

DATE FOR OLD BOYS' REUNION!

August 5, 6 and 7 Chosen by the
International Executive.

Reports From Delegates Guarantee
Increased Success for This
Year's Celebration.

Report of the Annual Meeting and Accompanying Banquet at the Tecumseh House on Saturday Night.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 5, 6 and 7, are destined to be memorable days in the annals of London for the year 1901, for they are the days when London's Old Boys and their ladies will come from all over the continent of America, and even from across the broad Atlantic, to view once more the scenes of their childhood, to note the changes that the years bring, and to renew the friendships and associations which are linked in their memories and hearts with many fond recollections.

The fixing of these days as the date of the annual reunion was part of the business transacted at Saturday night's meeting of the executive of the International London Old Boys' Association, held at the Tecumseh House. Delegates present from other places were: W. A. Small, and Thos. Weston, of Chicago; Atwell Fleming, and Thos. Duff, of Toronto; Dr. Bert Leys, C. Sullivan and John McPherson, Detroit; Harry Jenks, Rochester, and James Smyth, Windsor. The members of the home guard present were: President Frank Love, Secretary Jas. S. Bell, Mayor Rumball, Dr. Fred. L. Wood, Ald. Cooper, Dr. J. N. Wood, Frank Cooper, Wm. Wanless, John Macpherson, James Herrick, J. W. Jones, Robt. Carrothers, Alf. Talbot, John R. Minihinnick, jun., P. H. Bartlett, James Tytler, J. M. Daly, Hugh McLean, E. W. M. Plock, E. J. MacRobert, S. H. Craig, R. W. Bennett, John Stevely, Ed. Struthers and Harry Merritt.

The delegates were welcomed by Mayor Rumball and President Frank Love. The former assured the executive that, despite the refusal of the city council to vote financial aid to the Old Boys, he felt sure that every member of the council was ready to go down into his pocket and contribute to assist in the success of the annual reunion. The president, in welcoming the delegates, spoke of the success attained everywhere by London Old Boys. He assured them of a hearty welcome from the city in August and a more enjoyable time than even former reunions have provided.

Thomas Weston, chairman of the executive, replied on behalf of the delegates. He expressed his confidence that this year's celebration would eclipse the successes of former occasions.

Wm. A. Small, of the Chicago association, read replies to a number of circulars sent out by him. The associations in Omaha, Rochester, St. Thomas, Windsor, Detroit, Toronto, Cleveland and Des Moines, Iowa, all signified their intention of being present at the reunion with large representations. Letters from individuals in New York, Pittsburgh, Minneapolis, Port Huron, Fort William, Buffalo, Delray, Mich., and Edmonton, N. W. T., in which places there are no associations, guaranteed delegations of various sizes

for the reunion, even far-off Edmonton promising a quota of twenty. Geo. H. Bennett, of Glasgow, Scotland, and Chas. Bennett, jun., of London, England, wrote replying to the formation of a London Old Boys' Association in those cities. If informed in time of the date of the reunion, they said, they will be present. Mention was also made in their letters to the way in which the fame of the Old Boy movement has traveled.

Verbal reports from the delegates present were then made. Harry Jenks, who has just moved to London from Rochester, reported that the association there was not as large as some others, but just as enthusiastic, and its members will be on hand in August. James Smyth, of Windsor, reported a membership of 50 in that city. Dr. Leys and Messrs. Sullivan and McPherson said that the Detroit association is as enthusiastic as ever, and that their special train is already chartered. Messrs. Duff and Fleming, of Toronto, and Mr. Small, of Chicago, all reported the same determination on the part of associations to make the reunion a thorough success.

The fixing of the date for the reunion in August was then taken up. The Toronto delegates wanted it on Saturday and Monday, Aug. 3 and 5, but learning that Detroit favored Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 5, 6 and 7, the Toronto men gracefully gave way and moved that the latter date be adopted.

Following the meeting a tasty luncheon was served in the dining-room of the Tecumseh, at which the delegates and members of the home guard sat down. The following toast list was afterwards introduced: "The King," response by J. W. Jones; "The International Association of London Old Boys," Messrs. Fleming, Duff, Weston, Small, Jenks, Smyth, Sullivan and McPherson; "The Mayor and Corporation of London," Mayor Rumball, Ald. Cooper, ex-Ald. Carrothers and ex-Ald. Bennett; "The Home Guard," Secretary James S. Bell; "Our Host,"

Songs were rendered as follows: "Dolly Gray," Dr. J. N. Wood; "Stein Song," W. H. Skinner; "The Song That Reached My Heart," J. M. Daly; "The Future Mrs. Hawkins," J. W. McIntosh; "Just Because She Made Dem Goo Goo Eyes," Dr. Fred. L. Wood. Mr. Zwicker acted as accompanist.

BAD WEATHER FOR SUGAR BEETS.

Toronto, June 1.—The continued wet weather, while good for hay and other crops, is not the best for sugar beets. John R. Minihinnick, jun., of the Ontario department of agriculture, expressed his concern for the success of the provincial experiment in sugar beets at the department of agriculture.

TWENTY-EIGHT HIS HOODOO.

New York, June 1.—The figures 28 played havoc with Elvis Roth on Tuesday and two of his friends. The fact that his 28th birthday came on May 28, that his house number was 28, and that his two chums are each 28 years old decided them to celebrate by visiting 28 saloons. The last was that of Edward Klein, No. 28 Avenue A. Roth's fist broke a showcase and he was fined \$25 and costs, \$28 in all.

WEST WELLINGTON LIBERALS.

Drayton, June 1.—The west riding of Wellington Reform Association met yesterday for the purpose of choosing a candidate to represent them at the next election for the Ontario Legislature. The following names were submitted to ballot: J. McEwing, Drayton; Dr. Stewart, Palmerston; Dr. Henry, Harrison; R. Holton, Harrison; J. M. Roach, Arthur; Dr. Walkie, Alma; W. J. Mulvey, Peel. Dr. Stewart was the choice of the convention. Dr. Stewart addressed the meeting accepting the nomination.

BASEBALL.

To the Sporting Editor of The Advertiser.—Having noticed the challenge in your paper from the Carling company, the young men at Labatt's brewery think they have a nine that can beat the Carling brewery fellows any day at baseball, and would be pleased to arrange a game with them as soon as possible.

DELUGE OF MARRIAGE PROPOSALS

Ambitious Women Wished
to Wed Thomas A. Edison.

A Multum in Parvo Letter and
What It Brought About.

Mr. James Symington Gives an Advertiser Reporter Some Interesting Reminiscences of the Man Who Made a Machine Talk.

Were it not for his well-known indifference to public attention, Thomas A. Edison, the wizard of the electrical world, might be suspected of having himself penned the threatening letter addressed to him and now in the hands of the New York police. Nicola Tesla's meteor-like leap from obscurity to fame rather dimmed the luster of the wizard's name, but his recent experience with kidnapers, who threatened to carry away one of his children unless \$25,000 were left at a specified place has started a new series of anecdotes about the man who made the talking machine.

Edison's marital experience has been most happy, said Mr. James Symington, of Port Huron, Mich., an advertiser reporter, "and his family is as interesting as he." Mr. Symington, who, by the way, was born within a stone's throw of Abbotford, and who distinctly remembers general old Sir Walter Scott, has been a life-long friend of the Edison's. He has watched the inventor grow from a delicate, precocious child, with an abnormally developed head, to be the unchallenged king of the realm of science. He knew Tom Edison, the railway newsboy, and Tom Edison, the telegraph operator, quite as well as he knows the man upon whom the world has looked with admiration and in termed "the master mind of the century."

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"The inventor has been twice married," continued Mr. Symington, "and his choice in both instances was a wise one. It is needless to say it was not influenced to any material extent by the constant deluge of letters he received from matrimonially-inclined women throughout the United States. In a conversation with the inventor some time after the death of his first wife, I casually touched on the topic of marriage. The master laughed quietly, and stepping to a drawer, drew forth a huge bundle of letters. "All these," said he, "are from eligible, and I trust, estimable ladies in the United States, and each contains an offer of marriage, highly flattering to my vanity." One from a California woman betrayed unusual culture and education. She was confident that with her knowledge of the world and polite society she would be able to preside over Mr. Edison's household, and to train up his children in a manner befitting his rank and wealth.

"In other words," said Mr. Edison, commenting thereon, "she proposes to educate my children in the art of spending money gracefully. Well, unfortunately for her aspirations, I do not wish my sons educated into spendthrifts."

A MULTUM IN PARVO LETTER.

The simplicity and directness of Edison was never better illustrated than in a letter in which he invited his father to go to Europe with Mr. Symington. This letter, which has never before been reproduced, is now in the possession of Mr. Symington, and he cherishes it as one of his greatest treasures. It reads:

From the Laboratory of T. A. Edison, Menlo Park, N. J., U. S. A.

May 18, 1878.

Dear Father.—How would you like to go to Europe with Symington if I pay your fares? You say, "T. A. E. It is as if he had said: 'Would you like a cigar?' A man with more ego in his make-up would have used at least three sheets of note paper, lest the recipient of so abrupt and simple an invitation should fail to grasp the magnitude of the generosity that prompted it. The inventor had barely passed his 30th year when this extraordinary epistle was dispatched. Ten years before, he was a telegraph operator with the Erie Railroad, to engage steamer passage for a cockroach. Five years before that he was a railway news agent, running out of Detroit and Port Huron.

\$2,000 FOR POCKET MONEY.

The elder Edison, at the time he received this letter, was 74 years of age, but so well preserved as to appear twenty years younger. The letter was accepted, and Mr. Symington thus tells how the trip was carried out: "In response to Edison's proposition," he says, "I and Samuel Edison journeyed to Menlo Park. As we entered the laboratory, T. A. E. accosted us thus: 'So you two propose to do Europe, eh? as if it were not his own proposal. 'How much money do you suppose you will require?' Neither I nor the father knew. 'Well, said T. A. E., coming to our rescue, 'do you think \$2,000 would put you through?'—our trip was to last two months. I replied that I thought, by rigid economy on our part, it might, providing we did not get robbed or get drunk. The necessary preliminaries being disposed of, Mr. Edison took us to town, engaged berths for us on the State of Pennsylvania, and saw us safely aboard and off."

AT BUFFALO.

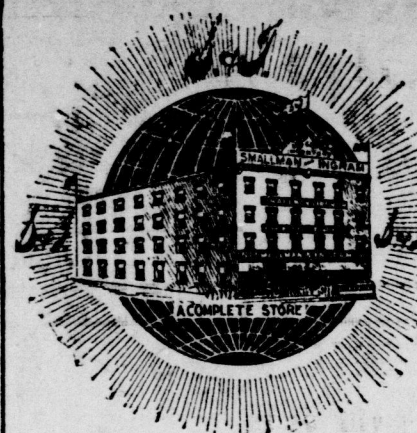
Buffalo, June 1.—About 400 machines of the New York Central Railroad and their helpers, numbering about 80, struck this morning for a ten per cent increase in wages.

ELECTRICITY ARRESTS A BRIDGE JUMPER.

New York, June 1.—Electricity served a new purpose today when a would-be suicide, in attempting to leap over the railing of the Brooklyn bridge, inadvertently stepped on the "third rail" of the trolley track. A 500-volt current held him fast until a policeman arrived and effectually banished the longing for self-destruction.

E. H. Brown

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We are pleased to be able to advise customers of the arrival of the remainder of our order of Louisine Wash Silks, so fashionable and in such demand. These Silks are guaranteed not to cut, which is a good point. But that is not all—they come in the stylish and newest colorings, and are low in price for such good quality. With this lot we also received several other attractive lines, all of which we advise customers to see early.

Plain Louisine Wash Silks, colors of poppy, pearl gray, navy, cornflower, brown, shell pink, tuscan, sky and iron gray. Our low price per yard is only\$1 25
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It can't remain cold much longer, and when the change comes it will be too hot for comfort unless one is prepared for it. Get prepared now. We have just opened up a shipment of Summer Gloves, which we think are worthy of immediate inspection. The most desirable and newest shades are in the lot.

A frame made heavy Silk Glove, splendid for wearing in black only95c
A very chic 3-clasp Silk Glove, in black, gray, tan, beaver, cream and white60c
A Jersey Wrist Silk Glove, in black, tan and cream50c
A 3-clasp Silk Glove, in black, tan, beaver and gray35c
A Taffeta Jersey Glove, black only25c

A 3-button White Lisle Glove25c
Special value in Cycling Gloves, canvas backs, lisle palms, in tan, gray and beaver25c
A Silk Taffeta Glove, for children, in tan, beaver and gray, all sizes25c
A Lisle Jersey Glove, in beaver, tan and white12½c

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Ladies' Fancy Ribbed White Lisle Vests, low neck, quarter sleeve, from45c to 50c
Ladies' White Lisle Vests, shaped high neck, buttoned front, quarter sleeve, fine quality, for so small a price65c and 75c
Fine Mercerized Silk Vests, low neck, no sleeve. Price only75c
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DEATH OF EX-BISHOP OF HURON

Right Reverend Isaac Hellmuth Passes Away in England.

Crowning Achievement the Establishment of Western University.

Resigned His Office To Be Commissary Bishop of Ripon—Account of His Distinguished Career.

The Right Rev. Isaac Hellmuth, formerly Bishop of Huron, Canada, died Thursday at Weston-super-Mare, England.

The Right Rev. Isaac Hellmuth, late Bishop of Huron, was the son of Jewish parents, and was born near Warsaw, Poland, in 1820. Educated at the University of Breslau, he subsequently went to England, where, in 1841, he made a public confession of Christianity. Coming to Canada, in 1844, he was ordained deacon, 1846, and priest shortly afterward. For eight years he was a professor at Bishop's College, Lennoxville, where he obtained the degree of Doctor of Divinity, 1854, and was incumbent of St. Peter's Church, Sherbrooke. He was then appointed general superintendent for the Colonial and Continental Church Society in the British North American colonies. While holding this position in 1861, he was chosen by the late Bishop Cronyn to proceed to England to collect funds for the establishment and endowment of a theological college in the Diocese of Huron. Having been created archdeacon of Huron, he set forth on his mission, which was entirely successful, the necessary funds being collected in a very short time. On his return to Canada he was appointed principal and professor of divinity in the new institution, which was opened in 1863 as the Huron Theological College. On the retirement of Dr. Cronyn from the rectory of St. Paul's Cathedral, Dr. Hellmuth was appointed dean and rector. While in that position he established the Church of England Y. M. C. A. He also founded Hellmuth College, an institution for boys, and later, Hellmuth Ladies' College, of which for some years he was president. Appointed coadjutor bishop to Dr. Cronyn with the title of Bishop of Norfolk, July, 1871, he was consecrated by the then Metropolitan of Canada. A few years later, on the death of Dr. Cronyn, Dr. Hellmuth succeeded him as bishop of Huron, and continued to direct the affairs of the diocese up to his resignation in 1883, he being then appointed commissary bishop of Ripon, England. His crowning achievement in Canada was the establishment of the Western University here, for the endowment of which he personally contributed the sum of \$10,000. He received the honorary degree of D. C. L. from Trinity University, Toronto, in 1871. After the death of Bishop Bickerton, 1886, he retired from the Diocese of Ripon, and was named rector to Bridlington, Yorkshire. His lordship was distinguished as a writer upon theological and Biblical subjects. He was twice married, first to Catherine, daughter of the late Gen. Evans, C. B., and in 1886 to the Hon. Mrs. Ashley Carr Glyn, daughter of Admiral the Hon. Arthur Duncombe, of Kilwick-Percy, Yorkshire. Mr. I. F. Hellmuth, of the firm of Hellmuth & Ivey, and Mrs. (Major) Evans, of the West Indies, are the only surviving children.

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"Uncle Terry"—A story of the Maine coast, by Charles Clark Munn. This is an excellent story.
"Graustark"—Story of a love behind a throne, by G. B. McCutcheon. Just published.
"The Good Red Earth"—By Eden Phillips. Just published.
"Richard Carvel"—By Winston Churchill. 350,000 copies sold in United States.
"When Knighthood Was in Flower"—By Edwin Caskoden.
"Olive Tracy"—By Amy Le Fenore.
"Janice Meredith"—A story of the revolution, by Paul Leicester Ford.
"God's Puppets"—Recently published; considered very good; by Imogen Clark.
"Circular Study"—By Anna Green.
"Sir Christopher"—By Maud Goodwin. Ranks high.

"Martin Brook"—A story of modern American life, by Morgan Bates.
"David Harum"—By Edward Noyes Westcott. Needs no introduction.
"A Missing Hero"—By Mrs. Alexander.

"Eben Holden"—By Bacheller; and many others which we have not space to mention.

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