

OLD HERO CANNOT AGREE WITH IRISH, ASKS TO GO TO JAIL

Benjamin Jones Served During Indian Mutiny.

PREFERS CASTLE CARTER

Cannot Reconcile Himself To Live With Inmates of the Aged People's Home.

Homeless, friendless, crippled and alone, Benjamin Jones, an aged British pensioner, pleaded with Magistrate Graydon today to send him to jail for a month on a charge of vagrancy.

After endeavoring in every possible way to induce the aged veteran to enter the Aged People's Home, but without success, the magistrate finally acceded to the request and committed him to jail for a month.

Can't Get On With Irish. "I have been informed that you spent some months at the home, so why do you now decide to return there?" asked the magistrate.

"Well, your worship, I am a Presbyterian, and there are too many Irish up there to suit me, and I simply can't agree with them," was the reply.

He has been committed to jail on several occasions, for various terms each time, at his own request.

"I think I will only send you down for ten days and see if some arrangement can be made for you then at some other institution," said the magistrate the proceeding.

Gets Pension on Release. "Make it a month, your worship, and I will get my pension then when I come out."

The aged veteran, now able to walk with the greatest difficulty, and then only with the assistance of a stout cane, served 31 years in the British army, and fought in some of the greatest battles of the Indian mutiny. He was wounded at the siege of Cawnpore. He narrowly escaped being placed in the "Black Hole of Calcutta," remembered as the darkest episode of the Indian campaign.

Magistrate Graydon expressed regret that the veteran insisted on going to jail instead of some other institution.

Sit Up With Guns To Catch Thieves

North Enders Prepare Warm Reception for Garden Vandals.

Residents of the north end of the city complain that flower thieves are active in their district. They say that several splendid gardens have been stripped. Whether or not the thieves are merely persons who desire to possess the flowers themselves or wish to sell again is not known. But it is known that more than one north-ender has sat up all night with a shotgun in company to catch the thieves. Needless to say the night was a sleepless one on watch no thieves were seen.

CAPT. GEORGE JEWELL RECEIVED ODDFELLOWS' DEGREE OF CHIVALRY

Member of Canton London Honored at Toronto Gathering.

An event of much interest to Londoners took place at the Oddfellows' Temple, College street, Toronto, on Tuesday night, when two members of the Grand Lodge of the I.O.O.F., received the Degree of Chivalry. The recipients were Mrs. Francis March, of Victoria, B.C., and Mrs. John H. Pike, of May Queen Lodge. Many other ladies from various parts of the province were also honored.

The decoration was conferred by Brig.-Gen. G. M. Hemmiston, commander of the Patriarchs Militant of Ontario, who was assisted by the Grand Lodge of the I.O.O.F. of Toronto, No. 7, and Canton Queen City, No. 10.

Many London members of the Militant branch joined the ranks of the two commands, and other Londoners took their places with the staff of the large assembly hall was crowded to witness the ceremony, which was rendered the more brilliant by the beautiful uniforms of the Patriarchs Militant. The recipients of the honor were all dressed in white, and the decoration was pinned on by three small girls, ranging in age from 3 to 6 years, typifying innocence. The hall was decorated profusely with flags of the Allies.

Capt. George Jewell, of Canton London, No. 1, was one of the recipients of the Decoration of Chivalry last night when the ceremony was repeated for men. It differs slightly from the degree for ladies.

An interesting part of the program at the morning sessions of the Grand Encampment, and the Grand Robekah Assembly was the presence of a choir of girls and the children of the Home. The ages of the children ranged from 3 to 14, and their singing was a revelation for its volume and beauty of tone. The matron, Mrs. Buchanan, deserved all the praise lavished on her for her work in training such young children to sing musically and devoutly.

SEND DESERTERS TO THE TRENCHES

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

I have just been reading in one of your columns where five deserters were given six months for desertion. I think it would be a much better plan to send them straight up the line, straight to France, and give them a rifle and put them right in front. I think it would be much better than sending them to prison. I have spoken to one man who has been there, and he says it's fine in prison. He'd rather be there, where he knows he is safe, than in the trenches. That's the sentiment of most of the returned boys anyway, and that is what they do with them in England, line them and hand them over to military escort to be sent to France. Sincerely yours, BOIMARDIER HEATHER.

ANOTHER RUBBER INDUSTRY RAPPING AT LONDON'S DOOR

London stands a chance of getting another rubber industry. R. J. Haley, of St. Louis, Mo., is in the city looking over the ground, and is much impressed with the possibilities of London. He is an old Missouri boy, and has a sentimental regard for this city. He has laid the proposition before a number of local businessmen, and they have subscribed stock in the concern, and are behind it. There are many others inquiring about it, and it is possible that it will be floated in a very short time.

Gordon Philip, commissioner of industries, has been in touch with it, and there is every probability of it going through.

There are some vacant properties in London which could be utilized for the purpose of manufacture, and options will be secured on a number.

"We are investigating the proposition, and there is a good prospect we will get it," said Mr. Philip.

OFFICER AND SON MEET IN FRANCE AFTER THREE YEARS

Capt. Dunlevy Finds Boy by Merest Chance.

TELL ABOUT MEETING

Relatives Overjoyed To Bring Long War Separation To a Close.

For father and son to meet on the battlefield after three years, is not an every-day occurrence, yet Mrs. J. H. Dunlevy has just received a letter from her husband, Capt. Dunlevy, in which he says: "I happened to be walking across the camp to headquarters, and I noticed a fellow sitting outside one of the tents, but took no notice, just passed by. A second later I heard someone call, 'Hello, dad!' and I turned and saw my boy." One could hardly express the feeling which passed between the two after so long a separation, but the letter mentions that he wrote to and told the "dear folks at home."

Three Years in War Service. Capt. Dunlevy has seen three years active service, leaving with the first contingent, and his son, Pearson Dunlevy, went overseas with the first draft of the 32nd Battalion, ranked as a lieutenant. Unable to secure an appointment he enlisted as a gunner.

Gunner Dunlevy was in the thick of the Vimy ridge, but came through without a scratch, which is rather remarkable, he being less than five years away from Lieut.-Col. Wood Leonard was killed. Gunner Dunlevy acted as orderly to the latter.

Socks Delight Boys. Mrs. Dunlevy received a letter from her son by the same mail, in which he brought her the socks she sent, which he said "recovered" two feet of the socks. He knew just how much we appreciated them, and would be more than happy to help the good work of the Red Cross. "I suppose the gardens and everything look grand in Canada. I would love to be back here, but I don't know how I can get home. I am sure all the boys these days? No one knows how bad we need them."

Those who are taking their turn.

EVAPORATION CAUSE PLEAD BY BAKERS FOR LIGHT BREAD

Three local bakers, Messrs. Gilmore, Leavens and Hohn, guilty in police court today of offering for sale underweight bread, each being fined \$10 and costs.

The information in each instance was laid by Provincial Inspector S. J. Halbert, Markdale, appointed by the Ontario Government to enforce the bread act.

The fine imposed in each case is the minimum penalty under the latest amendment to the bread act, the measure being passed a few months ago after a conference between the Government and the bakers.

The reason for levying the lowest fine was because the magistrate believed that the bakers had not deliberately contravened the act in order to defraud the public, but had been guilty of a violation due to evaporation.

Each baker in turn explained that he had allowed 27 ounces in raw dough and that the evaporation in each case had been greater than three ounces, and as a consequence the bread was found shorted. The shrinkage usually allowed on a 24-ounce loaf.

James S. Telfer, Regina, Sask., is visiting relatives and friends in London Township and city after an absence of 35 years.

He was one of the early residents of London Township, his brother William still residing on the homestead on the 9th concession.

I came by way of Grand Trunk, and when I stepped off at the station here and viewed the depot again it seemed as if I had not been here for 35 years.

Speaking of crop conditions in the western provinces, he predicted a heavy crop providing rain did not affect the wheat. The day he left Regina, Friday, July 27, the thermometer registered 105 in the shade, the most intense heat ever experienced in the west.

Mrs. J. Nichol, West London, is a sister.

LIEUT. HARRIS MILLS IS NOW OFFICIALLY REPORTED KILLED

Following the reception of a letter intimating that their son, Lieut. Harris Mills, was dead after having been reported as "missing" for eleven months, Mrs. William Mills of this city, a official confirmation of the report.

The death of Lieut. Mills' death was confirmed by a letter from the War Office, stating that he had been killed in action on or since October 1, 1916.

from Ottawa terminates the anxiety of the young man's relatives of the city. Lieut. Mills was missed by a host of much sympathy is extended to the bereaved.

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BACK & CO. 10 DUNDAS STREET.

NOODRAM STRUCK MINE.

Rottterdam, Aug. 9.—The Holland-America Line steamer Noordram, which has been lying off the coast of Holland for several days with a hole seven metres long in her side, was unable to water in her hold, has been pumped out sufficiently to enter the new waterway, and has arrived in Rotterdam.

The Noordram recently struck a mine while bound for Holland. None of the passengers or crew were injured by the explosion.

TESTS OF CONCRETE TO SHOW STRENGTH IN CITY PAVEMENTS

Stand Pressure of 2,700 Pounds to Inch.

VINDICATES ENGINEER Alderman Says City Is Getting Cheapest and Best Roads in Country.

It is rumored at the city hall that the tests made by the School of Practical Science, Toronto, on the samples of concrete taken from the Richmond street pavement will show a test of 2,700 pounds per square inch. This is considered high-class concrete, and while not mixed or handled according to the latest theories, it is good enough to stand the heaviest loads that would be carried over the city streets. The matter how long the pavement is down.

City Engineer Brazier stated that he had not been in the city yet, as he was waiting for some figures from Toronto in connection with the test. He expressed himself as confident of the results.

Experts say if the pavement can stand 2,700 pounds pressure per square inch, the citizens need not worry about the lasting quality of the concrete.

"The reports will show that London is getting the longest, cheapest and best pavement in the country," said an alderman today. "The pressure tests have surprised all of us, and we expected that the pavement would show better than 1,500 pounds pressure per square inch, and that would have satisfied anybody."

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

A PLEA FOR OUR COUNTRY.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

We are brought face to face with a new crisis in this year of war, one which is not only a test of our resources, but a test of our character and all that the term implies.

We are told by our Government that men of certain ages, physically fit, must shoulder a rifle and fight. There are no exceptions. We are told that we have to face the world (Canada included) as a unit, and that the only way to win is to produce on the farms is directly responsible for the upkeep of our homes, and our heroes in France, and we are urged to produce, produce, produce.

It is a failure to realize that before going further and reflect on the two and great opposite orders we have received from the Government. It may not seem much to us until we are reminded of the fact that Canada has under arms now over 42,000 men of all ranks from every walk of life—farmers, tradesmen, professionals, etc., and we are told to produce, produce, produce.

With this great number for a small country, it is not surprising that we are told to produce, produce, produce. It is not surprising that we are told to produce, produce, produce.

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MUNICIPAL ASSNS. SAY NO GRANTS TO PRIVATE RAILWAYS

Hydro Radial and Electrical Unions Meet.

Want C. N. R., G. T. R. and G. T. P. All Taken Over and Well Handled.

TORONTO, Aug. 8.—The executive of the Ontario Radial Union today passed a resolution asking the Dominion Government to adopt the Drayton-Ackworth report to take over C.N.R., G.T.R. and G.T.P., but not to advance any more money to any railways, and to force close if they fail to meet their present obligations.

The Hydro Radial and the Ontario Municipal Electrical Association will carry over the delegation to urge this resolution at Ottawa.

Why should we arbitrate the value of stock of the private railways which admitted to have no value," said President J. W. Lyon, referring to the proposal of the Government to purchase \$80,000,000 worth of the common stock of the C.N.R. and then arbitrate the value.

For Municipal Ownership. "We believe in municipal ownership, but we want municipal ownership that will pay. If we pay \$80,000,000 for the C.N.R., it will be a blow at municipal ownership. If the Government owns only the rails of the railways, we can see that they won't pay."

"Let us divorce the railways from all politics and have the railways taken out of the hands of the present management. We should advance money to the G.T.P. to complete the present unsatisfactory system which they have made."

No More Grants. T. J. Hanigan, secretary of the two associations, said a strong stand had been taken against any more financial grants to the private railways. "They had also favored the Ackworth-Drayton report and had opposed the extension of the credit of the railway companies which had received financial assistance from the Government. Mr. Hanigan reviewed the coal situation of last winter, and said that Canada had had over about \$100,000,000 to the railways of Canada, exclusive of the money spent on the present roads. Despite this assistance, the privately owned railways had been a failure. A view of the coal situation was given by the speaker, and he said that the coal situation of last winter, and said that Canada had had over about \$100,000,000 to the railways of Canada, exclusive of the money spent on the present roads. Despite this assistance, the privately owned railways had been a failure. 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