

C. W. BENNETT SELLS INTERESTS IN BIG VAUDEVILLE CIRCUIT

Resigns His Position as
General Manager of
Canadian Houses.

CLARK BROWN HIS SUCCESSOR

Mr. Bennett Will Not Make a
Statement in Regard to
the Move.

It was announced today that Mr. C. W. Bennett has resigned his position as general manager of the Bennett Theatrical Enterprises, and has disposed of his large financial interests in the company. He will be succeeded by Mr. Clark Brown, at present in charge of the booking offices in New York. Mr. Bennett, who has been appointed assistant general manager, with control of the theatres in Canada. The changes take place at once.

A Great Surprise.
The news of Mr. Bennett's resignation will come as a surprise to the theatrical public of the various Canadian cities and towns where his name has become almost a household word, and also to the theatrical profession the world over, among whom he is well known, and to Londoners in particular on account of his popularity here.

Mr. Bennett was seen by The Advertiser in his office in the Bank of Toronto chambers, and upon being asked regarding the cause of his move stated that it was a personal matter involving a business move, and that he had plans of his own in which the public would not be interested, and these being private, he did not wish to discuss them.

Will Take a Vacation.
Upon being questioned further he would say nothing except that he was going to take a well earned vacation as soon as he could put his own personal business and the company's business in order. As soon as he has completed he will visit his aged mother in the west, and attend a family reunion there, and then continue on to the Seattle Exposition, returning via California. Mr. Bennett may then take a European trip before going ahead with his other plans.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON AND IRISH PICNIC

Offers Twenty Prizes for Non-Winners in the Baby Show.

President E. J. Ryan of the Irish Benevolent Society has received many more offers of prizes for the annual picnic, which is to be held at Port Stanley, Thursday, Aug. 12.

Past President Denis Mason has given a valuable silver cup, which will be presented to the winner of the baby show. A number of prizes have been donated by Dr. Becher for genuine Irish songs at the banquet in the evening, and the band committee has made an arrangement, whereby nothing but Irish music will be played on the grounds during the day.

A letter has been received from Sir Thomas Lipton, an enthusiastic Irishman, offering twenty prizes for non-winners of the baby show, and every baby entered will receive a handsome trophy.

DEATH CAME QUICK TO JOHN COCHRANE

Overcome With Illness, He Dies as
He Reaches Hospital.

Death came most unexpectedly shortly after 11 o'clock this morning to John Cochrane, a young man who for some years has made his home with Ald. Fitzgerald. This morning shortly after 10 o'clock Cochrane was attacked by a hemorrhage. The city ambulance was called and he was hurried to Victoria Hospital. On the way he had another hemorrhage, and died just as he was being placed in one of the beds. Cochrane's parents are dead and he had made his home with Ald. Fitzgerald ever since he had been an orphan. He came originally from St. Thomas and was 19 years old. The funeral will probably be held on Friday morning at St. Peter's cemetery.

The deceased was employed by Beaudette brothers and is survived by his grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Evans, of 5 Henry street, and two sisters, Mary and Maud, also of Henry street.

THORNER TAKEN TO THE ASYLUM

John Thorner, the young English giant who was committed to the asylum the other day, charged with being dangerous to be at large, was transferred to that institution early this morning. He has eaten nothing since his arrest a week ago, and is very weak. He has ceased to be violent and the doctors believe that a few weeks in the institution will be sufficient to effect a cure.

FRENCH TREATY PASSES THE SENATE

The Commercial Arrangements
by Which Canada Gets
Minimum Tariff Is
Approved.

CANADA STILL TO ACT

Treaty Has To Be Approved by the
Parliament at Ottawa Next
Session.

Ottawa, July 13.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has received a cable from Paris announcing that the French chamber of deputies and senate have finally passed the Franco-Canadian trade treaty. The cable from Mr. A. Pomdron, the Canadian trade agent in Paris, reads:

"Treaty voted this morning without division. All parliamentary stages required before ratification now fully accomplished on this side."

The treaty, however, cannot come into effect until the sub-convention negotiated by Hon. W. S. Fielding last January has been ratified by the Canadian parliament. This will be done early next session, if the amendments made in Paris are acceptable.

BOY BREAKS AN ARM AND NEARLY DROWNS

Comrades Jump in and Land
Him Just in the Nick
of Time.

George Stephenson, son of Mrs. I. Stephenson, of 551 Colborne street, had a close call from being drowned while swimming above Dexter's dam last evening. Young Stephenson had just taken a dive when he struck a stone heavily, with the result that his arm was broken. He was dazed by the force of the blow, and was unable to swim for a few minutes, and was being carried down the stream, when some other boys who were with him jumped in, and after considerable difficulty succeeded in locating him and pulling him to a place of safety. He was taken home and Dr. Thompson was called and dressed the broken arm. The boy will be around again all right in a short time.

GREAT CROWD GATHERS TO SEE THAW'S WIFE

May Be Compelled to Tell If
Harry Threatened to
Kill Her.

White Plains, N. Y., July 14.—The promised reappearance of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw as a witness served to fill the supreme court room here long before the resumption today of the inquiry into Harry K. Thaw's mental condition before Justice Mills. When court opened, the state's case which had been interrupted by the testimony of the plaintiffs yesterday, resumed its proceedings. The state's case today consisted of the testimony of the plaintiffs who had expressed their belief in Thaw's insanity. The state's representatives declared today that they had found good legal proof by studying the case over night, to show that the conversation between Thaw and his wife in Matteawan Asylum, in which the state contends he threatened to kill her, was not privileged. Justice Mills ruled yesterday that if this should be shown by the state, he would instruct Mrs. Thaw to answer Deputy Attorney-General Clark's questions in regard to the threat which were blocked yesterday by the objections of Thaw's counsel that the conversation was confidential and privileged.

The district attorney said that Mrs. Thaw would be recalled at the afternoon session. It was said today that Justice Mills would adjourn court this afternoon in order to allow Drs. Flint and Macdonald, the state's alienists, to make a physical examination of Thaw in the White Plains jail.

LITTLE FOXTERRIER MADE THINGS LIVELY

Acted as If Were Mad But 'Twas Only
Distemper.

People living in the vicinity of King and Rectory streets are still suffering from a bad fright as the result of a mad dog scare a couple of days ago. A small foxterrier which was following a man along King street quietly, suddenly took a notion to run and yelp, and pedestrians, thinking the animal was mad, beat a hasty retreat. The dog held between the doors while the owner secured a box with an open end.

He arranged a hinged door in the end, and capturing the dog, carried him down the street. Many people were watching the scene, and the dog was mad, but it appears that he was merely suffering from distemper.

CANAL BREAK MENDED.
Port Dalhousie, July 14.—The break in the Welland Canal, caused by the washout at the waste weir of lock 19 Monday morning, was finally repaired at 2 o'clock last night, and the boats started to lock at once. There is a very large fleet in the canal, bound upwards and downwards.

ADVERTISER LADIES AT SHAKESPEARE'S HOME

Seeing the Sights in the Home
Town of the Bard of Avon
—All Are Well.

(Special Cable to The Advertiser.)
Stratford-on-Avon, July 14.—The Advertiser European Travel Club spent last night in Warwick. Today they are visiting the Shakespearean country and are enjoying to the full its historic associations. The weather is beautiful and the party are all well.

A GALLANT RESCUE FROM AWFUL DEATH

Life of Little One Was in Great
Peril, But Friends Were
on Hand.

There was an interesting fight in the rear of the store at 115 Dundas street this morning, when a good-sized kitten captured a fledgling sparrow just learning to fly. As soon as the kitten caught the bird the old ones made a terrific attack on it, pecking it ferociously about the head and eyes. The kitten was finally forced to relinquish its hold on the little bird and let it fall. It was apparently not badly injured as it flew to a place of safety and the old birds went with it.

A PRIZEFIGHTER FROM TOLEDO WAS DRUGGED AND ROBBED

Frank Earn Found Unconscious Near the C. P. R. Station—He
Relates Story of Meeting With a Stranger Who Gave
Him Knockout Drops.

What is apparently one of the most daring robberies in this city for some time came to light last night as a result of the finding of Frank Earn, a young prizefighter, beside the railway tracks near the C. P. R. depot. Earn's pockets were turned inside out, and he is plainly suffering from the effects of having been drugged. At the present time he is in Victoria Hospital in a very critical condition, but it is expected that he will recover.

Earn's Story.
According to Earn's story he left home yesterday to go to Montreal to fill an engagement, and met with a young man named George M. Miller. Miller proposed that they get off the train and spend the afternoon in London and (Continued on Page Nine.)

WOODSTOCK BANK CLERK WAS ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

Harry Campbell Jumps From
Auto and Lands on Head
With Fatal Results.

Woodstock, July 14.—Harry Campbell, of the Molsons Bank staff, while returning from a football match at Shakespeare, in an automobile last evening, was killed. An accident happened to the car yesterday morning at 5 o'clock, when Campbell jumped off, landing heavily on his head. He died without regaining consciousness. Campbell's uncle, Beverly Ingersoll, was killed at Woodstock in a toboggan accident 25 years ago.

CONTINUOUS FIGHTING AT SHAH'S CAPITAL

Nationalists Cornered in Garden.
Being Shelled by the
Cossacks.

Teheran, July 14.—The firing in the streets of Teheran that has been going on more or less consistently since the Nationalist forces made their entry into the capital yesterday morning at 5 o'clock, became more serious at midnight last night, when the Persian Cossacks opened fire on the Nationalists, who at that hour attempted to rush the Cossacks' position from the north and east. The Nationalists succeeded in occupying a garden close to the house of Col. Liakhoff, the military commander of Teheran, where they are now being shelled by the Cossacks.

Rifle and artillery fire has been practically continuous since yesterday morning. Soldiers of the Shah from Sultanabad have approached to within three miles of the city, and are now shelling Bakari-istan, the quarter of the city where the Parliament building is situated. It is reported this morning that the Shah's troops are endeavoring to enter the city by one of the northern gates. Sipahdars and Sadrans, the Nationalist leaders, have transmitted the following message to the British and Russian diplomatic representatives: "In spite of the fact that the Russian flag is flying over the house of Liakhoff, National forces are being fired on by Persian Cossacks stationed under the roof of this house."

INGERSOLL BOY OF ROVING SPIRIT

For Second Time Wanders Away
From Home and Cannot Be
Located.

Ellis No. man, the son of Mr. John Norman of Ingersoll, is causing his father a good deal of anxiety. Young Norman is of a roving disposition, and on June 28 he started out to see the world. Since then only the vaguest rumors have been received as to his whereabouts. Mrs. Norman is very much upset over the occurrence and the anxiety threatens to endanger her health.

Once before, early in the spring, Young Norman ran away, but was found before he had been away any length of time. When last seen he was wearing a brown coat and light grey trousers, and brown peaked cap. He is of medium height and fair complexion.

GARBAGE SYSTEM FOR ABOUT \$30,000

Special Committee Made Report
on the Subject to Board
of Health.

REPORT SENT TO COUNCIL

Carling's Creek Again to the Fore—
Will Have To Be Cleaned by
the Board.

At the regular meeting of the board of health held yesterday afternoon the special committee appointed to take up the question of a garbage system reported that in their opinion an incinerator was the best method of disposing of garbage. It was estimated that a suitable system could be installed for \$30,000, the charges amounting to \$15,000 per annum. The report which was ordered sent to the council, was as follows:

The Report.
London, July 13, 1909.
Your committee on the disposal of the garbage for the city of London begs to submit a large amount of correspondence from different parts of Canada and the United States, and a report of a visit of Mr. Clark and myself to two large American cities. In some cities it is collected by contract and sold for feed to hogs, but in most cases this has proven unsatisfactory and dangerous from a health standpoint.

In all places it is collected and placed on low waste land. This also appears to be very unsatisfactory, and only putting off trouble that will be bound to result in the near future.

Collections Reduced.
Most large American cities have it collected by the municipality, and then turned over to a reduction company, who take it some miles from the city and put it through a reducing process in a plant they establish themselves, at no expense to the city, the company getting their revenue from the results. Grease is the principal source of revenue. In this system the city has only the expense of collection and putting on cars at one contrivance point, the company handling it then for what they make out of it. This is the system now used in Detroit, but it appears that they handle straight garbage, not ashes or refuse. We have been informed by the reduction company of Detroit, and by other reliable persons that you must have a city of at least 150,000 population before it is worth the cost.

ASLEEP IN HIS BUGGY FIGHTS WHEN ARRESTED

Waxes Jovial in Court Room
and Draws a Hot Reprimand
From Magistrate.

Shortly after 3 o'clock this morning while P. C. McCullough was on duty on King street, near Talbot, he was surprised to notice a horse and buggy apparently wound around a telegraph pole. Upon investigating more closely the officer discovered that the buggy had struck the pole and that the horse had turned round so as to cram the buggy closely against it. Sleeping calmly on the seat, and entirely unconscious of his predicament, was James Greese, a young man who has occasionally appeared in court. P. C. McCullough shook him repeatedly, but as Greese was dead to the world, the officer got in and drove to the police station. On the way Greese awakened, and was quite lively when P. C. McCullough tried to get him out. He kicked and fought at a great rate, and finally assistance had to be secured. In the struggle, P. C. McCullough's trousers were badly torn and his knee cut and bruised. In court this morning, Greese said he had been drinking some, but did not think he was very drunk.

There was an amusing scene when he tried to give the court an exhibition of his popularity with the police officers.

"Why," he said, "they often come up and give me a slap on the back just like this," and he gave Sergeant Birrell, who was standing beside him a terrific wallop on the back.

"Take your hands off," said the magistrate sternly. "Don't you dare lay your hands on an officer in this court. You are the most impudent fellow who ever came before me. I have a good notion to charge you with assaulting an officer."

Greese said he had overdone it, and said he was sorry, and would willingly pay the cost of having the trousers repaired, and any other costs. "I will fine you \$20, or 21 days," said the court.

DURHAM BOWLERS ORGANIZE.

Durham, July 14.—The Durham Bowling Club was organized last night with these officers: Hon. president, D. T. McClocken; president, James Ireland; vice-president, J. P. Teiferd; secretary, W. P. Rolph; executive committee, N. P. McIntyre, H. H. Moekler, Dr. Pickering, Dr. Grant and Will Lauder.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR.
FORECASTS.
Toronto, July 14—4 a.m. —
Light, variable winds; fair and moderately warm on and on Thursday.

TEMPERATURES.
Stations. Max. Min. Weather.
London 71 44 Clear
Montreal 66 44 Fair
Winnipeg 58 44 Cloudy
Port Arthur 58 44 Fair
Perry Sound 58 44 Clear
Toronto 70 54 Cloudy
Victoria 66 44 Fair
Quebec 68 44 Clear
Father Point 68 44 Fair

WEATHER NOTES.
The eastern low area is moving across the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and another in Manitoba, while over the Great Lakes and in the far west the pressure is comparatively high.

The weather is fine and moderately warm from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, and cool and showery in the Western Provinces.

LONDON WILL ENDEAVOR TO MEET HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMMISSION



HON. W. S. FIELDING.
Canada's Minister of Finance, to whom is due the credit for securing a new commercial treaty with France that is highly advantageous to the Dominion.

WILL TRY AGAIN TO HAVE THE CREEK TILED

Carling Creek Matter Will Once
More Be Before Board
of Health.

Another effort will be made to tile Carling Creek by the board of health. For some years this has been one of the pet subjects of that body, but so far it has never got further than the agitation stage.

Whether or not it will amount to anything more remains to be seen. Dr. Niven has kept up a continuous agitation to have this creek tiled, and it is possible that he may succeed on this occasion.

The property owners with the exception of two or three are in favor of the move, and it is likely to succeed. "We should go ahead with the work," said R. A. Carrothers. "His drain should be tiled, and the sooner we take it into our own hands to do so the better."

LOTS FOR SALE TO PAY FOR THE TAXES

A number of lots that were offered for sale to pay for taxes on the 23rd of June and found no purchasers were again put up at auction at 12 o'clock this morning.

The first lot offered was the west end of the north half of lot 26, London Township, known as the Redmond swamp. The lot amounts to 50 acres, and is in arrears \$1,428.83. The township reserved the right to bid in this land if it was deemed advisable. The highest open bid was \$250. Deputy Reeve Brooks, who acted for the township, bid the land in for the amount of the taxes standing against it.

Lot 84 on Main street, Albia Craig, which has \$78.11 standing against it, was sold for \$25 to John Mullin, of Albia Craig. Lot 35 and 36, against each of which \$21 unpaid taxes were registered, were both sold to John Mullin for \$13 and \$12.50 respectively.

Lot 67, Glencoe, against which there was \$15.56 standing, was sold to Henry Macklin, of this city, for \$1, and lot 68 of the same place was also procured by Mr. Macklin for \$2.

DEFECTIVE BRAKE DITCHED A TRAIN

Orangeville, Ont., July 13.—When the evening C. P. R. train from Toronto to Owen Sound ran off the track near Albion last night, five men, besides Mail Clerk Jones, were hurt. Mr. Brandenburg, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, Arthur, Ont., was severely injured internally. The news agent had his side injured. The baggage master had a leg hurt and two Italian laborers were injured.

Several ladies suffered from shock. A defective brake is supposed to have been the cause of the run-off.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

June 13.—At New York—United States, from Copenhagen; Potsdam, from Rotterdam; Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from Bremen; Alice, from Trieste; Cammania, from Liverpool; Furnessia, from Glasgow; Friedrich der Grosse, from Bremen; Patria, from Piraeus.

At Quebec—Fretorian, from Glasgow. At Halifax—Mongolian, from Glasgow. At Plymouth—Oceanic, from New York. At Hamburg—Wilhelms, from Montreal. At Gibraltar—Romania, from Boston. At Christiansand—Oscar II., from New York.

At Queenstown—Lucania, from New York. At Trieste—Martha Washington, from New York.

At Genoa—Abruzzi, from New York. At Bologna—Italia, from New York. At Marseilles—Venezia, from New York. At Glasgow—Siberian, from Philadelphia.

At Bremen—Kron Prinz Wilhelm, from New York. At Cape Race—Laurentic, from Liverpool.

Montreal, July 14.—Steamship Mount Royal docked at 5:30, and landed passengers at 6:30 this morning at Quebec.

At Hong Kong at 2:30 p.m. today. Quebec, Que., July 14.—R. M. S. Victoria, Allen Line, from Liverpool, for Quebec and Montreal, inward, 150 miles east of Cape Race, Nfld., at 6:30 a.m. today.

FIRE AT WELLAND.
Welland, July 14.—About 5 o'clock this morning fire did about \$300 damage to Otto Thies' shoe store, and William North's cigar store. The building is owned by Robert Cooper. The firemen did good work preventing further loss.

For Purpose of Talking
Over the Entire Power
Question to Date.

CITY JEALOUS OF HAMILTON

Alleged Special Privileges That
Place Is Receiving Worries
the City Fathers of
London.

At a meeting of the special power committee held last evening another effort was made to unravel the mysteries of this subject, but nothing was done save to request the secretary to arrange for a meeting with the hydro-electric commission to discuss the whole question from start to finish, in order to find out just where the city stands. An effort will be made to have the commissioners come to London, but failing this the attention will go to Toronto.

Mayor Makes Report.

At the commencement of the meeting Mayor Stevely, reported on his recent visit to Toronto, and his conference with the hydro-electric commission's representatives in that city. The Hamilton contract was discussed while there, and it was learned that the commission could deal with that city regardless of the other municipalities.

The position of Hamilton was only different in that they were not compelled to take all their power from the hydro-electric commission. His worship also pointed out that the contractors for the London transformer station had until May, 1910, to complete their work.

Rather Peculiar.

"It seems to me rather peculiar that the commission can deal with Hamilton regardless of what the other municipalities think," said Ald. Beattie. "That is not according to the contract," he continued.

"A lot of things have happened since the contract was signed," said Mayor Stevely. "That is correct enough," said Ald. Beattie. "That is where our trouble comes in. The contract explicitly says that the other municipalities must be consulted. How does Mr. Lobb get over that?"

"I wanted Mr. Lobb to come here and explain the whole situation," answered the mayor, "but the suggestion was not received very kindly."

Mr. Lobb's Opinion.

"So far as I can judge, Mr. Lobb's opinion merely forecasts what the commission will do," continued Ald. Beattie. "They might hear complaints but they would act as they thought fit in any case."

"The council of last year asked the Legislature to validate the contracts," said Ald. Fitzgerald. "What have we to do with it?"

"We asked them to validate the contract, but they did not do that," said Ald. Beattie. "They struck out several very important clauses in the contract and then validated that."

"If Hamilton and Brantford had not been in the schedule would we have signed the contract?" asked Ald. Stewart. "That is the question."

"We certainly would not have done so," said Ald. Beattie. "I think that if any municipality dropped out, the whole question would come back to the people. That has not been done. We were told to trust the government, and they go to work and eliminate the clauses of the contract that protect us. We are tired of oral promises. Nothing but a deed in parchment in black and white go after this."

Dealt With Last Year.

"Can we open the question at all in face of the fact that the council voted on it last year?" asked Ald. Fitzgerald.

City Clerk Baker read the proceedings of the council last year when the question of the contract was decided. It is not our duty to differ in year, and we can discuss it to our hearts' content," said Ald. Stewart.

"This is a different year, and the situation is somewhat different," said Mayor Stevely. "There is a lot of information we should get, and I think we could get it in that way."

"It is a lot of expense, and I think it is due us that the commission come to London," said Ald. Moorhead. "It is not our fault that the work is delayed. I am decidedly of the opinion that the commission should come to London, and explain the matter to us without expense."

Ald. Beattie and Mayor Stevely did not think the commissioners would come to London.

FIRE DESTROYS BUFFALO RESORT

Buffalo, July 14.—Luna Park, a pleasure resort at Main and Jefferson streets, was partially destroyed by fire that broke out early today. Among the buildings burned were the skating rink, the theatre and a number of concession buildings on the east side of the park. Manager McBroome estimates the loss at \$50,000, with some insurance.

The grand stand, although saved, was saved, as were also a number of buildings on the extreme north and south side of the grounds.