious tasks, and who are exposed to injuries and all ments that those who toil not do not know, will find it Dr. Thomas Eclectric Oil an excellent friend and benefactor is

MRS. MUNCE.



OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION OF CHICAGO



MRS. DEACON.

MISS ANNIE R. MILNE,

artillery fired two rounds down the ing the institute, where he had studied he remembers still the games that river from the court house hill for the for two years. purpose of aweing the people. "Dick," said "pluck wins."

porated city.

Toronto, but at the close of the ferst day's festivities to be a wonderful man both mentally but up a hard fight for the county seat, the prince went to Sarnia for the day, and physically. Never very robust, he the prince went to Sarnia for the day, and physically. Never very robust, he is nevertheless well preserved in mind and physically. Never very robust, he is nevertheless well preserved in mind and physically. Never very robust, he is nevertheless well preserved in mind and physically. Never very robust, he but London won out.

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the death of Owrey made an impression on the people almost equal to that chased the racer. For some time afterof the Victoria distaster, many years ward local sports were disconsolate. In the early days there were no bears Mr. Percival remembers well the re- to speak of in this district. The coun-

secret meeting it had been agreed that Mr. Percival was for many years enthe mustering place for London should gaged in the flour and feed business on

# THE OLD TOWN Photo by Frank Cooper.

London and Everything Canadian.



R. L. McRae, or 'Dick" McRae, as McRae, as familiarly known, is now prominent business nan of Toledo, O., where he is also actively associated the London Old Boys' Association and the Can-Club. Like all sons of the Forest City. never forgets

The distinction of being the only man passed through the town site. It was a built about 1828. At all events he remained three and a half years. Visited the place. It broke out in the site of a busy city of weil on to 50,000 arrived they found a small log shanty closed for the site of a busy city of weil on to 50,000 arrived they found a small log shanty corner of Dundas and Ridout streets, and before it burned itself out 150 houses and business places had been destroyed.

From 1852 to 1858 London enjoyed a site of a busy city of weil on to 50,000 arrived they found a small log shanty crected on the farm, having been built by the man from whom they purchased the land.

In 1826 quite a stir was raised by the proving an immense success, In June proving an immense success, In June

were played on the grounds just south "Dick," said the veteran teacher, of the C. P. R. when Giese, Cain, "Mickey" Jones, Joe Knight, Lew Dickone of the very oldest of London's old Dick's first place of employment was it on, Schiebeck, Phil Powers and others

## PROSPERED IN SARNIA



Londoners who ake the Chapman House their headquarters while Why? Behere. etor, Alex Murdoch London Old

## PLAYED BALL IN LONDON TOWN

tion of Tecumsehs.

in the vicinity of the coves, kept also ed with delight the advent of the steam City, is one of the old boys who take sition is proof of the success that has a special delight in getting back to the attended his path. Of the sports of long ago, Mr. Perci- old town now and again and meeting boyhood, Mr. Plummer said: "Among The first person drowned in this district was Archibald Owrey, brother of the constitution was a large race track in what is now pumber by the score although by has been solved to the control of the Central school, where under the the late Squire Owrey. Owrey was known as East London. It ran from number by the score, although he has the Central school, where, under the the late Squire Owrey. Owrey was known as East London. It ran from number by the score, although ne has swimming at the forks at the foot of Dundas street, near Lyle, down to the not resided here for many years. When Brown and Mr. Murtagh, together with

EPHRIAM PLUMMER. of London Old Boys.

school, from learning the drug business. Today he is the manager of the New York branch of Parke, Davis & Co., manufacturing chemists, and that Ephriam Plummer, of New York he should attain such a responsible po-

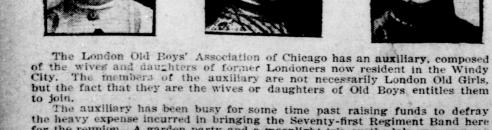
sary to become proficient in some line of business, and was apprenticed with due form to our late lamented Dr. John Salter, where for three years I massed pills, mixed ointments, bottled castor oil, and many nauseous mixtures, which, no doubt, saved the lives of many of the people now residing in London, Subsequently, I lived a short time in Toronto, and afterwards returned to London, being employed by our old friend, B. A. Mitchell, who is still a wonderfully well-preserved man, and actively engaged in business. Speaking of early outdoor sports, he continued: "The popular outdoor game

was cricket, but with the introduction of baseball it was relegated to the rear. The residents of London about 67 and subsequently would remember the stirring times incident to the baseball contests of the Tecumsehs of London and the clubs of Ingersoll, Woodstock, Guelph, Dundas and many other neighboring towns. The Tecumsehs had an enviable reputation and furnished unalloyed pleasure to many thousands of London's best citizens, who were delighted to patronize the strenuous contests on the old barrack field. The celebrity of the old Tecumseh Club was recognized by some of the professional organizations, and, as opportunity afforded, we had the pleasure of meeting such clubs as the Rockfords, of Illinois, with Spalding, Past-President New York Association Anson, and other well-known balltossers connected with the Red Stockings, of Cincinnati, and Alleghanys, of of his life. Like scores upon scores of Pittsburg, so that the interest in base-Londoners now scattered broadcast ball was quite general. As there are over the North American continent, a number of the old Tecumsehs (nine) Mr. Plummer went to the old Union still living, it would be exceedingly enschool, where he was prepared for the battle of life by Nicholas Wilson. That meet at our reunion on the 7th of he has been successful, all will admit. August, and renew acquaintances and "Eph" Plummer was a great lover of revive old baseball incidents to our baseball-in fact, sports of all kinds- mutual pleasure."

#### SOME LONDON OLD BOYS.







for the reunion. A garden party and a moonlight trip on the lake were among

the means employed, and they proved successful beyond expectations.

The ladies of the auxiliary will be on hand in goodly numbers for the reunion. In the above group are three of the most energetic members of the auxiliary — Mrs. Wm. Small, wife of Mr. Wm. Small, president of the International Association, on the left; Mrs. C. D. MacPherson, in the center, and

Active Members of Chicago Ladies' Auxiliary.