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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Made to be Broken Some Say —Here's Hoping They Are Mistaken.

New Year's resolutions are now the order of the day. Some claim that they are like pie crusts—made to be broken—but at any rate they are made every year and a Whig representative will give a number of them for what they are worth, and it is to be hoped that they will pan out all right.

Convicts at the Penitentiary—Resolved, that we will be good during the new year, make no attacks on any of the officials and not try to escape.

Portsmouth Philosopher—That providing Reeve Halliday and his colleagues do another good year's work, he will do all in his power to put them back for still another year.

Citizens in general—That they will shovel the snow off their sidewalk and save a fine in Magistrate Farrell's court.

Citizens who voted against day-light saving—That we will do our best to turn out of bed an hour earlier, and keep up-to-date.

Newly-elected aldermen—That we will work for the best interests of the city and do our best to "knock the knockers."

The defeated candidates—To continue to be good citizens and work for Kingston, though not privileged to sit around the horseshoe in the council chamber.

Reckless auto drivers—To do their very best to avoid accidents during the year.

Shopkeepers of Kingston—To give the people the benefit of the lowest prices possible.

The bootleggers—To "carry on" as usual, providing the "cops" do not catch us in their nets.

Movie picture managers—To give the fans the very best that money can buy.

Kingston hockey teams—To grab all the silverware that is put up for competition.

Kingston newshoys—Resolved, that we will not miss one customer during the year 1921.

R. J. Bushell—That I will work every day of the year to make the fair this year the best ever.

Sir Henry Drayton—That I will do all I can to help Kingston and meet the wishes of the hundred and one who made requests of me.

FEATURES AT THE GRAND

Eugene O'Brien and Alice Joyce in Two Absorbing Films.
One of the strongest motion picture offerings witnessed here is at the Grand Opera House for the first three days of this week, and Monday night a large audience witnessed the bill. The Grand's orchestra was also a feature, and played delightful melodies throughout. Alice Joyce appears in "Dollars and the Woman," an intensive story of domestic life. This production is full of thrills. Miss Joyce has never appeared to better advantage than in this story of how a girl chose the man she loved instead of money, and how she successfully met all conditions and some misfortunes. Eugene O'Brien in "The Figurehead" plays the part of a wealthy young man thrust into a contest. Instead of being the figurehead, as had been planned, he develops into a forceful fighter, and with the help of the wealthy girl he loves, he defeats the man who would be political boss. This picture is also intensely interesting. The ball scene, depicting a fist fight between the two candidates on the platform, and mounted police riding through the crowd, is thrilling.

The same offerings will be shown again at the Grand, to-night and on Wednesday.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Pettem, Lyn, when their eldest daughter Leila Grace, became the bride of James Anderson, Bersford, Minn.

FIRST REAL ESTATE DEAL

Land Was Sold In Toronto In the Year 1797.
Toronto's first real estate deal dates back nearly a century and a quarter to the year 1797.

Four years before that time Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe was coasting along the northern shore of Lake Ontario, seeking a site for a capital for the Upper Province. He already had his capital at Newark, now known as Niagara, but as he did not want to have the business of governing interrupted by the possibility of having to blow the American fort across the water to pieces, he set out to search for a new site. He almost selected the place where London, Ont., is now, but one day he sailed into a landlocked harbor. The site at first glance was not promising. It was largely a desolate marsh, from which the smoke of a few wigwags rose. In an old manuscript map, drawn between 1760 and 1797, a cluster of wigwags is shown with the words appended: "Toronto, an Indian village now deserted."

Toronto in the Huron language was a "place of meeting," and the convenience of the site that recommended it to the noble Red Man, the best place for his chataqua in the day of his power commended itself to the far-seeing governor. So the place of meeting deserted by the braves was adopted by the palefaces, and Toronto, or York, as it was first named, came into being, quietly and modestly and without any indication of its present greatness.

Simcoe arrived in Toronto Bay in May, 1793, and by August the guns on shore and in the harbor had proclaimed the formal inauguration of the new capital.

Things were soon in order for the real estate agent, but for a year or two this worthy had a rather lean time. It was not until 1797 that a land deal took place. The interval had been occupied in the more or less (generally less) delicate task of persuading the aboriginal inhabitants that their comfort and happiness would be ensured for all time if the palefaces held the title deeds to their lands. The negotiation having been completed, the settlement was divided between the newcomers. Land on each side of what became Yonge street was granted to actual settlers on condition that they performed the usual settlement duties, such as building a house, clearing part of the land, and making a road across or in front of each lot.

A large part of the district was divided into eight substantial lots stretching from the Don to Yonge street. Lot No. 3 with a frontage of 550 feet on Queen and bounded by Yonge as far as Bloor became the property by crown patent of George Playter and his wife, Elizabeth.

Probably because they found so much undeveloped land on their hands a burden, the Playters decided to get rid of part of it. Accordingly on July 1, 1797, George Playter and his spouse released to John, McGill Esq., a portion of forty acres of the sub-section embraced that part of the city now bounded by Yonge, Gerrard, Mutual and Queen.

The transaction was the first real estate deal in Toronto. John McGill paid \$211 for the land, one block of which is said to be worth \$1,000,000 to-day. The documents were drawn up by Thomas Rideout, the founder of the well-known family of that name. One of the witnesses was John Denison, grandfather of the city's chief magistrate.

An Historic Cemetery Reclaimed.
The Niagara-on-the-lake correspondent of the St. Catharines Standard has furnished his paper with an interesting account of the reclamation work done at Butler's Burying Ground. Until recently this historic spot, sacred to many families, was a bore a worthy part in the war of 1812-14, was badly neglected. The grave stones were in disorder and the whole place overgrown with weeds—a dismal spot by its very existence seemed to rebuke an ungrateful country.

Butler's Burying Ground was so-called after the Col. Butler who raised "Butler's Rangers," one of the most famous regiments on the British side in the hundred-year-old war with the United States. Time after time the Niagara Historical Society, of which Miss Janet Carnochan is the head, endeavored to procure action on the part of the Government, looking to the restoration of the burying grounds. A few years ago the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commission went so far as to inclose the graves with a fence. About a year ago, the commission, of which Mr. P. W. Ellis is the vigorous and aggressive chairman, decided to take this ancient cemetery in hand and put it in decent condition. Capt. Jas. R. Bond, assistant superintendent of the Park Commission, visited the scene and laid out his plans for the work of reclamation.

With the skill of a landscape gardener, Capt. Bond has converted the little cemetery into a pretty, well-kept park, with smooth greenward, neatly gravelled paths, concrete seats for the use of visitors, and

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GUARD HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT.
Photo shows a police launch patrolling the Thames in front of the British Houses of Parliament against a possible Sinn Fein attack.

On Dec. 29th an event of unusual interest took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. May, Sidney town, when the marriage of their daughter, Myrtle Marie, to George Lorne Sharpe, took place.

Mrs. Mary Burke, widow of the late James Burke, passed away Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wesley Merritt, Belleville. Deceased was sixty-six years of age and was born in Madoc.

TWICE TOLD TALES

News of Kingston

TEN YEARS AGO.

Kingston starts away this year with "Christy" Graham as mayor. The council lines up—W. J. Fair, R. Hanley, R. H. Toye, T. F. Harrison, R. E. Kent, T. J. Kigney, John Carson, R. F. Elliott, D. A. Ghens, J. J. Hart, A. W. McCarthy, R. Fraser, P. J. Hoag, J. S. R. McCann, A. E. Ross, R. Armstrong, W. Clugston, D. Couper, S. R. Bailey, J. W. Litton, A. Shaw.

R. J. Baiden was elected reeve of Portsmouth with a majority of 14.

A. M. Rankin was elected reeve of Kingston township with a majority of 105.

Queen's has lost one of its greatest hockeyists in Dobson, who has been forced to return home on business matters.

Professor John Watson has returned from Glasgow, where he delivered the Gifford lectures in the university.

Junior Frontenacs, world's amateur junior champions, are away to a flying start this year.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

Robert Stevenson, late of McKelvey & Birch, has accepted the foremanship of Bennett's tin shop, Gananoque.

R. Waldron, Jr., has left for England on a business trip.

It is announced in the world of fashion that the bustle has come into vogue once more.

There was a public installation of the officers of Courts Frontenac and Collin's Bay, I. O. F., in the City Hall last night with one of the largest audiences ever in the hall.

Julia Stuart, the young English actress, is returning to Kingston for another engagement. She is very popular here.

Queen's hockey team is still winning games in Pittsburgh, Pa. The Americans look on them as marvels at the game.

Hon. George A. Kirkpatrick is visiting in the city. He has been mentioned once more as a conservative candidate for the dominion house.