

SYMPATHY FOR MOIR RIDICULOUS
PEOPLE ARE TIRED OF SILLINESS

One Citizen Says That
the Gush Is Nau-
seating.

SHERIFF IS
BEING PRAISED

For the Manner in Which He
Has Shut Down Upon the
Feather-Headed Visitors.

Since issuing orders that Moir be
seen by no one but his spiritual ad-
visers and his attorneys, Sheriff Cam-
eron has been asked several times for
permission to visit the jail.

Today a middle-aged, well-dressed
man walked into the office and stated
that he was very anxious to have a
talk with Moir.

"No chance," replied the sheriff
shortly.

"Well, I have a number of friends
in Hawick, Scotland, and—" began
the stranger.

"It doesn't matter where you have
friends," said the sheriff. "If it were
possible to accommodate everybody
and at the same time avoid making an
exhibition of a prisoner, I would al-
low you to go through the jail, but at
present this is impossible and unde-
sirable."

Jail Visitors.

In discussing the question of jail
visitors with The Advertiser today,
Mr. Cameron stated that at the time
of a previous murderer's incarceration
a young lady of perhaps 17 or 18,
called at his office and asked permis-
sion to visit the jail.

"I do so want to see a real, live mur-
derer!" she exclaimed. "Won't you
please allow me to go down and see
him?"

Another lady had called with a
bouquet of roses, which she stated
she wanted to give to the accused
murderer with her own hands.

She was quite indignant when the
sheriff refused to allow the prisoner to
be turned into a walking flower
garden.

People Approve.

Citizens are behind Sheriff Cameron
in his determination to exclude the
morbidly curious from the jail.

"It is nauseating," said a citizen to
The Advertiser today, "to hear of peo-
ple wasting sympathy on a murderer.
There are some maudlin intellects
which gush over everything and give
vent to their opinions occasionally as
the idiot did who shouted, 'Good, boy
Moir,' to the murderer at the C. P.
R. depot. There are also a few silly
headed women who sympathize with
criminals, but I think, however, there
are sufficient steady-headed people in
London to give a man a fair trial, and
if he is proven guilty to give him his
deserts."

Moir, according to the jail authori-
ties, is being shown no more consid-
eration than any of the other prison-
ers, and he is allowed to mingle with
but two of his fellow offenders—Wil-
liam Johnson, recently sentenced to
five years for housebreaking, and
Frank Roberts, who got three years
for a similar offense.

Johnson and Roberts are both Eng-
lishmen, and as Moir is well acquaint-
ed in England and Scotland, they find
much in common to talk about.

Resting Well.

Moir's pedigree was taken yester-
day. He gave his age as 25, was born
in Scotland, is a Presbyterian, and is
intemperate.

Last night he rested well, and ex-
hibited none of the nervousness which
marked the beginning of the 152-mile
ride from Arthur.

He is taking his arrest very coolly,
and apparently is not fretting over
the result of his trial.

Moir will be given a hearing at the
police court on Friday at 9 o'clock.

Capitalists Looking for London Site

Several capitalists from Detroit
were in the city yesterday looking over
the city as a possible site for a large
industry.

They were shown about the city by
Ald. Ferguson, chairman of the com-
mittee, and seemed highly pleased with London.

"We showed them the city," said
Ald. Ferguson to The Advertiser, "and
told them what we had. They were
very much impressed with the city,
and I think the trip will bring good
results. I am not at liberty to state
what sort of firm it is, but it is worth
while. They do a large business in
Canada, and also a large export trade
with England. They will establish a
branch in Canada to handle that trade,
and I think we stand as good a show
as any city."

Leamington Gas.

"I had a conversation in Detroit
with the men behind the Leamington
gas fields. They are still negotiating
a most unique and exciting experience.

BORDEN REJECTS
PREMIER'S OFFER

Opposition Refuses Concessions
Over Elections Bill and Will
Continue to Obstruct.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, May 13.—A Conservative
party caucus was held this morning
for the discussion of the proposition
which was made by the Prime Minis-
ter yesterday to intrust the proposed
revision of the voters' list of Mani-
toba, British Columbia, and in the un-
organized districts of Ontario and
Quebec to boards of judges. The an-
nouncement after the caucus, how-
ever, was that the Opposition follow-
ing has been unable to see that any
case has been made out by the Gov-
ernment for taking the lists in British
Columbia, the unorganized districts of
Ontario and Quebec or in Manitoba.

This means the rejection of
Sir Wilfrid's proffered compromise,
and that the debate in the House will
go on. It is still possible, of course,
that the Opposition may be induced
to accept something short of the ab-
solute dropping of the clauses relative
to the revision of the voters lists, but
at all events the Opposition will not
give in without further concessions.

In the meantime the appropriations
for the various departments have run
out, and the Opposition has refused to
consent to the passing even of an in-
terim supply bill until the Gov-
ernment has dropped the contentious
clauses of the election bill.

WANTS HODGINS' PAPERS

Sitting of Transcontinental Inquiry an
Argument on Precedent.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, May 13.—The Hodgins in-
quiry resumed this morning and the
first hour and a half was given up to
an argument as to procedure. The
Opposition did not want to put Major
Hodgins on the stand for examination,
but wanted the papers of the survey
and an examination of these.

Major Hodgins' counsel objected to
going on until all the papers were
produced. He declared the gravamen
of the charges was reclassification,
and he wanted to stand and fall by
that. He stated to Mr. Carvell that
he did not plan to drop the other
charges.

Mr. Carvell said that the overpay-
ment of \$6,000 was hardly as serious
as the other charges against the in-
tegrity of the commission.

Mr. Frank Hodgins, K. C., said that
the \$6,000 charge was only one. There
were others of between two and four
millions.

Charles Murphy, counsel for the
commissioners, had no objection to
Hodgins being produced, but wanted
Hodgins to be put into the box to
say whether he knew when he wrote
the letters.

Chairman Geoffrey finally called
Mr. Hodgins and he was examined as
to section F of the national transcon-
tinental.

He stated that he had done railway
work in Canada, Mexico and South
Africa. On the section from Winnipeg
to Lake Nepegin, he declared he
had reduced the estimated cost from
\$13,000,000 to \$11,600,000.

The evidence was all of a prelimi-
nary character, and no new facts had
been adduced. When Major Hodgins
left the stand at 1 o'clock and the
committee adjourned till Tuesday.

The temperance party will not have
a candidate in Center Grey as was
expected.

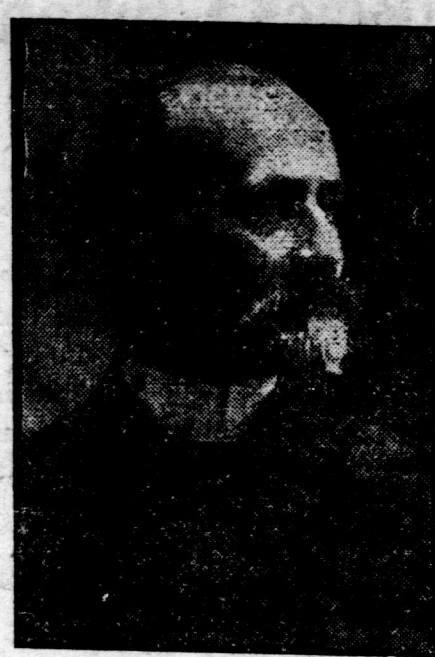
John Roberts was killed in a run-
away at Ridgeway on Saturday. He
attempted to stop a horse running
away with a drill. He was knocked
down, and the drill passed over him,
inflicting injuries from which he died.

Mr. Brierly Home.

Mr. Thomas Brierly, the well-known
stage carpenter, is home again, after
his tour with Mrs. Patrick Campbell's
company all through the United States.

Mr. Brierly is now recognized as one
of the best men in his line of busi-
ness in the country, and his services
are in demand. He has several splen-
did offers for next season. While on
tour with the famous actress, the
train was held up at Butte, Mont., by
highwaymen, and thus Mr. Brierly had
a most unique and exciting experience.

He will be in this city for some time.



MR. STEPHEN GRANT,
Newly-Elected President of the Irish
Benevolent Society.

POLITICAL GOSSIP

In West Northumberland.

Cobourg, May 12.—Liberals of West
Northumberland met in convention
on Saturday, May 16, in the town hall
here to nominate candidates for the
coming provincial and Dominion elec-
tions, and elect officers, etc. It is al-
together probable that Mr. Sam Clarke
will again be the candidate for the
Legislature and Mr. J. B. McColl for
the House of Commons. Mr. F. D.
Boggs, a well-known lawyer, of Co-
bourg, is Conservative nominee for the
Legislature, and Mr. C. A. Munson,
mayor of Cobourg, for the Commons.
Mr. Boggs is conducting his campaign
very quietly.

A Fort William Surprise.

Port Arthur, May 12.—The selection
of Dr. Hamilton by the Liberals of
Fort William, says The Daily News,
was something of a surprise to the
public as Mayor Murphy was the
most-talked-of man. Mr. Murphy,
however, declined.

Lincoln Liberals.

St. Catharines, May 12.—The Liber-
al executive of Lincoln County met
yesterday and decided to call a con-
vention on Saturday afternoon, May
20, in the Grand Opera House, Wel-
land D. Woodruff, president of the
Lincoln Paper Mills, is mentioned as
the most likely candidate.

Nominated a Socialist.

Cobalt, May 12.—The Cobalt Miners'
Union and Socialists held a joint
meeting and nominated Arthur L.
Botley, secretary of the Miners' Union,
for the Legislature in Temiskaming.
Prominent Socialist speakers will be
brought here, Messrs. McKelvie and
Shillington have both opened commit-
tee rooms.

South Huron.

Seaford, May 12.—South Huron
Liberals today selected Mr. Proudfoot,
of Goderich, as their candidate for
the Legislature. The meeting was a
most representative and enthusiastic
one, Mr. Proudfoot being chosen from
a large list of strong men.

Expelled From the Party.

Hamilton, May 12.—The Inde-
pendent Labor party on Monday night
passed a resolution expelling William
Berry from the party for seconding
the nomination of Mr. J. J. Scott,
K.C., as the Conservative candidate
for East Hamilton. Mr. Berry wrote
a letter protesting against the action
of the executive in recommending
him. He claimed the right of free
speech and of exercising his franchise.
His letter was tabled.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—SHOWERY.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, May 13—8 a.m.

Northwest to east winds, increasing to
fresh or strong; fair and cooler today;
local showers on Thursday.

Local Temperatures.

The highest and lowest readings of the
thermometer at the local observatory for
the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. yesterday
were: Highest, 73°; lowest, 59° above
zero.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.

Calgary. 40. 40. Rain.

Winnipeg. 48. 38. Fair.

Port Arthur. 30. 32. Clear.

Battleford. 42. 42. Clear.

Toronto. 52. 46. Cloudy.

Ottawa. 46. 41. Fair.

Montreal. 46. 40. Cloudy.

Quebec. 44. 40. Cloudy.

Father Point. 38. 34. Clear.

The first column in the above table re-
cords the temperature at 8 o'clock this
morning, and the second column records
the minimum temperatures during the 24
hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

A widespread depression covers the
West and Southwest States, while high
pressure from the northward has spread
into Ontario and Quebec.

Rain has fallen from the Georgian Bay
district to the Maritime Provinces, heav-
ily in several localities, and light show-
ers have occurred in the southern por-
tions of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson. 28-50; Atlin. 24-50; Victoria. 44-58;

S. Vancouver. 38-50; Edmonton. 44-58;

Battleford. 38-52; Prince Albert. 32-52;

Calgary. 40-56; Regina. 36-56; Winnipeg.

42-52; Port Arthur. 38-52; Parry Sound.

52-62; Toronto. 52-74; Ottawa. 54-64;

Montreal. 46-62; Quebec. 42-56; St. John.

42-62; Halifax. 40-58.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

Registration begins on May 19—next Tuesday.
Let every Liberal see that his name is on the
list.

If you did not have a vote last January you must
register.

Call at the Central Rooms at Hyman Hall, or
phone 781, and you will learn whether you are on
the list or not.

If you are not on the list, leave your name, and
you will be notified when and where you will have
to register.

Do not take anything for granted. See to your
vote.

The qualifications for registration are:

Twenty-one years of age.

A British subject, by birth or naturalization.

A resident of Canada one year.

A resident of the city for three months prior to
the first session of the registrars.

Every Liberal should see to it that his name is on
either the municipal list, or register.

Give this matter careful consideration. It is most
important.

Let every possible Liberal vote be registered.

PREMIER OFFERS SOLUTION
OF MANITOBA DIFFICULTY

Suggests That County Judges Revise the Lists and Delimit the
Boundaries of Constituencies—Present Conditions
Unfair to the Liberals.

Ottawa, May 12.—If any doubts ex-
isted as to the good faith of the Gov-
ernment in introducing the Dominion
election bill, or as to their anxiety to
non-partisan lines, they must have
been dispelled by the magnificent
speech delivered this afternoon by Sir
Wilfrid Laurier and by the frank con-
cessions which it embodied. Clear and
convincing in argument, showing a
masterly grasp of every detail, with
many flashes of genuine humor, it
was delivered with all the force and
eloquence which have made Sir Wil-
frid Laurier the master of debate. He
dealt with the "thin red line" charges,
and in telling phrases disposed of the

accusation against Mr. Leech and the
returning officers who adjusted the
lists at the last election. Next he ad-
vanced conclusive proof of the defects
and indeed unfairness, of the Mani-
toba act as administered by the Rob-
lin Government, and this was follow-
ed by an eloquent justification of the
Dominion Government's action in in-
troducing the bill. It was the desire
of the Government, he said in effect,
to reach a basis of adjusting the un-
doubted grievances in Manitoba which
would be satisfactory to both Grit and
Tory, and the proposition he offered
a side line, and would by no means
interfere with his present duties as
manager of the Bennett syndicate.

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scheme," said Mr. Bennett, "and I do
not think it is of interest to the
public. It is only a matter of private
interest with which the company had
nothing to do. I am not leaving the
Bennett Enterprise at all, and the
other is not definite at all. I would
rather not have anything said about
the matter."

Mr. Bennett returned from Mon-
treal last night, where he has been
for several days in the interests of the
firm.

Has Interests in Central America
But Not Leaving Bennett Enterprises

Mr. C. W. Bennett Denies Rumor
He Is To Leave Theatrical
Firm.

It was rumored today that Mr. C.
W. Bennett, manager of the Bennett
Theatrical Enterprises, the head office
of which is in London, would sever his
connection with the Enterprises and
become manager of a large Central
American Theatrical Association.

Mr. Bennett was seen this after-
noon by an Advertiser reporter, but
would not discuss the matter at any
great length.

Has Interests There.

He admitted that he was interested
in a large Central American enter-
prise, but declared that it was only as
a side line, and would by no means
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Action for Damages Was Dismissed

\$5,000 Case Was Quickly Ended

Painter Who Sued for Money for
His Boy Loses at Non-
Jury Sitings.

"Action dismissed with costs," was
the verdict rendered this afternoon in
the Johnston vs. Watson case, tried
at the non-jury sittings before Mr.
Justice Magee.

It is provided, however, that if the
plaintiff agrees not to appeal the de-
fendant will waive costs.

John Johnston, of Ottawa avenue,
sued on behalf of a young son to re-
cover \$5,000 damages from Richard
Watson, retired, of the Wellington
road, for injuries sustained by the son
in being kicked by a horse belonging
to the defendant.

The plaintiff and his son were en-
gaged in painting the residence of
Mr. Watson at the time of the acci-
dent, and the plaintiff alleged negli-
gence on the defendant's part in allow-
ing the animal in question to run
loose.

The Evidence.

According to the evidence, the boy

A Brilliant Student.

Mr. Alex. C. Spencer, son of ex-
Mayor Spencer, is among the honor
graduates of the Toronto School of
Practical Science, with the degree of
bachelor of applied science (B. A. Sc.).

Mr. Spencer's record is a brilliant one.
He left the London Collegiate Insti-
tute when 16 years of age to enter the
School of Practical Science, where he
passed with honors in every year.

He is now only 20 years of age, and is
a full-fledged mechanical and electrical
engineer.

Percy Spence Injured.

Mr. Percy Spence, the well-known
vocalist, while playing ball last night,
slipped and sprained his ankle so
badly that he will be confined to the
house for six or eight weeks.

10,000 CHINESE PERISH
BY TIDAL BORE IN A RIVER

Sudden Wall of Water Twenty-six Feet in Height Overturns
Thousands of Steamers and Small Craft
On the Yangtse Kiang.

Seattle, Wash., May 13.—News of one of the greatest disasters that
China has ever known, a sudden tidal bore in the Yangtse Kiang—which
involved the loss of nearly 10,000 lives at Hang Kow was brought by the
steamer Titan, which arrived last night. A bore twenty-six feet in height,
flooded without warning down the river, overturning thousands of junks,
sampans and small boats and wrecking some large river steamers.

The sudden tidal bore referred to in the above dispatch has previously
been reported by cable. A dispatch from Shanghai dated April 13, said
that disastrous floods had occurred at Hang Kow on the Yangtse Kiang
in which two thousand persons lost their lives.

A STRONG STANDARD BEARER
FOR THE LAMBTON LIBERALS

Mr. R. F. Towers, Prominent Young Lawyer of Sarnia, Selected
From Large List of Stooing Candidates By Big
and Enthusiastic Convention.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, May 12.—This afternoon a
very large and enthusiastic gathering
of Liberals met in convention at the
Victoria Opera House to choose a can-
didate in the coming provincial elec-
tion to contest the riding against the
Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secre-
tary.

J. S. Burnham, president of the
West Lambton Reform Association,
occupied the chair, and called the
meeting to order at 2 o'clock. On the
platform were many earnest workers
of the Reform cause, prominent among
them being Chas. Jenkins, Dr. Fair-
bank, James Peat, Petroler, C. W.

Kent, Courtwright, David Milne, John
Cowan, Thos. H. Cook, Dr. W. A.
Henderson, F. F. Pardee, E. A. LeBel,
J. A. Farquharson, Frank Mitchell and
others.

All Allowed to Vote.

It was agreed upon by the meet-
ing that credentials be dispensed with
and that all present be privileged to
vote for the selection of a candidate.
The following names were then put
in nomination, as follows:

Robert F. Towers, John Cowan,
Chas. Jenkins, David Milne, James
Smith, A. Weir, James Peat, Thos.
H. Cook, Dr. W. A. Henderson,
Col. Gibson's is not the only name
mentioned in connection with the of-
fice. Among other names is Sir
Richard Cartwright who, on account
of his long and distinguished service
to Canada, and more particularly to

pointing directly to the perpetrator
of Loutick's death.

On the evening of the 16th Swyryda
told Loutick he had a job for him on a
farm near Hamilton, and the two start-
ed out. The murder took place that
night.

Swyryda returned to the city the
next afternoon, looking tired and hag-
gard. He gave Mrs. Wastline, his land-
lady, \$1 on account, saying that he
had placed the young man on a farm
and got \$1.75 from the man who hired
him.

Before starting out Loutick had
sold his accoutrements to Mr. Wastline
for a dollar.

Mr. Stephen Grant Is President

Irish Benevolent Society Elects

Mr. E. J. Ryan Is First Vice-
President—Committees
Named.

At the annual meeting of the Irish
Benevolent Society, held last night, in
the board of trade rooms, Mr. Stephen
Grant, assessment commissioner of the
city of London, was elected president,
to succeed Mr. John Garvey, the re-
tiring president. There was a very
large attendance of the members of
the society, and a considerable amount
of business was transacted.

Mr. Garvey was delighted to see so
large a representation of the members
of the society present. He congratu-
lated the members on the success of
their efforts in the past, and spoke of
the society as being unique in that
it was composed of all creeds and
faiths, and that it was together in
the politics or religion. At present the

Mr. Grant for President.

The name of Mr. Stephen Grant was
proposed for president by ex-Ald. John
Forristal. He referred to the excellent
services rendered by Mr. Grant on
behalf of the Irish Benevolent Soci-
ety, and was satisfied that he would
do honor to the office of president. Mr.
Grant was an Irishman, born and
bred, and would be a splendid leader
of the society.

No other name was mentioned, and
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Policeman Powell "On the Carpet"

Policeman John A. Powell was taken
off his beat in South London last
night by Acting-Sergt. Greene, and
has been reported for being drunk
while on duty.

Powell, it is said, was playing ball
at Springbank yesterday afternoon,
and had the nail knocked off one of
his fingers.

He reported for duty in the evening,
but on account of the intense pain his
finger was causing, he states he took
a couple of drinks to steady himself.
The matter will be investigated
shortly.

The police force will lose three of
its members shortly as Officers Brown,
Forest and Munroe are stated to have
handed in their resignations.

Cartwright May Succeed Gov. Clark

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, May 13.—The report that
Col. J. M. Gibson will be appointed
governor of Ontario is premature.
The question of selecting Governor
Clark's successor has not yet been
considered by the Government, and
will not be for some time.

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