

LONDON SCOTS AND THE AULD BRIG

The contributions for the restoration of the Auld Brig of Ayr, near Toronto, by Burns in Tam o' Shanter are rolling in. The Auld Brig has spanned the River Ayr for nearly six centuries and if properly restored may continue to carry travelers above the flood and tide for many more years.

The Ayr Advertiser is collecting shilling subscriptions, and London admirers of Burns, through Mr. John Mills, have forwarded \$36. The Advertiser of a recent date contains the following:

"Scotsmen and Irishmen in London, Ontario, Canada, per James Mills, collector, and John Mills, treasurer, the amount in cents being 2,600-36 dollars, the par value of which is \$7 78 1/2. Was contributed as follows: John Mills, 50c; James Mills, 10c; W. D. Mills, 50c; T. H. Purdon, 10c; John Ferguson, 50c; John Marr, 50c; W. Morrison, 50c; Geo. M. Anderson, 50c; David Ross, 50c; Scotch Friend, 50c; James Ross, 50c; A. Gilman, 50c; Paddy O'Flynn, 50c; D. Cameron, 50c; B. F. Waterworth, 50c; Thos. Bryan, 50c; John C. Butler, 10c; J. S. Lochhead, 50c; Thos. H. Mitchell, 50c; Frank Love, 50c; A. Scrogton, 10c; A. M. McEvoy, 50c; John Waters, 10c; A. G. Chisholm, 10c; Friend, 50c; J. W. Jones, 10c; J. MacArthur, 50c; A. Fraser, 50c; A. S. McGregor, 50c; R. H. Morrison, 50c; J. W. McCallum, 50c; W. J. Clark, 50c; Mr. Paterson, 50c; George Dickie, 10c.

"Mr. James Mills, collector, writes: 'I am writing to let you know that I have been doing in this Canadian city. I might say that I was born in Ayr, and have crossed the Auld Brig a thousand times and one. I received the Ayr Advertiser every week, and the one with Lord Rosebery's speech in it came duly to hand. I read it with pleasure, and I had it put in one of our city papers. Then I had a talk with my nephew, and it was agreed that I should canvas all the Scots I have done so, and my nephew, John Mills, bookseller, the treasurer, has seven pounds, seven shillings and elevenpence to send to you. No one gave less than two shillings—the Irish as well as the Scots here. One of our seniors—an Irish Roman Catholic—contributed 50c; another friend, 50 cents. I would like you to send me Lord Rosebery's speech in pamphlet form.—(Signed) James Mills, 852 Hellmuth avenue, London, Ontario, Canada.'

"Mr. John Mills, treasurer, writes: 'Inclosed find \$7 78 1/2, par value of 26 dollars which my uncle, a very old letter acquainted you of. This is what he did for his old friend, 'The Auld Brig,' he being 82 years of age. I would like to have seen it more, but did as well as I could. I was born in Garden street, between 'The Two Brigs.' I have up to the old brig, and many times I have traveled over the bridge. I hope the proper amount will come to hand that the committee may be able to proceed.—(Signed) John Mills, bookseller, 398 Richmond street, London, Ontario.'

SCHOOL BOARD ORGANIZES

Elects Mr. Frank Forristal Chairman—Dr. Trimm Reappointed.

The separate school board met last night and elected Trustee Frank Forristal chairman.

ASSIZES REOPENED

Chief Justice Meredith Charges Grand Jury in Case of Dr. Bateman.

The winter assizes reopened at 1:30 this afternoon before Chief Justice Sir William Meredith at the city hall. His lordship addressed the grand jury in the case of Dr. Bateman, the Strathroy physician who is charged with committing an assault upon a young woman of the same place.

KING PETER DENIES

Belgrade, Serbia, Jan. 8.—King Peter today authorized a special denial of the rumors to the effect that it is his intention to abdicate or permanently leave Serbia with his family, in consideration of financial compensation.

STEAMERS ARRIVED

Jan. 8. Reported at, From. Caledonia, New York, Glasgow. Canada, Portland, Glasgow. Columbia, Montreal, New York. Mongolia, Glasgow, Philadelphia. Friedrich der Grosse, Bremen, New York. Montenegro, Anvers, St. John. Algerian, Leghorn, New York. Calabria, Leghorn, New York.

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The grocer who offers you something just as good has no regard for your judgment or your health. It's delicious.

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HOW THE SKYLARK WENT ON ROCKS

Left Toronto to Go to Port Stanley, Was Disabled, and Drifted Ashore.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—The tug Skylark, of the Haney and Miller fleet, which went ashore in Lake Erie, near Port Maitland, Friday morning, and was battered to pieces by a southwesterly sea the next day, was on route from Toronto to Port Stanley. She has been around here for the past two years working on the Island conduit contract and doing general towing for the firm. The firm needed her in Port Stanley to protect some crabs and scows there during the spring freshets, and she left Port Colborne Thursday afternoon in good weather, expecting to make Port Maitland, 20 miles up the lake in daylight, but a fog came on, and in the thickness Captain Hecott was unable to find the entrance. While cruising around a mud point blew out of the boiler, and before the crew could get the anchor out she went ashore. Attempts were made to get tugs from Port Colborne to rescue her, but before they could be released from winter quarters a southwest breeze sprang up and the heavy sea dashed her to pieces on the rocks. She was 65 feet long, and was rebuilt three years ago.

WILL COMMISSION GO TO KILWORTH?

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A bylaw must not be submitted for a period covering a year and a day, so that it could not be put before the electors in January, 1908, as election day will fall on the first Monday of the new year, Jan. 6, and the year and a day from Jan. 7, 1907, will not have elapsed by that time.

Thus according to present figuring, it will be necessary to submit the scheme at a special vote, if it is again placed before the people in 1908.

CANNING COMPANY'S POSITION

The city is in a peculiar position regarding the canning company. The manufacturers' committee a year ago strained every nerve to bring the company here, and the council guaranteed the company a fixed assessment of \$4,000 for ten years. Now the people have refused to indorse the bargain made by the manufacturers' committee and the council a year ago.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. and Mrs. E. Dart, of Nilestown, leave today for Upland, California.

—Miss German, of Strathroy, is the guest of her brother, Mr. C. E. German, of 521 Colborne street.

—Miss Elizabeth Walker and Miss Jessie Strong prepared the programme for today's (German Day) concert at the Women's Music Club. The paper will be a subject of much interest to many.

—The club retreats are given fortnightly in the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple.

—Mr. Henry Fletcher died this morning at his residence, 265 Burwell street, at the age of 73 years. Deceased was an old resident of this city, having lived here for the past 25 years.

—The many friends in the city of Miss Katherine Moore, organist of the Memorial Church and of the staff of the London Conservatory of Music, will regret to hear of the death of her mother which occurred in Evanston, Ill., this week. Mrs. Moore was seriously injured in an accident some few weeks ago and her death is the result.

—Miss Susie Ward, who recently graduated as a nurse from the North Adams, Mass., Hospital, and who has been home for a visit, returned today to North Adams. She has received the appointment of superintendent of the operating-room, again demonstrating that Canadian nurses take front rank in the leading hospitals of the States.

—Mr. John Price, of Port Stanley, has sold a portion of the Erie Bank property to George M. Grinnond, of this city, being composed of village lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, south of Erie street, bounded on the south by the L. E. and D. R. Company railway extension. The price was \$2,500. It formerly was owned and occupied by the late E. W. Thompson.

—Toronto Globe: "Some doubt is being expressed as to whether the crown will be able to proceed with the London bribery cases at these assizes. The crown prosecutor, Mr. George S. Lynch-Staunton, K.C., of Hamilton, was appointed only a few days ago, and has not yet had an opportunity of becoming familiar with the evidence. The main feature of the trial promises to be the confession of Sirton."

MANY TOWNS VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION

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There being one shop in the town; the result was a large majority for no license, 550 to 269.

A number of municipalities polled a majority for local option, but not the requisite three-fifths, including Bradford, Collingwood, Leamington and Meaford. The bylaw was defeated also in Adelaide, Alisa Craig, Beeton, Blenheim, Brantford Township, Burford, Eastnor, Essex, Kingsville, Markdale, Oakville, Port Elgin, Taverton and Woodbridge.

A plebiscite in Kingston on the question of license reduction resulted in a substantial majority in favor of reduction.

In Tecumseh the result is in doubt. The majority is one, but there are three disputed ballots and victory is claimed by the anti. In Alisa Craig the bylaw was defeated by four only.

In Weston the bylaw had a narrow escape to find the entrance. While cruising around a mud point blew out of the boiler, and before the crew could get the anchor out she went ashore.

Following list shows the results of the voting:

Table with 3 columns: Carried, For, Against. Lists results for various towns like Port Carling, Manvers, Teeswater, Midland, Weston, Arran Tp., Crahan (maj.), Asphodel, Bruce Tp. (maj.), Winchester, Waterford (maj.), Gosfield South (maj.), Churchill Tp., Huron and Ripley (maj.), Huntley Tp.

Table with 3 columns: Defeated, For, Against. Lists results for towns like Bradford, Woodbridge, Beeton, Meaford, Alisa Craig (maj.), Embro (maj.), St. Marys, Adelaide Tp. (maj.), Eastnor Tp., Oakdale Tp. (maj.), Burford Tp. (maj.), Port Elgin, Kentville (maj.), Leamington, Markdale (maj.), Kingsville (maj.), Oakville (maj.), Drumbo Tp., King Tp., Grey Tp. (maj.), Whitby East Tp., Tottenham (maj.), Collingwood, Alliston, Fitzroy, North Gower Tp., Richmond.

Defeated Where Previously Existed: Niagara Tp. (maj.), Toronto Junction (maj.).

LATEST RETURNS

Port Elgin, Jan. 8.—In Sauguen Township local option was carried by a majority.

Beaufort, Jan. 8.—Local option bylaw was carried in this township by a large majority.

Bayville, Jan. 8.—The bylaw to repeal local option was defeated by a majority of six.

Scotland, Jan. 8.—The local option bylaw was defeated in Oakland Township by a majority of 9. The local option bylaw was defeated in Burford Township by a majority of 21.

LINER OVERDUE

U. S. Cutters Searching for the Belated Steamship Ponce.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Another day has passed with no news from the steamship Ponce, of the New York and Porto Rico Steamship Company, which sailed on Dec. 26 from Porto Rico for New York. The voyage under ordinary circumstances should have been made in six days, but the vessel is a full week overdue. The Ponce last reported on Dec. 28, when she appeared to be making her usual speed.

Under orders from the United States treasury department three revenue cutters are searching for the missing vessel. The owners refuse to alter their belief that nothing more serious than temporary disablement has delayed their craft. There are seven cabin passengers on the Ponce, one of whom is M. Fox, of New York State. That the United Fruit Company's freighter Admiral Farragut, from San Antonio to Philadelphia, sighted the Ponce disabled off Cape Henry last Saturday, was found to be a false hope today.

DO NOT LET A COLD settle on your lungs. Resort to Hicks' Anti-Consumption Syrup at the first intimation of irritation in the throat and prevent disease from lodging in the lungs. It is a powerful suffering throughout the country, all of which could have been prevented by application of this simple but powerful medicine. The price, 25 cents, brings it within the reach of all.

Montana requires its railroads to maintain a station at plotted town sites of 100 inhabitants or more.

THEY WAKE THE TORPID ENERGIES. Machinery not properly supervised and left to run itself very soon shows fault in its working. It is the same with the human body. It is composed of time and energy, and if the energy is not kept up, the body will become torpid and the time will be lost.

As early as 1847 a law was passed in New Hampshire making ten hours a legal day's work.

PAINS LIKE THE POOR, ARE ALWAYS with us. It is not made up of pleasure in labor which is composed of pain, and to free from pain is a pleasure. Simple remedies are always the best in treating bodily ailments. A safe, sure and simple remedy is Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. You cannot do wrong in giving it a trial when required.

BALM-ZOIN

Balm-Zoin is a delightful lotion for healing and softening the skin. We have made it for a long time, we have never heard anything but praise for it, and its sale increases all the time. It is used by a very large proportion of the ladies of this locality, and we believe, as perfect a preparation as can be made.

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Federal Parliament to Apply New Law to Four of the Nine Provinces.

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The Government bill on this subject will follow pretty closely the laws already in force in Colorado, Illinois, and several other states of the neighboring republic. It will force nothing on the several provinces that the latter are not ready to carry in practical effect, but will be put into force at the outset probably in British Columbia, Manitoba, Ontario and Nova Scotia, all of which have already recognized to a certain extent the principle upon which the juvenile courts are founded. Its successful operation in these provinces will then be followed, without doubt, by the application of the new order of things in the whole Dominion.

It will largely extend the scope of parole system as already employed in Ontario and some of the sister provinces, and provide for the setting apart of certain judges for dealing with all youthful offenders, both male and female, up to the age of seventeen years.

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Quigg Mackey and Nickerson offer a good musical act, in which the cornet playing of Mr. Nickerson is a decided feature.

Lane and Trayer, who were seen here last season, present a new offering, which gives them a grand opportunity to display their excellent voices. Willie Weston, the mimic is clever, and is capable of impersonating other characters than the worn-out Cohan and White.

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And Roosevelt domination from a senatorial seat would be quite as objectionable to his enemies as if it came from the White House.

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ENGLISH MARKETS

LIVERPOOL. Liverpool, Jan. 8.—Wheat—Spot firm; No 2 red western winter, 6s. Futures dull; March, 6s 5/8d; May, 6s 2/8d; July, 5s 11/8d. Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, new, 4s 3/8d; do. old, 4s 4/8d. Futures quiet; January, 4s 1/8d; March, 4s 3/8d. Peas—Canadian firm, 6s 10d. Butter—Steady; Best United States, 55s; good do., 58s. Cheese—Firm; Canadian finest white, 62s; do. colored, 52s. Flour—St. Louis fancy winter steady, 6s. Hops (in London)—Pacific coast, 25s to 24 1/2s. Pork—Prime mess western steady, 85s 5d. Beef—Extra India mess strong, 73s 9d. Beans—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs. steady, 59s 6d.

BEAN MARKET

DETROIT. Detroit, Jan. 7.—Beans—Cash, 81 28; February, 81 29.

Tonight Hood's Pills

Just before retiring, if your liver is sluggish, out of tune, and you feel full, bilious, constipated, take a dose of Hood's Pills.