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Ex-Londoner in West Is in Trouble Charges Against Ald. J. B. Walker

Alleged He Embezzled \$4,000 From Queen's Insurance Company.

A dispatch from Winnipeg says: "Information has been sworn out at Edmonton by Carruthers & Bradley, of Winnipeg, for whom the accused had acted as sub-agent, charging Ald. J. B. Walker, of that city, with embezzling the funds of the

Queen's Fire Insurance Company. The amount stated is over \$4,000. "Walker's whereabouts are unknown. "Premier Rutherford met him in Chicago a week ago, and Walker said then that he was going to his old home in London, Ont., for a visit. "The police in all eastern cities are notified to watch for him. "The local police admit that they have been notified to arrest the Winnipeg man if he should come this way. So far he has not been seen in London. "The police say they cannot trace Walker's connections in this city.

Pupils Surprised Principal Wallace

Principal Wallace was treated to a most pleasant surprise last evening by the scholars of the Simcoe Street School. About 8 o'clock he received a phone message from Janitor O'Brien to the effect that he was wanted at the school. Very much surprised that he should be wanted at that hour, Mr. Wallace hurriedly put on his coat and made his way to the schoolhouse. As he entered the classroom he was greeted with a rousing cheer from fifty of his boys and girls. He was completely taken back with surprise. Little Carrie Daniels then presented

Mr. Wallace with a handsome umbrella on behalf of the class, after which Leona Boyce read an exceedingly cleverly-worded address. Mr. Wallace was very much touched by the demonstration and could scarcely find words to express his feelings. "Each of the little boys and girls had brought a quantity of choice eatables, and after these were dispensed with the remainder of the evening was spent in games of all kinds. "Later, the future men and women of this city departed for their respective homes feeling much elated over the success of their little surprise party.

The Power Question in Queen City Toronto Electric Light Co. Makes Offer

Mayor Judd Favors a Similar Arrangement in London-- Mr. Hunt's View.

The proposition submitted to the city of Toronto by the Toronto Electric Light Company is one that is commanding considerable interest in this city, and was widely discussed this morning by those interested in the Niagara power scheme. The proposition roughly is this: "The Toronto Electric Light Company agrees to sell the city \$1,000,000 worth of stock, and give the city three representatives on the board of directors. This stock will pay 8 per cent, and the city can secure money at 4 per cent. This will give the city a profit immediately of \$40,000 or so a year.

Mr. Hunt Speaks.

Mr. C. B. Hunt, manager of the London Electric Company, was seen by

The Advertiser this morning regarding such a proposition for London. He had not gone into the question closely enough to discuss it. "I have not studied the proposition closely," he said, "but from what I can see it is somewhat similar to the agreement made with the Toronto Gas Company. "Some years ago, the story got abroad that the gas company was making fabulous sums, and that it could afford to reduce the price of gas and so on. The company agreed to sell the city a certain block of the stock, and give the city a representative on the board of directors. "The stock was to bring 8 per cent interest and all profits above that, if any, were to go to lowering the price of gas. Now, that arrangement has worked very satisfactorily so far. The city knows through its representative just what the company is doing, and what the profits are, and all such. There is no longer any mystery about it. Continued on Page Eight.

Are Sitting Tight Re the Grigg House

There is nothing new in the Grigg House license matter, no transfer of the license having been as yet granted by the commission. As stated by Chairman Greer, the board will insist that the license go to Mr. Michael O'Meara, son of the former proprietor. The story was printed in the Advertiser some time ago that the Grigg House had been sold to Mr. J. P. Evans. It has been since learned that an agreement had been reached between

the parties by which Mr. Evans was to pay \$20,000 for the license, lease, furniture and goodwill, provided he could get the consent of the license commission to the transfer. The license belongs to the board of commissioners acting for the government, and on the statement of Chairman Greer, is not a matter for barter, so Mr. O'Meara's solicitors refuse to raise the bid. Both sides are sitting tight at present, and there is no knowing when matters will develop into a climax.

Forgery Charge Against Scott Fails

William Scott, of Tempo, was acquitted by Judge Macbeth this morning on a charge of having obtained money under false pretenses at Tempo recently. Scott was first charged with forging the name of Eli Shaver, a farmer, of that vicinity, to a note for \$3, but the charge fell through, because there was but one witness to the alleged forgery. Then arose a very pretty point in law: Could the man still be charged with false pretense? Mr. McKillop contended that he could, while Mr. Scatcherd, for the defense, argued that the case must either fall or stand on the result of the first count. The case was laid over until this morning when Judge Macbeth acquitted the prisoner although holding him guilty. In discharging Scott his honor said: "Scott, I am acquitting you, not because you are innocent, but solely because the alleged forged note was lost. The law says that a man may not be convicted of forgery upon the evidence of one witness, and you are therefore cleared of the forgery charge by process of law. "I also hold that the other charge against you must fall along with the forgery indictment. The narrow escape you have had this time from a long term in prison should be a severe warning to you that the path of honesty is the better road to follow. You have been leading none too good a life, and unless you mend your ways you may find yourself behind the prison bars for a long term. "Mr. McKillop stated that he would not appeal the case, as he had no authority upon which to work. He stated that the point was one of the nicest legal ones he had had to deal with in a long time, and he believed that his honor was justified in the course he took.

KAISER IN ENGLAND FOR OPERATION

New York, Nov. 23.—A special dispatch from London says: The real cause of Emperor William's remaining in England after the termination of his state visit to British court, was to prepare for an operation which will take place within a few days. The operation will be through the ear, affecting the throat. It touches the Kaiser's original trouble there which is hereditary. The operation is not a serious one.

SUFFRAGETTES ROUT H. GLADSTONE

London, Nov. 22.—The women suffragettes tonight virtually compelled Herbert Gladstone, secretary of state for home affairs, to abandon his attempt to address a meeting here. The interruptions from the suffragettes became so persistent that Mr. Gladstone declared he would no longer

struggle against such tactics, and brought his speech to a sudden close. One of the suffragettes thereupon tried to take possession of the meeting. While she was speaking a free fight broke out between the men and women of the audience. Mr. Gladstone and his wife beat a speedy retreat, and the chairman declared the meeting closed.

ARRESTED ON VERY SERIOUS CHARGE

Young Man Arraigned in Local Police Court This Morning.

John Bowen, a young man who has hitherto borne a good reputation, was arrested by the police yesterday afternoon on a charge of grossly misconducting himself on the street in the presence of a number of ladies. For some time, it is alleged, Bowen has been misconducting himself, and causing great annoyance to young ladies on their way home. About a week ago the affair was reported to the police, and P. C. Harry Green, in plain clothes, was sent to watch.

Yesterday he arrested young Bowen, who appeared this morning before Magistrate Love and pleaded not guilty. He was bailed to appear again next Thursday. Bowen is a street railway conductor. Fred Johnston, charged with being drunk, was fined \$5. Joseph Murray also drank more than he should, and paid \$3 to the court. In the juvenile court a small boy was charged by a north end resident with damaging his property. The lad was found guilty and fined \$2.

GETS \$10,000 FOR LOST LOVE

Aged Port Huron Man Is Dazed When Jury Announces Its Verdict.

Port Huron, Nov. 23.—Van E. Crane, aged defendant in the breach of promise suit instituted by Miss Sarah M. Barnes, was surprised when a jury in Judge Tappan's court this morning returned a verdict of \$10,000 in favor of the plaintiff. The amount originally asked for by Miss Barnes was \$15,000. When the jury returned to the court room, after deliberating a little over an hour, Crane was stunned at the verdict. Not until the jury had been excused did Crane regain his composure and then he began to vent his spleen in language that was not altogether suitable to a court room. Asked what she was going to do with the amount, Miss Barnes replied: "Well, really, I had not thought of that yet. I hardly know what I will do, but my, isn't that great. Ten thousand dollars!" Miss Barnes admitted that she did not expect so big a verdict, but added that she has suffered as a result of the aged man's refusal to marry her was worth every penny of the compensation that the jury had given her.

S. S. LIZZIE MADDEN DESTROYED BY FIRE

Sarnia, Nov. 23.—The steamer Lizzie Madden, of Bay City, was destroyed by fire off East Tawas, Lake Huron early this morning. The crew of thirteen men took to the small boats and were picked up later by the steamer Langell Bay. The Madden was on her way from Bay City to Little Current, Ont., for a cargo of lumber. She was valued at about \$25,000, and was partly insured.

HARRY THAW WEARIES.

New York, Nov. 23.—According to the World Harry Thaw is weary for his trial, and fears there may be a further postponement. When asked yesterday if an application would be made by his counsel for a change of venue, Thaw said: "Never thought of such a thing. There is nothing intended in that line. I am ready for trial on Dec. 2, which is the date set. Jerome is not ready, but that is not Mr. Thaw's fault. "Turning to his wife, he said: "Are you ready?" "Oh," she replied, "I have nothing to do with it. I am ready any time."

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COLD; LIGHT SNOW OR RAIN.

FORECASTS.
Toronto, Nov. 23—8 a.m. Today—Winds increasing to gales from east and north; fine and mild today. Sunday—Cold, with light snow or rain near Lakes Erie and Ontario.

TEMPERATURES.
8 a.m. Min. Weather.
Stations. 20 18 Clear
Calgary 20 18 Clear
Port Arthur 20 18 Fair
Perry Sound 20 18 Clear
Toronto 20 18 Clear
Ottawa 20 18 Clear
Montreal 20 18 Clear
Quebec 20 18 Clear
Father Point 20 18 Rain
The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

An important area of high pressure covers the great lakes, while to the eastward and westward the pressure is comparatively low. A disturbance now centered in Alabama is likely to move toward Lakes Erie and Ontario. The weather is fine and mild throughout the Dominion. YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES:
London, 34-45; Victoria, 42-46; Kamloops, 2-21; Edmonton, 22-31; Calgary, 12-23; Prince Albert, 2-34; Regina, 2-24; Winnipeg, 22-31; Port Arthur, 22-31; Pelly, 20-30; Yellowknife, 22-31; Ottawa, 22-31; Montreal, 22-31; Quebec, 22-31; St. John, 22-31; Halifax, 22-31.

THREE NEW SENATORS NAMED; CAMPBELL, DERBYSHIRE, BELCOURT

Ottawa, Nov. 22.—At a meeting of the cabinet this afternoon a final decision was reached as to the filling of three senatorial vacancies from Ontario. It is understood that the names forwarded for the approval of his excellency are those of Mr. Archibald Campbell, M. P. for Center York; Hon. N. A. Belcourt, M. P. for Ottawa, and Mr. D. Derbyshire, president of the Eastern Ontario Dairyman's Association and ex-M. P. for Brockville. The appointment of Messrs. Campbell and Belcourt will necessitate by-elections in Center York and Ottawa, and the writs will be issued in the near future. In Ottawa the Liberal candidate will be Mr. J. B. T. Caron, a prominent local barrister. Messrs. Emmanuel Tasse and Auguste Lemieux, who have

both been aspirants for the Liberal nomination, have agreed to withdraw, so as to avoid any disagreement in the party ranks, and Mr. Caron has consented to run. His candidacy is acceptable to all parties. His fitness to represent the capital city in the Commons is unquestioned and his election a foregone conclusion. The new senators are younger than the generality of appointments to the upper chamber. Hon. N. A. Belcourt was born in Toronto, in 1860, and is, therefore, 47 years of age. Mr. Arch Campbell is a native of Kent County, was born in 1845, and is, therefore, 62 years old. Mr. D. Derbyshire is 61 years of age. He is a native of Leeds County, and was born in 1846.

LONDONER BACK FROM THE WEST FINDS LOCAL FINANCES STRONG

Mr. Joseph Lawrence, of Ridout street south, who has just returned from Winnipeg, and other western points, brings back very good news from all places, with the exception of Winnipeg, which, he says, was recently hard hit by the action of Brandon and Portage La Prairie. These cities appealed against the discrimination being shown by the C. P. R. to Winnipeg in freight rates. Formerly a Winnipeg firm could ship goods to a point 20 miles beyond Brandon at the same rate the Brandon firms had to pay for the 20-mile distance.

Looks Good.

With the exception of a scarcity of money for moving the crops, everything this side of the Peace River district looked good. Especially was this so in the farming districts. The tightness of money had, of course, brought the prices of feed down considerably, but the hay crop had been the best in 25 years.

Hay was selling at \$3 a ton from the stacks, and Mr. Lawrence held the opinion that it would pay local livestockmen to ship it in here by the car-load. The wheat crop, Mr. Lawrence said, was greatly overtimed.

Mr. Lawrence stated that emigration to the Northwest had practically ceased for the season.

Mr. Lawrence stated that much grain which could only be used for feed could be laid down in London for \$1 per 100 pounds. He would be glad to give any information to those desirous of looking into the matter. Mr. Lawrence expected to find London affected by the scarcity of money, but was very agreeably surprised upon his return to find that the Forest City was moving along just as lively as it ever did.

Mr. Lawrence would not advise Londoners to go west at the present time, at least.

Very Few Cases in London Hospitals

There is very little sickness in the city at this time, in fact, 1907 is reported by medical men to be one of the healthiest of many years. There are no epidemics at present. Contagious cases are very few. The scarlet fever and diphtheria wards in Victoria Hospital are practically empty, and

there is very little sickness of any kind. "We have about 106 patients in the hospital at present, about an average number," said Superintendent Heard. "There are few contagious cases, scarlet fever and diphtheria being particularly light." The same is true also of St. Joseph's Hospital.

Want the American Plan Abolished London Hotelmen May Make Move

The Prices of Meals Cannot Be Increased—European Plan the Remedy.

London hotelkeepers are seriously considering the advisability of abolishing the American plan in their dining-rooms, and of substituting the European plan.

The matter has been under consideration some time, but the hotelmen cannot get together on it. The hotelmen of Toronto have taken the matter up in earnest, and a report on the subject is expected shortly. Two meetings to discuss the proposal were held in the Queen City this week. "We have got to that stage in London," said a prominent hotelman to The Advertiser today, "where we must do something. "Prices of staple foods are very high, and the prices of table delicacies are higher still.

"The traveling public abuse the American plan in hotels. To get their money's worth they take everything on the bill of fare, eat half of it, and destroy the other half. I have all along favored the European plan for hotels. By this plan, you pay for what you order, and you only get what you order. "I firmly believe the London hotelmen will be compelled to take action in this matter very shortly."

It is realized here that it is impossible to charge more for meals, so the only way out of the difficulty is to adopt the European plan of pay for what you get. In Toronto, it is said, there is considerable opposition to any advance, but all are agreed on the question of the abolition of the American plan of serving meals and making the European plan universal. The time is regarded as inopportune for any advance. There is some talk of making the nickel beer shorter and establishing a "bootleg" lager, to be known as the "ten-cent schooner."

'Twas a Great Day on London Market

Happy is the farmer today, and he is wearing the smile that won't come off.

Prices were good on the market, and everything sold rapidly. There was no dearth of rigs or produce either. Every farmer in the vicinity seemed to have come to town and everybody seemed glad that they came in.

Prices were about on a par with those of last Saturday, but the sales were quicker. King street and Talbot street were fairly lined with rigs, and the entire market square was crowded.

A large number of rabbits were noticed for sale, and there was poultry in abundance.

Pork was plentiful and prices firm. Butter and eggs seemed more plentiful than they have been lately, but no reduction in price was noticed.

The only excitement noticeable was that of several farmers chasing loose chickens through the crowded market. The fowls have a picnic when they get loose on a big day, and it is rare fun to see the farmers climbing over and under wagons to capture their wandering hens. Taken all around it was a grand day for marketing, and the farmer was in clover.

As a rule, when the farmer is happy everybody smiles with him, and today was proving no exception.

hurt the feelings of the Jews or any other nationality or denomination.

"The teachers are very considerate, and so avoid trouble. "Religious services are held, but a child is not compelled to stay for them if they desire not to. "We expect no trouble from this source."

BRYAN AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Washington, Nov. 23.—President Roosevelt and William J. Bryan were in conference for half an hour in the President's private office at the White House today.

Claimed He Was Robbed Near Park Beaten by Others, Who Get Away

Matter Has Not Been Reported to the Police as Yet. However.

Last night about 11 o'clock several people, who were near the corner of Dufferin avenue and Wellington street, were surprised to hear cries for help coming from the bushes near the entrance and on investigating saw two men run rapidly through the park towards Park avenue.

Another man was found lying in the pathway in an intoxicated condition,

and when questioned would not tell his name, but said that the others had robbed him of his pocketbook which, he said, contained \$30.

Beyond the fact that he lived on Cartwright street, the people present could get nothing out of him.

To another gentleman who he met on his way home, the man told the same story, and the former did not believe much of it until he passed under an electric light and then he saw that the man's coat was all over dirt, as if he had been lying in a gravel path. The police have not been notified of the affair.

Sell Fake Jewelry to Strangers G. T. R. Officials Make Complaint

Englishmen and Others Imposed Upon by Very Slick Swindlers.

The Grand Trunk authorities have received numerous complaints recently from passengers, especially Englishmen and foreigners, coming into London regarding young men who meet them as soon as they leave the platform, and attempt to sell them watches, rings, glasses and other jewelry.

The officials intend to take steps at once to try and have this matter stopped, as they claim these men have no license to sell goods, and are really peddlers, and ought to be treated as such.

The peddlers, it is claimed, secure the watches from a local dealer for about \$25 each. They are beautifully engraved, and often bear inscriptions, "From Father to Willie," or something

similar. The seller puts up a grand line of "rags" about the value of the watch, but is always most careful not to represent that it is gold.

One young man got six months for doing this a few years ago, as it was proven that he had misrepresented the goods he was selling. Sometimes the stranger is accosted by a young man who tells him a sad tale about how he came to this city on a visit, and had been enticed into a gambling game and has not enough money to pay the board bill of himself and his little brother.

Some of the sellers are actually said to shed tears as they inform the man they are trying to victimize that the watch was a gift from their "dear dead father," who made them promise, "never to part with it!"

The Grand Trunk authorities are in possession of a watch of this kind, with "Railroad Standard" printed across the dial, and they claim they can find the man who sold it they will have him sent down also for misrepresentation.

Notice of Appeal in Local Society Case

A lively discussion took place at the regular monthly meeting of St. George's Society, which was held on Thursday evening.

Notices of appeal from the decision of Sir William Mulock in the recent suit brought by Mr. Bartram against Mr. Peter Birtwistle and others, was read by Solicitor Wells.

Mr. Birtwistle was present and asked that the society take charge of the appeal and pay the costs of the defense.

Mr. Bartram strongly opposed this

suggestion, on the ground that the costs were not current expenses of the society, and the application of its funds for purposes of this kind were restricted by charter.

This he maintained was the question to be determined in the appeal.

The members decided to take no action in the matter at present, and Mr. Birtwistle left the meeting. The president of the society, Mr. R. A. Jones, of West London, was unable to attend through illness, and Mr. Jos. Saunders, vice-president, took the chair.

Say Some Accidents Could Be Avoided

"It is undoubtedly true that some accidents are inevitable, in spite of all possible precautions; but the records of accidents in European countries, as well as in our own, show beyond reasonable doubt that a great portion of our industrial accidents can be avoided."

Such is the expert opinion of the Ontario Government factory inspectors, of which body Mr. Harry Clark, of this city, is a member, expressed in an appendix to their report, giving an illustrated list of devices for guarding dangerous machinery. At the present time their warning is especially opportune.

"There were," the statement continues, "reported to the inspectors in Ontario in the year 1906, 638 industrial

accidents; in the year 1905, 632; and in the year 1906, 636. Of this total 95 were fatal. While in no case criminal negligence was charged, it is obvious that if manufacturers and workmen would enter into the true spirit of protection, much of this slaughter could be avoided."

The report adds: "An official investigation of 15,970 accidents in Germany showed that 53 per cent of them were avoidable. This record from a country such as Germany would indicate that there is much yet to be done by way of protection in our own country. If an accident is avoided, some person is to blame for it. It is but natural that accidents follow the want of proper care and protection."

Stationary Engineers and the New Act

The regular meeting of the Canadian Association Stationary Engineers was held last evening. It was well attended and showed an increase of interest. Subjects relating to the everyday life of the stationary engineer were freely discussed, as was also the act passed by the Ontario Government on

April 20, 1907, respecting stationary engineers, viz.: That after July 1, 1908, certificates of qualification must be held by men in charge of steam plants. This act doesn't completely cover the ground, it was stated, and the hope was expressed that the Government will see its way clear to further strengthen it.

Orient Club's Sixteenth Anniversary Prizes Presented to Sports Winners

An Excellent Programme Is Carried Out by Popular Organization.

Last night was the sixteenth anniversary of the Orient Club, and the members celebrated it by a theater party and supper.

After partaking of an appetizing menu, the president, Mr. Will Ashplant, introduced an excellent programme of story and song.

The members enjoyed themselves as only Orienters can. The Orient Club is one of the best-known social organizations in the city. There is no form of amusement or legitimate sport in which the members are not interested. In the membership is included some of the best local whist players.

The club have a couple of ball teams, and its hockeyists, Rugbyists, bowlers and curlers are well known. But it is for its minstrel shows that the club is most famed. During the baseball season just

closed the president and vice-president donated handsome gold medals to the players who had the best batting average, and the most runs. The presentations were made last night. Mr. Max Owens had a batting average of 500 per cent, while Mr. Will Ashplant made 23 runs.

The boys never realized that "Maxie" was such a "knocker," out they knew Bill could "get home" all right. The credit for the good time enjoyed is due to Mr. John M. Doyle and Mr. Harry Osman, the committee; and to the officers of the club: B. L. Parkinson, honorary president; J. A. Connor, honorary vice-president; W. J. Ashplant, president; J. H. Moran, first vice-president; Victor Jackson, second vice-president; E. G. Robinson, third vice-president; J. R. McLeod, secretary-treasurer, and Sam Turner, assistant secretary-treasurer.

THE BY-ELECTIONS.

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—The by-elections in Ontario, that is those for Ottawa and Center York, will take place about the middle of December.