

Birthdays of Note

FRIDAY, MARCH 27TH.

John R. M. Meredith, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas Division of the High Court of Justice of Ontario, who observes his sixty-seventh birthday to-day, is the fourth of the eight famous Meredith brothers of London. He followed in the footsteps of his brothers William Ralph, now Sir William Meredith, and Edmund, and took up the legal profession at an age, practicing with the latter on. His elevation to the Bench by John A. Macdonald in 1890 was a considerable surprise at the time, as he was only a junior counsel, but the wisdom of Sir John's choice has been proved by Meredith's subsequent career.



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EVIDENCE OF A BOY THREE YEARS OLD CONVICTS FATHER

Geo. Nelson Fournier Pleads
"Guilty" to Perjury After
Child Testifies.

WOODSTOCK, March 27.—Heavy sentences were meted out yesterday afternoon by Justice Kelly, presiding at the spring assizes in the North and South Norwich courts, to a number of perjury cases. Five years on a charge of perjury and three years on a charge of theft was the sentence meted out to George Nelson Fournier. Three years on a charge of perjury and two years on a charge of theft, was the judge's order in the case of John Fournier. One year on a charge of theft was the court's decision in the case of Oliver Sherry.

The cases against George Nelson Fournier, John Fournier and Oliver Sherry came to an abrupt ending soon before time for adjournment yesterday afternoon, the climax being reached when the prisoners decided to change their pleas of "not guilty" to that of "guilty."

The decision to fight no longer came on trial on a charge of perjury. The crown had called several witnesses in an endeavor to prove that the accused had sworn falsely in the county court some weeks ago, in an effort to clear himself on a big stealing charge. As their final witness they called Lewis Fournier, three-year-old son of the prisoner. Up to the time his son was called, Fournier senior seemed confident of acquittal. His son's evidence, however, proved to be the strongest link in an already strong chain of evidence against the accused, and it was then decided to change the plea and throw the prisoner upon the mercy of the court.

"There were but two pigs killed, and my father is wrong when he said he killed three," was the evidence of Lewis Fournier.

J. G. Wallace, K.C., acting for the defense did his best to shake the testimony of the boy, but he would not change his evidence. Mr. Wallace had a hurried conversation with the prisoner, and then informed the court that Fournier would plead "guilty."

As he was taken to jail, John Fournier, another son, was placed in the dock. To the charge that he had also premeditated a plea of "guilty" was entered. To a charge of stealing 20 bushels of wheat, a similar plea was made. Then came Oliver Sherry, a Indian boy of 18. He had no counsel, and in answer to questions of the judge, replied that he did not want one.

"How do you plead to this charge that you stole 20 bushels of wheat?" asked the clerk of the court.

"Yes, I did; I am guilty," replied the Indian.

Crown Prosecutor Gwynn immediately asked for the sentence for the court, and Judge Kelly, after briefly referring to the depositions carried on by the accused in South Norwich Township, imposed the foregoing sentences.

Stole Cheese, He is Deported

Windsor Man Must Come
Back to Support His
Family.

CINCINNATI, O., March 27.—Just because he stole a cheese in Montreal, Oscar Kessler, a glass worker of this city, is awaiting deportation at Windsor, Ontario, as an undesirable citizen, and will soon be brought here to answer a charge of non-support of his family. Two years ago his wife committed suicide, and he was then declared an undesirable citizen by the Ohio Humane society that her husband did not support her.

Kessler heard of her action and escaped to Canada and wrote boasting letters to the humane society officials that he was outside of their jurisdiction. High Canadian officials were communicated with but nothing could be done with Kessler until he stole the cheese and was arrested and convicted and then declared an undesirable citizen.

BLUE RIBBON

James S. Brown, proprietor of the Blue Ribbon Confectionary store, 70 Erie Avenue, has made extensive alterations and improvements to his place of business and now has one of the most up-to-date business places in the city. Mr. Brown will continue to have the sole agency for Eagle Place for Neilson's celebrated Confectionery and Ice Cream.

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LENTEN SERVICE AT GRACE CHURCH

Rev. F. Brewin Delivered an Inspiring Address to a Large Audience Last Evening.

At Grace church last night the Rev. T. Brewin, M.A., delivered a mid-Lenten address. The text was from Isaiah, "Mine eyes shall see Thee writ in this book." Speaking, he said, "We are in the season of lent. How are we to spend this time? We must consecrate this period—by fasting, prayer and alms giving. Day by day the Father hears unto his children and their souls. If they earnestly strive, will know that He has heard and is near. God is a giver; he gives all we value, homes, friends, labor, the faculties of thought and of action. What do we give? Do we try to realize Him, and visualize his majesty as we can that of the king who is ruler over these dominions. Sometimes we do; but to see him rightly we must see Him in his beauty as "King of Kings." To the eyes of those that try to follow, there will come the spectacle of the Christ in the beauty and full tide of his imperial monarchy. They shall see Him reviled, beaten, crucified, but triumphant and supreme above his pain. Yes, that is the spectacle you who have eyes to see can see for ourselves, but for the truth you must wait; wait till the graves give up their dead and the multitudes of those who have gone down to the sea in ships and never returned, rise and go before the Throne of Grace—to love. He has seen in his beauty, real and in the image we have grown to love.

Life's humiliations and bitter sorrows make us alive to Him; if for these sorrows we served Him with a faithful heart, they raise in us the spirit of the Cross. So will it, that you shall see: the King, "in his beauty"; love, live and suffer forgiving in his name and bring to your world around, Christ whose teachings day by day are becoming the true standards of human life.

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PASTIME CLUB PAYS DIVIDENDS

One Sport Organization in Brantford Which Can Pay Its Own Way.

The annual meeting of the Pastime Bowling Club, was held last night in the office of the secretary, F. S. Blain. The meeting was largely attended by enthusiastic members who heard splendid reports of the year's business.

The financial report was very encouraging and the usual dividend of six per cent was paid to the stockholders of the club. This dividend has been granted every year since the club was organized. Plans for this year were discussed relative to games etc., and the following officers were elected:

Directors: W. H. Inglis, A. B. Burnley, Donald Thorburn, S. M. Burnley and F. S. Blain.
President: C. M. Sheppard.
Vice-President: G. H. Sager.
Sec-Treas.: F. S. Blain.
Executive Committee: Alex. Aitken, Dr. D. W. Wiley and Donald McPhail.
Games Committee: A. B. Burnley, Thorburn and F. E. Hicks.
Stewards: F. E. Jackson, S. M. Burnley.
Auditors: D. McPhail, Harry Bond.

GRAND RIVER IS NOW ONE FOOT HIGHER

Mild Weather and Rain Will Clear Ice Out of River Very Quickly.

Following yesterday's rains, which continued last night and to-day, the Grand river rose about one foot during the night and as a result the ice in Kerby channel is all cleared away and floated down the river.

As yet the ice at Wilkes' dam has not yet broken up, but prospects are that a break will come inside of 24 hours. The ice at Galt is also as yet intact, but may break at any time. The river has risen to such a height that the ice slips over the dam at Lorne bridge without any difficulty.

At present the prospects are that the ice will go away this year without doing any damage along the river and with the weather continuing mild, the river will in all probability be clear by Sunday.

UNIVERSITY COURSE FOR CONVICTS.

Prison Classes at Folsom Penitentiary Are Visited Once a Week by an Instructor.

FOLSOM, Cal., Mar. 27.—Inmates of Folsom penitentiary take kindly to the university extension course of the University of California, says a report of Warden J. J. Smith to Governor Johnson.

The report covers prison improvements of the last two years, made possible largely through legislative appropriations.

The prisoners, it is reported, specialize in a large variety of subjects offered by the extension courses, and their efforts are aided by weekly visits from a university lecturer, who holds classes in the prison.

Entire segregation of tubercular prisoners and those suffering from other infectious diseases is now possible at the institution for the first time in its history, according to Warden Smith, and a complete ventilating system sends pure air through every cell.

The prison farm of 300 acres is now ready to produce all the vegetables for the prisoners' mess, and the convicts also will grow their own tobacco.

The new cellhouses, to cost \$300,000, are nearing completion.

With the City Police

A picture which was purchased by Mr. Grady at the sale of the late Andrew McMeans' effects, caused quite a case at the police court this morning. There was no special merit in the picture, it being an ordinary colored print with a pretty gilt frame. L. E. Jones, of 240 Darling Street, had seen the picture at the sale and mentioned the fact that he would like to have the print. It was subsequently missed and found in a barn about a block away from the scene of the sale on Dalhousie St. Mr. Grady then asked Jones to return it to him as he suspected that he had taken it. Jones denied taking it, and said he had never been near the scene of the robbery when it occurred.

The Evidence.
A young man who was commissioned to take the articles purchased by Mr. Grady away from the sale, testified that he put the picture upon a barrow, and soon after he missed it. He reported the matter to his employer. Grady went down to the sale and hearing that some one had seen Jones take the picture to a barn, he asked him for it, and was told that defendant knew nothing about it.

A witness named Williams said he saw Jones taking the picture to the barn, but his evidence was not relied upon. Several citizens spoke of the good character of Jones, and said he was with defendant nearly all the afternoon, with half an hour's exception. He did not think that Jones took the picture, as he had not had time to do so. The magistrate decided that defendant would be dismissed on payment of the costs.

Foreigners Were Fooling
Michael Affenassi and Lecutai Holten started to have a little affair between themselves and Affenassi seized his cap and threw it at his colleague with damage, which he was ordered to pay by the magistrate.

W. A. Hurley surreptitiously left his boarding house, and he was on the list, but as he is now working by Mr. Grady away from the sale, the charge was left over for a week.

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