#### PRICE TWO CENTS.

# WILLIE WHITLA SAFE AT HOME

Father Refused to Say If He Found Themselves in Trouble Paid Ransom Money-Everyone Happy.

SMOTHERED WITH KISSES

Promise.

great anxiety and the police of the napped from school in Sharon, Pa., last Thursday, was returned to his tonight at 8:30 o'clock.

entered into between the boy's father extreme youth. and an agent of the kidnappers here today, the boy was placed on a street car on the outskirts of the city and started to the hotel shortly after 8 o'clock. Two boys, G. W. Ramsey and Edward Mahoney recognized the lad on the car, and, taking him in charge, conducted him to his father, who was waiting according to a prearranged plan which he had followed at the dictation of the kidnappers. The boy wandered about the hotel lobby unannounced for several minutes asking bellboys for his father before the latter knew his son was in the big foyer. The moment Mr. Whitla heard that a strange boy was in the hotel sauntering about in aimless fashion he rushed across the lobby, grasped him in his arms and smothered his face with

#### The Boy Disguised.

An attempt had been made to disguise the lad. He wore a pair of smoked glasses and a large tan cap, which was pulled down over his ears, and his father said it would have been difficult to have recognized him in such a garb had he passed him on the Willie is in good health. He says that he has been well treated, and ever since his capture has been constantly indoors.

He believes he was taken Sharon to Warren, and thence to New-It is his opinion that he was in Ashtabula on Saturday night the time his father was to leave his \$10,000 in Flatiron Park.

Sharon, Pa., saying that if he called and he was placed in the baggage end of Cleveland he would be told how the hospital. secure his boy unharmed and "well fed."

Leaving for Home.

Shortly after noon he left Sharon for Cleveland. He was unaccompanied His immediate family and the private detectives he had in his employ had been apprised by him of the proposed secret meeting, but he insisted that he must make the trip alone, unheralded. and that no attempt at the capture of the kidnappers must be made then. Mr. Whitla was certain if he spoiled plans of his son's captors tonight, he would never see the lad again. His D. Smythe (chairman of the fire experience at Ashtabula served as a

went to a candy store at the east end. at fire engines. With him he carried the \$10,000 ex-

he paid the money, but on this point with the test. father declines to commit himself. His entrance to the hotel was sur-

rounded with secrecy. By a previous arrangement made with the hotel management he did not register. Detective G. B. Perkins, who has superintended the search for Continued on Page Nine.

### STILL MISSING

No Word of the Balloon America and Its Occupants.

of Pasadena as passengers, and still the port of Christ Church, N. Z. at this writing today no word has The Nimrod expedition to the south kind was forthcoming.

canyons and crossing the mountain

### HANG THE KIDNAPPER!

Stringent Measure Introduced in Senate of Pennsylvania.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 23.-A bill expeditions home. making kidnapping an offence punishable by death by hanging has been introduced in the Senate as a result of the Whitla kidnapping. The present penalty is imprisonment for life, or for such term of years as the court may direct.

Both the Senate and House adopted a concurrent resolution empowering Governor Stuart to offer a reward of were unsatisfactory, and Attorney- Harris; house committee, Messrs. \$15,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the kidnappers of the Whitla boy.

WESTON'S PROGRESS. Payson Weston left Syracuse for Lyons at 6 a.m. today. He was in good form and high spirits.

\$62.000 SUCCESSION DUES. Toronto, March 23,-The Previncial Treasury Department yesterday re- tures.

### LONDON GIRLS IN A ST. THOMAS COURT

Two Young Waywards Soon in Railroad City.

Two young girls, giving the names of Ella Roberts and Jean Morrison, London as their home, appeared in St. Thomas police court yesterday morning on a charge of being disorderly. Mother in a Delirium of Joy-The Kid-nanpers Were True to Their The girls, according to the evidence, came to St. Thomas on Friday, spent the night at a hotel, stayed at Pinafore Park on Saturday, and on Saturday night took possession of an empty Cleveland, Ohio, March 22 .- Willie Grand Trunk coach. They slept there Whitla, who has caused his parents and on Sunday morning were arrested. After hearing the evidence, the entire country worry since he was kid- magistrate fined the hotelkeeper, Andrew Haller, \$50 for allowing questionable characters to stay at his at the Hollenden Hotel here house. The girls were taken home by their parents, the court dealing In compliance with an agreement leniently with them on account of their

# TRAMP WAS STRUCK BY G.T.R. EXPRESS

While Walking on the Track Three Miles East of London.

HE WAS BADLY INJURED

Is Now in Woodstock Hospital-Recovery Is Very Problematical.

Mark Pierceson, a young man who has been tramping for weeks, was struck by Grand Trunk express No. 12, three miles east of London yesterday afternoon, and is at present in Woodstock hospital suffering from a broken collarbone, five fractured ribs and internal injuries.

It is not known yet whether Pierceson will recover. The train was in charge of Engineer Cook, and he saw the young fellow on the track and whistled repeatedly for him to get out of the way. Pierceson, however, did not hear, and the engin-Mr. Whitla refused to say whether eer applied the brakes as quickly as he has pald the ransom or not. He possible. Pierceson was thrown seysaid that he received a letter today eral feet after being struck, and as from the kidnappers at his home in soon as possible the train was stopped, ination day they let nine seats go to present him. The appearance of Mr.

#### DELEGATION HERE FROM CARLETON PLACE

Fire Engines.

A deputation from the council of basca were deferred. Carleton Place, consisting of Mayor A. E. Cram, Ald. J. R. McDermid (chairman of the board of works), Ald. light committee), and Ald. W. H. Matthews (chairman of the finance com-About 2 o'clock this afternoon he mittee), were in the city today looking

At the instance of Ald. Garratt. pecting that it would be demanded of chairman of No. 3 committee, and Ald. him there. He was met by a woman Parsons, acting mayor, the steam fire who detailed to him the terms of the engine of the fire department was With distracted eager- taken to Hunt's dam, where a test ness Mr. Whitla agreed to them im- was made. The engine was in good trim and did excellent work. The vis-Detectives in his employ said that itors professed to be highly pleased

After the inspection, the visitors Half an hour later he returned to the were shown about the city by Ald. Hollenden Hotel and awaited develop- Garratt and Ald. Parsons, and were later entertained at lunch at the Tecumseh House. "You have a very pretty city here," said Mayor Cram. "I like it very

### SOUTH POLE EXPEDITION

much.

Return of Lieut. Shackelton-Declines

to Make a Statement Invercargill, New Zealand, March 23 -The Barkentine Nimrod which early in 1908 took E. H. Shackelton's Ant-Los Angeles, Cal., March 23 .- Near- arctic expedition to the south, called ly three days have passed since the here today on her return. Lieut. balloon America went up from Tour- Shackelton declined to make any nament Park in Pasadena with Capt. statement regarding his explorations. A. E. Mueller, as pilot, and five men The Nimrod later left for Lyttleton, come regarding the landing of the pole left England in July, 1907, after balloon or the fate of its human Queen Alexandra had given the ves-

freight. Searching parties are in var- sel a flag and King Edward had beous places in the mountains explor- stowed the Victorian Order on Lieut. ing every accessible part of the Ernest H. Shackelton, of the British ranges and canyons. The hunt was navy, leader of the party who made kept up all night and messages were a trip to the Antarctic regions in received from every point beyond the 1902-03 as a member of the Discovery mountains where a landing could have Expedition, under Capt. K. T. Scott. en made, but no information of any The Nimrod carried a motor sledge for the use of the explorers and a Thirty men are following up the number of Siberian ponies and dogs. The crew numbered 32 men all told. and had provisions for two years after leaving New Zealand. The landed party was to consist of twelve men. The Nimrod left the party in camp at the foot of Mount Erebus, a point which was reached with considerable difficulty on account of the ice, and she left last December to bring the

### FIREMAN CONWAY'S DEATH

Developments of Investigation at Am-

herstburg Unsatisfactory. Windsor, March 23.—Developments General Foy's department will probably be asked to send a man to take full charge of the investigation. Con- J. K. H. Pope, president of the asso- Port Simpson ...... siderable pressure has already been brought to bear toward this end by Syracuse, N. Y., March 23.—Edward fied at the action of Coroner Park in be shot for every year; R. S. Wilson, deeming an inquest unnecessary. The who had the highest individual score Que blood-stained boathouse, the tracks for the year; Major Hayes, J. S. Tayleading from the hill to the beach, lor, of the Thorndale Rifle Association, and unquestionable indications that a and Mr. A. A. Briggs. struggle of some sort had occurred, Musical selections were rendered by have given rise to all sorts of conjec- Messrs. Milligan, Kingsmill, Wilson Coroner Park, after conduct-

# LIBERALS SWEEP "SUNNY" ALBERTA

Premier Rutherford and Every Member of the Cabinet Returned.

TWO CONSERVATIVES WIN

Athabasca and Peace River Will Vote Next Week-Edmonton Elected Two Liberals.

LIBERALS. ALEXANDRIA-Moore. CALGARY—Cushing. CAMROSE-Smith CLARESHOLM-McKenzie COCHRANE—Fisher. DIDSBURY-Stauffer. EDMONTON-Cross and McDougall. GLEICHEN-Riley. INNISTAIL-Simpson. LACOMBE-Puffer LAC STE. ANNE-Gunn.

LEDUC-Telford. LETHBRIDGE CITY—Buchanan. MEDICINE HAT-Finlay. OLDS-Marshall. PAKAN-Lessard. PEMBINA-McKenny PINCHER CREEK-Warnock.

PONOKA—Campbell. ST. ALBERT—Boudreau. SEDGEWICK-Stewart. STONEY PLAINS-McPherson. STRATHCONA—Rutherford. STETTLER-Shaw. STURGEON-Boyle VEGREVILLE-Holden. VICTORIA-Walker.

WETASKIWIN-Olin CONSERVATIVES. CALGARY-Bennett. HIGH RIVER-Stanley. INDEPENDENTS.

LETHBRIDGE DISTRICT - Mc-RED DEER-Mitchener.

other constituencies, and are probably elected. Edmonton, March 22.-The Liberal party of this province, under the leadership of Hon. A. C. Rutherford, won a sweeping victory at the polls today, when the electors gave most hearty indorsation of the Govern-

ment's appeal. Today there were two Conservatives and two Independents elected, all

the rest being Liberals. There was no doubt at all about the general result. That was conced- Italian Chamber of Commerce of New ectionery store in the east and taken to Woodstock and placed in Liberals elected by acclamation were dous cheering by the crowds on the ford, in Leduc; P. E. Lessard, in ing c Pakan; Charles Stewart, in Sedge-boys wick; H. W. McKenny, in Pembina; boken, let loose their college yell. R. Boyle, in Sturgeon, and Frank Mayor and Others Were Looking at Conservative was nominated in Ed-broken through by the pressure of the monton, a two-seat constituency, there eager crowd, and the expresident was

Bennett in Second Place. Bennett is returned in Calgary, but the the presentation ceremony very brief. poll there is headed by Hon. Mr. The Italian orator cut short his cushing, who polled 161 more votes lengthy address, merely stating that had been living in Fort William until Didsbury, regarded as a certain Conians in appreciation of what Mr. tributed one cent toward the support of servative seat, a Liberal was elected Roosevelt had caused to be done for his children, the court remarked that he by a good majority, and the record of the suffering people of Southern Italy thought Thompson had good nerve to doubtful seats has been almost entire- and Calabria. Mr. Roosevelt, in re- conduct himself so in his wife's house. ly in support of the Government. didates were returned by pluralities cannot tell you how deeply touched I

aggregating 4,540, and the local Liber- am." als marked the occasion with a torch- Mr. Roosevelt, seeing that the crowd He promised profusely to live better in

from, Genge and McNeil were tied. Socalists Have One.

Moore, the veteran Liberal campaigner. In Lethbridge district, McLean (Con.) is reported to be in the lead. No returns Government on its railway policy and particularly of the sharpness with which they called on the elections after dissolving the House. The Government pinned its faith on its record of administration, the railway policy and its solicitation on behalf of the workingmen.

At Calgary owing to the solit in the e was opportunity for have celebrations. Hon. parties to have celebrations. Hon. W. H. Cushing was escorted around the city and made a speech thanking his supporters for re-election. P. B. Bennett also expressed appreciation of the work of the Opposition. Large crowds of en-thusiastic party men followed the suc cessful candidates around the city and cheered their approval. The latest refigures are: nett 2,416, Egbert 1,842, Blow 1,831, How-

#### M'CLARYS CIVILIAN . RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting Was Held the Other Evening-Banquet Also.

The annual meeting of the McClary Civilian Rifle Association was held in 'Famous' banqueting hall, Wellington and King streets, the other evening. At a quarter to eight a business

meeting took place, at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Captain, J. K. H. Tope; secretary, T. Paterson; treasurer, J. C. Ross; maging committee, Major Hayes, W. in the Conway case at Amherstburg Gibling, J. M. Gunn; coach, George Harris, Paterson and Ellis.

The banquet was held at 8:30, Mr. ciation, presiding. Speeches were made by Col. Gart-

# LITTLE GIRL DIES AS RESULT OF THE SHOT

Tilsonburg Child Was Wounded By Her Brother on Friday

(Special to The Advertiser.)
Tillsonburg, March 23.—Bessie Ryan, the
little girl who was shot in the side by was playing with a loaded gun, died here last evening. It was thought on Sunday that she night recover, but on Sunday evening

her condition became worse, and she died yesterday. The loss of blood and the shock to her system were too much, and she failed to rally, as the physicians hoped for.

THE EX-PRESIDENT

Roosevelt Sails : Away on the First Stage of His Tour— Gets Great Sendoff.

journey to the wilds of East Africa sessed on his income in search of big game, in which the regions abounds. From his country nome at Oyster Bay to the steamship the greetings of the crowds which had expressed all along the way.

New York to Jersey City. American Line pier, where he boarded Huron) agreed with Mr. MacKay. Conservatives are leading in three the steamer Hamburg, a packed throng of his fellow countrymen indorsed the views which had greeted the ex-president, and as he expressed. He thought it would be appeared, loud cheers greeted him. He unfortunate if a community which smiled and bowed cordially at the already had an efficient police force salute of the assemblage, and seemed which could act in the matter should pleased at the demonstration in his

honor. Shortly before the steamer salled THREATENED TO RIDDLE Mr. Roosevelt, escorted by a detachment of local police, appeared at the gangway which led to the pier. The police had cleared an open space across the pier to the point where the W. F. Puffer, in Lacombe; Peter pier, and on the steamer's deck. As he Gunn, in Lac Ste. Anne; R. T. Tel- came down the gang plank the cheerin ing continued, and a party of college Trong Stevens Institute, in Ho-

were really nine acclamations. The swept toward the tablet by the rush, would riddle her with bullets. elections in Peace River and Athahim, and while the police were endeavoring to fight off the onrush, Mr. Edmonton, Alta., March 22.-R. B. Roosevelt asked the speakers to make In the tablet was presented by the Italy in support of the Government.

In Edmonton both Government canmuch. I want to thank you all. I

light procession. The independent was becoming quite unmanageable, he were given a chance. Mrs. Thompson, gave directions that the tablet be sent however, said she would never live Up to date the majorities in the to Mrs. Roosevlet, and turned back him any more, and the court ordered county districts cannot be given with toward the foreward gangplank of the him to pay her \$84 out of the \$96, and to steamer. The police did their best to stay away from her house altogether, In MacLeod, with four polls to hear clear a way for him, but the crowd under penalty of arrest. pressed around, becoming demonstra- | Thompson is, moreover, to pay as much tive, and many persons tried to shake as he can toward supporting his children Socalists have elected one man the ex-president's hand. The police and was bailed in the sum of \$500 personal and in Red Deer, Mitchener, Independent took a firm grip on the situation, pushed back the crowd, and rushed pushed back the crowd, and rushed make the first payment.

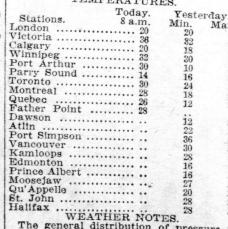
Mr. Roosevelt toward the steamer. reported to be in the lead. No returns worth while have come in from Clares-Roosevelt's hat blew off. He kept right holm. The platform adopted by the Conservative party at Red Deer was in the main followed, but was very largely forgotten in the criticisms offered the him. He bowed his thanks, and smil-At Calgary, owing to the split in the by their thoughtfulness and kindness in coming such a way. God bless you

Mr. Roosevelt then retired to the have been appointed temporary receivsteamer's deck.

ABRUZZI SAYS "RIDICULOUS." Genoa, March 23.-The Duke of the Abruzzi has left for Marseilles, pre- cial difficulties, but it was not thought paratory to starting on his expedition to Hymilayas. With reference to the thought now that the company will be report that he had made a will leaving his jewels to Miss Katherine Elkins, he said: "That is simply ridi-

### THE WEATHER. TOMORROW-FAIR.

FORECASTS. Toronto, March 23—8 a.m.
Today—Light, variable winds; fine.
Wednesday—Southerly winds; fair; stationary or higher temperatures. TEMPERATURES.



The general distribution of pressure is nuch the same as yesterday, except that the high area has drawn somewhat to Treasury Department yesterday rerelived from the estate of the late G.
H. Bisby, of Hamilton, a check for duest, announced it as his belief that \$62,000, representing the amount of functions due from the function without any induest, announced it as his belief that Conway's death was due to accidental drowning while under the influence of liquor.

A very pleasing event took place when Mr. J. C. Ross, on behalf of the McClary Association, asked Mr. Pope to accept the cup which the club had won for 1908.

Light snow has fallen in Manttoba and the Maritime Provinces, while in other parts of the Dominion the weather has been fine.

The temperature is highest in Alberta and lowest in Northern Ontario.

# **LEGISLATION TALK** ABOUT THE AUTO

The Ontario Act Claimed To Be the Best on the Continent for Drivers of Horses.

> TRUANCY ALSO DISCUSSED Difficulty in Getting Truant Officers Appointed - The Auto Has Come to Stay.

[Special to the Advertiser.] Toronto, March 23.—The principal plans of the f topic of discussion in the Legislature the kidnapping. yesterday was automobiles, and the fact was brought to light that the Ondrivers and owners of horses to be IS OFF FOR AFRICA make a few necessary minor amend-

ments to the act. Truancy was also discussed, and was paid to his kidnappers in a groseveral consolidated Government bills cery store at East Fifty-Third street were introduced. Hon, Mr. Cochrane and Standard avenue, an hour after introduced a bill to provide better pro- noon Monday. tection for miners in case of accident. In future when an inquest is held the inspector of mines must be notified. Mr. Cochrane also introduced a bill New York, March 23. - Theodore which defines definitely that only Roosevelt sailed away from his native the municipality where a profitable land today on the first stage of his mine is worked can the owner be as-

Trouble About Truancy.
In reply to the leader of the Opdifficulty in the past had been to get trace the police have of him. municipal authorities to appoint A feature of the trip was that Mr. thought if the appointments were left When he arrived at the Hamburg- the law. Mr. A. H. Musgrove (North Mr. Valentine Stock (South Perth) Continued on Page Nine.

# HIS WIFE WITH BULLETS

James Thompson Can be Play- chosen. Mrs. Uhl, the fully Cute on Certain Occasions.

While going home in the street car on Friday evening, James Thompson sud-On the way across the pier the lines denly got mad at his wife, and told her Walker, in Victoria. As only one of police escorting Mr. Roosevelt were he would shoot her. A moment later he added that if she dared to come home he Mrs. Thompson dared to go home, and there Thompson continued to threaten

until finally Detective Nickle was called in and he was arrested. After hearing he sory of Mrs. Thomp

HAD MONEY. Thompson, it was shown, had been making about \$3 a day, and when ar-

bail to appear again in two weeks and

# WESTERN TRACTION CO.

Business.

The announcement is made that the London and Western Trusts Company ers of the Southwestern Traction Company. It has been known for some time that the company has been in finan-

that these were serious, nor is it forced to the wall. At the present time it is one of the the question over with the steel combest paying traction propositions in pany. the country. Last year the road carried over 500,000 people, and the business has shown a steady increase all in Port Stanley. the time.

A Paying Investment. Ever since the new equipment has been installed the concern has been a

paying investment. The company regarded the first equipment as unsuitable owing to climatic and other conditions, and as a result installed the single trolley system. It is stated that through this change the company incurred a floating indebtedness of \$100,000, and it is this that is causing all the difficulty.

Absolutely Good. There is no doubt that as a going oncern the traction company is absolutely sound. The officials of the company refuse to discuss the matter, but it is expect- sion was too drastic and revolutionary. ed that re-arrangement will place, and that the company will be referring to the limitations of expense

A Popular Concern. The management have the goodwill and support of the citizens generally. Since the road has been built it has been of great benefit to the city, and Light snow has fallen in Manitoba and as one of the best aids to business ing. Excellent prizes will be offered. Mrs. J. A. Rumball, Goderich. the merchants unanimously regard it

though nothing had happened.

# THE TWO WHITLAS LEAVE FOR HOME

The \$10,000 Ransom for the Boy Was Paid in Grocery Store on Monday.

Cleveland, March 23. — James P. Whitla and his son Billy left today for the family home in Sharon, Pa. and were escorted to the railroad depot by a cheering crowd of reople. The kidnapped youngster was clasped in the arms of his father from the moment they left the Hollanden Hotel until they reached the train. James P. Whitla was not inclined to discuss the manner or ransom or the plans of the family in dealing with

"I am so glad to have the boy in my arms," said the father half smiltario automobile act was considered by ing and half crying, "that I have given no thought to the kidnappers. best law on the continent. A spe- That will be up to the police, and as cial committee will be appointed to I live and breathe, I am not worrying over their movements."

> Hayes Got the Money. The money was received by an ordinarily-dressed workingman, who gave his name as Hayes.

He picked up the package filled with yellow-backed bills, smiled and Mrs. Bernard Hendrickson, tempor arily in charge of the store for her mother, Mrs. Margaret Uhl, forgot to position regarding the revision of the notice which way the man went, and dock in Hoboken, the ex-president truancy act, Hon. Dr. Pyne said the at the door of the grocery is the last Mr. Hayes stepped into the store wish him good luck being truant officers. Mr. MacKay admit- that noon and asked if a package ted that such was the case, and had been left for him, Mrs. Hendrickson, without noting his appearance Roosevelt rode for the first time in in the hands of school boards men told him there had not been. An hour the tunnel under the Hudson from would be appointed who would take later a prosperous-looking man, who a real interest in the enforcement of said his name was Williams, came in with a small package in his pocket. "He said he wanted to leave it for a man named Hayes," said Mrs. Hendrickson today. "He asked if Hayes had been here and I said he had. Williams left the package and not two minutes later Hayes came in and asked me, "Is my package here?" told him that it was and he smiled. Without another word he took it from where it lay exposed on top of the cigar case and went away." The Uhl grocery store is in the rear of Standard street, and is one of those familiar small establishments where school children may rurchase pencils and note books. place was wellchosen. Mrs. Uhl, the proprietor has

> the passage of the ransom took place and only her daughter, the wife of an Miss Ella Dickie, 860 Hellmuth employee of the Natural Gas Company, vas a witness to the transfer. Sharon, Pa., March 23.-Willie Whita arrived here at 12:06 this p.m. Fully 5,000 persons extended the boy demonstrative greeting. and singing, the crowd followed the boy and his father to the Whitla

# PORT STANLEY IS HOT AFTER THE STEEL PLANT

Meeting Was Held at Which Ald. Ferguson Was Invited to Go South.

their plant at Port Stanley is creating great deal of interest in London's likeside suburb, and at a mass meeting last night in that village it was deeided to ask Ald. Donald Ferguson, of sides of Wellington street, and south London, to come and address the of, but not including Dundas street. council on the subject. Mayor Stevely Miss Edith Glanville, 153 Wharnand Mayor Geddes, of St. Thomas, will also be invited. Reeve William Jack- Miss Winnie Grimason, 229 Rich-There was a great deal of enthusiasm over the prospect, and a number of the speakers declared that Port Stanley

could offer splendid advantages to the company. St. Thomas Excited. St. Thomas is also considerably excited over the proposition. Ald. Guest, chairman of the industrial commitmitee, has called a meeting of his committee for Monday night, and board meet this week to discuss the ques-

of trade will also Ald. Ferguson is in touch with some of the members of the corporation, and Miss Margaret J. Kennedy, liderit will be an easy matter to arrange a meeting with them.

Mayor Is Away. Mayor Stevely is out of town at the present time, and no meeting will be arranged until he returns. It is understood, however, that both St. Thomas and Port Stanley will Miss Rebecca A. Wilkins, Adel-

Every effort will be made to get the

company to locate its Canadian plant

## THE INSURANCE BILL

Brought Up Before the Banking Committee of the House.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, March 23. - Representaives of the leading insurance companies of Canada appeared before the banking committee this morning to give their views on the insurance bill. Mr. J. K. McDonald, president of the Life Officers' Association, was first. He stated that the life officers improvement over that of last year. but at the same time this new provitake He specified among such the provisions placed on a sound financial basis. The of securing business and management, road will continue to be operated as and to investment by way of loan. The insurance men will be before the committee for several days.

South London Whist.

The regular weekly whist matches will be held in the rooms of the South Miss A. W. Sawers, Brucefield .. 16,970 London Liberal Club on Friday even- Miss Mary Gibson, Brucefield .... 16,059 London has acquired in many years.

It has established the fact that radial railways will be a boon to the box of cigars presented by Mr. A. H. Miss Alice Mawhinney, Crediton. 341

# TRIP-TO-EUROPE

Standing of Candidates in the Great Contest Up to Saturday Night

LIVELY COMPETITIONS

Nearly All Contestants Show Decided Increases-Some Changes in the Positions-Vote Mounting Up.

Below will be seen the record of otes in The Advertiser's Trip-to-Europe contest, polled up to Saturday night. The vote snows a decided increase for almost every candidate, and as a result there are fewer relative changes in the standing. No. 1 district still holds the palm for the highest vote polled, one candidate having passed the hundred-thousand mark. In district No. 3 two candidates have changed places. In district No. 4 the ontest has become exceptionally keen. There is also a splendid competition in district No. 5, with a large number of entries, and several candidates very lose; so close as to make every change of fortune very interesting. In district No. 8 the candidate who tood fourth in the last list published now has reached second place. In this group, too, the race only a little more than a votes separating the four leaders. The whole vote as published today the increased interest that the new pin-money contest is arousing:

DISTRICT NUMBER ONE. All that territory within the city imits, north of and including both sides of Dundas street, and west of and including both sides of Welling. ton street.

Miss Katie McLaughlin, 226 Hy-Miss E. Ball, 664 Talbot street. 25,434 Miss Maude Underwood, 209 Queen's avenue ... Mrs. Norman Roberts, Richmond and John streets ...... 2,842

DISTRICT NUMBER TWO. All that territory inside the city limits, east of, but not including Wellington street, and north of and inseventeen cluding both sides of Dundas street, when Miss Velma Hayes, 574 Adelaide

Miss Annie Fitzpatrick, 763 Maitland street
Miss Mabel Connor, 474 Princess
.....14,922 Miss Nellie Weston, 868 Dundas Miss Annie S. Stevenson, 391 Dundas street Mrs. M. Callander, 772 Hellmuth

Mrs. Ronald Emery, 338 Dundas street ..... DISTRICT NUMBER THREE. All that territory inside the city limits, south of, but not including Dundas street, and east of, but not including Wellington street. Miss Edna Calhoun, 318 Grey

avenue

Mrs. Ida Willis, 398 Adelaide ney avenue ..... DISTRICT NUMBER FOUR. All that territory inside the city limits, west of and including both

mond street Miss Vera B. Hewer, 8 Ingleside street
Miss Eva McDowell, 240 King
27,780 side street Miss Maude Wheatcroft, 254 Hill street 

Mrs. H. Hundertmark, jun., 150 Bruce street ...... DISTRICT NUMBER FIVE. The County of Middlesex outside the city limits. So far little has been done locally. Miss Rosa Fraser, Poplar Hill . 74,089

ton ..

Miss Rosa Longfield, Mossley ... 42,372 Miss Grace Shepherd, Lambeth 40,042 Miss Ethel Earl, Egerton street 35,806 Miss Lily Arthur, Lambeth .... 13,814 Miss Sylvia Oliver, Kilworth Bridge ...

Miss Gladys Malcolm, Littlewood 4,955 DISTRICT NUMBER SIX. The Counties of Lambton, Kent and

Miss M. Anderson, Wyoming . Miss Aggie St. Clair, Brigden Miss Irene Marriott, Sarnia ... Miss Clara Kipp, Chatham Miss Blanche Little, Wallaceburg 5,992 Miss Velva E. Myers, Florence.. 2,898 Mrs. Joseph Simpson, Ouvry 1,613 Miss Constance E. Cowan, Chat-

Miss Violet Wood, Mooretown. 272 DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN. The Counties of Elgin and Oxford. Miss Maude Law, Harrietsville .28,114 Miss Maude Sweatman, Tillson-

Miss Bertha Sweet, Tillsonburg. 3.766 Miss Eva Taylor, Port Stanley .. 3,709 Miss Pearl Best, Springfield .. 1.261 Miss Rose Shepherd, Aylmer .... 984 Miss Nellie McWilliams, Thamesford

Miss Mattie Moore, Bayham Miss Christine Macdonald, Kintore..... DISTRICT NUMBER EIGHT.

Counties of Huron, Bruce and Perth. Wiss Leona Potts, Clinton.....