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ADVERTISE IN THE PLANET

LEAMINGTON OIL PETERING OUT

Thousands Invested in the Hope of Big Returns Almost all Lost

Forced Sale of the Major Syndicate Co.'s \$25,000 Property Brought Only \$1,550.

"The Leamington oil wells are petering out," said a half-dozen in-terested oil men seen to-day by The Detroit Evening News about their investments.

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No one seems to have lost large amounts, many have lost small amounts, a few have profited, principally by the sale of the leases, and a large number are rushing under cover in their efforts to try to get out whole.

The Major Syndicate Oil Co. was bid off Tuesday at a sheriff's sale in Leamington for \$1,550, put up by six stockholders who hope to get the careful management of its producing wells at least as much as they put in the venture originally. There was a great showing of oil at first, gushers coming in with a

at first, gushers coming in with a whiz and a roar, at 350 barrels a day, then running down to 45 barrels within two weeks after their arrival, then petering down to two and three barrels a day, the ordinary run. About \$25,000 were sunk in the com-pany and \$2,500 worth of oil taken NEW STOCK FREE TO LOSERS

"Just a lack of oil put the com-pany out of business," said Dr. A. M. Waters, former president of the com-pany. "Our 45 barrel wells got down yary. "Our 45 barrel wells got down to two barrels a day. That tells the whole story. I got some of my friends to go into it, and shall try to protect them. I have stock in the Leamington-Essex Co., which is making a better showing, and shall give an earnal amount free to agree to generate the story of give an equal amount free to every person I induced to take stock in the Major syndicate."

The Major Syndicate. The Major Syndicate was organized at the time of the Leamington oil craze was just starting. It was made pretty much of a neighborhood company, many of those taking shares residing around Myrtle street and

residing around Myrtle street and Fourteenth avenue.

Two wells were drilled. The first brought in a good showing, but was shot too soon, and rained. The second caved in when just about all drilled. Two more were put down. They showed plenty of oil at the start. Shipments were made. Stockholders' hearts gladdened, then the flow of oil slackened and the trouble flow of oil slackened, and the trouble

ONLY A GAMBLE.

"Pshaw! It's been all a gamble, anyway, and I don't want to monkey with it any more. I'm going back to my plumbing business to keep on making a living," said a Myrtle street stockholder.

"And me to my grocery!" put in another.
George B. Streit, of the Holliday
Paper Box Co., a stockholder, was
asked about the business by a few
men he had encouraged to take stock he, himself, had lost money, and that he would help them out by backing them to buy the company when it was auctioned off. He said he thought by carefully conserving the property's interests, they could get back their

"All we can do is pump the wells every other day, taking the few bar-rels of oil as it dribbles in," said Mr. Streit this morning, after returning from Leamington, where he went all

over the property.

"The Leamington-Essex Co. will be kept going on a business basis by R. W. Stewart, treasurer of the Holliday Box Co.," continued Mr. Streit.
"It will pay back to the stockholders what was put in, I am sure. But it will never make a millionaire out of any one of them, unless some unfor-seen streak of oil is struck. I would spread no alarm among those inter-ested in the Leamington fields. But I would say that with most companies down there now the cry is to make the wells pay back what the stock-belders not in

the wells pay back what the stock-holders put in.

"Not many men have got anything out of it. John C. Hickey has made money by selling a marvellously great number of leases. His properties have also paid in some measure by producing some oil. The Detroit & Leamington Co., the oldest in the fields is realing monary leads. fields, is making money slowly, on a big investment, something like \$80,000."

John C. Hickey, when seen this morning, said his property at Leamington, "was all to the good." He said that the Lake Orion Co. recentally paid a diwidend, and that the Hickey Oil Co. would pay one Aug. 21, STANDARD OIL CO. FOOLED.

If the Leamington fields are playing out, if the oil is not there, thousands of Detroiters will be out more or less money. People of moderate means, and some with very limited means, have sunk money in the ven-tures there, because from the first the fields looked like paying proper-ties. If the wells are petering out, the Standard Oil Co. is about as badly fooled as any bunch, for its repre-sentatives concluded there was a pay-ing field around Leamington and Comber, and it laid pipe lines to carry the product to its cars.

Self-reliance as self-sustaining. A man should be built from within, but, not from without.

NO POWER TO ACT.

Dustoms Department Enters Defence In Australian Complaint-Considered Case of Obstinacy.

Ottawa, Aug. 11.—The Canadian Customs Department, after full considera-tion, found it had no authority to ac-cede to the request of the Australian Government that our customs officers should be employed to furnish the Com-monwealth with the home market prices on certain lines of manufacture which are also being sold in Australia. The only way in which this informa-tion could be accurately obtained would be by an examination of the manufacturers' books, and this our officer have no authority to make for the us

of Australia or any other part of the agents for the Australian Government and so, no matter how anxious ou Ministers were to oblige Sir William Lyne in this matter, they had no right to do so. If Australia wants accurate data on this line she is perfectly free to send her officers to this country to gather it exactly as our officers obtain the home market prices of goods in the United States. Instance of Obstinacy,

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London, Aug. 11.—(C. A. P.)—The
Pall Mall Gazette says a surprising
amount of pique seems to have been
engendered by the commercial rivalry
between Australia and Canada, and the result may have begun to affect the even tone of communications betw their respective Government. A Mel-bourne telegram describes a curious in-stance of this unfortunate antipathy. Australia in preparing a new tariff de-sired information as to the sired information as to the value of certain Canadian machinery to be dealt with in the schedules, but on application to the Canadian Government a letter was received flatly refusing to allow its officers to obtain the information designation. tion desired by the Commonwealth au thorities. This attitude does not seem likely to render the tariff more lenient While there must be abundance of othsources from which the Australian Government can get the particulars required, it strikes the mind as a typical case of obstinacy which injure only its practitioners.

CAILLARD VISITS LONDON.

French Officers Escorted Through Streets Amid Hearty Cheers.

London, Aug. 11.—Vice-Admiral Caillard, commander-in-chief of the French fleet, and 80 of his officers, arrived in London yesterday, and were rived in London yesterday, and were welcomed with every demonstration of good-will. The weather was ideal, and animated crowds througed the befagged route from the Victoria Station, through the main streets to the Guildhall, where the visitors were guests of the lord mayor and corporation at luncheon. Everywhere the heartlest cheers greeted the visitors. The Guild hall was reached about 1 o'clock. The lord mayor and aldermen, who wore full state robes, welcomed the guests. Eight hundred sat down to luncheon.

The scene at the Guildhall was hrilliant one. The toasts were full of cordality.

After luncheon the procession was

re-formed, and proceeded to the French embassy, where Admiral Caillard gave a reception to members of the French colony. The passage of the proces-sion across Trafalgar square was mark-ed by an incident that met with hearty cheers from the spectators. As Ad ficers came abreast of the Nelson Col-umn, they slightly turned towards it, and, looking at the bas relief depicting the death of Great Britain's national hero on board the Victory, raised their hats to the salute.

KATRN ISLAND.

Selected As Site of Laurier City, Wes-

tern Terminus of G.T.P.

Montreal, Aug. 11.—It is stated on inquestioned authority that Kairn Is. land, 23 miles south of Port Simpson, and facing Tucket's Inlet, is to be the site of Laurier City, the western ter-minus of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. Confirmation of the fact is found in the grant of 10,000 acres of land, exclusive of Indian reserves, upon the island just made by the Provincial Government, to the company at the

price of \$1 per acre.

It is understood upon the best authority that the grant is conditional upon the selected site being made the permanent western terminus of th ranscontinental road with divisional transcontinental road with divisional offices, shops, round houses, etc. A further stipulation is that the construction of the rallway and works of the Pacific end shall be commenced prior to June 1, 1906, and shall be completed within two years thereafter. F. W. Morse, the manager of the new road, declined to discuss the report officially, neither confirming the statement nor denying it.

DEFIES RAILWAY.

Farmer Card Uses Whip on C. P. R. Men After His Land.

Guelph, Aug. 11.—Armed with a heavy horsewhip. Richard Card, a Guelph Township farmer, Wednesday defied the sheriff, his men and the C. P. R. authorities to put a spade into

his land.

Card had refused the price offered by the company for passing through his farm. They secured an order of expropriation. The sheriff accompanied the company's representatives to see that the order was obeyed. But Card refused acquiescence, and drove up and down the road in a buggy, using his horsewhip to keep the workmen back.

back.
Finally, however, the law prevailed, and Card was arredied, and is still held, pending an explanation of his conduct.

Constancy is the complement of all other huma vinrtues. [] [] []

4 DIE IN NELSON FIRE

Inmates of the Grand Hotel Barely Escape With Lives.

Several Persons Badly Burned-Horses Hitched to the Ladder Truck Ran, Away, and Four Persons Were Burned, Being Unable to Reach the Ground From the Top Storey Without the Ladders.

Nelson, B.C., Aug. 10.-Yesterday Nelson, B.C., Aug. 10.—Yesterday morning fire destroyed the Grand Hotel. Many of the inmates barely escaped with their lives, four Italian boarders were badly burned, one named Maripie being still in a very critical condition, while the absence of fire ladders caused the death of four paragraps, who ware unable to reach the persons who were unable to reach the ground from the top storey. The horses hitched to the ladder truck, in charge of Driver O'Connor, ran away, and O'Connor jumped from his seat. The destruction of the three-story Grand Hotel on Vernon street caused a loss of \$50,000 on building and \$2,500

on contents. The insurance is \$5.000 on building and \$1,500 on contents TWO STRUCK BY TRAIN.

One Dead, Other May Recover-Train's Approach Unnoticed.

Guelph, Aug. 11.—Herman Jacobs is dead and William Roberts is lying in the General Hospital here in a serious condition as a result of being struck by a Grand Trunk express train a few miles south of Palmerston.

They were walking along the track unconscious of the approaching train.

unconscious of the approaching train, and before the engineer discovered their dangerous position they were struck by the pilot of the engine and thrown several feet.

Jacobs had his back broken and sus tained internal and other injuries, and died while being taken to his home in Hamilton. Roberts was badly bruised about the whole body, but will likely

Drowned At Fort Erie. Buffalo, Aug. 11.—In the sight of two companions, neither of whom could help her, Ella Spressel, 14 years old, went down to death while wading in the water along the shores of Lake Erie, near Fort Erie, Ont., late Wed-

nesday. 27 Hours in Open Boat. 27 Hours in Open Boat.

Toronto, Aug. 11.—Frustrated by a crowd of small boys in their attempts to land from the small boat in which they were paddling, Annie and Irene O'Connor, two little Hamilton girls, summering at Grimsby Park, spent 27 hours alone on Lake Ontario, until finally, in the last stages of exhaustion, they were picked up by the steamer Lakeside. The children, who were aged 14 and 10 years had no were aged 14 and 10 years had no were aged 14 and 10 years, had no idea of the management of a boat, and their parents had given them up for lost. The girls are daughters of Edward O'Connor, conductor, of the Grand Trunk, running from Hamilton

WILL CARE FOR INJURED.

Meyers Firm of Albany Ask Public Not to Send Subscriptions.

Albany N. V. Aug. 11 -Twenty-four nours have not elapsed since the last body was taken out of the ruins of the yers building which collapsed Tues day morning. The work of rescue has been suspeneded and it is thought probably that thirteen will complete the death roll. Of those in the hospital all are expected to recover, but Miss Helen Donahue, whose back is broken. The remainder of the week will be a period of mourning for Albany. Four victims of the collapsed building were buried yesterday and great crowds at-

tended the funerals. The two daughters of the late John G. Meyers, foun or of the business, whose husbands, to rge P. Hilton and H. King Sturdee, are senior partners in the enterprise, have asked that the public benefit subscription be discontinued, declaring that they personally would care for all employes and their

ENGLAND MONTREAL IN A WEEK.

Time Established by the Allan Liner Turbiner Virginian.

Montreal, Aug. II.—Another record has been scored by the Canadian fast Atlantic service. For the first time in history letters posted in England on one Thursday evening will be delivered in Montreal on the next Thursday and in Toronto by Friday and any passingers in a special hurry can make the same record. This is the record of the Virginian, which the Allan line expect both their turbiners will be able to keep up in future.

Take Jobs For Themselves.
Fort William, Aug. 11.—Four members of the Town Council have secured jobs, and new elections will have to take place. Councillor Newcombe has been appointed police magistrate, Councillor Ollis Division Court clerk, and at Wednesday evening's meeting of the Council, Councillor W. T. Rankin was appointed assistant assessor and building and sanitary inspector. Councillor Wilson received the appointment of caretaker of the new civic buildings.

Abolish Steel Rail Bounty.
Ottawa, Aug. 11.—The Government has passed an order in Council providing that the bounty on steel manufactured in Canada shall not apply to steel rails. This action was taken because the industries at the Soo made, and successfully sustained, the contention that under the previous regulation they were entitled to the bounty on steel rails they manufactured as well as on structural steel.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff

Local Briefs

Miss Christena Park, of Doyles, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. D. H. Taylor, of Dunville.

Miss Daniels, of this city, was the guest of Miss Edna Carscallen, Dresden, this week.

Misses Nan Battisby and Edith lolmes are the guests of Miss Susie Taylor at Ericau. Mrs. John Davidson, of Chatham,

is the guest of relatives here. Thamesville Herald. Mrs. S. J. Winter, of this city, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. Pollock, Dresden.

Miss Bessie Daniels, of Chatham, spent Sunday with her cousin, Wm. Daniels.—Dresden Times.

Miss Lafferty, of Chatham, is the guest of Mrs. Essie Parker and other riends.—Wallaceburg News. Miss Tresa and Flora Smith,

Chatham, are visiting Misses Eula and Irene Lucas, of Dresden. Mrs. N. M. Campbell and Miss Ida Mrs. N. M. Campbell and Miss Ion Powell, of Blenheim, were guests at the Garner House yesterday. George Morris, of Chatham, paid a yisit to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Little on

Tursday last.—Dresden Times.

Lottie Wangenheim has returned home after visiting relatives at Blen-heim for the past six weeks. Miss Viola Netherclift has returned home from Blenheim accompanied by her cousin, Miss Neita Rumball.

Misses Tresa and Flora Smith, of Chatham, are visiting Misses Eula and Irene Lucas.—Dresden Times. Miss Grace Darling returned to Detroit to-day after spending a couple of days at her home here. Dr. Bullis and wife, of Rochester who have been visiting in Dresden, have arrived in Chatham for a short

Mrs. Thos. Wickham, of Chatham, spent Saturday with Mrs. Wm. Mc-Donald, Cemetery street. — Dresden

Frank D. Laurie and Capt. Wm. Mowbray spent the evening the guests of friends at Sandy Knowe, Erieau.

W. E. Campbell and Wm. Emerson of Detroit, spent last night the guests of Manson Campbell at his Ericau cottage.

Mrs. Angus Mahew has returned ome after visiting her sister, Mrs. f. McDougall, and other friends in Wallaceburg.

Miss Carrie Wanless, of Chatham is on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wanless, here.-London Free Press.

Miss Anna Robert, Third street, re turned home last evening from a three weeks visit with relatives in Saginaw and Bay City.

Mrs. Louis Wangenheim and daughter have returned home after a four weeks visit in Brantford, Hamilton and Toronto.

Dancing both ways on the Catholic Order of Fores 's' Excursion to Deroit, Tuesdayl Aug. 15th. Music by the Opera House Orchestra.

Mrs. Charles Fleming and Miss Candace, of Chatham, spent last week with Mrs. James Brown and other friends here.—Thamesville Herald. A good time is promised all who go with the Catholic Order of Foresters to Detroit, Tuesday, August 15th, per Str. City of Chatham. The Opera House Orchestra will furnish music.

Miss Jean Cosgrave, of Chatham, spent a couple of days last week with Miss Ethel Burnie, returning home on Monday.—Dresden Times. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Merritt and children, of Chatham, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Green, townline Chatham and Camden.—Dresden

Miss Mary Steen, of Chatham, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. Owen, here, accompanied by her little niece, Marion Steen, of this city.—London Free Press.

Special attention will be paid to the refreshments on the Catholic Order of Foresters' Excursion to Detroit, Tuesday, Aug. 15. Tea, coffee, ice-cream, sandwiches, fruits, soft drinks, etc. Take a holiday and come along.

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Miss Lillian Craddock, who took her first year piano examination at the Toronto College of Music, while en route for her vacation, has just received word that she was successful with honors. Miss Craddock's name was not received in time to have it published with the other successful pupils of the Misses Hillman.

Sandy McVean received a copy of the Pike's Peak Daily News on Tuesday, and in it we noticed the name of Ronald McVean, who, it said, had elimbed the mountain on foot. The paper stated that there are few who are plucky enough to make the ascent on foot. Ronald was there at sunrise on the morning of Aug. 2nd, he having left his hotel at midnight. The mountain is 14,147 feet in height.—Dresden Times.

EXCURSION TO NIAGARA FALLS. Sons of England, Civic Holiday, return tickets \$2.45, children \$1.25, good for three days; leaving G. E. R. 7.80 a. m.; Toronto and return by boat, good for two days, from Niagara Falls, \$1.00; four boats leaving daily.

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