

Toronto Veterans Who Fought in Fenian Raid

History of Association Which Had Its Origin in Exciting Days Following Close of American Civil War.

Nearly 44 years have elapsed since the Fenian raids stirred the scattered Canadian provinces from border to border, and caused feelings of excitement and anxiety which can be only faintly realized by the people of our present generation. It was a period of grave peril to Canada, which might have ended in the severance of this important colony from British dominion, but, happily, this was prevented by the prompt action taken by the government of the day, and by the ready response made by the Canadian volunteers when called upon to protect our shores from a ruthless invader.

Civil War Had Just Ended. The American civil war had just terminated, and over a million of men, who had seen nearly four years of hard service in the fiercest and bloodiest

Port Erie, and the constant vigilance maintained by their comrades at other exposed points along our frontier at that time, an alien flag might be floating over our broad Dominion to-day. Peculiar political complications existed during that eventful period, which placed Canada in great jeopardy. The popular feeling of the people of the United States was not very friendly to Great Britain, and the spirit of war still inflamed their passions. The Fenian brotherhood had laid deep plans for the capture of Canada, and were openly encouraged and assisted by many men in high places in the neighboring republic. They had a plentiful supply of arms and ammunition to carry out their campaign, and a strong army of desperate men mustered, who knew how to use them. All that was necessary was for the Fenians to obtain a foothold in Canada, and the rest would be easy. Support and assistance were pledged to the Fenian leaders, and everything looked rosy enough for them. But, happily for Canada, the most valiantly hurled in the bud, yet not before some of our best Canadian blood was shed on the field of battle, and the invaders had been given such a hot reception that they were ignominiously hurled from our shores. The history of the Fenian raids forms an important part of the records of Canada, which, unfortunately, is not familiar to the people of to-day. Yet to the survivors of those events vivid memories still cling, and the silver-headed veterans who, as youths, went forth to do battle for their country in those times of peril deserve all the credit and honor that a grateful country can give them.

Toronto Veterans Organize. The Toronto Veterans of 1866 Association (which was incorporated in 1897) is an organization of ex-volunteers who took part in the defence of Canada in those strenuous times, and they have done much to promote and keep brightly burning the spirit of patriotism and love of country which animates the heart of every true Canadian. This feeling was fully demonstrated at the annual meeting of the association, which was held in the Armouries on Wednesday evening last, when about 200 veterans gathered to elect their officers for the ensuing year and renew their old-time friendships. Letters were read from absent comrades who are now resident in foreign lands—many in the United States, others in Honolulu, Chili, Cuba, Great Britain and other countries—all breathing the same spirit of loyalty and devotion to Canada that prompted them to go to the front in defence of their

was given the Canadian veterans of the Boer war, namely a grant of land in the Northwest. At this interview the Fenian raid veterans were kindly received by the premier, who stated that their petition would receive due consideration, and the matter will probably be dealt with at this session. There is no valid reason why the men who saved Canada in 1866, and made it possible that the Dominion government has now millions of acres of land to give away to foreigners, should not get their rightful portion of the heritage they protected in days of peril, and the people of Canada to-day will no doubt be in hearty accord with such a tangible recognition of their services.

Still Young in Spirit. While many of these veterans are well up in years, still a majority are able and willing to settle on these lands. Again, the majority of them have stalwart sons and sons-in-law who would be glad to locate on the lands that the government might grant their sires. And what better class of settlers can be found than our native-born Canadians? They are equal to any emergency, always self-reliant and capable, and will manfully do their part in working out the destiny of this rising young nation.



WILLIAM GIBSON. Financial Secretary of the Toronto Veterans of 1866 Association, a member of the Queen's Own Rifles, in the battle of Ridgeway on June 2, 1866.

CHINA IS SUPPLYING PORKERS TO ENGLAND

Pigs Are the Well-Known China-Poland Breed, and Much Sought After.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—China has become a factor in providing England with foodstuffs. The steamship Graf Muraliev, from Woosung, at the mouth of the Yangtze Kiang, arrived at this port the other day with 3647 Chinese pigs and several thousand head of Manchurian poultry, all of which quickly gravitated down Billingsgate market way.

"Oh, yes, the Chinese pig trade now may be considered as fully established," said the manager of the Union Cold Storage Company. "There are constant consignments on the way to this country. The pigs are of the well-known China-Poland breed, such as have imported into Denmark and which have found great favor in the United States. As a rule they are too large to be sold in the ordinary way in joints for the table, so they are used chiefly for making bacon."

The same steamship broke all records by bringing in approximately one hundred Siberian salmon. This fish, however, so it is held, can never compete seriously with fresh native salmon, except when the latter are very scarce, and it is held not to compare in quality with the Canadian salmon. "Speaking of fish and things," remarked the head of one of the largest firms at Billingsgate, "you can't always tell what is in a name. You might think that the formation of a 'small trust' was a mere imaginary assertion of a comic paper. But Switzerland isn't very slow, after all, and a 'small trust' has been formed in Solothurn, covering the entire canton, and embracing about thirty-six small 'farmers,' whose business has doubled within the last three years."

"Negotiations are under way, too, to extend the trust to the cantons of Neuchâtel and Vaud. During the last year Solothurn alone exported to Paris 50,000, and to the value of \$10,000, and at that they were unable to supply the demands of other sections of France. The demand in the London market, too, is growing constantly. In Switzerland snails cost about twelve cents a dozen wholesale, but the trust proposes to advance the price. It will take steps over there, by concerted action, to prevent the 'farmers' from 'harvesting' crops too early, thus preventing deterioration of price and quality."

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Proposed New North Toronto Liberal Conservative Club



This building is proposed to be erected about the N. E. Corner of Yonge and Wellesley Sts. The location is considered a very desirable one in as much as it is not only convenient for Club purposes but is considered very advantageous in its location for the letting of apartments.

The proposition is to erect a building that will not only answer the requirements of the North Toronto Liberal Conservative Club Association, but one that will be so planned in its construction that as well as giving accommodation for the Club, the greater portion of the building will be available for renting purposes, thus, the remuneration from the building will make it self-supporting.

The location is about the centre of the North Toronto District, therefore it will be conveniently located for the members of the Club and the position one that will be very desirable for those seeking to rent apartments.

One of the considerations in erecting the building is to make it convenient for bachelor apartments. The advantage of this will be seen when it is remembered that there is a large number of the Members of Parliament, students, and others who come to the City every year, seeking just such apartments, therefore the building will readily lend itself to the convenience of those who wish to rent bachelor apartments.

The building will be situated on one of the leading thoroughfares, which leads direct to the Parliament Buildings.

In planning this building every consideration has been given to make the apartments the best appointed and the most convenient in the city.

In erecting the building under the auspices of the North Toronto Liberal Conservative Association it is not the intention that this association, as a Club, will place itself under obligation in the matter of expense in running the building, as the intention is to let all the different apartments, stores, restaurant, etc., to tenants and the Club will only be responsible for the running of their own apartment.

The following are some of the features that the different flats will contain:

BASEMENT.—The Basement will contain a large Billiard Room, with 16 tables (sixteen), three (3) Bowling Alleys, Barber Shop, Store Room, Etc.

FIRST FLOOR.—The first floor will be laid out to contain Banking Office, a large Restaurant and 5 stores, also there will be a Main Entrance to the Public Hall and Club on the Second floor, off Yonge Street, and a private entrance for the renting apartments off Wellesley Street, with elevator and staircase accommodation. This floor will also contain Kitchen and Serving Rooms, etc., in connection with the Restaurant.

SECOND FLOOR.—Second floor to contain a Public Hall to seat about 500 people, Supper Room, and Ladies' and Gentlemen's Retirement Rooms, Coat Rooms, Committee Rooms, Lavatories, etc. It is the intention to have the Hall so constructed that the Supper Room will open into same, so that, if required, it will increase the space of

the Public Hall. The Hall is fitted up with stage, Dressing Rooms, etc.

MEZZANINE OR THIRD FLOOR—CLUB APARTMENTS.—The Mezzanine floor, immediately above the second floor, will contain the Club rooms proper and comprise Reading and Billiard Rooms, Committee and Card Room, Lunch Room, Serving Room, Reception Room, Coat Room, Lavatory, etc.

4TH, 5TH, 6TH, AND 7TH FLOORS.—These four flats have been planned to contain on each floor, 20 rooms, in all 80 rooms, and will be laid out in apartments, so the rooms can be rented singly or in suites or two or more apartments. Each apartment or room is so constructed that the front portion of the room will form a sitting room with an alcove off same for the bed space. Each apartment will be provided with a Bathroom and a large Clothes Closet. Each room will be well lighted from the outside of the building. There will be no dark or badly lighted rooms in the building. The apartments are fitted up in the very best possible way with every convenience and perfect sanitary arrangements. Each flat will be reached by elevators and large staircases, and each flat so arranged that it will be shut off independently from the traffic of the stairs and elevators so that when a tenant reaches his flat, his apartments will be shut off from the noise of the building.

ROOF GARDEN.—The building is designed with a Roof Garden and possibly the first building that has been constructed with this idea in connection with an apartment building. The intention is to have the roof garden formed in such a way that it will be a recreation place for the tenants of the different apartments. It will be laid out with pergolas and plotted out with walks, shrubs and flower beds. Also it is the intention that the Roof Garden will be constructed with two (2) observation Dining Rooms, enclosed with glass partitions, one to be reserved for the use of the tenants, and the other for the public. This will give the tenants the option of either dining in the Restaurant on the ground floor, or in the observation Dining Room on the roof.

All arrangements have been made for proper Janitor's Apartments, Heating Appliances, abundance of Lavatory accommodation throughout the different portions of the building, also Fire Escapes, etc.

EXTERIOR.—The building is to be constructed fire proof and has been designed in modern classic architecture; it will be seven (7) stories in height, the three (3) first stories will be constructed of stone with plain substantial and mouldings. The upper four stories will be brick, embellished with pilasters and ornamented cornices, the Roof Garden or the top flat of the Building will be emphasized on the outside at one end of the building with the pergola timbered roofs and the other end by the enclosed Dining Rooms with tiled roof and projecting bays.

The design of the building is plain in character and attractive in appearance, so that the purpose for which it is intended will be characteristic of the building. While no expense is being spared to make this building complete in all its appointments, there will be no unnecessary elaboration.

Imported Vermin. Considerable apprehension exists among the parents of children attending the higher grades in Wellesley school by an outbreak of vermin. For instance, in one class of boys, in which there are only three or four children of English or Canadian parents, the remainder representing almost every nation that dots southern and central Europe, vermin in large numbers have been found among the latter pupils and these have been readily transmitted to other scholars who have been only a few weeks in attendance. Alarm is expressed in some quarters and a migration of children of English and Canadian parentage is looked for.

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Irishman is Interested. The World recently published an article on the Belfast tramway, which was bought by the city before the termination of the company's lease. As Belfast is a city of about 400,000 people, the case was cited as a fair comparison with Toronto. The article has aroused some interest in Ireland, having been copied by The Northern Whig, The Belfast News-Letter and The Belfast Weekly News.

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spread himself on the details of the ads for the coming Sunday. I left that subject, too, entirely in his hands, and anticipated a real feast of pleasure when I glanced over his ads while having my Sunday breakfast coffee.

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"Whoop, Brothers, Whoop."

"The Elephant is Now Here."

"And Our Competitors Look Like Hump-Faced Hyenas."

"Come Early, Boys, and Get Under the Canvas."

"Talk About Tights—We Have Them. With the Real Ritzzy-Dizzys Inside Them."

"Talk About Goggles Eyes—Oh, You Languishing Kids!"

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