

City of Los Angeles Interestingly Described

Mr. F. E. O'Flynn Tells of the Beauty and Wonders of the Californian Metropolis

Editor Ontario:—
We reached Los Angeles during the night and did not leave our Pullman until next morning, when we were at once driven to our hotel. The first thing that drew my attention was the large number of autos we saw about the station and on the streets.

We went to Pasadena to see the Rose Carnival the same day, and from the Pacific Electric train all of the thoroughfares approaching Pasadena appeared crowded with motor cars. On our return the same evening I noticed the traffic in front of the Abbey Hotel at Eighth and Figueroa streets and its exceeded anything I had ever seen, either in London, Paris or New York.

In order to fully understand this, it is necessary to understand certain particulars. There are approximately ninety thousand motor cars in the city. The congested business part extends from Los Angeles street on the east to Figueroa street on the west. These streets run north and south, and between them lie Spring, Main, Broadway, Hill, Olive, Grand, Hope and Flower streets.

The streets running east and west are numbered from First street, at the north, then south. The congested business part, as I have said, extends from First street to Eighth street, so the congested business part is contained in six-four blocks, bounded on the north by First street, on the south by Eighth street, on the east by Figueroa street, and on the west by Figueroa street. It is estimated that 30,000 automobiles are parked there in this part every day. These 64 blocks do not represent the whole of the business part of the city, but the congested parts, and these parts are filled with the big departmental stores, large office buildings and theatres.

The pavement is as smooth as a dancing floor, and a large number of electric cars run in all directions through these streets. In the morning the current flows into this area, and after two in the afternoon it flows out.

Los Angeles is a very large city, having a population of 600,000, and the largest, and finest, residential portion lies west of Figueroa.

The Third street tunnel, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth streets and the Wilshire and Sunset boulevards are the principal streets used to go to the west. With the electric cars and motor cars running both ways on the streets, the traffic at the places where the streets cross is very heavy.

At a number of points the traffic is regulated by traffic policemen, but many of them are without supervision. The crush is so great that many new comers hesitate to drive a car here. I purchased a car the second week after my arrival and have driven without mishap, continually since.

The details I have mentioned will enable you to understand the condition of matters. When these cars are driven at a high rate of speed and recklessly, terrible accidents are the result, and it is difficult for pedestrians to cross the streets. In the month of February just past there were in this city 1,287 accidents; 205 persons were injured, and 12 were killed. Last year there were 1,193 accidents at the crossing of Seventh and Figueroa streets alone. Every effort is being made by the authorities to improve this condition, and it is proposed to form a vigilant committee of 200 to report when fast driving is indulged in.

The Automobile Club of Southern California is a wonderful organization and is assisting to remedy this evil.

The great boulevards which run out of the city in every direction are filled with autos, which run with great rapidity. A friend of mine counted seventy-five autos passing one point over one of the country boulevards, twelve miles from this city, in five minutes. Many of these boulevards cross each other, so that the driver must be very alert to avoid accident. If the rules were followed these accidents could be eliminated, but unfortunately "the fools are not all dead yet."

The three principal signs are: the driver holds his arm extended at right angles to show he is going to turn to the side he is sitting on. The arm sloping upward indicates he is going to turn in the opposite direction, and sloping downward shows he is going to stop. A driver is not permitted to pass another who is in front of him if a car approaching from the opposite direction is within a distance of 200 feet of him.

The rules as to street cars and as to speed are about the same as in Ontario, except that the speed in the country if the way is clear may reach 35 miles per hour.

This is a paradise for motorists. The roads are beautiful and numerous, the boulevards are broad, and all hills and elevations are reduced to a proper grade.

The weather is delightful. Rain almost unknown, mud an unknown quantity. No dust on highways, which are oiled; and the scenery among the finest in the world.

I must close this long letter by saying that the State of California is said to have an auto for every five persons of its population.

I found my car a great joy, and have been enabled to see a great deal of this wonderful land because I had it.

F. E. O'Flynn

County and District

Brighton Public School to have New Principal After Easter

BIG SHIPMENT OF SILVER
Kingston Y.M.C.A. / Juveniles Beat Belleville High School Team

Basketball Champions
Friday night the Kingston Y.M.C.A. juveniles played the Belleville High School team in the Belleville Y.M.C.A. gymnasium. The game was a faster one than the game played in the local "Y" two weeks ago. At half-time the score was 8 to 5, but in the last half the Kingston team showed some real playing. By playing good combination and feeding L. McKay and J. Wood, the score was piled up very fast and at the end of the game the score was 20 to 12. V. Johnson, H. Lyons and L. Kennedy showed the Belleville people what good defence work could be done, while the able centre man, G. Ada, did some splendid work. This makes the local team champions of Eastern Ontario and they play here this week with Toronto Central in the finals. —Whig.

Solicitor and Client Dead
J. E. L. Goodwill, solicitor, Peterboro, is completely exonerated from any reflections on his professional honor by a judgment given by Justice Ode. Goodwill is dead, and his alleged client, J. Q. Davidson, who made the charges, is also dead, and aged eighty-four. He claimed \$5,000 damages for wrong advice given by Goodwill. The transaction concerned a sale of stock.

Further Property Changes
Bates & Innes, Ltd., Carleton Place, has purchased of I. P. Steele his property on Bridge street, almost opposite the Mississippi. Rumor has it that a club for the benefit of the employees will be maintained there by the firm. Mr. Steele has bought the Bell house, immediately in the rear of the building occupied by the Central Canadian. Robt. McDairmid has purchased the home in which he resides on Lake avenue from Robt. Cavanagh.

Big Shipment of Silver
The Delors Smelter near Marmora recently despatched 96 bars of silver, weighing 8,540 pounds, to China via Vancouver and San Francisco. It is valued at over \$130,000.

Granites Senior O.H.A. Champs.
Toronto Granites won the senior O.H.A. championship May night by defeating Hamilton Tigers 5 to 0, thereby winning the round by 6 to 2. The Granites played a strong game throughout, with "Jerry" Laflamme the star of the game, along with "Dug" Addison, the goaler of the winners.

Kingston Mariners Appointed
Kingston men figure in the appointments made for the fleet of the Hall Coal Corporation. Capt. W. W. Ransom will command the steamer Lehigh; Captain Chas. A. Mahoney the steamer Rockferry; and Captain William Liddell, the steamer James W. Follette. M. J. McPaul, of Deseronto, will be engineer on the steamer Follette, and C. D. Thurston, of Picton, will be engineer on the steamer John Rugee.

Local Plant Closed
The Whyte Packing Co. local plant was closed this afternoon from 2.30 until 4 o'clock, the hours of the funeral service of the late president, John Whyte, who with his father founded the firm over 40 years ago. —Brockville Recorder and Times.

Brighton's New Principal
F. W. McConnell has resigned as

principal of the Brighton public school owing to ill health and Smith Langdon, Kingston has been engaged in his place, to assume his duties after the Easter vacation.

Chapter of Accidents
Saturday and Monday misfortune befell three well-known residents of the town in the persons of Mrs. Joshua Timleck, 122 Water street west; Mrs. John Whitehill, 96 Water street east; and Mrs. Thos. Howison, 243 King street west. The first named was descending the stairs at the family residence when she slipped and fell to the bottom, sustaining a severe sprain of the right ankle. She was attended by Dr. W. E. Harding. Mrs. Whitehill on Saturday slipped while crossing Court House avenue on King street and fractured her wrist. The fracture was reduced by Dr. J. McBroome at St. Vincent de Paul hospital. On Sunday she returned to her home. Mrs. Howison yesterday fell down the cellar stairs at her residence, fracturing her right hip and being otherwise painfully bruised. She was removed to St. Vincent de Paul hospital where the fracture was reduced by Dr. Williams and Dr. Harding. —Brockville Recorder and Times.

There are bands of thieves here. The city wants 1,500 more police. On the busiest corner an immense store lost \$25,000. Two men overpowered two shop cleaners, blew open the safe. One lady lost a handbag with \$20,000. Many houses entered at night and rifled. Autos provide escape. A lady had two children ill; took them to the hospital. Thieves entered and carried away everything, even to pictures on the walls. Most of the bandits are young men.

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Blue Skies, Sunshine, Birds and Flowers
Make Mr. Flint Happy in His California Environment.

New Saw Mill
The Publow Brothers, Kingston, are installing a saw mill on their farm, Scotch Line, where they have a considerable number of logs, which they purchased from the town bush logs. They are putting in steam power at present and in due time will install Hydro.

Irish Drama at St. Michael's
Enjoyable Production of "Sham Rhu" Last Night

A real Irish atmosphere pervaded St. Michael's Academy last evening when the parish celebrated St. Patrick's Day. The occasion could not be passed without some real Irish celebration and this year it took the form of a dramatic entertainment—the production of an Irish romantic drama, "Sham Rhu." The hall was comfortably filled and the spectators and audience unstintingly of their applause to the young artists featuring in the cast.

The play is built up on the lines of the usual romantic Irish drama with good people and villains in conflict. An Irish play seems unnatural if it has not some vicious element in it and "Sham Rhu" has enough of the persecution about it to qualify as a real production of the Emerald Isle. The unfortunate owner of land is up against a proposition of securing a loan of \$300. How the unscrupulous try with diabolical arts to secure his daughter and entangle the father is worked out very cleverly in the play. But the best laid schemes of these scoundrels are frustrated by the light-hearted son Larry, who moves among the bad crew and works all the time. Needless to say an officer of the law is waiting for the villains just outside the door as the curtain falls.

Mr. Harold Barrett had the leading role as Shaun Rhu and as Larry Donovan. This young singer and actor was perfectly at home in the piece. The lighter parts of Irish sentiment and the natural shrewdness and wit of the native of Erin were interpreted with rare skill by Mr. Barrett. Interspersed in the play are three songs "The Handful of Earth," "How the Fairies Came to Ireland" and "Girl of My Dreams," which provided ample opportunity for Mr. Barrett. His rich and mellow baritone voice was so pleasing that

the Isles of Greece, the Isles of Greece, Where burning Sappho loved and sung, Where grew the arts of war and peace, Where Phoebus rose and Daphne spun— Eternal summer glides them yet.

The last line aptly applies to this glorious clime.

The sermons delivered by George E. Locke are masterpieces. The editor of The Times, the author of The Mission play and a celebrated poet, recited last Sunday evening in Mr. Locke's church two of his poems on California. I do not know how Mr. Locke squares his belief with Methodist doctrine, because he distinctly stated that man had derived his origin from many stages of inferior animals. I so understood the Doctor. (Derwin's view).

I looked yesterday at the skull and bones of a man who lived over 125,000 years ago. Several doubtless were in evidence.

A plot of thirty-seven acres near here is saturated with oil, covered by grass. In former days when animals of Asiatic origin could cross from land of historical history to America, this country swarmed with animal life. Within this plot skulls and bones of three kinds of elephants, tigers, camels, sloths, and a skull referred to many birds and animals indigenous to Asia and Africa.

he travelled all over the continent. They invaded the British Isles. In our Red River bones of the mammoth have been found. We used to laugh in scorn at the fabled Atlantis which by some calamity was submerged beneath the ocean. We know now it was in evidence and sunk beneath the ocean waves. The skull referred to was normal.

If John D. Rockefeller started to count his money at \$5 each second, working night and day, it would take him six years and four months. If he worked on the union scale he would work nine years. Stacked as coin, the line would reach 248 miles. If set on edge, the line would reach from Salt Lake to New York! weigh 31,250 tons, carried in 2,083 cars; drawn by 104 locomotives. A billion of matches packed in boxes would make a pile 158 miles high; 1,000 girls in days of eight hours would take a month to count a million.

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Belleville Organizes a Humane Society
Major Osborne, Sec.-Treas. For the Provincial Branch, Toronto, Also Manager of the Toronto Society, Addressed the Meeting.

Last evening a public meeting was held in the council chamber and an association to be known as the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Belleville branch was organized.

County Crown-Attorney Mr. Wm. Carnew, opened the meeting and a few words expressed himself of being very much in favor of such a society being formed in Belleville. Judge J. F. Willis was then appointed chairman of the meeting and Mr. W. H. Nugent as secretary.

Major Osborne, who is the Secretary-Treasurer for the provincial branch, Toronto, and also manager of the Toronto Humane Society addressed the meeting. He read some statements made by the president of Boston, Mass. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Dumb Animals, who had addressed the Toronto Society not long ago.

Many tasks they were called upon to perform every day. The Toronto Humane Society has a paid office staff of four. Four paid inspectors who work from 8 o'clock in the morning until 11 o'clock at night and then all telephone calls are answered during the night.

Every day they have from thirty to forty calls that animals have strayed. They receive calls that a dog has been run over or a horse is down and cannot get up and also a long list of complaints of horse whipping, driving horses suffering from lameness or sores made by the harness, and of overloading. These complaints are sent in by the members of the society.

They have started a campaign in Toronto on checking. They are asking the people to not check up the horses, especially those used for delivery.

An inspector is in the stock yards at Toronto, inspecting each car of live stock that comes into the yards. The condition is appalling. Hogs and sheep are loaded in the same car with but a weak partition between them that is often broken down by the hogs which sometimes kill the sheep.

The Jewish method of killing animals is cruel, but it is a matter of form of their religion.

The inspector of each society has power of constable in any municipality. Major Osborne is one of the four inspectors of the Toronto Society.

It was moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Carnew that Belleville organize a Belleville Humane Society. An amendment was moved by Mr. Ruston, seconded by Miss Falkner that the association be known as the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Belleville branch.

Mr. John Fahey gave an excellent study of the father, Morris Donovan. The part was not overacted, but was played with sympathy and a fine sense of appreciation of the requirements.

Mr. George Lee had the dual role of Lawyer Waddy and Terry Phatts. The former part was very difficult and required real histrionic skill. Mr. Lee fully met the demands of the character.

Mr. Ed. Brown as Peter Callaghan and Mr. Thomas Barrett as his son Peter, had unsympathetic parts to play but did themselves full justice. Patrick Kavanaugh was taken by Mr. Lou Howe who gave a very satisfying study. Mr. James Boyle played Gerald Kavanaugh with emphasis and the emotion of the true lover. Master Felix Blanchard as Tim made a decided hit. He was not self-conscious and gave a good study of the boy.

Miss Priscilla Doran as the heroine Kate Donovan drew well merited applause for her fine work. Miss Hilma Foltz as Dora Kavanaugh left nothing to be desired in an artistic presentation of the character. These young ladies were presented with beautiful bouquets during the performance.

Miss K. Bawden sang several fine numbers during an intermission and was roundly applauded.

The management in charge of the production by St. Michael's Dramatic Club was composed of Business Manager, Mr. Geo. A. Lee; Assistant Manager, Mr. T. V. Scanlan; Stage Manager, Mr. L. E. Young; Accompanist, Miss Helen Foltz.

The orchestra played a fine program. The following took part: cornet, E. R. Hinchey; violin, violin, Mr. Elliott; violin, V. Weymark; piano, Miss May Williams.

The costumes for the production were furnished by Joseph Ponton, of Montreal.

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Three Committed for Trial for Burglary
Of Hardware Store at Warkworth—Were in Cobourg Sunday Night

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