HAMILTON NEWS

NO MOTIVE KNOWN FOR CITY TRAGEDY

Five Shots Were Fired at Dr. Williams, Three of Which Entered Skull.

INQUEST LAST NIGHT

Mayor Thinks Jockey Club Escapes Lightly in Matter of Assessment.

By a Staff Reporter.

HAMILTON, Tuesday, July 6.—No motive for Hepworth Holes' act in shooting Dr. Harry Williams in the latter's office on Friday noon was brought out in the inquest presided over by Coroner Simpson last night. The verdice was to the effect that Dr. Williams came to his death at the hands of H. A. Holmes and that no motive was known for the act. Six witnesses were called into the box to testify, but no new points were brought out, except that five bullets were fired at Dr. Williams. The first two struck him in the neck and in the side, the latter being deflected by a vial case and glancing off with only slight effect. Tehn, after falling to the floor, three more shots were fired by Holmes and each of them penetrated the skull.

Enquired for Victim.

Misses Dorothy and Frances Clark testified to having seen Holmes at the office enquiring for the doctor. The former said that he called first on Tuesday, and on being questioned stated that he was a T. B. from Gravenhurst.

Dr. Harper declared that he reached the scene soon after the shooting, and that he saw Dr. Williams couldn't live longer than a couple of minutes. Holmes was in a bad condition and was sent to the hospital. Dr. Jones and Dr. Cody gave further evidence corroborating that of the previous witness.

Detectives Shirley and P. C. Mellon were also called into the box. The jury retired and brought in the verdict within a few minutes. Crown-Attorney Washington conducted the cross-examination.

After Jockey Club.

The Jockey Club is escaping too lightly in the matter of assessment for city water according to a statement made by Mayor Walters yesterday. The mayor is also looking into the reason that the Jockey Club escapes paying business tax on its spring and fall meetings.

Col. Labatt Returns.

Lieut.-Col. R. H. Labatt and Mrs. Labatt are now on their way home from England. Col. Labatt went to the front in command of the 4th Battalion, which made such a brilliant showing and suffered so severely at Ypres.

Refused to Draft Agreement.

City Solicitor Waddell has refused to draft the new agreement made by the subcommittee, of which Ald. McQuesten is chairman, in which a proposition for supplying city water to Barton Township residents is made. The stand taken by the city solicitor has held the deal up, with no indication of what will finally happen. He has been opposed to a precedent being established of entering such an agreement without first obtaining the consent of the ratepayers.

Had Narrow Escape.

During one of the most severe electric storms which Hamilton has experienced for years, the flag pole of the court house was struck at a late hour Sunday night, and at least three people had narrow escapes. The lightning passed into the caretaker's room in the basement of the building in which Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Andrews were sitting. P. C. James Reynolds, who was outside the building on John street, was dazed for a short time as a result of being near to the spot where the lightning struck.

Golf Competition.

The monthly handicap golf competition in aid of the Queen's Work for Women is being played at the Hamilton Golf and Country Club this morning.

Lieut. Ballard Returns.

Lieut. Geo. Ballard, the Hamilton officer, who was wounded in the heavy fighting in which the Canadians stopped the Germans in their drove to Calais, arrived in Hamilton last night. Lieut. Ballard was in the 40th Battalion, and rendered gallant service while on the firing line. He was met at Montreal by his parents, who accompanied him back to this city.

Received Scout Badges.

Boy Scout badges were given to three members of the First Hamilton Troop last night at the organization of the corps to include the St. Luke's Troop. The rooms in the church will be the headquarters for the entire organiation.

Appointed to Vacancies.

At last night's meeting of the fire, police and jail committee, two new men were appointed to the fire department to fill places vacated by firemen who had enlisted for active service. The new men were Firemen Wilmott and Almas. Permits were recommended for two gasoline tanks for garage use. It was decided to give the chief of police a private telephone connection, and minor repairs were recommended for the police offices. To meet the needs of the eastern and northeastern manufacturer of the city, the installation of fire alarm boxes was passed by the committee.

Good Templars met.

The weekly meeting of the International Lodge of Good Templars was held last night in the C.O.O.F. Hall. One candidate was initiated into membership, and several applications were received. At the close of business Mrs. S. A. Cornish was presented with a sacred program by Misses N. Morrison and A. E. Colville. An entertainment for the members of the lodge will be given on Monday night by Miss Jean Davey.

Closing of Pollock's Lane.

The controversy between the city and the Steel Company of Canada concerning the closing of Pollock's Lane was brought up at yesterday's session of the board of control. When the Pollock's Lane water main was constructed in 1912 the company agreed to pay the cost of construction and to open up a new street in return for the transfer of the lane property to the company. This has not been carried out by the Steel Company, as the construction of the lane has not been paid for, and the street has not been laid out under the terms of the agreement. The whole matter is to be threshed out at today's meeting of the board of control and a decision will be arrived at.

Removed Dynamite.

Mayor Walters' course in having the supply of dynamite removed from quarries and other places in the city where it was stored has been commended by the controllers. The mayor took this action in order to reduce the possibility of a dynamite outrage to a minimum.

Turn Sod for Factory.

Sir John Eaton will be a visitor in Hamilton on Wednesday, when he will turn the sod for the new Eaton factory which will be erected on North Hughson street. The mayor and other prominent citizens will attend.

Four Candidates for Seat.

The contest for the vacant seat in the city council, made vacant by the resignation of Ald. W. J. Dore, promises to be a four-cornered one. The candidates who are likely to be nominated tomorrow are: Ex.-Ald. Fred Little; ex.-Ald. M. D. Nelligan, George Halcrow and Peter Rock.

Recruiting Activity.

Increased activity at the armories marked the beginning of recruiting for the fifth contingent from the 13th and 91st Regiments. Forty men were put thru drill movements. Organization meetings are being arranged in city parks to stimulate recruiting, and the support of the clergy will be enlisted to aid the cause by appeals from the pulpits. In connection with the recruiting campaign Col. Bruce suggested that a recruiting office be established at Gore Park.

ARREST FOLLOWED ARGUMENT ON WAR

George Humgniup and Isadore Fink Wrathy Over Respective Countries.

CHARGES OF BURGLARY

William Hillis Arrested at Niagara Falls at Request of Police.

George Humgniup, 365 East Queen street, an Austrian, went into the barber shop of Isadore Fink, on Wilton avenue, yesterday and a free fight ensued when the two got to arguing about the respective merits of their respective fatherlands. Fink says the Austrian threw a bottle at him and broke a six-dollar mirror. Humgniup was arrested by officer 414, charged with doing malicious injury to Fink's property.

Arrested at Niagara.

William Hillis was arrested at Niagara Falls yesterday at the request of the Toronto police on charges of burglary. Hillis is alleged to have broken into 145 De Grassi street and 22 Willcocks street.

He was rearrested following exoneration by the petty jury there on a charge of assaulting and robbing a Niagara Falls barber. Three months ago he and a man named Reid were in a bar when the place was held up and both were suspected of being implicated.

HOTEL TECK

The high standard maintained has placed the establishment high in the favor of the business and professional men of Toronto. Special 50c luncheon daily, 11.30 to 2.30.

BERLIN QUITE ANGRY OVER BALTIC DEFEAT

Russian Claims Are Disputed—Denial That Flag Was Lowered.

BERLIN, via London, July 5.—The Russian report regarding the destruction of a vessel of the Deutschland class is untrue, according to a semi-official statement issued here. It also is denied that the mine-layer Albatross lowered the German flag before running ashore on Swedish territory. The Russians are said to have fired 1500 shots at the Albatross, of which only 25 were hits. An eyewitness of the naval battle asserts that nearly the entire stern of one Russian warship was shot away.

GIVEN THREE MINUTES TO LEAVE SCHOONER

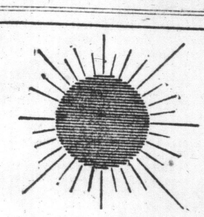
Master of Ill-Fated French Vessel Describes Action of Pirates.

PAUILLAC, France, July 5. — The Spanish steamer Juan arrived here today with captain and seven men of the French schooner Hirondelle. The schooner was sunk July 2 by a German submarine near Ouessant, the westernmost of the islands off the coast of Brittany. The captain of the Hirondelle said:

"A submarine appeared 300 yards from us and fired a shot thru our rigging. I lowered sail and raised our flag. Someone called to us from the submarine that we had three minutes to leave the vessel and we got into a lifeboat and pulled away.

"The submarine then fired six shots into the Hirondelle and in ten minutes I saw my ship sink. At this moment two torpedo boats and the Spanish ship Juan, which took us aboard, appeared and the German submarine slowly submerged until she was out of sight."

In addition to the winter fairs at Ottawa and Guelph, the department gave financial assistance to 25 horse shows and 44 poultry shows.



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BIG IMPROVEMENT SCHEME PROPOSED

Present Year to Be Record One if York Township Plans Carry.

CONCRETE IN DEMAND

Especially Large Are the Estimates for New Sidewalks.

The year 1915 is likely to prove a record one in the matter of local improvements if the big list outlined by yesterday's session of the York Township Council is carried out to completion. The demands made for the putting down of concrete sidewalks were especially large and included the following: On Lauder avenue, 2730 feet; on Barrie avenue, 324 feet; on Earlscourt to Hatherly avenue, 1205 feet; on Oakwood north, 1565 feet; and on Dufferin street, from the northerly city limits, 976 feet; on Alice street 1352 feet were asked for and on Arlington avenue, 766 feet. In addition to these sewers will be installed and the outlook for local work in the township is good

W. H. Taylor, 200 Don Mills road, wrote asking the council to take immediate action to abate the nulsance arising from offensive odors near his property, due to defective drains and the inspector will report at once in the matter.

E. A. James, engineer for the York Highways Commission, asked the council to give some material assistance in the preliminary work of improving Dundas street from the city limits to Scarlett road, a distance of three-quarters of a mile. The cost will amount to $20,000 and of this the township is asked to bear a considerable share. The township engineer reported to the council but was not very favorably disposed to the project. It is also proposed to expend about $2000, if the highways engineer's views are carried out, on Finch's sideroad west of Yonge street.

Ex-reeve Bull and James Gardhouse asked for and obtained a grant of $100 for the York, Etobicoke and Weston fair. Reeve Griffiths and all the members were present.

UPROARIOUS TIME GETTING TRUSTEE

John Marshall Elected After Exceedingly Close Contest With J. E. Colborne.

OVER SCHOOL SITE

Two Factions Faced Each Other and Exciting Debates Resulted.

The long-standing trouble regarding the selection of a school site in the Mount Dennis district culminated last night in one of the most uproarious and hotly contested elections ever held in the section, resulting in the selection of John Marshall over his opponent, J. E. Colborne, a vote of 129 to 106.

The big crowd taxing the capacity of the school was divided into the Silverthorn and Rowntree factions, the selections of the two rival sites having in a large measure precipitated the election.

The newly elected trustee, Mr. Marshall, a supporter of the Rowntree site, recently tendered his resignation from the school board, thru some slight informality, seeking re-election, with the result stated.

It was nearly 10 o'clock before the voting began, a show of hands in the earlier stages of the meeting being regarded as unconstitutional, and James Haverson, K.C., who was present by invitation, was appealed to. Mr. Haverson suggested the course prescribed by law, but later, when two or three votes were recorded it was decided to read the clause penalizing those voting without the legal right, and thereafter the vote was recorded more rapidly, all who desired, without reference to the voters' list, being allowed to register. Threats of an appeal against the whole proceedings were freely made, and confusion reigned thruout.

The announcement of Mr. Marshall's election was received with mingled shouts of approval and dissent.

At the conclusion Chairman Southworth asked to whom an appeal would be made and the crowd suggested that Trustee Barton be requested to act in the matter. John Bayliss and W. A. Taylor were chosen as scrutineers and a motion to clear the hall was voted down.

UNVEIL MEMORIAL TO LATE GEO. SYME

In Pritchard Avenue Methodist Church in the Scarlett Plains District last night, a large and representative gathering of West Toronto and York County Orangemen witnessed the unveiling of the magnificent new banner dedicated to the memory of the late Most Worshipful Grand Master George Syme, Sr.

Brief addresses were given by Rev. C. E. Perry, a life long friend, Rev. W. Church, Bro. A. C. Davenport, Bro. J. C. Boylen, W.M., and other well-known members of the Orange order. Each and all referred in the most kindly terms to the deceased and W. M. Bro. J. H. Wallace referred to the warm friendship existing between his father, the late Hon. H. Clarke Wallace and Mr. Syme. The banner will be used for the first time at the approaching celebration on July 12.

Last year the stationary engineers' branch of the department issued about 8,400 certificates and the board examined 1876 candidates.

SAY ASSESSORS OF CITY ARE WRONG

Earlscourt Residents Would Clean Out Council and Reorganize Department.

REMEMBER JANUARY

Meeting Endorses Resolution Denouncing Taxation of Poor Householders.

Resolved, "That this meeting of the Caledonia Ratepayers' Association heartily endorse the resolution adopted by the British Imperial Association at their meeting on July 1, denouncing taxation against the poorer class of householders, and we strongly urge that an equality of assessment may characterize the assessment department rather than in favor of the rich householder."

The above resolution was adopted unanimously at the meeting of the association in Hughes School, McRoberts avenue, last evening, President Dr. George W. McIntosh occupying the chair.

The chairman in his remarks on high taxation said: "The inequality of taxation is deplorable. It has come to this pass, that we cannot dispose of our property, if we so desire, to any advantage. We are assessed 85 to 2 per cent. of an increase, whereas the wealthier people in other sections are only assessed from 30 to 35 per cent.

"The mayor and members of the board of control tried to explain the situation, but the only understanding I can come to after listening to their remarks is that the assessment department is wrong."

"If that is the case, why not have it righted?" said Dr. McIntosh. "Let us have men in that department who will equalize the assessment. I figure that if there was equalization of assessment it would reduce the tax rate by 7 or 8 mills on the dollar."

Another member declared: "Almost all the same men get returned to the city council each year and it is of little avail sending forward a resolution. We pay the assessment officials to perform their duties correctly and then we have the court of revision to revise the taxes.

"We will never get anything done to our satisfaction with the same group of men at the city hall, and we should remember this on Jan. 1."

Roads and Sewer.

The laying of roadways and sewers in the district was discussed at some length. J. Dephew said that the works department should be compelled to lay the sewers before concreting the roads, as almost immediately the work was completed the roads were torn up again to lay sewers. He thought all branches leading to houses should be laid when the sewer work was in progress.

It was resolved that the meeting go on record as being opposed to the works department giving work to contractors for private drains, and a letter will be sent to the city council to that effect.

A complaint was made by a resident of McRoberts avenue, near the city limits, that the lower portion of the road could not be drained owing to the fact that the road is lower than the sewer.

It was found that no action could be taken in the matter.

A letter from the Hydro-Electric Commission regarding the lighting of the northern portion of Caledonia avenue, stated that three lights would be placed on the existing poles north from Innes avenue to the city limits.

It was decided to invite Ald. D. Spence and Joe Gibbons to attend the next meeting and address the members on "Why the Taxation Is Excessive, and Why the Works Department Lay Sidewalks Prior to Laying the Sewers in the Caledonia Section."

MORLEY AVE. SEWAGE PLANT.

A special meeting of the East End Ratepayers' Association executive will be held tonight at 8 o'clock at 1598 East Queen street. The object of the meeting is to discuss what action will be taken regarding the Morley avenue sewage plant.

GARDEN PARTY AT NEWMARKET

One of the features at St. John's R. C. Church garden party on July 15 at Newmarket, will be a drawing for a set of Marion Crawford's works, containing 25 volumes. Now you residents from outside points please "stop crowding" or we will have to call out the home guard.

MARKHAM RESIDENTS WORK FOR RED CROSS

Patriotic Party Will Be Held at Home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Boyd Tonight.

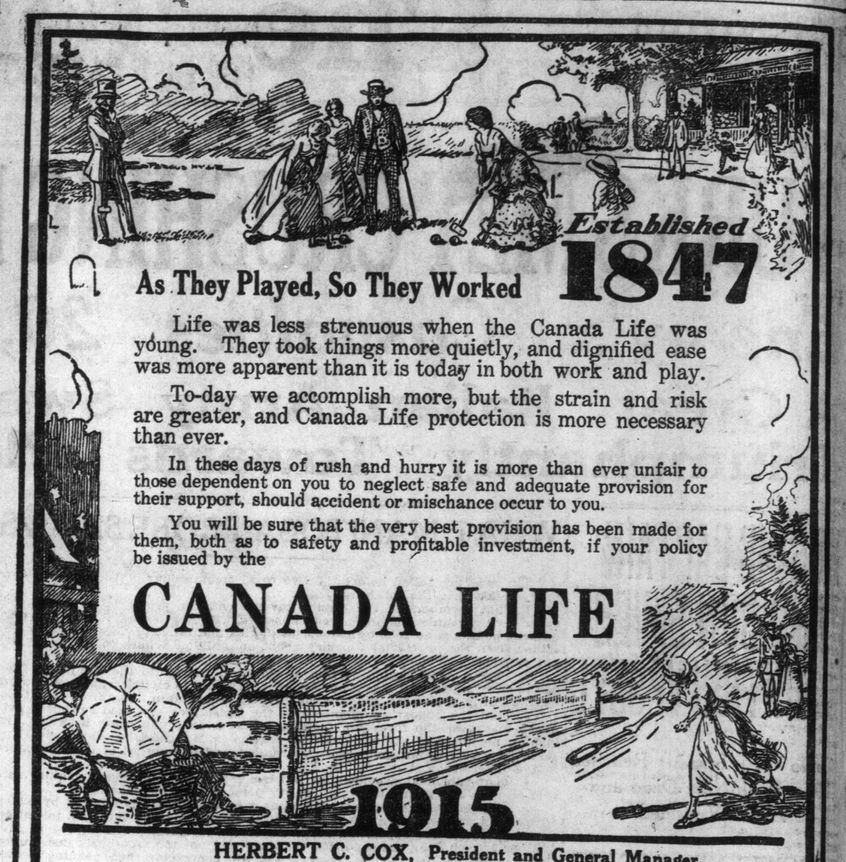
Mr. and Mrs. James Boyd of Maple Villa Cottage, Lot 5, Con 10, East Markham, have issued invitations to a patriotic party to be held at their house tonight at 8.30. Empringham's orchestra will provide the music for dancing and refreshments will be provided by the ladies. The members of the committee in charge are Edward McCallum, Gordon Dimma, Clifford Mulroy, James Cassells, and H. Stewart-Curry, and the floor manager is Edward Mason. There will be a refreshment booth on the grounds and the proceeds will be donated in aid of the Red Cross Society. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd and the committee in charge who have the work of the Red Cross at heart, will undoubtedly do all in their power to make this social function one long to be remembered.

FIRE AT NEWMARKET.

Fire in a small cottage on the outskirts of Newmarket at a late hour last night caused damage amounting to $500, the building being burned to the ground.

Seventy-five per cent. of the farm help placed thru the Ontario department of agriculture have been placed on yearly engagements.

At the Macdonald Institute at Guelph the attendance continues to be limited by the accommodation. The attendance last year totalled 741.



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BIRKETT RETURNS PART OF PROFITS

Thousand Dollars Paid Into Court Over Deal for Binoculars.

OFFERS RESTITUTION

Will Repay Whatever Amounts Commission Decides Will Be Equitable.

OTTAWA, July 5.—Another one thousand dollars of "restitution" money is now in the hands of the government as the result of the enquiries which have taken place into the war contracts, in connection with the Powell drug and bandage contract. W. A. Garland, M.P., returned $6300. The $1000 received today comes from Thomas Birkett, who made a large profit on the sale of binoculars. The cheque was made out in favor of John Thompson, government counsel. It was acompanied by the statement that Birkett is willing to pay over whatever excessive profits Sir Charles Davidson, the commissioner, thinks should be returned.

Bilsky Had Offer.

Sam Bilsky was further examined in connection with the Birkett binocular contract. The other day Mr. Ellis, the agent for the militia department, stated that his company had control of all the glasses held by the Consolidated Optical Co.

Mr. Bilsky produced a letter from the Consolidated Optical Co. to prove that this company had offered to supply him with any binoculars he might require.

Thomas Birkett said that he was the sole proprietor of the Keystone Supply Co., which sold 166 glasses to the government. He had since 1911 had associates who shared in the profits on a couple of occasions.

Mr. Birkett said that the binocular contract was a personal matter, but the stationery used was that of the Keystone Supply Co. Mr. Birkett admitted that it would have been better had he used other papers. He stated that this was the only war contract in which he was in any manner personally interested and the Keystone Supply Co. had not since the outbreak of the war had any contracts with the militia department. Mr. Birkett stated that apart from Sam Bilsky, no one had shared in any way in the binocular profits.

Col. Hurdman, recalled, said that after W. J. Browne had produced the cheque for $30 in his office and asked him to take it, he had not reported the matter to his superior officers. Witness said that as Mr. Browne was a real estate agent, he evidently thought it not improper to pay commissions to people who secured orders for him. Col. Hurdman said he had told Browne that he was dumfounded at his proposal, and that such an action might cost him (Hurdman) his position.

This concluded the binocular case.

FIVE SAILINGS WEEKLY.

Port McNicoll to Sault Ste. Marie, Port Arthur and Fort William.

Canadian Pacific Palatial Great Lakes Steamships leave Port McNicoll Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays for Sault Ste. Marie, Port Arthur and Fort William. Steamship express making direct connection leaves Toronto 12.45 p.m.

Particulars from Canadian Pacific ticket agents, or write M. G. Murphy, District Passenger Agent, Toronto. 67

Thirty-three dairy instructors were employed by the department, and 232 district dairy meetings were held, with a total attendance of 12,446.

Thirty courses in agriculture for farmers' sons, and held in various sections of the country, were conducted last year by district representatives.

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CANADIAN CASUALTIES

Nine p.m. List

1st Battalion.

Killed in action: Chas. W. Crosier, Chatham.

Died of wounds: Goldwin McCausland Pirie, Dundas.

Wounded: Thos. M. Horne, Parry Sound; Wm. Shipp, Rougemont, Que.

2nd Battalion.

Killed in action: George Smith, Nashua, N.H.

Wounded: Herbert Moulder, Parry Sound.

3rd Battalion.

Prisoner at Magdeburg: Wm. H. King, Edmonton.

4th Battalion.

Died: Michael McDermott, Quebec.

7th Battalion.

Unofficially reported prisoner: Frank William Robert Adams, Vancouver.

8th Battalion.

Slightly wounded: Robert Allan, Moosejaw.

Missing: David Y. Baptist, Vanscoy P.O., Sask.; Herman Monto, Hanover, Ont.; George H. O'Brien, Magnetawan, Ont.

10th Battalion

Wounded: Geo. T. Cramb, Brewsterville, Oak Point, Man.

13th Battalion.

Wounded and prisoner: H. H. James, Verdum, Que.; Corp. Ernest McIntyre, Montreal.

Midnight List

First Battalion.

Killed in action—Arthur K. Brown, England.

Seventh Battalion.

Unofficially prisoner at Munster—John Wesley McConeghy, Braeside, Ont.

Thirteenth Battalion.

Killed in action—Harry Stracey, England.

Wounded—Thos. Johnstone, Scotland.

Sixteenth Battalion.

Killed in action—Oscar Lund, Norway.

Seriously wounded—Sidney H. Reid, England.

Twenty-Eighth Battalion.

Death—Peter J. Gorman, New Zealand.

Third Field Artillery Brigade.

Severely wounded—Bombardier C. R. O'Malley, Ireland.

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