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LONDON AND DISTRICT

-The concert which was to have been given by the Twenty-Sixth band in Victoria Park tonight has been postoned until Tuesday evening next. The Port Huron Herald says:
John Beggs, jun., of London, and
Emma Duncan, of Brantford, were
married Monday afternoon in the county clerk's office by Judge George. -The trustees of the Protestant Orphans' Home held their monthly meeting at the home on Monday after-noon. In the unavoidable absence of the president, Mr. McCallum, the chair was taken by Mrs. Morphy, who proceeded with business, first calling for the several reports, which all proved satisfactory. Other business transacted was of a routine nature, the MANANANANANANANANANANANANANANA

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reading of several letters of application for children to enter the home, or in other cases for boys and girls to go out as help, all of which was easily settled at the meeting. The ladies were deeply grateful to learn of the happy treats that had been afforded the children during the month, when Miss Cissie Armstrong, daughter of Mr. J. W. Armstrong, entertained the children at Springbank, and later in the month, when Mr. G. C. Gibbons took them to the circus, providing a special car for them and a lunch when the entertainment was over. To the following kind donors, who have during the past month remembered the little ones at the home, the trustees feel heartily grateful: Mr. Rowland Hill, Miss Shaw-Wood, Memorial Church day School, Mr. Boomer, Mrs. Charles Gibson, City Relief Officer McCallum, Mrs. A. E. Cooper, Boston Confection-

STORES WILL BE OPEN. The holiday tomorrow will not be generally observed in this city. In of-

Something has been said lately about the extraordinary growth of potato! vines in some localities. Mr. Richard Barrett, of Komoka, has a phenomenal patch in his garden. A specimen vine shown yesterday to an Advertiser man, measured five feet six inches in length, and there are many other just as long in Mr. Barrett's garden. The

seed was planted in March. CLOSED NEXT WEEK.

The public library board met last night and decided to keep the library open on Coronation Day, but it will to Geo. Smith. The fishermen pulled on many a hard-fought field, while in the speeches that followed they showed be closed all of next week and possibly

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eral groceries.

dancing. The second and third prizes were won by Miss Bage and Miss Merritt Riddell. It was, of course, impossible to hold the competition on the open-air platform, and an effort was made to have it in the dancing pavilion, but owing to the crowded state of the building, this also was found inexpedient. An emergency meeting of the committee was held, and it was decided that the remainder of the competition, as well as the baby

of the competition, as well as the baby show, the quoiting match and the openair concert should be postponed. The committee will decide on a date for the deciding of the various events, which will probably take place in one of the city parks within a week or two.

The society's guests were well-looked after during the day. The bicycleshed to the west of the Fraser House was converted into a refreshment room,

presided over by Mr. W. Brophy. Here Irish hospitality was dispensed with-

out stint, and however dark the skies

outside, there was always good cheer

Five trains were run from Port Stan-

ley to London between 4 and 11 p.m. Most of the crowd took their departure

on the trains timed to leave at 5:15, 7 and 8:30, and the last train, which left

about 10:30, and arrived a few minutes before midnight, was half empty. The

picnickers reached home with their clothes in varying degrees of damp-

ness, but few were heard to complain

of their experiences, and all will look forward as enthusiastically to next season's picnic as they did to this.

The present year is proving one of

the most successful in the history of

the society, and this speaks volumes for the efficiency of the officers, who

First Vice-President-T. J. Murphy. Second Vice-President-John Steve-

Third Vice-President-Dennis Ma-

Secretary—H. P. Sharpe. Treasurer—P. F. Boyle. Auditors—W. Martin, John M. Daly

Physicians-J. S. Niven, George Wil-

The executive committee, who have worked indefatigably for weeks to

bring the picnic to a successful con-

clusion, is composed of the following gentlemen: Dr. Niven, John Garvey,

A. St. L. McIntosh, ex-Ald. P. McPhillips, J. W. Pocock, Dennis Mason, W.

P. Regan, Dr. C. A. Sippi, T. J. Murphy, W. J. Reid, P. F. Boyle, Stephen Grant, Thomas Coffey, E. Meredith, K. C., B. C. McCann, Major Beattle, ex-M.P., J. Collins, ex-Ald. Carroth-

ers, J. O. Dromgole, Hume Cronyn, James Egan, J. L. Fitzgerald, J. M. Keary, John Labatt, John Lewis, James

Magee K. C., Wm. A. Martin, James Murray, N. P. Graydon, Wm. Brophy,

T. H. smallman, T. W. Scandrett, Lieut.-Col. Little, P. Cook, E. Shea,

George Sippi, Col. Smith, W. McPhillips, Thomas Martin, ex-Ald. O'Meara, Ald. Sam Stevely, Ald. Winnett, W.

Fulton, P. Pocock, ex-Ald. Taylor, John Forristal, John Stevely, H. Merritt, P.

Mulhall, T. Wilson, J. Devine, B.Noble, Dr. George H. Wilson, J. M. Daly.

THE EVENING BANQUET.

The gloom of the afternoon was

compensated for by the brightness and

jollity which prevailed at the annual

banquet given in the evening at the

Fraser House. The banquet has been

a special feature of the picnic for

many years past, but it is safe to say

that none of its predecessors eclipsed

last night's affair in point of joviality

lustily around the board as they have

silver tongue as they have with the

deadly sword and the not less deadly

Chairman Dr. J. D. Wilson, in intro-

ducing the toast list, gave a brief but

eloquent address. He spoke of the

aims and objects of the Irish Benevo-lent Society, an association founded on

the three great principles-faith, hope

and charity. Referring to what Irish-

men have accomplished for the empire, he said that when Gen. Buller

had failed to bring the Boer war to a

speedy conclusion, it was Robyts, an

The other important address was

son, Charles Moore.

President-Dr. John D. Wilson.

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PUGNACIOUS JEFF.

Forest Free Press: On Monday four visitors from Strathroy and London who were fishing at Kettle Point in and joyousness. The jolly sons of the boats were assaulted by Jeff Bressette | Emerald Isle proved their prowess as from another boat. Jeff went at the visitors' boats with a sledge hammer for the shore, rather than engage in a conflict in which somebody would silver tongue as they have with the longer. Librarian Blackwell's report showed the July circulation to have been as follows: Fiction 3,047, juvenile literature 5,341. Average per day, 223. Fines aggregated \$18 25. William for the Indians.

RAIN COULD NOT DAMPEN HIBERNIAN ENTHUSIASM

Thousands at the Irish Benevo- ones—did not leave the cars at Port Stanley, but others took a brighter view than the darkness of the clouds

Portion of Day's Programme Was Carried Out.

Remaining Events To Be Decided in This City-Banquet Was a

"You can't keep a good man down," says a popular song of the vintage of a year or two ago. Evidently every Irishman-and Irishwoman, too-is a mighty good man, for not all the concentrated bombardment of heaven's artillery and musketry could keep down for a moment the irrepressible spirits | merry-go-round. of the thousands who attended the twenty-sixth annual picnic of the Irish Benevolent Society at Port Stanley. with characteristic Irish apandonnication to the spirit of the occasion, they had gone to the Port determined to have gone to the Port determined to have tries. All the races were exciting and well contested, with some close finding time. They had it, despite well contested, with some close finding to remark that the fact that Biblical history seemed about to repeat itself in that "the the great deep broken up and the windows of heaven were opened." As has doubtless been the prior ex-perience of many present, it was proven beyond a doubt that water and Irish spirits assimilated very well.

It will not be beside the mark to say that yesterday's picnic, given favorable weather, would have been far and away the most successful of the many notable events of the kind which the society has conducted in the past. Not less than five thousand Legg, 2 Nellie McNabb, 3 Jessie Winpeople went to the lakeside resort dur-ing the day, and how many more would have gone down had the skies been propitious can only be left to conjecture. From London alone at least four thousand people went down on the six big trains which were run during the morning and the afternoon. There were large accessions to the crowd at St. Thomas and the other intermediate stations. An excursion over the Wabash from Glencoe brought in between 300 and 400 people, while the L. E. and D. R. R. ran an excur-sion from Ridgetown and intervening points. When to these are added the many who drove to the Port from St.

Thomas and the rural portions of
Elgin, it will easily be seen that the
estimate of attendance is in nowise

The day gave promise of being a fine one, and this tempted many people to go down on the earlier trains, which

warranted and made their way to the heights. Here, in spite of the un-kindness of the elements, they proceeded to enjoy themselves as best they could. Many found a place beneath the broad verandas of the Fraser House, where the bands of the Seventh and Twenty-Sixth Regiments had taken up their station. The musicians did then made a short reference to the their duty nobly, supplying a continuous programme of enjoyable selectin its distribution of Christmas cheer tions. As soon as one leader's baton recognizes no class, color or creed dissignaled the conclusion of a number, tinctions. He closed with a hope the other band took up the running that, while Canadians would continue and the mellow strains of some enlivening air floated out. Irish hearts and Irish feet, ever susceptible to good | national societies, they might all unite music, were spontaneously quickened, and many a impromptu jig and reel was danced in the parlors and on the verandas by merry-faced comely old ladies and care-free sons of the ould sod. Others of the crowd found shelter in the dancing pavilion, while many enjoyed a continuous ride on the

Of necessity the excellent programme of sports and amusements provided had to be curtailed. The races were pulled off in the rain. There were no ishes. A sad wag tried to remark that the gutters also ran. The crowd were all the fountains of sought to silence him with a threat to drop him over the cliff, but he replied that it was only a bluff.

The races resulted as follows:
Boys' race, under 10 years — 1 C.
Brennan, 2 James Egan, 3 Harry An-Girls' race, under 10 years-1 Nellie

McNab, 2 Edith Killingsworth, 3 Nellie Wilcox. Boys' race, under 13 years-1 H. Angels, 2 — Simon, 3 — Bardon. Girls' race, under 13 years—1 Gladys

Hundred yards dash-1 W. Deadman, 2 C. Ryan, 3 Robert Prince.
Boys' race, under 15 years—1 W. Gibson, 2 W. Warden, 3 Albert Morgett. Girls' race, under 15 years—1 Gladys Legg, 2 Miss McLeod, 3 Miss Axford. Men's race, over 50 years—1 David Thompson, 2 Wm. McLoud, 3 Dennis Fat men's race, over 200 pounds - 1 Jerry Colli 2 Fred Guest, 2 C. Need-

Boot and shoe race-1 W. Deadman, Wm. Gibson, 3 J. Mann. Jockey race—1 Treleaven and Nichol, Deadman and Wrightman, 3 Flemng and Ryan.
Messrs. John R. Minhinnick, jun

Harry Ranahan, Harry Merritt, Chief of Police W. T. T. Williams, Police Magistrate Frank Love, J. Devine, John one, and this tempted many people to go down on the earlier trains, which left at 9, 9:45 and 11 a.m. Equally well laden were the trains which left at 1:15 and 2:80 p.m., and even the depressing aspect of the dripping skies did not deter a suprisingly large crowd from going at 5:25 p.m.

Magistrate Frank Love, J. Devine, John D. Wilson and B. C. McCann acted as judges, while Mr. Robert Carrothers efficiated as starter. Of the nine events in the dancing competition, only one was completed, the Irish fig for girls in costume. The gold medal effered by Mayor Beck for first prize was won by Miss Grayson, who gave a graceful exposition of

Irishman, who had gone out and carried it on successfully, while to another Irishman, Kitchener, had fallen the task of finally securing peace. In this work their chief helpers included Methuen. French and White, all Irish. Speaking of Ireland, Dr. Wilson said there were signs that England would yet give to the Emerald Isle the justice which should have been accorded it one hundred years ago. Dr. Wilson to foster their love for their respective native lands, through the medium of to form the greatest society of all-a society of Canadians. that given later in the evening by Mr. T. J. Murphy, the society's able vice-

president, in replying to the toast of "Canada." He said that while his theme was a great and an inspiring one, he felt that he could not do it justice, so he would not entrench upon the time of his hearers by speaking onger upon it. He wished, however, o enter a protest against some rather disparaging remarks, which previous speakers had made about Gen. Buller. Gen. Buller, said Mr. Murphy, was a most popular man with the army. His action in advising Gen. Geo. White to make terms with the Boers was one showing his concern for the men of the army, for he deemed that resistance must be hopeless, and he did not wish to see more men sacrificed. Speaking of the foremost part taken

by Irishmen in South Africa, Mr. Murphy said that they had there helped to give to the Boers the home rule that their own country was denied. Home rule is not independence, as some thought, but self-government, as Canada enjoys it. Mr. Murphy drew a parallel between Ireland today and

Canada under the Family Compact. Canadians rebelled in 1837; yet today the empire has no more loyal defenders. Mr. Murphy, in closing, said that one of the secrets of the success of the Irish Benevolent Society was that an astute business man was always chosen as secretary, and he mentioned Mr. William Mullins, who has recently gained merited promotion in the railway world; Mr. John Stevely, now a vice-president of the society, and Mr. H. P. Sharpe, the present secretary. On the latter, said Mr. Murphy.

devolved most of the hard work in connection with the society, and to him was due a preponderant share of the credit for whatever success was enjoyed by the present picnic or the enjoyable banquet of last spring. The other toasts drunk, together with some gems of thought from those

with whom their names were coupled, are given below: "The King"—National Anthem.
"The Army and Navy."

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aged expeditiously." "Our Sister Societies." Peter Birtwistle-"The patriotic so- per. cieties save the ratepayers a good deal in charitable relief work." Police Magistrate Frank Love-

chamber the city business was man-

I've never missed an Irish pionic, and don't intend to." Ex-Ald. Bennet-"Why, when I was in England, I asked one of the English volunteers if the Boers really ran as often as they were said to. He said: 'You bet they did. They ran like —,

but they couldn't catch me.' 'Canada, Our Home.' John Stevely — "The day may yet come when the capital of the empire will be located in our own fair Do-

Mr. J. W. McIntosh contributed "Where the Grass Grows Green." Mr. Wm. Lind responded suitably to the toast of "The Commercial Travelers," and the banquet was brought to a close with the hearty rendering of "God Save the King."

Seated on either side of President Wilson at the head table were Secretary H. P. Sharpe, Peter Birtwistle (president St. George's Society), A.Bailey, D. McIntyre, Police Magistrate Frank Love, Chief Williams, Wm.Lind, J. B. Cox, T. J. Murphy, and Ald. Coo-

Among the other guests present were Dr. G. C. Munro, Wheatley, Harry Merriee, Wm. A. Martin, E. J. Carty, H. J. Moorhouse, F. A. Copus, A. G. Chisholm, E. R. C. Struthers, Harry Buttrey, Frank McCormick, J. L. Fitzgerald, Frank Vance, Dennis Mason, J. W. McIntosh, J. Houston, W. Bartlett, John Ferristal, Col. Young, R. C. Macfie, Dr. Guest (St. Thomas), B. C. McCann ex-Ald. Carrothers, ex-Ald. Bennet, Ald. Jolly, George Shoebotham, J. P. Murray, Jerry Collins, Harry Ranahan, R. S. Abram, Thomas Coleman, Wm. Fulton, Harry Ryan, W. man, Wm. Fulton, Harry Ryan, W. R. Roome and Ben Noble.

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