

ENTERTAINED THEIR CHIEF

A Complimentary Banquet Tendered to Hon. Frank Oliver by Bulletin Staff.

The staff of the Bulletin Co. tendered their chief, Hon. Frank Oliver, a complimentary dinner on Saturday evening in the Alberta hotel. The affair was an unqualified success. Nothing was omitted in the program and nothing was left undone. It was as if the manager of the Bulletin Company, said, an honor tendered, not by the Bulletin Company but by the employees of the company who were taking advantage of their chief's visit to Edmonton to give him a pledge of their loyalty, and to convey to him in palpable form the expression of their esteem and personal regard.

Covers were spread for 63 all of whom, except Messrs. J. Picard and D. R. Fraser, who represented the board of directors and were there as guests of the staff, are on the weekly payroll of the Bulletin Company. The tables were artistically set and profusely decorated with red, white and pink roses from Ramsay's and drew expressions of unstinted admiration from every individual present. Indiscreetly in front of the seat of the guest of the evening was a great vase of white lilies and red carnations, the most conspicuous element in the beautiful decorations. The menu card, the toast list and orchestral program were printed over a tint block face issue of the Bulletin printed on etching facsimile paper of the 15th issue of the Bulletin. Printed on March 14, 1881, with a photograph of Mr. Oliver.

Clark's orchestra rendered a repertoire of splendid music and played the accompaniments to the singers who followed the proceedings with their songs.

The menu and catering were above criticism. Mine host, the manager of the Alberta hotel, was warmly congratulated by the entertainers and by Mr. Oliver himself. No better dinner has ever been prepared and served at a banquet in this city in the excellent quality of the viands supplied as well as in the attentive service of the waiters.

After proposing the toast in honor of the King, Mr. Duncan Marshall, the chairman, proposed the health of "Our Guest," which was received with cheers and singing "He's a jolly good fellow."

In the course of his remarks Mr. Marshall said he desired to use the opportunity, thus afforded to thank every member of the staff for the unselfish and energetic service during the time of the fire. "He was pleased that not one employee had lost or given up his position because of the fire. He referred to the lino type operators, who, under the supervision of Mr. Geo. Corse and W. J. Powers, worked 24 hours each, squeezed 25 hours into every day. He also expressed his appreciation of the work done by the boys who, when temporarily out of their regular employment had not hesitated to assist in cleaning up the premises and doing any work that came to their hand and doing it with a will. He was only expressing in words what every member of the staff felt when he said that they had a special pride in working for Mr. Oliver and the Bulletin.

In reply Mr. Oliver said that the news of the fire two months ago found a counterpart in his pleasure and surprise on this occasion. He was delighted that not an issue of the Bulletin had been skipped and warmly thanked the whole staff for their loyalty in adversity. He looked upon the gathering as a celebration of the successful rehabilitation of the Bulletin which always commanded his personal interest. The Bulletin was the work of his life, and the realization of his best ambition.

Mr. J. H. Picard spoke on behalf of the directors. He said the Bulletin succeeded because Mr. Oliver has pushed and confidence in the people in this country. When he came to Edmonton twenty years ago, Mr. Oliver was editor and printer of the paper and he was pleased to see that the little Bulletin had grown and required such a staff as he saw before him.

After several speeches and songs by the members of the staff the banquet concluded with God Save the King and Auld Lang Syne.

A very pleasant feature of the affair occurred when Miss Hughes, in replying to the toast to the ladies, referred in graceful terms to the work of Mrs. Oliver in establishing the Bulletin and asked the company to toast her health, which was done in true chivalrous style.

The toast list was as follows: The King, Chairman; "Our Guest," Hon. Frank Oliver, Chairman; Song, H. Stuthebury; "News and Editorial," G. D. Hunt, John Blue; Song, W. Thompkins; "Business Office," A. H. Allan; Song, A. McIsaac; "Good Printing," Donald Gillies, A. R. Groff; Song, Harry Coles; "The men who make the paper," E. H. Garrison W. J. Powers, J. Adair; Song, George Senior; "The ladies of the staff," Miss Hughes; Song, Neil Gilchrist; "The directors," D. R. Fraser, J. H. Picard, P. E. Butchart, A. C. Fraser.

Orchestra Programme: March, The Peerless King; Overture, La Couronne D'Or; Valse, Dreams on the Ocean; Selection, Gems of Scottish Songs; Entracte, Poppies; Valse, A Country Girl; Violin Solo, Air Variations; Overture, Du Calif de Bagdad; Romance, Violets; Valse, Love's Melitation; Intermezzo, Moonlight; March, Georgia Sunset. God Save the King, Auld Lang Syne.

LETHBRIDGE.

A 25,000 club has been formed by the citizens of Lethbridge with an initial membership of about fifty.

The agricultural society is advertising for bids for a strip of land 145 feet wide across the north side of the fair grounds.

Steam was turned on at the new plant of the Lethbridge Brick and Terra Cotta Company on Saturday, and brickmaking started today.

F. B. Hershcher has definitely decided to build an up-to-date hotel at the Taber, which will contain 50 rooms. Plans will be finished in a week or so.

At ten o'clock yesterday morning, an auto on Ford street started the engine of a motor, the singer agent, and it took a quick dip around the block, partly smashing the empty rig.

D. E. Winkler, captain of the Regina lacrosse team last year, and one of the fastest home field men on the west, has arrived in this city. J. D. Munro, another fast lacrosse player, is expected in a few days. Both will play with the Lethbridge team.

J. A. Macdonald, the local architect, has let the contract for a new hotel at the corner of Macleod, McLachlan & Lambert streets.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sharpe returned on Friday night from Pasadena, California. Mr. Sharpe looks well and spry, and will be very much improved by their sojourn in the south.

E. Holler, N.W. 14 of 14 43-23, while boring for water last week at a depth of 85 feet, struck oil. The oil seems to be of a very pure quality and a sample is being sent to an expert for analysis. This is a most important strike and if the opinion of the expert is favorable, Mr. Holler's fortune is made.

INNISFAUL.

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John Wilson, Innisfail's old time blacksmith, lately of Red Deer, has decided to return to his old home. He has procured a house and three lots in town and will take up his residence here almost immediately.

The members of the Red Deer district of the Alberta Methodist conference were in session in the Methodist church here on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The business of the various circuits and missions was carefully considered and reports prepared for the ensuing annual conference.

The contributions to the Hospital fund amounted to \$1,117.10.

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VERMILION.

Mr. Arthur McGinnis has returned with a cartload of work oxen.

Warm weather favors, and much seeding is being done this week.

Mr. W. J. McNab, alderman, has been called away to the bedside of his invalid brother.

Many new homes are under construction, notwithstanding the high price of lumber.

The Fisk brothers of Campbell's lake are in town, and report much activity in their district.

This town is completely out of oats. A car or two of good quality would meet with a ready sale here.

Messrs. Cameron Bros. of Manitoba are looking the country over with a view to buying a large block of land.

Mr. Currie, railway contractor, stopped off here yesterday and bought a large consignment of supplies.

A vote of the ratepayers will be taken tomorrow, on a proposition to build a \$25,000 schoolhouse in the East End.

Five cars of settlers' effects arrived today via the C. N. train, through Sam's domain. And say, just keep a-coming. We like your spirit of progressiveness.

Mr. A. D. Carmichael has returned from a business trip to Winnipeg. Many land seekers are coming in, and our lively men report an excellent business.

Charles Henry's barn was completely destroyed by fire last week. The fire started about 4.30 in the afternoon and it was only through the efforts of the volunteer fire fighters that Mr. Henry's beautiful residence was saved.

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The concrete work on the new schoolhouse foundation is now in progress. The Brandon Construction Co. to whom the contract was awarded, has a considerable number of men at work on the building and will put on more in a few days.

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S. J. Page from St. Thomas, Ont., is in charge this season of the Lacombe creamery, and has been receiving cream since the 1st inst. At present the indications are for considerably better prices for the butter than at any time since the creameries have been operated by the government.

INVENTOR RECOGNIZED.

Niagara Falls, May 17.—Edward G. Acheson, of this city, has been awarded the Rumford Medal for his application of heat in electric furnaces to industrial production of carbonyl, graphite and other new substances. The award was made by the American Association of Arts and Sciences.

EDWIN BIDWELL SUICIDES.

New York, May 17.—Surrounded by every evidence of luxury, Edwin M. Bidwell, aged six years, a photographer and publisher well known in New York's exclusive circles, ended his life today by taking poison.

CHICAGO WHEAT.

New High Points For All Options —Universal Opinion that America Will Have Short Crop Will Not Down—Heavy Selling.

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Coarse grains shared in the sensational advance. July corn closing at a net gain of 3/4 cent to 7/8 cent. Oats are up 2 1/8 cents and provisions were 10 to 15 cents higher. The wheat market throughout the entire day was extremely nervous and trading was of such huge proportions that it was almost impossible to follow.

At the start the market was subjected to heavy selling pressure, which caused initial losses. In a few minutes, however, all of this loss had been regained, and the prices had advanced fully one cent above the final figures of yesterday. There was no limit to buying demand. The only sellers besides those who had good profits in sight were cash concerns hedging against elevators.

The lowest point of the day was reached about the noon hour, following which prices declined fully two cents from the top. Fresh damage reports accounted for a portion of the bullish sentiment, but the chief reason for the sensational opinion that this year's crop of wheat in America will be greatly below the normal yield.

The market closed excited and strong. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 428 cars against 505 last week and 415 cars a year ago.

AMERICANS DISAPPOINTED.

In Not Receiving Reply From English Universities in Reference to Meet in America.

Boston, May 20.—Yale and Harvard track athletic officers were keenly disappointed in failing to receive from Oxford and Cambridge universities the answer to their challenge for a meet in America this summer. The challenge was sent three weeks ago and the Harvard dual games relating to the details of the game which they take for granted will be held although details cannot be completed until the answer from the Englishmen is received.

FREIGHT HANDLERS STRIKE.

Buffalo Water Front Gangs Want 20 Cents An Hour.

Buffalo, May 20.—About twelve hundred freight handlers comprising what are known as the "inside gangs" in the water front freight houses struck today for an increase in wages. Most of the men were in the employ of the Western Transit Company, which is controlled by the New York Central, and in the Erie freight houses. The men were receiving 17 1/2 cents an hour and made a demand for twenty cents.

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ALBERTA FARMERS GATHER

As Result of Rise in Wheat 1000 Bushels of Wheat Farmers' Hands. So for Further Rise

That the farmers of Alberta reap unexpected profits of phenomenal rise in wheat of past two weeks is the general opinion of those conversant with the situation in this province.

Yesterday at Chicago all of wheat, with the exception of July option, touched new high marks. At the close July was up 34 to 3 7/8.

Whether the present high price be maintained and prices higher or whether the market flooded is a question of doubt in a good measure, farmers themselves are the best judges. At present, according to the Bulletin today, there are about 600 bushels of wheat in the about one-half of which is elevators and one-half still in the farmers' hands throughout the province. The statement has been made late season has held back to such an extent, not Canada alone, that a steady price has resulted. The outlook for a poor crop in has also tended towards higher prices. Combined with these the most favorable weather conditions out the entire grain growing season.

SCHOOL BOY A SENSATION

Stands Six Feet Five Inches Wonder in Weight Ever

New York, May 21.—By most seasonal work of the outdoor season has been done. Talbot, the young Meccanics' Athletic Club, in the proportion, Talbot has made all the interscholastic weight records in his weight class in the set a new world's record of 12-pound hammer, but now he has broken the 16-pound hammer record, and has bettered 160 feet. Probably the best of his career was the administration of J. F. Herr, intercollegiate hammer-throwing champion at the University of Wisconsin. Talbot's throw was simply outclassed his more experienced rivals, winning with a throw in addition to his 12-pound hammer, Talbot hit with the hammer, Talbot hit with the shot, and has already exceeded the interscholastic record.

Early this winter the Irish Athletic club recognized in a coming champion in the very few weeks the giant yet a full-fledged athletic member named Talbot. To say that he will be a valuable addition to A.C. team is putting it very lightly. In addition to his 12-pound hammer, Talbot hit with the hammer, Talbot hit with the shot, and has already exceeded the interscholastic record.

Swag Hidden Under Veranda

Toronto, May 21.—A regular hide was found under the veranda of C. R. S. Dimmie's house, the well-respected on Kendal today. The garden was about when he saw some old, then out and was surprised to find a quantity of jewelry, watches and a large quantity of clothes were hidden there. The jewelry was valued at \$500 and the watches and large quantity of clothes were valued at \$100. The hide was found under the veranda of C. R. S. Dimmie's house, the well-respected on Kendal today. The garden was about when he saw some old, then out and was surprised to find a quantity of jewelry, watches and a large quantity of clothes were hidden there. The jewelry was valued at \$500 and the watches and large quantity of clothes were valued at \$100.

Election Petition Dismissed

Winnipeg, May 21.—The election petition against W. J. Roche, Marquette, was heard before Richardson and Pender. No case was offered on behalf of the petitioners, and the petition was dismissed. This makes seven Dominion election petitions similarly treated in total.

LONDON SWELTERED

London, May 21.—The thermometer registered 125 degrees and 79 degrees in the shade the past forty-eight hours. It has been twenty hours, forty-five of bright sunshine.

CHURCH PARADE NEXT SUNDAY

At a meeting last night of the representatives of St. Andrew's, St. James', St. George's and the Anglican societies, final arrangements were made for holding a joint church day next Sunday in celebration of the 200th anniversary of the arrival in Canada of the first British immigrants. The day will meet at the fire hall at 11 o'clock, and will be held in the afternoon at the Presbyterian church, where an appropriate service will be delivered by Dr. McQueen.