

High Pressure Means Twenty-Five Per Cent Cut in Insurance

Colonel Little the Bearer of Good News
At the Waterworks Meeting in East EndInsurance Underwriters Will Cut Rates One-Fourth
in Event of High Pressure.

GREAT STROKE FOR THE INDEPENDENT SYSTEM

Water Commissioners Present Arguments in Favor of Komoka
Scheme—No One to Speak for River Filtration—Colonel
Little Sets Forth Advantages of the Dual System.

The most important announcement made since the water problem has been under discussion in this city was the statement of Col. Little, ex-mayor of London, in the East London hall last night, that the Canadian Underwriters' Association has made a written guarantee to the city that a reduction of at least 25 per cent in insurance rates will be made if a high-pressure fire-fighting system is installed.

The announcement was all the more important from the fact that a few minutes before Water Commissioner Saunders, in addressing the ratepayers, had made the statement that the independent system would guarantee nothing in the way of a reduction in insurance rates, no matter what the city did to increase its fire-fighting facilities.

Col. Little followed Mr. Saunders, and he was in a position to state positively that in a written communication to Superintendent Moore, which has already reached the city, the underwriters guarantee a 25 per cent reduction for a high-pressure system.

The water commissioners, of course, were not aware of the contents of the letter, and were somewhat nonplussed by Col. Little's information, especially after Mr. Saunders' statement.

The meeting last night did not get started until 9 o'clock, and after Mr. Saunders, Col. Little and Chairman Darch had spoken, Mayor Judd thought it was a little late to make an address, the hour being 11 o'clock, and the meeting was closed.

The audience was small, but it was composed of ratepayers who appeared to take a keen interest in the addresses. Col. Little was especially well received, and his arguments made a marked impression.

Commissioner Saunders, who was the first speaker, said he wanted to make plain the stand of the commissioners who have been accused of trying to boost the Komoka scheme. This he denied. They had tried to give all facts of all schemes fairly.

The cost of the Komoka scheme does not compare very well with the river water scheme, he said, but he mis-

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MR. THOMAS WHITE,
Who Has Worked for the McClary
Manufacturing Company for
40 Years.ECHOES FROM
EAST LONDONVote for the independent scheme
and postpone indefinitely the use of
river water for drinking purposes.The independent scheme costs a little
more than half that of either of the
others, and it will be more effective.In the present condition of the
money market make no expenditure
not absolutely necessary.Vote for the independent scheme and
save 25 per cent in insurance in the
business and manufacturing districts.Vote for the independent scheme be-
cause it will not materially affect the
tax rate. A fair proportion of the cost
will be borne by the parties directly
benefited.The independent scheme is the only
one which will reduce insurance rates,
and the only one which will enable the
city to levy a special rate on those who
have most to gain by higher water
pressure.The Komoka scheme proposes to
take in springs BEFORE they are
needed. The independent scheme will
take in springs WHEN they are need-
ed. Why should the city borrow money
and pay interest before it is compelled
to?All the engineers who have recently
reported upon the London water prob-
lem recommend a dual system of some
kind.

SIGN OR BE PENALIZED

Wortley Road Property-Holders Clash
Over Sewer Petition.There is a probability that unless
several property-owners of Wortley
road do not live up to their agreement
with the city they will have their sewer
connection cut off, or will have their
property placed on an assessment roll,
under the rental system, at the rate of
8 cents per foot for 25 years.

It appears that for some time the residents of the Wortley road have been trying to get a petition sufficient to sign to procure a sewer, but that several property-holders, who have connected their houses with the Bruce street sewer, and are not paying any sewer tax, refuse to sign the petition, and threaten to oppose the construction of a sewer. According to the agreement made between the city and those who have connected their houses with the Bruce street sewer, they were not to oppose the construction of a sewer on the Wortley road, and were to sign a petition asking for such.

Engineer Graydon notified the parties today that they must comply with the terms of the agreement and sign the petition or they would be subjected to either of the above-mentioned penalties.

PREACHER AND HIS SON
DROWNED IN LAKE ERIE

Buffalo, July 12.—Rev. A. E. Dahlgren, pastor of Zion Evangelical Reformed Church of this city, and his son, Emil J. Dahlgren, were drowned last evening off Derby, a summer resort on Lake Erie, near this city, by the capsizing of their boat in which they were sailing. Their bodies were recovered.

A Letter Which Assures London
Of a Big Cut in Insurance Rates

A copy of the letter sent by the president of the Canadian Fire-Underwriters' Association to Mr. John M. Moore, superintendent of the London waterworks, has been received, and it substantiates completely the statements made by ex-Mayor Little in the East End Hall last night in regard to a reduction in insurance rates in this city. It meets the full expectations of the supporters of the independent scheme.

The letter states that no matter what the insurance rate may be placed at in the future, there will always be a reduction of 25 per cent in the cost of insurance in London if the high-pressure system is established.

The statement is of the utmost importance to London businessmen, as a cut of 25 per cent in their insurance would mean the saving of many thousands of dollars annually, and more than the cost of the independent system.

The copy of the letter, given below, speaks for itself:

Montreal, July 10, 1907.
John M. Moore, Esq., Waterworks Engineer, London Ont.:
Dear Sir,—It has been brought to my attention, as president of the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association, by my predecessor in office, that your letter addressed to the secretary of the association, was, through some inadvertence, not brought before the annual meeting.

It would be impossible, of course, to have another meeting at this time, but I have been asked to say about what difference the installation of a high-pressure service for fire purposes in the city of London would have upon the rates of fire insurance.

While no one can say with certainty what the rates may be in the future, I have no hesitation in expressing my opinion that if a high-pressure service be installed, in accordance with Mr. Howe's requirements, the effect would be that risks coming under the protection of such service would rate not less than 25 per cent lower than such risks would otherwise rate; that is to say, a risk which without the protection would schedule 2 per cent, would, with the protection, work out 1.50 per cent.

Trusting this may be of assistance to you, I am, dear sir, yours faithfully,

(Signed),
T. L. MORRISSEY.London's is Population
3,000 More Than Year AgoWard 3 Shows Increase of 1,187
—Extraordinary Showing
This Year.

Assessment Commissioner Grant made the statement to The Advertiser this morning that the census taken by the assessors shows an increase of 1,187 in ward 3, as compared with the figures of last year.

Wards 1, 2 and 3 thus show an increase in population of 2,239, and Mr. Grant says that when the figures for ward 4 are all in it will be found that the city has gained in the year 3,000 in population.

Extraordinary Growth.
This is the most extraordinary growth in any year in the city's history, and it means that London will very shortly cross the 50,000 mark, as her population this year will be something over 48,000.

Mr. Grant says that if the districts added to London, and which properly belong to the city, were annexed, the city would have a population of at least 55,000.

Ward 3's assessment is not showing up in proportion to its population increase, but it is nevertheless satisfactory.

FALSE PRETENSES CHARGED

The Accused Released on Bail—Booster
Fined \$2.

Benjamin Lewis appeared before Acting Magistrate Beattie at the police court this morning, on a charge of fraud laid against him by Harry Siskind. It is alleged that Lewis obtained money from Siskind by false pretenses. He was bailed until Monday.

Frederick Sherritt paid \$2 fine and \$10 costs for being drunk and disorderly, while four first-time drunks were allowed to go.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—WARMER.

FORECASTS.
Toronto, July 13—2 a.m.
Today—Light variable winds; fine.
Sunday—Moderate to fresh south and southwest winds; fine and warmer.
Stations. 8 a.m. Mm. Weather.
Calgary 42 40 Fair
Winnipeg 42 40 Cloudy
Vancouver 58 56 Fair
Parrv Sound 64 64 Clear
Toronto 70 55 Clear
Ottawa 64 58 Fair
Montreal 64 58 Fair
Quebec 60 56 Clear
Father Point 53 50 Fair

The first column records the temperature at 9 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours preceding.

A shallow depression now centered in Manitoba will move slowly eastward and probably bring thunderstorms in Ontario Sunday. Rain has fallen throughout Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine, cool and clear. Scattered showers and thunderstorms have occurred in the Western Provinces. The temperature nearly reached 90° yesterday in Manitoba, but in Alberta the weather was much cooler.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.
Toronto, July 12—3 p.m.—The disturbance which passed across the great lakes yesterday is now centered in the State of Maine, and rain is falling in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. Scattered showers and thunderstorms have occurred in the Western Provinces, with great heat in Manitoba and cooler weather in Alberta. Minimum and maximum temperatures: London 56-70; Atlin 34-62; Port Simpson 48-62; Victoria 64-74; Calgary 46-64; Edmonton 46-60; Winnipeg 60-88; Port Arthur 58-76; Toronto 60-78; Ottawa 64-66; Montreal 56-66; Quebec 58-68; St. John 52-60; Halifax 56-64.

EIGHTY-FIVE PER CENT PASS
HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCEList of Successful Candidates—Winner of Robb Medal Makes
Record Number of Marks.

The Medal-Winners.

Gerald Pearson, 604, Talbot street, Robb medal.
Fay Northcott, 602, Lorne avenue, MacRobert medal.
Chester Welch, 591, Princess avenue, Boyle medal.
Clara Schmitt, 583, St. Mary's.
Helen McMillan, 578, Talbot street, Boyle medal.
Marjorie Tolhurst, 577, Simcoe street (Miss Skelton), Boyle medal.
Mildred Kipp, 572, St. George's, Boyle medal.
Mollie Fisher, 559, Aberdeen, Boyle medal.
Howard Leggett, 558, Colborne street, Boyle medal.
Elsie Hedley, 553, Simcoe street (Mr. Wallis), Boyle medal.
Rose Loguidice, 553, St. Peter's.
Mabel Snelgrove, 542, Rectory street, Boyle medal.
Madeline McGinnis, 542, Sacred Heart school.
Amy Smale, 537, London West, Boyle medal.
Helen Weld, 531, Victoria, Boyle medal.
Rowena Burns, 517 Sacred Heart Academy.

Inspector Edwards this morning gave out the results of the recent high school examinations.

They are extremely satisfactory this year. Of the 428 pupils that wrote, 366 passed, or over 85 per cent. Last year the percentage which passed was only 80.

The highest number of marks was secured by Master Gerald Pearson, son of Mr. George L. Pearson, of 132 Centre avenue, and a pupil of Principal Liddicoat, of Talbot street school. He secured the very high number of 604 marks, an honor which has never before been beaten in the history of high school examinations in London, and he wins the Robb medal for the pupil securing the highest number of marks. Gerald Pearson is a nephew of Dr. A. O. Jeffery, the well-known local lawyer, and is only 13 years of age.

The Other Medals.
The MacRobert medal, given by School Trustees E. J. MacRobert, for the public school pupil of No. 4 ward securing the highest number of marks at the examination was won by Fay Northcott, of 944 Princess avenue, who secured 602 marks, a very creditable showing indeed. She resides in Carleton place, near Mount Brydges, and has been at school six years. She lived with her grandmother on Princess avenue while going to school in London. She is 14 years of age, and was a pupil of Principal Snelgrove of Lorne avenue school.

Clara Schmitt, a daughter of Mr. J. M. Schmitt, of 557 York street, captured the Murphy medal given by Capt. T. J. Murphy, the well-known local barrister, for the separate schools' pupil securing the highest number of marks. She has 583 marks to her credit. She is but 13 years of age, and was a pupil of Sister St. Anne of St. Mary's school.

The list given contains the names of all the medal winners, with the marks they secured, and includes the win-

ners of Boyle medals, which are given to the pupil in each public school of the city securing the highest number of marks at the high school examinations.

Inspector Edwards stated to The Advertiser that the pupils this year were better prepared than ever before, and the percentages are better than in the past. Last year, for example, the Robb medal was won by 581 marks.

"The large numbers of 604 and 602 marks obtained by the two pupils at the head this year have never before been equaled," Mr. Edwards said.

The arithmetic paper appeared to bother the candidates much more than any other, but the number placed on it alone was not very great.

Those who failed can learn the number of marks they secured from Secretary McElheran of the board of education at his office in the city hall.

The Exams for Years.
The following table shows the number of candidates who tried examinations for some years past, as well as those who passed and those who failed:

Year.	Candidates	No. That Passed.	No. That Failed.
1891	284	123	161
1892	323	188	135
1893	347	257	90
1894	356	215	141
1895	380	283	97
1896	400	320	80
1897	477	297	80
1898	382	312	70
1899	374	292	72
1900	391	272	119
1901	377	332	45
1902	336	307	29
1903	352	323	29
1904	357	317	40
1905	402	330	72
1906	393	318	75
1907	428	366	62

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Poles in Fatal Quarrel;
Murder at HamiltonGERALD PEARSON,
High School Candidate Who Won the
Robb Medal.TOWN AND TOWNSHIP
HAVE PHONE FIGHTComber Independent Line Barred
From the Township.

Comber, July 13.—The telephone fight between this village and Rochester Township still goes on. The members of the council of Rochester are determined that the independent line, established by Comber citizens, shall not be operated in the township, while Dr. Knister, who is the leading spirit in the new company, is just as determined to have his telephone system stay. It is said that Reeve Dewhurst has caused the wires to be cut, but that they are always spliced in the face of printed orders that people caught doing the work will be prosecuted.

Man and Wife Shot by Boarder
In a Row Over
Money.

Hamilton, Ont., July 12.—Andrew Rodzyk, a middle-aged Pole, employed by the International Harvester Company, was shot by a fellow-countryman in his house this afternoon, dying later at the hospital from the effects of the wound. Jake Sunfield is under arrest, charged with the slaying of Rodzyk, and the wounding of the latter's wife, who was shot in the breast during the melee.

Sunfield, who, it is said, is of a bullying nature, was discharged some days ago, and returned to his boarding-house yesterday to get a valise. At the time Rodzyk and his wife were the only occupants of the house, the former being absent from work on account of illness.

Just what occurred is not definitely known, but one account says that all three were drinking at the time. Neighbors say they heard three shots, in rapid succession. A moment later the woman came out, screaming for aid. Rodzyk was at once removed to the hospital, but despite every effort, succumbed to the wound, the bullet having penetrated the head by way of the ear.

Sunfield, when arrested, was found armed with a revolver, three of the chambers of which were empty. It is supposed the fatal quarrel arose over money matters.

LONDONER RUN
DOWN BY TRAINMr. Patrick Wallace, of This
City, Seriously Injured
at Ingersoll.

Mr. Patrick Wallace, of this city, a son of the late P. C. Wallace, lies in an Ingersoll hospital at death's door.

Mr. Wallace was a member of the London contingent of Orangemen which visited Ingersoll yesterday, to take part in the 12th of July celebration. In the evening, shortly after dark, while walking along the G. T. R. tracks, he was struck by a freight train, and so severely injured that it was found necessary to amputate his left leg. This morning the unfortunate man was still in a critical condition, but the physicians have hopes of his recovery.

Mr. Wallace is a brickmaker by trade, and is employed in a north end yard. He resides at 581 Grosvenor street.

MAY BE A MEMBER
OF LINDSAY GANG

Port Hope, Ont., July 13.—Jack Goslin, well known here this morning by Chief Bond on a warrant issued in Lindsay, charging him with passing counterfeit notes. He has been the driver of Black Mac, a well-known stallion, in this district. He is believed to be connected with the Lindsay gang of counterfeiters. The chief of the Lindsay police force will take him to Lindsay this afternoon. Goslin is a former resident of Lindsay.

SHIPLOAD OF JAPS
EN ROUTE TO CANADA

Honolulu, July 13.—The steamer Kumerik, with 1,200 Japanese passengers is ready to sail for Vancouver, B. C. The charterer, M. Oriyama, has deposited \$25 for each passenger, with the ship's agents to comply with the Canadian immigration, which requires that, every Japanese immigrant must possess \$25.

A number of Japanese who paid fare cannot be accommodated on the Kumerik, and these threaten to garnish the fund. Oriyama has been refused a passport to Seattle by the Japanese consul here.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

July 12. Reported at. From.
Hurons.....Father Point.....Newcastle
Lake Erie.....Father Point.....Liverpool
Oedre.....New York.....Liverpool
Arable.....Queensdown.....New York
Kearns Albert.....Genoa.....New York
Cymric.....Boston.....Liverpool
Sylvania.....Boston.....Liverpool
Beyblie.....Boston.....Liverpool
Glad Waldemar.....Hamburg.....New York
New Amsterdam.....Boulogne.....New York
Panama.....Point Amour.....New York
Victoria.....Point Amour.....Liverpool
Falls.....Father Point.....Liverpool

FOURTH DAY OF
NIAGARA TOURNEYTrophy Goes to Willison—The
Association Semi-
Final.

Niagara-on-the-Lake, July 12.—Bright sunshine ushered in the fourth day of the Ontario bowling tournament. The rain of yesterday improved the lawns immensely and the play was of the best. The semi-finals of the trophy were completed, and the association is down to its semi-final. Over twenty games in the preliminary of the Scotch doubles and novice singles were run off, the players using the lawns of the Merchants' as well as those of the Queen's Hotel.

The final in the association also went to the Canadas, Reid defeating the London Rowing Club 17 to 7, with three ends to play. The great work of Casey Wood was the feature. Nothing was too hard for him all day, seeming impossible shots being made whenever asked. His play and the bunch of horseshoes Reid had would have defeated anyone.

In the consolation Edmunds and Hawk had a great game, an extra end being required to decide.

The first prize in the trophy went to J. S. Willison, Canadas; second, J. D. Tyler, London Rowing Club.

Summary final trophy game:
Canadas.....Parkdale.....
J. H. Mackenzie.....T. H. Armstrong.
W. Alexander.....J. P. Francis.
T. Hastings.....E. V. Parker.
S. Wilson.....S. J. J. Warren.....15
Willison.....50-40 (100-120-15)
Warren.....62-60 (100-120-15)
FINAL ASSOCIATION
Canadas.....London Rowing.....
Dr. F. H. Ross.....A. T. H. Ann.
M. Rawlinson.....Dr. J. H. Wood.
S. Casey Wood.....J. D. Tyler.
T. Reid.....J. H. McNece.....7
Canadas.....62-60 (100-120-15)
London Rowing Club.....62-60 (100-120-15)

REGGIE, A SPEEDY YOUTH

Runs Away from Home, Is Found, and
Vanishes Again.

Detroit, Mich., July 13.—Reggie Glasser, a 12-year-old Chatham, Ont., boy, disappeared from home two weeks ago with some money belonging to his mother, and was picked up on the street by the police. He insisted that his name was Smith, and that he was from New York. He was sent to the boys' farm at Farmington. It was suspected that he was young Glasser, and the family was notified. Mr. Glasser went to Farmington. As he entered the front door Reggie broke out of a rear door and has not been seen since. His father is still looking for him, and his mother is sick from worry.

DOMINION OF NEW ZEALAND.

London, July 12.—The proposal to change the designation of New Zealand to "the Dominion of New Zealand" carried in the House of Representatives there by 50 votes to 15.