ORANGEMEN'S PARADE

Toronto Lodges Marched in Greater Force Than Ever.

A TRULY GORGEOUS PROCESSION

Rain Spoiled the Enjoyment in the Grounds.

There Was no Public Speaking, But Irrepressible Enthusiasm Found Voice in the Lodge Gatherings—Some Severe Strictures on the Government's Vacillating Attitude—Hands Off Manitoba Was the Cry—No Quarter for Members Who Favor Remedial Legislation.

Total No. of Lodges Represented	82
Lady True Blues on Parade	357
Orangemen on Parade	3675
Bands in Procession	29

The skies were dulled yesterday and finally the flood-gates were let loose, but not until the Orangemen had got a chance to walk in honor of the Glorious, Pious and Immortal Memory of a celebrated monarch named William, who is now dead, but whom it is not the intention of this country to forget. The Glorious Twelfth of 1895 was just as glorious as glorious could be.

Some two centuries and five odd years ago, when the forces of King James and King William were opposing each other in Ireland, the passwords of the Catholic camp, before one decisive engagement, were two phrases, "Lilibullero" and "Bullen ah lah"; the passwords became known to the Protestant forces of King William, and his followers made a derisive song, of which the refrain was

Lero, lero, lilibullero,
Lero, lero, bullen ah lah.

It was whistled far and wide on the seas and in the camps, and in towns, and other words were set to it, and it is still whistled and sung, and the dawn of every Twelfth of July is heralded with it. For now it runs: "Teeter, totter, holy water" and so on.

Yesterday the streets rang with this melodious reminder of the historic continuity of the Orange order.

Italians, Scotchmen, Englishmen, were in yesterday's procession, and there was, of course, a larger sprinkling of the granite-hewn physiognomies of Irishmen from the "Black North," who were once the bone and sinew of the order.

Played the Old Tunes.

The transplanted Orange order of Canada has still the historic old tune, however, in common with the men who fought at Derry, Boyne, Enniskillen and Aughrim, and they gave us lots of it yesterday.

Every hobbledehoy who could blow a fife and had Orange aspirations has been blowing away at the melody for weeks and has had tries at "The Protestant Boys" and "Rule Britannia," as well. Yesterday the lads were out in their white shirts and blue sashes and orange lilies. Their revered fathers wore coats with broad sashes and prehistoric hats.

The Twelfth of July hat is another of the historical institutions of the order. The fashionable hat of the season is comparatively low in the crown with straight and rigid outlines, but that sort of thing won't do for an Orangeman of the old school. If a stovepipe hat is to be called for, let it be a stovepipe hat, says he, no compromises, no fore-shortening. And so you could have made two fashionable "plug" hats out of the average tile in yesterday's parade. Most of them were glossy and bright and had received the annual ironing, but a few retained the sacred and historic dust that was on them when the grandfathers of the present wearers brought them from Ireland.

Conspicuous by Their Absence.

White pants there were few, much to the disappointment of some spectators; for once upon a time it would have looked as if Rome were getting in its deadly work did a lodge ventured to parade without its quota of white "ducks." But the Bible has not disappeared from Orange processions, it was well in evidence yesterday. Tired-looking young fellows stumbled along bearing its pages, and the orange lilies and the blue ribbons were in greater profusion than ever.

The general public need not fear that its children will not get a Protestant education. Every member of the Public School Board, many male teachers, the inspector and his assistants—they were all in line. Covered with ribbons and flowers and tinsel, they demonstrated to the children of the city what was the way, the truth and the light, and no doubt the children decided to grow up and do likewise.

The Mayor in Evidence.

Nearly every alderman was in line also, and the Mayor had a carriage all to himself, in which he sat and smiled, and evidently suffered no headache or "other derangement." He was guarded by King William himself, or at any rate by a gentleman who tried to look as much like King William as Providence and the costumer would allow him to. He had a black wig and a three-cornered hat that saw service at the Boyne, a red coat from Derry, a waistcoat from Aughrim, pair of trousers from Enniskillen, and altogether was a picturesque escort for a good old Irish gentleman.

There was another gentleman with one of the most characteristic faces ever made in Ulster, who surpassed Mayor Kennedy's aide-de-camp, but that was not so much owing to the beauty of his costume as to the historical grandeur of his Galway whiskers.

All the Prominent Members on Parade.

There were a few prominent Orangemen who preferred to walk well rather than ride badly. E. F. Clarke, David Creighton and Dr. Nesbitt strode over the asphalt three abreast, behind the banner of McKinley Lodge. Frank Somers left his white horse at home this year, and Louis P. Kribs' Protestant countenance shone as he walked onward to defend the faith of his ancestors. Mr. Kribs is not Irish except in sympathy, but acted as the personal representative of his German compatriot, Martin Luther. W. D. Macpherson smiled his very best as he rode beside John McMillan. W. G. Murdoch and Potato King Barrett were mounted, too, and gracefully lifted their hats to passers-by. Castell Hopkins was there too, mounted also, with a brown riding suit. He divided honors with E. P. Roden, who carried the biggest bonquet that could be carried in one hand. In fact, one feels sure that King William would have had no regrets about having wet his feet to cross the Boyne had he known that the deed was destined to give all these gentlemen a chance to show the stuff they are made of.

Among the various lodges the greatest rivalry as to numbers and dress was manifested between 275 and 588. These lodges paid each other a fraternal visit on the grounds, and in the remarks of ex-Mayor Clarke and W. M. Jessiman of 275 and of Major Henderson of 588, this rivalry was jocularly referred to. The ex-mayor claimed his lodge had more plug hats than any other in the procession, while Major Henderson defended 588, by claiming that it had a larger membership, that plug hats didn't count, and that whether he wore a plug or a straw hat, "A man was a man for a' that!"

THE CRY WAS NO SURRENDER.

There Was No Uncertain Sound in the Orange Speeches.

There were no public speeches made to the Orangemen as a body, but the chief officers of each lodge, after a collation had been partaken of, gave brief addresses. These, for the most part, were of a congratulatory and local character, though in some instances, notably in that of Lodge McKinley, No. 275, the political situation was discussed. There was the old re-echo of "No surrender," in the latter addresses, which may be taken as fair specimens of the feeling of Toronto Orangeism on the recent doings at Ottawa.

Prejudice and Bigotry Rampant.

Mr. L. P. Kribs said he had just returned from Ottawa, where the bitterness of party strife had, during the past few days, been more intensified than he had ever seen before anywhere. Prejudice and bigotry had been dominant. It was a time and scene that made those who were Protestants, and especialy Orangemen, feel that their existence as an organization was fully justified in Canada.

He was not going to discuss Remedial Legislation, but he could say from what he saw in Ottawa, whence he had returned that morning, that the merits of the constitutional case in regard to Manitoba and her schools sank into insignificance compared with the unconstitutional action taken by the ministers of the Crown. (Cheers.)

Anti-French Domination Battle Cry.

I told them that if they persisted in that course Remedial Legislation might go by the board, but that anti-French domination would be the next war-cry throughout the country. Orangemen are not going to have French dictation. A great injustice was about to be done. The men who stopped that unconstitutional course were the Orange members of the House of Commons. (Cheers.) The were Protestant bulwarks on this occasion. It was through Orangeism that this injustice was prevented. (Renewed cheers.) Well, the cat came back—(loud laughter) — and peace and order have been restored.

I believe it was because we had Orangemen like the Prime Minister and the leader of the House of Commons that French domination has received a setback from which it will not recover for many long years. (Cheers.)

The Three Great Principles.

The old war-cry of the French Revolution is needed now—Liberty, Equality and Fraternity—full liberty to worship God according to the dictates of one's conscience; equality before the law, and nothing but equality; and fraternity; that all ranks and classes and creeds may act together as brothers for the common weal of the nation. If we maintain these three great principles we shall not be ruled by any minority, but truth and justice will prevail throughout the country, as we are thankful to know they do prevail in the Orange order.

An Old Warhorse.

Major Bennett, Past Grand Master of Ontario West, described himself as a man who would never hesitate to express his opinions on all occasions. The Orange order, he said, has the sympathy of the great Protestant body of Canada. What has been transpiring at Ottawa is the best justification for the existence of Orangeism. It has been shown to be a necessity. People of another province have been trying to induce the Government to act contrary to the general well-being of the Dominion. I believe they will do nothing of the kind. (Cheers.)

After giving an outline of the origin of Separate schools and the strenuous opposition they met with from the Orange order, the Major said the spirit of Orangeism had not changed; there was the same unalterable repugnance to such schools. "I never believed in Separate schools; I spoke and worked and voted against them, and I do not believe in them now." (Cheers.)

The Little Red Schoolhouse.

The Government ought to leave the little red schoolhouse alone in Manitoba. The cry should be "Hands off!" (Loud cheers.) I am sorry, continued the Major, that Sir Mackenzie Bowell has allowed the Government to get into such a discreditable position as to be dictated to by the Frenchmen of Quebec, but I believe the good sense and outspokenness of Orangemen will have weight with the Government, and that they will endorse the cry of "Hands off!"—(cheers)—and not have Separate schools forced, as it were, down the throats of the people of Manitoba, who have tried them and declare they do not want them. It is to the Orange lodges of this country that the people of Manitoba look to prevent this outrage.

Equal Rights for All.

Mr. E. F. Clarke, who was loudly cheered, said the great parade and its hearty reception showed that Toronto is preeminently a Protestant city. The principles on which Orangeism is founded are the principles which have built up the Dominion, and, in fact, the great British Empire, and made her foremost in the counsels of the world. Orangemen had no apology to make for their existence, or such a commemoration as that held every 12th of July. Orangeism is based on an open Bible, and it was the true duty of citizens to give every man, whatever his race or color, full civil and religious liberty.

An Insult to Manitoba.

Turning to the great question of the day in Canada, the ex-Mayor said: I think—and I believe everyone present will agree with me—that it is an insult to the Protestants of Manitoba to say that they are incapable of doing anything less than justice to the minority in that province. (Cheers.)

The people of Manitoba are the best judges of what is right in the premises. They have unmistakably expressed their opinion, and in that opinion they are fortified by the judgment of the highest court of the realm.

I believe that decision was just and right, and I say it is intolerable that any other province or the Government should interfere with the action of the Protestant majority of Manitoba, and seek to coerce them into establishing a system of schools which they believe to be inimical to the best interests of their province. (Cheers.)

No Interference by the Hierarchy.

The foundation principle of Orangeism is toleration, and it is intolerable in the highest degree that when a system of schools had been found rotten and inefficient, and had in consequence been wiped out of existence by the people of Manitoba in their wisdom and a better system established, in which the children of all creeds might obtain a fitting education to equip them for the battle of life, I repeat it is intolerable for the hierarchy of Rome to interfere and say, "We are going to throw up a barrier against the Government, and if we cannot have our own way we will desert the party which has done so much for Canada."

The time has come for us to call a halt in this matter, and for us to know on which side of the dividing line our representatives are on this question. (Cheers.)

True Now as Five Years Ago.

Mr. Clarke then re-asserted his adherence to the doctrine of equal rights, which he said he held as firmly now as five years ago. I say, with stentorian voice, leaving party aside, that we, as citizens of Toronto, as people of Canada, should re-affirm that there will be no interference, so far as Ontario is concerned, with the right of the people of Manitoba to decide what system of education is best in the interests of the province as a whole. I think this both fair and right.

Of all days in the year we should abjure any intolerance on the 12th of July. While admitting to our Roman Catholic fellow-citizens full civil and religious liberty, the time has come, in view of the events of the past few days, when the people of Ontario must insist that the Province of Quebec shall not interfere with this liberty, and that if the Government takes any other stand it must be turned out. (Loud cheers.)

The time is coming when the electors must exercise their franchise for liberty, equality, fraternity—for, in one word, equal rights.

It is scandalous to assert that because a minority of the people of Manitoba speak the French language, they shall be deprived of the privilege of a common school education. The Roman Catholic children of Manitoba can only enjoy the great privileges of national education by being educated side by side with our children.

Provincial Rights.

Stand by Manitoba in the position she has taken, and protest against any special privileges for that or any other province. (Cheers.)

If Manitoba is to be coerced, the result will be disastrous to Confederation, and will retard the progress of this great country.

In no other country could the spectacle be seen of three or four men belonging to a separate province withdrawing themselves from a Government because their compatriots are not to be given special privileges.

Show by your votes at the next election that you will not support any member who would give special rights to any minority. Stand by equal rights.

Protestants ask no privileges they are not prepared to grant to others. We have no right to give to a minority privileges which are denied to us.

In conclusion Mr. Clarke said that if the harmony prevailing in Lodge 275 should characterize every other lodge in Ontario, they would at the next election emphatically protest against an alien church which sought special rights and privileges for a minority which the majority did not enjoy.

Other speakers followed in this and other lodges in the same strain. There was an unmistakeable sound of "No surrender" in the speeches and quite a revival of the Equal Rights cry.

THE SPORTS.

List of Prize-Winners in the Various Events.

The races, which were run at the Exhibition grounds under great difficulties, owing to the rain, resulted as follows:

One mile novice, bicycle race—E. Wills, T.B.C., 1; H. E. P. Humphrey, R.C.B.C., 2; M. Boake, Toronto B.C., 3. Also started: J. Tucker, A. Ling, J. Phillips, A. Barrett, C. J. Meehan, F. Rutland and L. H. Bounsall.

100 yards foot race—James Boddy 1, R. W. Harrison 2, J. A. Graham 3.

One mile bicycle race, Class B—W. R. McIntosh, W.B.C., 1; R. E. McCall, T.B.C., 2; S. H. Gibbons, R.C.B.C., 3. Owing to the time not being made within the limit the race was declared off.

One-half mile foot race—G. W. Orton 1, R. Campbell 2. Time 2.01 1-2. This was a grand race, Orton winning in this fast time on a bad track. Also started: G. M. Smith, H. Urquhart, J. Little and George White.

Two mile handicap bicycle race—Cecil Elliott, R.B.C., 1; A. H. Reid, 75 yards, Q.C.B.C., 2; W. Crowley, 75 yards, W. B.C., 3. Also started: E. J. P. Smith, C. F. Heebner, L. H. Bounsall, J. Gardner, E. Wills, S. Young, H. Thompson, J. Smith, T. Coomber, A. Lane, F. Dalton, J. Bennett and J. Phillips.

75 yards lace boot race, boys under 14 years—Harry Heal 1, J. Brown 2, C. Anderson 3.

Half mile bicycle race, class B—Alf. Young, W.B.C., 1; S. H. Gibbons, R.C.B.C., 2; also started: T. B. McCarthy, A.C.C., William McIntosh, W.B.C.; R. E. McCall, T.B.C.; J. Gratz, R.C.C.; F. Young, W.B.; C. Time 1.19.

100 yds. foot race, open to masters of primary superior ledges—H. Atkinson, 1084, 1; R. Watson, 342, 2; W. Selby, 621, 3. Also started: R. Copeland, 39; E. W. Ransall, 778; G. White, 154; P. Fobert, 4; S. Braybon, 657; James King, 506.

Open to Orangemen and members of the junior associations in good standing—F. Dalton, 800, 1; J. Phillips, 142, 2; Also started: H. Bible, 127; H. Fitzpatrick, 954; D. McCracken, 154; J. Smith, 404.

Owing to the severity of the weather the balance of the races will be run off at Hanlan's Point at an early date, to be decided upon by the Racing Committee.

Sacred Music at Hanlan's.

Program of sacred music to be rendered by Mr. Griffin's band at Hanlan's Point, Sunday, 14th inst.:

Afternoon, from 3 to 5.—Grand processional march, "San Salvatore," P.H. Baker; grand choral, "Praise the Lord," Mendelssohn; chorus, "Thy Wonderful Creation," Haydn; selection, "Recollections of Handel," Winterbottom; song, "For the Sake of the Past," Hattei; chorus, "Hallelujah," Handel; song, "Farewell," Adams; religious melody, adapted to Bach's first prelude, Gounod. (Interval.) Sacred song, "The Souls Awakening," Haddock; song, "Sognai," Schira; song, "Thoughts and Tears," Hope Temple.

Evening from 7.30 to 9.30.—March, sacred, "Gloria," Haigh; song, "The Holy City," Adams; song, "The Silver Path," Bevan; fantasia, "Mendelssohn," Wheately; prayer, Himmel; song, "By the Fountains," Adams; fantasia, Haydn, Wheately. (Interval.) Ode to Pope Pius, Rossini; song, "Ave Verum," Mozart; grand march, "Saint Saviour," Baker.

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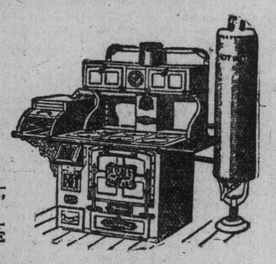

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