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## Chronicles of An Old-Timer

**Turbulent Times in Old Ontario—How a Priest Saved an Orangeman's Life—Robert Baldwin Refused Entertainment by his Own Sister—A Hamilton Recollection—The "Durham Races"—When William Lyon McKenzie Returned from Exile—The Irish in the Rebellion of '37-8—Dr. E. A. Thellier—How a Floating Tree Terrorized Toronto.**

Chicago, Dec. 5, 1903.  
Dear Register,—I have recently read in a Toronto paper an account of a party riot in the town of Belleville, Ont., in the year 1842, between the Reformers and the Conservatives at an election. The principal feature of the incident was how the priest, interposed to save the life of an Orangeman. That was a turbulent time in Canada, because it was then the battle for responsible government was being fought. Party feeling was very high and neighbors would cudgel each other for principle's sake. As a general thing the Irish Catholics were on the Reform side and the Irish Orangemen on the side of the Conservatives. The Catholic aristocracy, however, was a good deal on the Conservative side on account of their family connections. I mean people like Capt. Elm-ley, Dr. King, the McDonnells, etc. The constant rioting brought conditions to a climax, and a Reform government, being in power, parliament passed an act to prohibit the use of flags and banners at political gatherings, and two years later passed the Party Processions Act, prohibiting political and party parades. This Act, however, was aimed more directly at Orange processions on the 12th of July, and in many instances they disregarded it. I think it was in 1842 we had what were known as the "Durham races." I have by no means to refer to as dates, and may not be exactly correct. Lord Durham's report on the condition of Canada, which was favorable to the Reformers and responsible government, gave rise to the so-called "races," which term was coined by the Tories for their own gratification. The Reformers were so exultant over Lord Durham's report that they held ratification meetings to show their approval of it and to rejoice. The Tories were incensed and bent on mischief, so they determined to attack and break up these meetings, and attended them fully equipped for the purpose. Being armed with sticks and attacking their opponents wantonly, caused alarm among the people and many took quick departure from the scene of the onslaught. This was why the Tories named those meetings the "Durham races."

I witnessed one of these meetings and attacks in Hamilton. I think it was in the month of December, 1842. The Tories did not have the jig all their own way by any means. There was splendid sleighing, the weather was bracing, and business was taking a rest, so there was a great gathering, and an outpour from all the towns and villages of what was then known as the Gore district. Sheriff Allan McDonell (a Catholic) was chairman of the meeting. He had sworn in a number of special constables to preserve order. Although the weather was cold, the meeting was held in front of the court house in the open air. Sir Allan Nasier McNab was the Conservative leader, and Geo. S. Tiffany, a lawyer, the Reform leader. The sheriff, not being able to maintain order, dissolved the assemblage. Sir

Allan harangued his men in front of the British Coffee House, kept by an Irishman named J. An Bradley, and the Reformers were harangued by Mr. Tiffany in front of the Royal Exchange Hotel, kept by one Nelson Devereaux. I think a French-Canadian. When the speaking was done the fun commenced. King street, Hamilton, is a wide thoroughfare, especially at "the Gore." It made a beautiful battle ground.

Nearly every sleigh bore a band of men armed with bludgeons, and carried a flag or a banner. One of the Tory banners, I remember, had inscribed on its white field the legend, "England this day expects every man to do his duty!" copying the alleged injunction of Lord Nelson at the battle of Trafalgar. Oh, tell you, the man that carried that banner was proud of his position. The sleighs sailed up and down the snow-paved streets like corvettes in action at a sea fight, their occupants shouting defiance and brandishing their sticks.

A sleigh loaded with Irish Reformers from Corktown challenged the Tory corvette. They whooped and shouted bravely, too, brandishing their shill-lahs. A stalwart man named Slattery stood up in the vehicle and hurled a taunt at the other fellows. "Ireland too!" said he, "expects every Irishman to do his duty, and that flag will have to come down out of that." And at it they went and fought it out with their sticks until both sides were glad to get away and seek plasters for their broken crowns and bleeding skins.

The Irish Reformers of Brantford came to the scene of action in several sleighs, carrying in one of them a beautiful green silk banner inscribed with the legend, "Daniel O'Connell," in bright, golden letters. It was the most attractive banner there, that day. It was carried up to one of the verandahs on the front of the Royal Exchange Hotel building and there displayed and guarded. A stalwart Irishman named Dunn held its staff. The Orangemen gathered in front of the hotel and shook their fists at it. They challenged its bearers to bring it down to the street. The shout of imprecations against O'Connell and threatened make-ribbons of the beautiful green emblem. The repealer bore the abuse they received for some time, but at last yielded to temptation, braced themselves for action by taking a tighter grip of their shill-lahs and surrounding their banner. Took it down to the street, where a desperate fight followed and men on both sides received bloody heads and battered faces. Who got the best of it I could not say, but I know that banner was not worth taking home when the melee was over. The police at last put an end to the fray.

I think it was in this year of 1842 that an election at Belleville took place. The historical lady annalist did not mention who the candidates were. If this writer is not mistaken the Reform leader, Robert Baldwin, was the Reform candidate for the County of Hastings at that election. At any rate I remember reading his address to the electors. His opponent, I think, was a lawyer named Murney, and I believe his brother-in-law. I have heard it said that Mrs. Murney, who was Mr. Baldwin's sister, ordered the great leader out of her house and refused to entertain him at that time. His residence, of course, was in Toronto. This was the time of the Hinks-Baldwin Reform administration, but I forgot who the Lower Canadian Reform leader of the administration was, but it was before Lafontaine's time.

When William Lyon McKenzie returned from exile in 1849 the Toronto Orangemen were vile enough to mob him. They attacked the house of his brother-in-law, Dr. McIntosh, on Yonge street, where he was staying, and threw rotten eggs at the windows, shouted all kinds of insults at the little red man, who had sacrificed himself to secure their rights and liberties. They were on that occasion led by a man named John Wilson, nicknamed a hero for what he had done. He kept a confectionery shop on Church street, in a small frame building located where the public library is now.

Do you know that in the rebellion of 1837-8 the Irish were among the loyalists and opposed the rebellion. Why this was I do not know unless it was on account of the very loyal attitude of Bishop McDonnell, who favored the powers of the day. The "Family Compact" was very good to him, made him a member of the Legislative Council and gave the Catholic Church a share of the "Clergy Reserves" designed for the support of a Protestant clergy. Colonel Baldwin, an old campaigner, raised an Irish regiment and headed it for service in putting down the rebellion. He even went so far as to provide uniforms for his men and paid for them or made himself responsible for them, trusting to be repaid by the government, but I think he never recovered his losses.

I afterwards knew an Irishman who took the opposite side, and was made a brigadier-general in the Canadian republican army. This was Dr. E. A. Thellier, of "Thellier and Dodge" fame. He was arrested in the western section of the country by Col. Prince of Essex, while in hostile array, brought to Toronto for trial and sentenced to be hanged,

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## Recalls the Days of '98

The death, in his eighty-fifth year, of Mr. William Ryan, K.C., who was called to the Irish Bar in 1839 and took silk in 1857, is the severance of another link with the past. Mr. Ryan, says the Dublin Freeman, was the nephew of Captain Ryan, who was himself the nephew of Jack Gifford, the notorious "back-stairs" agent of Dublin Castle in the '98 period. Captain Ryan volunteered to take part with Major Sirr and serve in the capture of Lord Edward Fitzgerald, and was mortally wounded in the struggle with Lord Edward Fitzgerald by the dagger with which he defended himself from his assailants. This dagger was given subsequently by Major Sirr to Lord Clare, by whom it was given to a Mr. Browne, the owner of the house in Thomas street in which Lord Edward was captured. This dagger, which has a zig-zag blade and a horn handle, was exhibited at a loan exhibition in Dublin in 1872. In the presentation copy of his Life of Lord Edward Fitzgerald given by Thomas Moore to Lady Campbell, the daughter of Lord Edward Fitzgerald, and the grandmother of Mr. George Wyndham, there is a sketch on the margin of one of the pages in pencil by Lady Campbell of this dagger, which she in after life had seen.

Mr. William Ryan was a first cousin of Lord Halsbury the present English Chancellor, who was the grandson of Jack Gifford. Mr. Ryan was called to the Irish Bar eleven years before Lord Halsbury was called to the English Bar; but Lord Halsbury took silk in 1865, two years before Mr. Ryan, after eight and twenty years' practice in stuff, was called within the Bar. It is not, perhaps, generally known that Mr. Ryan was connected by marriage with another family associated with an historic tragedy. His wife, a Miss Fenwick, was the lineal descendant of the Sir John Fenwick whose execution for high treason in the reign of William III., under the provisions of a special Act of Attainder, since there were not two witnesses to the overt act which were required by law for conviction, has always been regarded as a foul murder. Mr. Ryan, like the late Father of the Irish Bar, Mr. Meares Kelly, K.C., and the present Father of the Irish Bar, Mr. Acheson Henderson, K.C., who was called in 1837, and Mr. Serjeant Campion, who was called in 1840, was called to the Bar by Lord Plunket, who in early days was, in the Irish House of Commons, an intrepid anti-Unionist.

drawn and quartered. But he escaped this fate and lived to fight another day. He was confined in the Toronto jail with many others at the time Lount and Matthews were hanged and he was expecting to follow them to the scaffold the very next day. There was a very funny incident connected with Thellier's incarceration at this time that is worth mentioning, and I will describe it. Thellier gave it himself in a narrative: "Seated in my cell and writing my last wishes to my family and friends, I was aroused by an alarm, the bells ringing and the drum beating to arms. What could it be? Could there be any truth in the report that had been circulated that an attempt would be made by the patriots to land and rescue us, or was it like the other rumors that had been brought to us every day? Alarms of invasion had been current the whole winter. Every day had brought its tales of wonders, and although the soldiery had been called out night after night, and had each morning been deceived by their ridiculous fears, still the next night would bring its report and meet with the same credence as its predecessor. Some one on the lookout, espying some object on the lake which looked like a vessel, would give the alarm; the drums would beat; the alarm bell ring, the soldiers scurry to their posts, all creating a din that would have awakened the seven sleepers had they been in Toronto. The ladies of that city had certainly that winter become used to "war's stern alarms"; for not a boat of the smallest size, or even a canoe, would appear, but the garison would be frightened to fits. One night, I remember, early in the spring, and when the ice began to move, an alarm was given; and as the fancied vessel, still kept sliding into the bay, and those on board refused to answer to the challenges, a tremendous firing was commenced and gallantly sustained by the supposed craft, without a man falling, until the morning light presented the stubborn and insolent foe to full view of the gazing warriors and dismayed inhabitants. It was a tree that had been uprooted from the banks of the lake and came floating down on the ice, the branches and bushes about it being the accompanying boats she was towing in, loaded to the water's edge with brigands.

## WILLIAM HALLEY.

P.S.—In reply to "Reader" in your last issue I wish to admit he is right in his correction with regard to the Hibernian Society of Toronto. Just as soon as I saw the name of the "Hibernian Benevolent Society" in print I recognized it as the name of the one organized by the late Mr. Murphy. I will not be offended but will be thankful to your correspondent for any other corrections he has to offer. At this distance I have no means of refreshing my memory about old local matters, but absolute correctness in such things is not essential. Still, I will be obliged for assistance to get statements straightened out when they might be misleading. "O.T."

## Downeyville Wedding

Saint Luke's Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Tuesday, Nov. 24th, it being the occasion of the marriage of Mr. John Houlahan to Miss Libbie Clancy, both of Peterborough, formerly of this place. The bridesmaid was Miss Minnie Quiry, cousin of the bride. The groom was assisted by his cousin, Mr. D. Shine, of Seattle, Wash.

## A Beautiful Litany

In all our churches the Litany of the Blessed Virgin will be sung more frequently than heretofore during the coming year, there has been an increased demand for the composition produced some time ago by Miss Adele LeMaitre, organist of St. Michael's Cathedral of this city. Wherever sung this fine production has become the favorite Litany, for it is a musical composition of a high standard and possesses many desirable and commendable features. A third Canadian edition has just been issued and may be procured from the publishers, Messrs. Whaley, Royce & Co., and The Nordheimer Co., Toronto.

## Father Fulham Dead

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Rev. Father Chas. J. Fulham, O.M.I., died at 7 o'clock this morning at the Water Street Hospital of the injuries received in leaping from his room on the third floor of the Ottawa University, while the building was in flames last Wednesday morning.

Father Fulham was born in Westmeath, Ireland, in 1870, and studied in Maynooth College, where he finished his philosophy course, intending to join the secular clergy. Following his vocation he entered the Oblate Novitiate near Dublin, and after a year was sent to Rome to complete his studies. He was sent to St. Joseph's College, Ceylon, where he was ordained. He was very fond of athletic games and as prefect of sports in that college won the friendship of the students and acquired the experience which made him so valuable in Ottawa University as prefect of discipline.

Owing to ill-health he returned to Ireland, and after a couple of years was sent to Canada, arriving at Ottawa College in 1902. Here he had made a host of friends and met his former fellow-student of Dublin, Rev. Father Sherry. In the first year here he taught English in the classical course, and had charge of the English Dramatic Society. This year he was appointed prefect of discipline, in which post he proved a kind friend and advisor to the large body of students under his care. He was a brilliant scholar and a man of great piety and kindness of heart, having in his limited association with the friends of the University in the city become a true "Sogharr Aaron."

His brothers, Patrick and John Fulham, of Philadelphia, have been in the city since Saturday, and his other relatives in Jersey City and Philadelphia have been informed by wire of his condition from day to day since the accident. When Father Fulham awoke on the morning of the fire the corridor was aflame and there was a crowd beneath his window watching for him. He jumped into the blanket held for him, they were unable to hold him, and he sustained the injuries which proved fatal. The late priest's body will be laid out in the hospital and the funeral will take place on Thursday from St. Joseph's church to the cemetery at the Ottawa East Scholastic.

## Debate

On Friday last a debate on the subject, Resolved that the construction of the proposed Grand Trunk Pacific will benefit Canada, was held at the De La Salle Institute. The affirmative was sustained by John J. Clancy, David A. Balfour, and Philip Dee. The negative was defended by George Somers, Aloysius Clancy, and Frank Kennedy. Rev. Doctor Treacy, assisted by Chas. J. Read, were judges of the contest. The Rev. Father in making his closing decision, spoke in the highest praise of the manner in which the question had been handled by both sides. William Carter occupied the chair.

## The Pope was Concerned About the Ottawa Fire

Rome, Dec. 3.—The Pope was most concerned by the destruction by fire yesterday of the Roman Catholic University at Ottawa, and was especially solicitous in enquiring about the injured priests and students. He instructed Mgr. Sharetti, the Apostolic delegate in Canada, to send a detailed report of the disaster, and will decide on the best means to be taken to repair the damage done. The news caused great excitement at the Canadian college here, as the director and students have many friends at the Ottawa University.

## Now Vicar-General Mennier

Bishop McEvay has announced the appointment of Rev. J. E. Mennier to succeed the late Rev. Father Bayard as Vicar-General of the Diocese of London.

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## Death of Mr. M. J. F. Quinn

Mr. M. J. F. Quinn, K.C., one of the best known and most able of Eastern Canada lawyers, died about one o'clock Sunday afternoon, after a lingering illness of many weeks. While complaining for the last year or so of a feeling of general debility, it was not until about seven months ago that he was forced to quit work altogether. He took a trip to England in the hope that the sea voyage would do him much good, but he came back in little better health.

Mr. Quinn's home was at St. Anne de Bellevue, but when his illness became acute and it was seen that he required the presence of physicians at all times, he was brought into Montreal, and taken to the residence of some friends at 394 St. Antoine street.

Now and then reports came down to his office and were given to many enquiring friends that he was slightly improved, and there was every hope that he would pull through. As late as last Monday business friends were given the impression that he might yet resume his activity in the legal profession.

There was, however, a relapse towards the end of the week, and Sunday the end came. The news spread through the city, even though it was Sunday night, and there was regret expressed wherever it was heard.

Mr. Quinn seemed to have a premonition in April last that he would not live long. His last case in court was in connection with the conspiracy to defraud the Canadian Pacific Railway. He then, with Mr. N. K. Lafamme, defended Patrick Carlin. On the day that the trial ended he went up to the library with Mr. Lafamme, and as they went in the door he took Mr. Lafamme by the arm and said: "Lafamme, this is the last time I shall ever be in the Court House."

The deceased was counsel in some of the most important trials this province has ever known. He was a fighter of far more than ordinary ability, and his knowledge of law was admitted by judge and counsel alike. When he raised a point of law it was always well considered before it was answered.

Michael Joseph Francis Quinn was the son of Michael Quinn, a County Tyrone, Ireland, engineer. His father came to this country when a youth and his son was born on November 19, 1851, at Kingston, Ont. He was educated at the Christian Brothers School and at the Regiopolis College, Kingston. In 1878 he was called to the bar and he shortly afterwards came to Montreal, where he took up the practice of law. He was created a Queen's Counselor in 1890. As Crown Prosecutor for the city of Montreal from the years 1894 to 1897 he handled many important cases, and though severe and earnest in all his prosecutions, he was never known to persecute. Some little time after this he formed a partnership with Mr. M. J. Morrison, which existed until the day of his death.

Mr. Quinn was a staunch Conservative, and he fought many a good fight. As an orator, he was one of the best that ever went on the hustings in Montreal, and at annual festivals, particularly those in connection with the people of his own race, his speeches were always looked forward to with the keenest pleasure. He made his first personal political fight in 1887 when he contested the Dominion seat for the county of Chateaugay.

In 1896 he was a candidate for St. Ann's division, Montreal, in the House of Commons, and he defeated Mr. James McShane, the sitting member. He was defeated in the 1900 elections. He was president of the Junior Conservative Club for a number of years and he held other important positions of a like character. He was married first in 1871 to Miss Mary Elizabeth Hartly, and some time after her death he married Miss Ellen Mary Mullaney, of Montreal, who survives him. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon from 194 St. Antoine St. The cortege was a very long one, including judges, lawyers, members of parliament, the members of the Shamrock Lacrosse Club, several members of religious orders, and citizens generally.

## Death of J. J. Butler

The bar of Montreal has lost a brilliant man, the Irish a true and noble-hearted friend and an honor to the race, and the poor a generous and kind father. He was an honor and an ornament in his profession. While having humbly to the will of God we pause at the grave of the dear departed and say: "Eternal rest give unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen." The Requiem service was held at St. Anthony's Church Wednesday morning.

Thomas F. of the Dominion of Canada, Guarantee and Accident Insurance Co., and M. J., grocer of Brunswick avenue; Mrs. Chandler, Cleveland, Ohio, and Miss Mary A. of Toronto. He was a man of generous impulses, as many a friend can testify. He will be missed by a wide circle of friends. The funeral took place on Monday to St. Michael's Cemetery. High Mass was celebrated at St. Peter's Church by Rev. Father Minehan, assisted by Rev. Fr. McEntee. The floral tributes sent by the friends of the family were many. The pallbearers were W. R. Moore, John Taylor, Wm. Kay, P. Gaffney, W. H. Prettie, W. Unwin, M. Devan and A. S. Rogers.

## Death of Mrs. Ellen O'Connell

On Monday, Nov. 30th, Mrs. O'Connell, relict of the late John O'Connell, died in the town of Barrie. Mrs. O'Connell was seventy years of age and was a resident of Barrie for over thirty-five years. She was a native of Quebec and leaves a large family to mourn her loss, namely, Chris. J., Patrick J., David and Mrs. Daniel of Winnipeg, Man., John J., Jas. O. Toronto, and Annie of Barrie. The family are all grown up and are left in very comfortable circumstances. The funeral took place on Tuesday last to St. Mary's Church, where solemn High Mass for the dead was celebrated by Very Rev. Dean Eg-an, assisted by Rev. Father McE-Eachern. The funeral cortege was one of the largest that ever attended St. Mary's Church and was made up of citizens of all religious denominations from the town and surrounding country. The pallbearers were Messrs. James Ball, Edward Brown, M. Moore, John Oliver, Peter Kearns and Bernard Devlin.

## C. M. B. A.

At the last regular meeting of Branch 200 the following were elected as officers for 1904: President, Patrick Jennings; 1st Vice-President, Thos. O'Grady; 2nd Vice-President, Frank Ebach; Recording Secretary, Edwin Stubbs; Financial Secretary, Jas. O'Hara; Treasurer, James McEvoy; Marshal, Edward Byrnes; Guard, Michael Sullivan; James O'Hara was elected for delegate to the convention in 1904. Yours Sincerely, EDWIN STUBBS.

## St. Helen Court, C. O. F.

The annual election of officers of St. Helen Court C.O.F. held on 2nd December, at their hall corner Dundas and Queen streets, resulted as follows: Past Chief Ranger, J. F. Strickland; Chief Ranger, John T. Loftus; Vice Chief Ranger, William Mahar; Recording Secretary, Thomas W. Fullan; Financial Secretary, Jas. Howell; Treasurer, Francis A. O'Donnell; Trustees, John T. Tracy, James Deoley, M. Callaghan. The elections were conducted in a very satisfactory manner by John W. Mogan, Returning Officer, assisted by Ald. John J. Ward and Clair J. Derocher, Tellers.

The Installation will take place on Wednesday, 6th January, on which date Hustler Buttons donated to several of the members by the Provincial Court of the Catholic Order of Foresters, will be presented.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. Chris O'Connell, of Winnipeg, Man., is in town. Mr. E. J. Hearn is running for aldermanic honors in Ward 4. Mr. Patrick Shannon of Pembroke is in town attending the conference of lumbermen. Mrs. Bernard Hinds and Miss Hines are guests of Mr. L. D. Hines, 116 Augusta Ave.

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