

WOODS' FAIR

Boys' 25c Hose, Saturday, 18c

Boys' Heavy-Ribbed Cotton Hose, Wearwell brand, 3-ply heel and toe, extra lisle finish, sizes 6 to 10. Regular 25c. Saturday 18c.

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Children's White Cotton Gowns, made in Hubbard style, with yoke, neck and sleeves trimmed with frills of same. Saturday price 39c.

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Canada, Stars and Stripes, Maple Leaf, London Old Boys. Price this week 25c.

Notion Counter Specials for Saturday

Our Own Laundry Soap, 3 bars for 25c.
3-Pound Family Bar Soap, 2 for 25c.
Variegated Castle Toilet Soap, 3 cakes for 50c.
1,000 Princess Parlor Matches, 50c.
Three Boxes Safety Silent Matches for 10c.
Wax Tapers, Saturday, 2 boxes for 50c.

Buy a Fountain Pen Worth \$1.00, on Saturday Only 50c

On Saturday, as an extra special, we will offer four dozen Fountain Pens, 14k nib, guaranteed, with filler, complete. Regular \$1. Saturday 50c.

China and Glassware Department in Basement

Take your friends at home a nice piece of China. We carry the largest assortment in London, and our prices are most reasonable.

Saturday China Specials

Twenty dozen Bread and Butter Plates, each 5c.
Ten dozen Japanese Salts and Peppers, each 5c.
Six dozen Fancy Japanese Teapots, each 10c.
Ten dozen Fancy Scenic Cups and Saucers. Regular 35c, for 25c.
Get our prices on Dinner Sets and be sure and ask to see our \$5.95 special for Saturday.

WOODS' FAIR J. M. THOMSON

IRISH PICNIC AT LAKESIDE

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George O'Neill, of the Tecumseh House, who boxed as if he had been used to it.

The prettiest contest of the day was between Geo. H. O'Neill and W. R. Tansley. George landed heavily on his opponent's diaphragm and almost put him over. Tansley then countered on George's eyebrow and had him groggy. He rallied, and by some lovely footwork succeeded in putting him out of business.

Past Presidents.

Then came the race of all races, the past presidents' race. In this event six demon athletes were entered, including John Pocock, of Toronto; Stephen Grant, the president; Barney McCann, address unknown; Phil Pocock, London; Denis Mason, suspected of being a ringer, and John Garvey, who has been known to pace a quarter close to 30 seconds.

Each of the struggling and perspiring bundles of muscle and energy was attended by a large chorus—no, corps of attendants, rubbers, masseurs, pace-makers, trouble-makers, and other gents.

They were all attired in becoming costumes, although some of them made it plain that Barney McCann's was not so rigorous.

When Secretary John Loughlin heard that he just simply could not make his brains behave. It listened like a court-martial, or a June wedding. He investigated, and after Barney had rolled his trousers to the knuckles, the protest was dropped.

President Stephen Grant was a trifle nervous at the post. He simply dotes on hurdle races, and could not make himself like the flat.

Denis Mason broke the barrier twice and was heavily fined by Starter O'Neill.

John Pocock insisted on making a speech, but was stopped before it became worse.

Phil Pocock's form at the barrier was excellent.

John Garvey got the worst of the handicapping and carried too much weight.

In the meantime the thronging multitudes waited with bated breath, while the demon athletes were getting ready. Then they were started.

The start was struggling. Barney McCann beat the pistol. Then he grabbed all the course with his extended form, and the other athletes could not get by.

John Garvey and Denis Mason blew up in the stretch.

John Pocock grabbed second by a magnificent sprint.

After much care the struggling athletes were led back to the stall.

Impromptu Programme.

Then followed an impromptu programme that had anything under the sun beaten to a better.

First was a special fat man's race. Both athletes were chased some miles by a irate public when the race was over. It was bad. George O'Neill was the worst.

Then came a special race between Mayor Stevely, of London, and Mayor Geddes, of St. Thomas. This was a race worth while.

London beat the barrier at the crack of the pistol. St. Thomas came with a great burst of speed for the first half, but London overhauled St. Thomas in the stretch, winning by an eyelash decision.

The prize for this event was one of the most magnificent diamonds ever imported from the fields of Kimberley.

It was a sparkling beauty, and looked like a cross between an Italian sunset and a bowl of soup.

Mayor Geddes, with deep emotion,

refused money if it falls to heel. Stevely and perspiration springing from every pore, made the presentation speech. He regretted that he was not fast, like the mayor of London, and also that he had to part with the stone. However, he hoped to be good, and some day he may win the treasure back.

This was an affecting scene.

Mayor Stevely took the gem of purest ray serene, and made a speech, but that would not go.

Past Secretaries.

The race for past secretaries of the I. B. S. then followed. Bill Fulton, the champion demon athlete, Dr. Claude Brown and Bill Martin, faced the starter. They were bunched on the start, but Bill, the champion, paddled home ahead of them all.

A feast of oratory followed and a flow of wit. The speakers were lashed to the mast and were compelled to speak or be burned at the stake.

Among the demon orators might be mentioned: Mayor Stevely, two speeches; Mayor Geddes, J. W. Kearns, Bill Fulton, Barney McCann, Billy Ward, and other orators of anti-diplomatic renown. It was great.

The Prize-Winners.

The prize-winners were as follows: C. Richardson.

Hundred yards dash—H. Allan, W. Jones.

Boys' race, under 10—Harry McIntyre, P. Small, Norman Hitchcock.

Girls' race, under 10—Minnie Wilson, Hazel Tindall, Mammie Saywill.

Boys' race, 15 and under—W. O'Rourke, P. McNab, C. Thompson.

Girls' race, 15 and under—Eva Rutledge, Beatrice McGregor, Hira McGregor.

Married ladies' race—Mrs. Mizen, Mrs. Nickle, Mrs. J. Harris.

Men's race, over 30 years—D. Thompson, W. Chittick, D. Bannan.

Four-legged race—Donahue, Piersen and Richardson; Jones, Allan and Winters.

Sack race—R. Donohue, R. Trenehan, E. Jenkins.

Novelty race—Gordon Quick, C. Richardson, W. O'Rourke.

Watermelon race—R. Donohue, R. McLeod, C. Douglas.

Throwing baseball, girls—Mrs. J. C. Telford, Mrs. Wolley, Mrs. Hutchinson.

Single ladies' race—Miss Eva Rutledge, Miss Katie Wilson, Miss Mammie Dix.

Boxing, special—George H. O'Neill, J. Tansley.

Visiting Old Boys' race—Piersen, Toronto; C. Richardson, Toronto; W. Jones, Cleveland.

Boxing, boys—W. O'Rourke, E. Rice, E. Tobin.

The officials were: Starter, ex-Ald. Thomas Gillean; assistants, R. Arkell, Dr. Claude Brown, J. S. Smallman, W. A. Martin; judges, Dr. A. V. Becher, President Stephen Grant, John Garvey, J. M. Hickey, T. J. Murphy, Denis Mason, Dan McIntyre, B. C. McCann, Ben Noble, Dr. John D. Wilson, Dr. Fred Guest, Mayor Stevely, Mayor Geddes (St. Thomas), Geo. H. O'Neill, Philip Pocock, W. Fulton, H. T. Beidler (Cleveland), T. F. Beidler, Major H. P. Schofield (Ocean Grove, Cal.), G. W. Tackaberry (Riverdale, Cal.).

As usual, the dancing on the hill attracted a large crowd, and Chairman W. Brophy was congratulated on the success of that part of the programme.

There was a large entry list for each event, and the competition was keen. In the Irish jig for women, the judges were unable to come to a decision, and the prizes were distributed evenly among the three.

The results were as follows:

Irish jig, girls—Miss F. Mitchell, Miss Amy McLeod, Miss Eva Grayson.

Irish jig, boys—Victor Riddell, John Grayson.

Irish jig, women—Mrs. Harris, Mrs. O'Shea and Mrs. O'Sullivan (equal).

Highland fling, girls—Amy McLeod, Eva Grayson, B. Riddell.

Highland fling, boys—Victor Riddell, Mitchell, B. Riddell.

Best waiter and gentleman, for President Stephen Grant and Secretary John Loughlin medals—Miss Munro and Mr. O. Copner; Miss M. Donaldson and Mr. E. Blackwell.

Best lady waiters—Miss J. Johnston, Mrs. J. C. Park, Miss L. McDonald.

Irish jig, men—H. Galbraith, John Butts, W. Morkin.

The Banquet.

At the conclusion of the programme the annual banquet was held in the Invererie. It was attended by 150 members and their friends, and all spent a very pleasant evening.

The dinner was an excellent one, and was much enjoyed after the strenuous work of the afternoon.

Mr. Stephen Grant introduced the toast list.

The health of the King was drunk, after which Mr. Denis Mason responded to the toast to "The Empire."

Mr. Mason referred to the splendid history of the British Empire, and spoke in most eloquent terms of His Majesty King Edward VII. Canadians were loyal to the mother country, and would always be so.

"Canada, and Our Cities" was responded to by Mayor Stevely and Mayor Geddes, of St. Thomas.

Mayor's Speech.

Mayor Stevely spoke of the greatness of Canada, its illimitable resources, and its splendid future. It was an inspiration to live in such a country at such a time, and the country was only waking up to its greatness.

For London, the citizens were now enjoying the greatest of welcomes back her Old Boys, who had gone afar to make their fortunes and their fame. He welcomed them all in the name of the city, and hoped that all would have the time of their lives while visiting London.

Mayor Geddes congratulated the I. B. S. on so splendid a picnic. He congratulated Mayor Stevely on the splendid success of the reunion. St. Thomas had many things to learn from London, but London might learn to control her own public utilities from St. Thomas.

At this juncture Secretary John Loughlin read letters of regret from Sir Wilfred Laurier, Sir James W. B. Macpherson, Mr. R. L. Borden, Hon. George P. Graham, Hon. J. J. Foy, Mr. F. D. Monk, M. P. Montreal; Hon. Adam Beck, Mr. Justice Latchford, Ottawa; Rev. Father White, London; Mr. T. H. Smallman, J. Ardell, Toronto; A. T. J. Neil, Glenora; Rev. J. G. Perdue, Ald. J. H. McGhie, Toronto; Rev. W. J. Clark, Westmount, Montreal; Sir John Carling, and others.

Toast to Ireland.

Mr. John Garvey delivered a splendid speech on Ireland. At one time Ireland contained eight millions and a half population. Ireland was not large enough to contain the Irishmen, and in the years from 1840 to 1850 four and a half millions emigrated to other countries. Since that time the Irish people have increased, so that today they number 100,000,000, and are holding positions of influence and trust the world over. He was proud to be an Irishman. He was proud of the Irish race, and he was proud of the I. B. S., the best society in Canada or anywhere else.

The United States.

"The United States" was responded to by Mr. W. G. Tackaberry, of Redland, Cal. He spoke of the mutually good feeling prevailing between the two countries. He was a London boy, and had enjoyed a very happy holiday at his old home. He congratulated the society on its good work, and hoped that the pleasant relationships at present existing among the Irishmen of London and also between the United States and Canada would continue indefinitely.

The toast list was then turned over to Mayor Stevely, who proposed the health of "Our Guests." Brief replies were made by Mayor Schofield, Ocean Park, Cal.; T. H. Beidler, Cleveland; Dr. Fred Guest, St. Thomas; P. M. Love and Lud K. Cameron, Toronto.

"The Sports Committee" was then thanked and replies were made by Mr. H. E. Buttery and Jas. M. Hickey. Both disclaimed any credit for the success of the picnic, and declared that with so enthusiastic a lot of workers behind them it was an easy matter to have a successful programme.

Then followed the presentation of prizes for the champagne stakes. Mr. George H. O'Neill made the speech of his life and was congratulated on the splendid effort.

The President.

The health of the president, Mr. Stephen Grant, was drunk most enthusiastically, and one of the banquets ever given by the society was concluded by singing the national anthem.

Those Present.

Among those who attended the banquet were Messrs. Stephen Grant, Dr. Fred Guest, Mayor Stevely, Mayor Geddes, St. Thomas; Squire Hunt, St. Thomas; John W. Kearns, Keith Hammond, Claude R. Sanagan, St. Thomas Journal; John C. Coote, Walter Bartlett, B. C. McCann, J. Loughlin, M. O'Sullivan, Ben Noble, H. Merritt, W. A. Martin, Frank E. Boles, Geo. T. Rourke, Harvey McKittrick, John Pocock, Toronto; Joe Pocock, Toronto; Phil Pocock, John Garvey, J. M. Hickey, John Loughlin, T. J. Murphy, Cleveland; Geo. H. O'Neill, Major H. P. Schofield, Ocean Park, Cal.; G. W. Tackaberry, Riverside, Cal.; Howard Beidler, Cleveland; H. E. Buttery, Dr. Jeff N. Wood, W. McPhillips, Jerry Collins, Jas. Beresford, John Hichins, Frank Vann, Dr. Claude Brown, Joseph Pocock, J. In P. Forristal, J. G. Ward, Jas. McCormick, Dr. W. A. Burns, St. Thomas; R. Arkell, B. McFadden, New York; W. Gaugerty, St. Thomas; John M. Doyle, R. F. Cooper, Lud K. Cameron, Toronto; John D. O'Neill, Jas. Egan, St. Thomas; K. G. McEwen, Calgary; F. W. Elliot, Calgary; E. J. Ryan, W. C. Brown, Tillsonburg; Will Falls, Clem Garvey, Duncombe; G. McNeane, Detroit; Harry Ranahan, W. S. Jones, R. Forristal, R. J. Nopper, Chas. Abbott, Dennis Mason, Ed. J. Carly, Dr. A. V. Becher, Geo. H. Merritt, John

Stevely, D. J. Cowan, W. M. Brophy, J. W. Laird, Alvinator, Wm. Wright, Frank McCormick, and others.

To Whom Credit is Due.

Great credit must be given the committee for the splendid work done by the several committees who hustled most energetically to make the picnic a great success.

The president, Mr. Grant, and the secretary, Mr. John Loughlin, spared neither time nor effort to make it a success, and for this they must be given great credit.

Harry Buttery and Jas. M. Hickey, on the sports committee, W. Brophy and B. C. McCann on the dancing committee, Harry Merritt and Ben Noble on the baby show committee, John Stevely on the entertainment committee and Mr. Philip Pocock on the railway committee did their best to make everybody feel happy, and as a result everybody had the time of their lives.

The Officers.

The officers of the I. B. S. who deserve the credit are:

President—Stephen Grant.

First Vice-President—E. J. Ryan.

Second Vice-President—Mayor S. Stevely.

Third Vice-President—J. M. Hickey.

Secretary—John Loughlin.

Treasurer—P. F. Boyle.

Auditors—John Smallman and R. Arkell.

Physicians—Dr. J. D. Wilson, Dr. J. S. Niven, Dr. C. S. Moore, Dr. Archie Becher, Dr. Mugar, Dr. F. Guest (St. Thomas).

Executive Committee—P. F. Boyle, Dr. Becher, H. E. Buttery, Dr. Claude Brown, R. A. Carrothers, J. J. Cox, J. M. Daly, ex-Ald. Forristal, J. P. Forristal, Ald. Greenlee, Stephen Grant, John Garvey, S. F. Glass, J. M. Hickey, T. P. Kinsmill, John Kinsmill, Capt. Murphy, D. Mason, W. A. Martin, H. Merritt, P. Mulhail, W. K. Meredith, James McCormick, Dan McIntyre, W. McPhillips, B. C. McCann, Dr. Niven, Ben Noble, Joe Nolan, M. O'Sullivan, Harry Ranahan, Ed. Ryan, John Stevely, Ed. Shea, Dr. John D. Wilson, Nicholas Wilson, Dr. Fred Guest (St. Thomas), Clem Garvey, Jerry Collins, Adam McMahon, Mayor Stevely, Geo. H. O'Neill, Joseph Crumney, W. Brophy, Frank Forristal, Dr. J. N. F. Wood, G. S. Gibbons, J. H. Gordon, R. W. McMordie, Ed. J. Carly, John Kearns, Patrick Gleeson, Richard Forristal, Wm. Fulton, R. Arkell, J. H. Smallman.

FERNIE'S LOSS TWO MILLIONS

Crow's Nest Coal Company Official Summarizes Northwest Fire Situation.

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 6.—J. G. S. Lindsey, president of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, summarizes the northwest fire situation thus in a dispatch received here today:

"The fire area is about 30 miles long and from two to ten miles wide, and is still burning in many places at the outskirts, but Michel is safe, except in the case of high wind, and maybe even then. Hosmer is quite safe and Coal Creek may be said to be almost certainly safe."

"The loss of the Crow's Nest Pass Company, owning miles at Coal Creek and Fernie and Michel, will be \$200,000. The Canadian Pacific Railway will lose \$200,000; the Great Northern Railway will lose about \$250,000 and the lumber companies not less than a million. The loss of timber to the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company will not be less than two millions."

"The loss to the city of Fernie will be not less than two millions."

TOLD MAYOR TO SIGN

Hamilton's Chief Executive Loses at Osgoode Hall.

Toronto, Aug. 6.—This morning at Osgoode Hall Chief Justice Falconbridge issued an order directing Mayor Stewart to sign the bylaw giving the Ontario Power Company the contract for street lighting and of supplying power for civic plants of Hamilton. His lordship did not go into the merits of the deal at all. His judgment was in effect that the majority of the city council could make any kind of a deal within the limits prescribed by the municipal act, and the mayor was powerless to prevent them, as he had no power to veto. The judgment was given right off the reel, the case occupying the attention of the court only a few minutes. There were many cases on the list, but soon after the court opened his lordship inquired for that Hamilton case. He appeared to be quite familiar with it. George S. Staunton, K.C., appeared for H. C. Beckett, who made the application for the order, and Frank Waddell appeared for the city.

FILLING THE PLACES OF THE STRIKERS

North Bay, Aug. 6.—No developments in the strike situation. Advice from the men say the tie-up is complete on the Lake Superior division. C. P. R. coal storehouse was burned today. Superintendent Brady and the office men are doing the work of getting out passenger trains.

Smith's Falls, Aug. 6.—Eighty C. P. R. men out here have been given till 1 p.m. today to return to work by the company.

Toronto, Aug. 6.—At this terminal the C. P. R. had no difficulty in filling the places of the strikers. They report 100 applications that cannot be filled.

Major F. H. Laing, of the Twenty-First Regiment, Essex Fusiliers, is now lieutenant-colonel of his regiment.

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Every skirt guaranteed, and if shade desired is not in stock we have samples from which you may select your color.

We Put New Covers on Down Comforters

Have us send for your old Comforters, then come in and select your coverings from our beautiful range of down-proof satens. See samples of these in drapery department and get our prices. We will renovate the down, making it like new, and cover in satisfactory manner. Now is the time to have this work done. Don't throw aside your good down fillings if the covering has got shabby, as the cost of recovering is small. We pleased many customers last season with this work. Bring size of quilts, make your selection of covers and we will send for and deliver them when finished.

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THE BEACON LIGHT AT PORT STANLEY

Resplendent in a New Garb—A Special Dance at Hill Crest—A Gay Time.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Port Stanley, Aug. 6.—The light-house has been painted, an improvement that was greatly needed. For years it has braved the northeastern blasts without a coat of paint, but today it stands forth in the blazing August sunshine pure white against the clear blue sky.

The special dance at Hill Crest tonight in honor of the gentlemen from the Emerald Isle, was a huge success. The youth and beauty from all the surrounding country were in evidence, and Linke's Orchestra was at its best. The steamer Bertha L. Cockell and Thomas Moson are here undergoing extensive repairs.

Mr. Darch, of New Orchard Beach, has purchased a fine new steel rowboat.

The steamer Marquette Bessemer laid over all day in order to allow her crew to have a "hot time in the old town" with the Irishmen. They did.

The Lakeside, Gordon Brown, and several other boats are running excursions on the lake today.

CANADIAN

Lord Strathcona is in Ottawa. Telephones in Maple Creek, Sask., cost \$2 per month.

John D. Nelson, an old resident of Hamilton, is dead, aged 76.

John Chapman's barn near Lobo were destroyed by lightning.

North Bruce Conservatives will not oppose Alex. McNell, ex-M. P. Wm. H. McCulloch, of Hamilton, is under arrest for a big