

Peace Thanksgiving Holiday
LONDON, ONT.
JULY 19th, 1919

Programme

OF

PEACE HOLIDAY

AND

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

JULY 19th, 1919 at 10.30 a.m.

The Great War broke out on July 24th, 1914. Bulgaria surrendered, unconditionally.

Sept. 30th, 1918.

Turkey surrendered, unconditionally, October 30th, 1918.

Austria surrendered, unconditionally, November 3rd, 1918.

Germany signed an armistice on November 11th, 1918.

Germany signed the Treaty June 28th, 1919.

"The World is made safe for Democracy."

"He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; He breaketh the bow and cutteth the spear in sunder; He burneth the chariot in the fire." Psalm 46, v. 9.

His Excellency The Governor-General's Proclamation.

HEREAS it seems to us fitting that a day should be set apart as a public holiday and a day of general thanksgiving for the victories that have been won by the allied armies in the war against the central powers of Europe and for the treaty of peace signed by the contending nations, in-

volving a general surrender by the enemy.

"Now know ye that we, by and with the advice of our Privy Council for Canada, have thought fit to appoint and do appoint Saturday, the nineteenth day of July, in this present year, to be observed throughout our Dominion of Canada as a public holiday and a day of general thanksgiving for the victories won by the allied armies in the war against the central powers of Europe and for the treaty of peace signed by the contending nations, involving a general surrender by the enemy.

"And we do invite all our loving subjects throughout Canada to set apart the said day for this purpose.

"Of all which our loving subjects and all others whom these presents may concern are hereby required to take notice and to govern themselves accordingly."

PROGRAMME

1.—SACRED CONCERT.

2.—Doxology.

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

3.—PRAYER.

A LMIGHTY GOD, our heavenly Father, who hath made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, we especially desire to thank Thee to-day for the great boon of peace once more restored to our empire and the world. We praise Thee for all that Thou has done for us during the war; for strength and endurance, courage and heroism in the conflict; for support, comfort and faith in dark and trying

days of uncertainty and adversity; for unity among ourselves and with our allies; for chivalry and honor in victory.

And now, O Lord, the victory is Thine. Thou alone hast saved us from the hands of our enemies, bringing into alliance those who fought with us, and justifying our cause in the conscience of mankind; granting to our leaders wisdom, and to our generals strategical skill, thus bringing to confusion the designs of those who fought against us.

We pray Thee that we as a people may show ourselves worthy of these great blessings, and of the many sacrifices made on our behalf, and that we may reveal our gratitude by a more complete submission to Thy holy will, and a greater determination to walk evermore in humble dependence upon Thee, and with greater love and devotion to our fellowmen.

We pray Thee to bless this great Empire to which we belong. May our King and all his councilors throughout these wide dominions be endued with heavenly wisdom, and may only such counsels prevail as shall redown to Thy glory, promoting the well-being of all who dwell in these dominions and the peace of all the world.

Pardon, we beseech Thee, all our sins. Deliver us from every form of vice and error. Enrich us in heavenly virtues, and as Thou hast honored us with great power, make us more than ever conscious of our responsibilities and obligations to all mankind, and enable us by Thy grace to fulfil the same.

Biess, we pray Thee, all who through this war are suffering bereavement and sorrow. May they, through their sorrows, enter into fellowship with Thee, Thou Man of Sorrows, and through the victory of that fellowship, may they be given beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.

And now, O God, may peace be established for evermore throughout all the world. To this end, bless all the nations of the earth, healing the wounds of war, and hastening the hour when the kingdom of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, in whose name we present these our petitions.—Amen.

4.—Hymn—"All people that on earth do dwell."

"All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, His praise forth
tell.

Come ye before Him and rejoice.
The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
Without our aid He did us make:
We are His flock, he doth us feed;
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise, Approach with joy His courts unto; Praise, laud and bless His name always; For it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good; His mercy is for ever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood; And shall from age to age endure. 5.—Address.

6.—HYMN—"O God our help in ages past."

O God our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come; Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same. A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its sons away; They fly forgotten, as a dream, Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come; Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our eternal home.

7.—HYMN—"God Save the King."

God save our gracious King, Long live our noble King, God save the King; Send Him victorious, Happy and glorious, Long to reign over us; God save the King. God save our splendid men, Send them safe home again, God save our men; Make them victorious, Patient and chivalrous, They are so dear to us, God save our men.

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8.—SACRED CONCERT.

1 - March

VICTORIA PARK

Chairman—His Worship Mayor Somerville.

Speakers—Rev. W. E. Pescott and Rev. Dr. Sage.

Band—Seventh Fusiliers, under Bandmaster Slatter, will render—

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2	-Overture	
3.—	-Chorus, "Hallelujah"	
4.—	-Fantasia, Sounds from England	

5 .- "Hark! the Bonnie Christ Church Bells."

6.—Intermezza, "Let us have Peace."......

THE CHOIR WILL BE LED BY MR. CHAS. WHEELER.

QUEEN'S PARK

Chairman—Ald. E. S. Little.

Speakers—Revs. N. S. McKechnie and B. Snell.

Band—The Hussars Band, under Bandmaster Pocock, will render—

1March, "Steadfast and	True''	Taike
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- 3. Medley, "Jack and Tommy Tunes" .. S. Gordon

- 6.—Intermezza, "Heart's Ease".......Alan Macbeth
- 8.—Descriptive Piece, "Allies in Camp" Engleman

GOD SAVE THE KING.

THE CHOIR WILL BE LED BY MR. MORRIS.

THAMES PARK

Chairman-Ald. L. S. Holmes.

Speakers—Rev. W. L. Armitage and W. S. Wright.

Band—The Marconi Band, under the leadership of Prof. Venuta, will render—

1.—Reggina	Angelorum	Montanari
2 -Ave Mar	ia Religious March	Gound

- 5.—Perfect Day Waltz.....

THE CHOIR WILL BE LED BY REV. G. Q. WARNER.

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