

**STRUCK IN FACE
BY A QUOIT**

Serious Accident to Mr. Robt. A. McElheran, of This City.

NOSE BROKEN BY BLOW

Cheek Bones Were Smashed and a Wound Two Inches Long Was Inflicted.

While pitching quoits yesterday afternoon, Mr. Robert A. McElheran, 197 Horton street, was struck in the face with a quoit, inflicting very painful wounds. His nose was broken and both cheek bones were crushed. He will recover, but his face will be badly disfigured.

Mr. McElheran and several quotters were pitching on Horton street opposite the traction company station. He had stooped down to adjust the pin when Mr. Ellwood, another quottier, delivered a quoit.

It was delivered before Mr. Ellwood noticed Mr. McElheran's position. He called to him, and as McElheran looked up the quoit struck him across the nose.

A Bad Wound.
A wound of a couple of inches was opened across his face. The bone in the nose was broken, and the cheek bones smashed. Mr. McElheran was taken to his home and the wound was dressed. He suffered great pain, but will recover.

"Mr. McElheran is an old soldier, and he showed great fortitude," said the attending physician. "It was a very nasty blow, and will considerably disfigure him. His nose and cheek bones are broken, and a nasty cut opened in his face. If no complications set in he will get better."

Another Accident Recalled.
It will be remembered that Bob Callender, the Canadian champion, was struck on the leg last July by a quoit, and the injury healed just a few weeks ago. He had to undergo three operations.

**ASQUITH BILL
TO AMEND OATH**

Was Introduced in the British House of Commons Today.

CHANGE IN THE TEXT

Doctrine of Roman Catholic Church Not Singled Out for Repudiation.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
London, June 28.—Premier Asquith introduced in the House of Commons the promised bill altering the form of the religious declaration required of the sovereign upon his coronation accession.

In the proposed text the doctrine of the Roman Catholic Church is not singled out for repudiation, but it is simply affirmed that the sovereign is a faithful Protestant. The paragraph is made to read thus:

"I do solemnly and sincerely, in the presence of God, profess, testify and declare that I am a faithful member of the Protestant Church, as by law established in England, and I shall, according to the true intent of the enactments which secured Protestant succession to the throne of my realm, uphold and maintain the said enactments, to the best of my powers and according to law."

THE SUIT AGAINST PEARY

Commander Makes General Denial to Charges of Francke.

Berlin, June 28.—The charges concerning the disposition of Arctic trophies left by him at Etah, which Dr. Frederick A. Cook made against Commander Robert E. Peary during the height of the controversy over their claims of discovery of the North Pole were heard in a German court today, when the suit instituted against Peary by Rudolph Francke was opened.

Francke was associated with Cook in polar exploration, and demands \$10,000 in satisfaction of prizes of the hunt which he alleges, Peary required him to surrender in consideration of bringing him back to America.

The defence sets up a general denial and further questions the jurisdiction of the court on the ground that the defendant is an American citizen, having no domicile today. After hearing the opening arguments, the court adjourned to consider the point of jurisdiction.

Commander Peary was served with papers in the suit when he came here recently to fill a lecture engagement.

TERRITORIALS TO COME

London, June 27.—A number of Major Broderick's Company of Territorials have been announced that they wish to go to Winnipeg. After the manoeuvres there they intend to join a similar force in the Dominion. Major Broderick, who accompanies them, will find them employment.

REFUSED TO INTERFERE

Ottawa, Ont., June 28.—Judge Cassels this morning refused to hear an application of the city of Ottawa to force the C. P. R. to obey an order of the railway commission and run its Gatineau trains in the Central station instead of the outlying Union station, as at present. The company appealed to the supreme court from the commission's order, and owing to a technicality the appeal is pending there. In view of this Judge Cassels declined to interfere.

**AN ADDITIONAL WELL IS
BEING PUMPED TODAY**

A Pressure of 55 Pounds Was Shown On the City Hall Regulator.

The additional well added to the water system is being pumped, and a large body of water is being forced into the city mains.

The well is located in close proximity to the pumping plant, and when tested last evening showed up to advantage. As a result of the additional well there is an increase in the pressure, and conditions are very favorable. At the city hall a uniform pressure of 55 pounds was shown on the regulator.

"I do not think that there is any reason to complain about the pressure now," said Secretary Ellwood. "I telephoned some of our big users, particularly the McEwen and the others, who feel any lack of pressure first, and they say everything is fine—that they have no complaint whatever. I think the worst is past."

At Springfield, Engineer Simmie reports that there is 6 feet 6 inches of water in the reservoir. This is somewhat lower than yesterday. It is hoped, however, to bring the water up shortly to ten feet.

**RAILWAYMAN SPEAKS
OF U. S. OFFICERS**

Says That in His District They Are Civil and Do Not Look for Trouble.

SAVE TIME OF PEOPLE

Their Work is to Obviate Delays to Passengers on Trains at the Border.

Local railwaymen are much interested in the question of the examination of passengers going through to the States while the trains are in Canadian territory, which is likely to come up before the board of railway commissioners at the meeting they are having in Toronto.

There has been a good deal of agitation over the matter lately owing to allegations made that the United States officers have been guilty of gross rudeness to passengers. Local trainmen say that such charges are unjust in regard to the American officers, who come as far as this city from Detroit.

A Good Word.
"I can't speak for other districts," said one railwayman today, but the customs officers and officials who come over to London and go back on the evening trains are not guilty of rudeness. They have their duty to do and sometimes ill-natured people who fail to realize that there is a law and that the officers are simply carrying out their instructions and they do it, and any people who use ordinary civility, and do not go around with chips on their shoulders looking for trouble will get along all right.

"The American officers come over here in order to save the passengers time and trouble, and if any of our people passed through Detroit and from doing this it is the travelling public that will suffer, not the officers. If all the baggage that they have to examine is examined at the border, it means that passengers will miss their connections and have no end of a lot of trouble and delay."

A Charge.
It has been charged that the officers are unnecessarily severe in turning people back. An officer stated that anyone who has sufficient money to make it across the border is not a public charge, and who has no incurable disease, or is otherwise undesirable, is allowed to get into the States. He pointed out that the Canadian officers use exactly the same discrimination in weeding out any undesirable characters coming into Canada from the States.

**ICEMAN AND FRUITMAN
IN A WARM BATTLE**

Row on Dundas Street Which Will Be Settled by Police Magistrate.

A Dundas street fruit merchant has been summoned to appear in court tomorrow morning on a charge of assaulting a local iceman.

The alleged assault took place on Saturday morning last, and was caused by dispute over some ice. The iceman claims that he had been leaving ice at the store for some days, and when he sent his man in to collect the money for it the proprietor said he never got the goods.

The iceman said he did, and it is said that the fruitman seized him by the throat and choked him. The iceman's employee came along and told the fruit merchant to stop, and it is alleged that the latter hit the employee over the head, cutting his forehead above the eye and stunning him.

It is also stated that the fruitman knocked the iceman over against the wheel of the ice-wagon, hurting his back. The iceman went at once to the police station and laid an information, and the case will be heard tomorrow morning.

STATUTE VIOLATED

Ottawa, June 27.—The town of Port Francis, Ont., has been fined \$25 for violation of the Statute in connection with an appeal against the Minnesota and Ontario Power Company, being allowed to export power across the border. The claim is that an agreement and statute have been violated.

SAWMILL BURNED

North Bay, Ont., June 28.—The sawmill of Wm. Milne & Sons, Limited, Spanish River, has been destroyed by fire. The loss is \$40,000, with an insurance of \$30,000. Discharged employees are alleged to have made threats against the property and an investigation will be held.

**SUMMER FLOWER
SHOW OPENS**

City Hall Is a Bower of Beauty With Many Rare Specimens.

QUALITY IS IMPROVING

Asylum Has a Fine Exhibit of Roses Are Very Beautiful—Londoners Should Attend the Show.

The summer flower show at the city hall opened today. This annual event given by the London Horticultural Society is very popular, and there were many visitors to the hall this morning.

The show is not in full blast at 3 o'clock, a large number of exhibits not being placed. By evening, however, they will all be in position, and the best summer show ever given by the society will be open to visitors.

The quality of the exhibits is improving yearly, and the flowers are of a very high order. The largest exhibits are those of the London Hospital for the insane, the city parks, and Gammage.

The Asylum Exhibits.
The asylum has a particularly fine exhibit, especially of roses and Canterbury bells. They are worth seeing and attracted a lot of attention today.

The city parks have a most creditable exhibit. The water lilies are simply superb. A great deal of care has been taken with them for some years, and now the quality is extremely fine. A fine assortment of peonies form a delightful part of the exhibit.

There are many other varieties shown. Gammage shows practically all summer varieties, and they are all of excellent quality.

Beautiful Roses.
The roses were very numerous, and are very beautiful. It is doubtful if a better class has been shown in the city hall for years.

Among the exhibitors are Mr. John Paine, Gammage, Mrs. John Laing, C. L. Jeffery, Dr. Henderson, P. W. Raymond, R. W. Puddicombe, Ed. Weid, Thomas Alexander, George S. Weir, Mrs. H. B. H. Moore, Mr. Charles Barker, the London Hospital for the insane, Dr. A. O. Jeffery, C. P. Butler, C. J. Fox, Sheriff Cameron and the city parks.

The show is going to be a good one, said Dr. C. O. Jeffery, the president of the society. "We have a large number of entries, and the flowers are of excellent quality. I am well pleased with it."

**LONDON SCHOOLS
ALMOST DESERTED**

Although the Official Closing Will Not Take Place Until Thursday Afternoon.

CONDITIONS DEPLORED

Teachers Are at Work, But the Pupils Are Not Attending the Different Classes.

The public schools of the city do not officially close until Thursday afternoon, but to all intents and purposes they have been closed for a week. As a result there are many vigorous complaints registered, and it is quite probable that the board of education will do something in regard to it at its next meeting.

This week the schools have been practically deserted, although the teachers have been on hand. In one large school three scholars were in one room, four in another, and twelve in a third. There was not a scholar in one of the others.

The teachers have been reporting regularly, and the board of education on duty until Thursday evening, when they may start on their holidays.

Condition Deplored.
"I do not know who is to blame, whether it is the department or the board, but the present conditions are not in the best interests of the school," declared Chairman Gammage. "Here a whole week has been lost out of the school year. It means that practically the holidays amount to two months and a week. That, to my mind, is too long. This last week of school should be at least count for something. The examinations should be the last thing that they have finished they want to stay at home, and a large number of them do. I think it is a mistake."

Secretary Speaks.
"We are paying teachers a week's salary which they do not earn," declared Secretary McElheran. "They would be much better away on their holidays than spending their time at school with one or two children. The examinations should be the last thing that is done."

The board of education will meet on Tuesday next, and this will be one of the subjects discussed, in all probability.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS

Montreal, June 28.—The Allan Line steamer Sicilian, from Montreal and Quebec for London and Havre, has reported 130 miles off West Point at 2 a.m. yesterday. The Allan Line steamer Pretorian from Montreal and Quebec for Glasgow, arrived at Glasgow last night.

FATAL RUNAWAY

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**COMMENCES DUTIES
ON WEDNESDAY NEXT**

Inspector McCallum Will See Bread Law Is Carried Out in London.

Inspector McCallum will commence his duties as bread inspector on Tuesday next.

The bylaw amended to meet the requirements of the statutes, is being prepared, and will be presented to the council on Monday evening next.

In order to give the inspector more time to do the work required by law, a clerk will be put in the office to do the clerical work, leaving Inspector McCallum and his assistant more at liberty to do more important duties.

Some applicants have already made themselves known to the mayor and aldermen, and it is quite likely that an appointment will be made at the next council meeting.

**G. T. R. TRAINMEN
MEET OFFICIALS**

Holding Conference Today in Effort to Avoid Strike.

THE C. P. R.'S POSITION

President Shaughnessy Declares That Company Will Not Modify Stand.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Montreal, June 28.—The representatives of the Grand Trunk trainmen are now in negotiations with the officers of the C. P. R. with respect to the demands for increased wages. Until the outcome of the conference is known the C. P. R. men will not take any action. The men are said to be too afraid of losing the pension rights to go on strike.

**SUMMER TRAFFIC IS
HEAVY ON RAILWAYS**

Ticket Agents Report That They Are Doing a Big Business.

Summer traffic on the railroads is exceptionally heavy at the present time, and all the through trains are crowded. Ticket agents state that they are doing a splendid business in all classes of tickets. Many extensive parties are being taken by London people, and large numbers of ocean tickets are being secured. The regular trips through the Muskoka district and up the lakes are very popular.

Automatic trips were probably never more popular than they are this season. Every day large cars bearing many people and laden with dust from the roads are being sent out on a week's tour through the city. The trip through from Detroit to Buffalo, via Niagara Falls and London, is a very attractive one, and many take it. The roads between London and Detroit are among the finest in the country, and the delight of the automobile tourist. The scenery all along the line is splendid and makes the trip a most enjoyable one.

"It is just like going through one big park all the way," said one man yesterday. "I never enjoyed a trip more in my life."

OUTING AT SPRINGBANK

Conservatory of Music Staff Held a Picnic.

A number of the members of the Conservatory of Music staff spent a very pleasant outing at Springbank yesterday afternoon. A baseball game was arranged between two picked teams, one known as the Conservatory Invincibles, and the other as the London Ball Dodgers. Miss O'Mara and Miss Armstrong were the battery for the Invincibles, and Miss Steele and Miss West for the Dodgers. The other members of the staff were in the grandstand, and the game resulted in a victory for the Invincibles by a score of 23 to 22. Miss Brown umpired.

THE WEATHER

Tomorrow—Fine and Warm.

FORECASTS.
Toronto, June 28—3 a.m. Winds: fine and warm today and on Wednesday.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.
Victoria 68 50 Cloudy
Calgary 62 50 Fair
Winnipeg 66 60 Clear
Port Arthur 76 56 Cloudy
Perry Sound 76 56 Clear
Toronto 82 68 Clear
Ottawa 82 64 Fair
Montreal 82 64 Clear
Quebec 80 58 Clear
Father Point 66 54 Fair

WEATHER NOTES.

Rain is falling in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, while in Ontario and Quebec the weather is fine.

Extreme heat continues in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, but in Alberta it is cooler, and thunderstorms are reported.

MONDAY'S WEATHER.

A few showers occurred yesterday in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, but the weather in the Dominion was for the most part fine. Extreme heat continued in Saskatchewan and Manitoba. Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 68-78; Dawson, 48-78; Victoria, 48-78; Vancouver, 48-78; Calgary, 48-78; Edmonton, 42-76; Battleford, 48-78; Qu'Appelle, 48-78; Winnipeg, 62-86; Port Arthur, 62-86; Perry Sound, 62-86; Toronto, 62-86; Ottawa, 62-86; Montreal, 62-86; Quebec, 60-80; St. John, 62-80; Halifax, 50-82.

TODAY'S PROBS.

The East—Fresh southerly to south-westerly winds; showers; it is cooler, with a few local thunderstorms.

Lake Superior—Moderate, variable winds; fine and warm.

All West—Mostly fine and a little cooler, with a few local thunderstorms.

**GOLDTHRITHE SAID
TO HAVE SUICIDED**

Man of That Name Leaps From a Boat at Detroit.

WAS FROM OTTAWA, ONT.

Dominion Police Official Returns From Ottawa Without Missing Official.

Detroit, Mich., June 28.—A passenger giving the name of F. Goldthrithe, of Ottawa, Ont., is believed to have committed suicide by leaping from the steamer Eastern States as the vessel was coming up the Detroit River today on her trip from Buffalo. Nobody saw the man jump. The suicide's letters were discovered after the vessel docked.

Ottawa, June 28.—Chief Detective Parkinson, of the Dominion police force, returned today from New York, whither he went with Col. Sherwood. He had nothing to say, however, as to whether they had been successful or not in getting on the trail of Goldthrithe.

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**FARMERS ARE
CRYING FOR RAIN**

Dry Weather Is Causing Much Uneasiness in Middlesex County.

BARLEY IS GOOD CROP

Potato Bugs Said to Be Scarce This Year—Oats and Wheat Good.

Just at present the farmers are crying for rain. "We need it in the worst way," said one farmer on the morning of this date.

From now until harvest time the yield depends entirely on the amount of rainfall.

The farmers state that the crops are looking just about the same now as at this time last year, although they are a little farther advanced.

The farmers are rather dubious about the present dry weather which has set in. The slight shower which fell last night was not sufficient to do any good.

A Dry Spell.

"We have not had a good shower since the 19th of June," said one farmer. "From now on if the yield is to be good we need rain once a week."

The dry weather set in a week earlier last year, and its continued duration was a serious matter to the farmers. If the present weather continues it will mean that crops will be no better than last year.

All danger from the wire worms and white grub is now practically past. All crops are looking well.

Barley is advancing fast, particularly in London Township. A farmer from that neighborhood stated to The Advertiser this morning that the barley crop is already turning in color and will be ready to cut in two weeks if weather conditions are favorable.

The farmers are more than delighted with the absence of potato bugs. This pest is doing very little damage this year, some farmers being almost entirely free.

The hay crop is thin and will not exceed last year's crop, according to reports. This makes the outlook for cheap hay next year rather discouraging.

Bright Spots.

Oats and wheat, however, are bright spots in the horizon and are giving the farmers just cause for satisfaction.

A shower once a week from now on will make a banner year for the farmers.

**HEWITT'S DOPE SHEET
FINED BY COURTS**

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, June 28.—W. A. Hewitt, the publisher of Daily Racing Information, was fined \$100 in the police court this morning for violation of the Miller act. He gets until October to pay. The case will be appealed.

MRS. SHERMAN ILL.

Baltimore, Md., June 28.—Mrs. Jas. S. Sherman, wife of Vice-President Sherman, is a patient in John Hopkins Hospital in this city. Beyond the statement that she was suffering from a "breakdown" and that her case was not regarded as serious, no information could be had at the hospital this forenoon as to the precise nature of Mrs. Sherman's illness. She was reported to have passed a fairly good night and to be a little better than when she was brought here.

Mrs. Sherman has been at the hospital since last Friday night, but the fact did not become known publicly until today.

PORT ARTHUR IN A HURRY.

Ottawa, Ont., June 28.—Port Arthur has sent a deputation to this city to hurry along the Government towards the completion of the break-water there, in order that the new shipbuilding company may begin operations on its new yard.

NO TROUBLE ON T. H. & B.

Hamilton, June 28.—There will be no trouble with the T. H. & B. employees as superintendent Adams, announced this morning, that the company had made an agreement with the men, by which the same wage as paid by the C. P. R. will be paid to the T. H. & B. employees.

**CITY COUNCIL WILL
ADJOURN FOR SUMMER**

Business Will Be Allowed to Stand Over for Summer.

The city council will probably adjourn on Monday evening next for the summer.

So far there is little business of a very important character awaiting settlement, and what there is can stand until the autumn sessions.

The question of a head engineer has been made, and in the opinion of the majority of aldermen, they did not size up to the standard. As a result the council will not name a man at this time, and probably not for some time to come, if at all.

Ald. Richter's reforms will be allowed to settle in the minds of aldermen, and in the fall they will be taken up. They will have little bearing at this time upon the local improvements situation this year in any way.

There is little else save the routine of the board of works, and the other committee. No big problem looms up for them to settle.

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CLOSE THURSDAY**

Pupils of London Will Not Return to Seats of Learning Until September 1.

QUESTION OF LABOR DAY

Board Decides That Children Will Be Brought Back First of Month, So That the Classes May Be Reorganized.

The public schools of the city will close on June 30, and will reopen on Sept. 1.

It has been customary to reassemble on the Tuesday following Labor Day in the autumn, but this year the schools will reorganize on Sept. 1.

"There have been many inquiries regarding this, and we have decided that the schools will reopen on the first day of September," said Chairman Gammage to The Advertiser.

"Nothing can be done in these days but reassemble the classes and make preparation for the term. That can be done just as well as on Tuesday after Labor Day, and when school begins in earnest during the second week everything will be in its proper shape to make a good beginning. I cannot see that the children would suffer by being sent to school the extra two days. They have sufficient holidays during the year in any event."

**GHALI'S ASSASSIN
PAYS THE PENALTY**

The Slayer of Egypt's Premier Executed at Cairo This Morning.

[Associated Press Cable.]
Cairo, Egypt, June 28.—Ibrahim Wadani, the assassin of Boutros Pasha Ghali, the Egyptian premier and minister of foreign affairs, was hanged today.

Wadani was an Egyptian student, and a member of the Nationalist party. On Feb. 20 last he shot the premier as the latter was leaving the ministry of foreign affairs. His victim died on the following day. At his trial the murderer said that his motive was to avenge various actions of the Government which the Nationalists attributed to Boutros Pasha personally.

A NEW BANK MERGER?

Rumor Says the Royal and Union Are To Be United.

Montreal, Quebec, June 28.—Officials of the Royal Bank of Canada in this city when interviewed preferred not to discuss the report from Halifax to the effect that negotiations were in progress for the amalgamation of the Union Bank of Halifax and the Royal Bank.

The Royal people do not explicitly deny the report, but it is quite evident that if a deal is on between the two banks, it has not reached the stage where a public announcement can be made. The Union Bank of Halifax, of which William Robertson is president, and Senator Powers, vice-president, is capitalized at \$3,000,000, of which \$1,500,000 is paid up, and has a reserve of \$1,250,000. The net earnings for last fiscal year were \$143,000. Mr. E. L. Thorne is general manager of the bank.

PRUDHOMME'S OFFER

Offers to Wager That He Can Prove Bribery Charges.

Winnipeg, June 28.—The political situation has been given a sporting turn by the offer of Mr. J. F. Prudhomme to donate \$500 to St. Boniface Hospital if he cannot fully substantiate his charges regarding Mr. Horace Chevrier's offer to secure Prudhomme's brother's elevation to the king's bench in return for a contribution to the Liberal party fund.

Mr. Prudhomme stipulates that Mr. Chevrier shall put up a similar sum, and that his marked check be covered by July 4.

BURKE DISCHARGED.

Toronto, June 28.—James Murray, alias Burke, arrested in Ottawa and brought here on charges of defrauding second-hand dealers by means of alleged paste diamond rings, which he pawned, was discharged in the police court this morning. The evidence against him was hardly worth calling evidence.

**C. P. R. AND MEN
HAD LONG TALK**

Another Conference Yesterday Over Demand for Increased Wage.

BOTH SIDES ARE FIRM

The Trainmen, However, Are Still in Hopes of Avoiding a Strike.