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## "IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN BETTER IF HAD BEEN EXECUTED LONG AGO'

Harry Thaw Makes Remarkable Statement to His Doctor in Sherbrooke Prison-Says He Never Once Feared Being Sent to the Chair.

ion given by Harry K. Thaw, in the Matteawan. case of an examination in his cell by Hume, of this city.

clusion of the trial in New York. "I never at any time feared any-ning," said Thaw, and added "not even the electric chair, though it might

mo there."
The doctor says that Thaw, during his confinement in Sing Sing and Matteawan, appears to have made a most careful study of criminal law and insanity. He has read the best authorities on these subjects, and has become an authority on both of them.

His knowledge, Thaw's counsel argue, is probably his worst enemy just now, because he insists upon relying upon it instead of upon the advice of the authorities on Canadian criminal of them today. law provided for him.

Talks Too Much. An interesting commentary on which ever stood behind a man in this Thaw's attitude towards his detention Province," he added, "worrying himis supplied by W. A. Blakeley, of self and them with his press Pittsburg, district attorney of Alle- paign, which cannot affect tehe deciof the Thaw family. He says that the case, one iota."

FOREST CITY WILL

STAGE REUNION TO

Hamilton Has Set Rapid Pace,

But London Will Sur-

pass It.

Celebration Will Soon Get

Under Way.

out Hamilton, and to make the 1914

Must Organize Early.

To successfully accomplish this

will be necessary to organize early,

celebration the very best ever,

termined to even surpass it.

healthy growth and development.

EDWIN MORRIS DROWNED.

[Canadian Press.] Thaw literally burns up his much-Sherbrooke, Que., Aug. 25. — That needed nervous energy by talking too probably it would have been better much. He warned Thaw unless he had he been electrocuted was the opin- quits he may talk himself back into quits he may talk himself back into

All the counsel in the case have endeavored to impress upon Thaw the Dr. Hume was questioning him as necessity for conserving his strength to his apprehensions before the con- and have urged him to stop holding audiences with the press. Thaw has coolly ignored this advice and displayed an increasing desire for publicity , which he thinks he can sehave been better for myself and all cure more satisfactorily himself now concerned, if years ago they had sent that he has a stenographer to prepare his utterances

Hopes for Freedam. He believes that if hammering away in the press at the sanity end of his case he can justify in the public mind the freedom he hopes the Canadian or Vermont courts will ultimately give him on the grounds that he is not a lunatic Time and time again his counse

tehrow up their hands in bewilder-"Imagine in Canada a prisoner with one of the finest arrays of legal talent

gheny County, and a personal friend sion of the authorities who will handle

#### TAX REFORMER VISITS CITY

BEAT ALL OTHERS Mr. J. B. Walling Arousing Interest in League's Single Tax Plea.

#### SECURES NEW MEMBERS

Mr. I. B. Walling, of the Tax Reform Organization for Next Year's eague of Eastern Canada, who has een in the city for some days, has met ith considerable success in interesting usinessmen in the work of the organ-

ation.
The league seeks to remove all taxes Now that the Hamilton Old Boys spread in Canada. One of the league's celebration has passed into history and foremost contributors has been Joseph the eyes of the homecomers are cen- Fels, who spoke to the Canadian Club tred on the celebration that will be some time ago.

tred on the celebration that will be The league believes that improve-staged here next year, there is a ments should not be taxed, and its strong agitation for the organization work has had a great influence on legslation in Western Canada. They have of the home guard this year. London among their supporters the Southams, was the pioneer in the way of old publishers of several Ontario newspa home weeks and old boys' reunions, pers, who have taken a decided stand gainst Sir James Whitney in his arand the city, as a whole, is determined pitrary attitude to tax reform, though to let no other municipality wrest from hey publish Conservative newspapers. it the honor of being the feremost in Mr Walling has enlisted a number f new members in the league in this the country with the reunions. Hamilton staged a great performance this ity, and a number of businessmen year. Now the watchword is to beat have made contributions.

### LONDON'S PEEPING JACK AT HIS OLD TRICKS

and it is proposed to have the local old boys in harness within a month or so, Night Prowler Peers in Winstarting the wheels in motion for a monster home-coming reunion in 1914. dow and Is Scared Off The last one in London-that one of By Dog. 1911-was a splendid one. It was the best up till that time, and it is de-

The real old boys here are going to A man resembling "Jack the Peeper," who attempted to shoot Mr. Fitzsimhave a "get together" session before long, and are going to start planning mons, of Elm street, a few weeks ago, and preparing early enough to have was seen in that vicinity on Sunday every "thriller" and every stunt going evening. All the residents on the like clockwork before the old boys street have been expecting his return start coming back to the old home at any time, and when they saw the town-London, the best city in On- man most of them beat a precipitate re tario, and the one that between now treat. Although he has been seen there and their home coming, is going to only once or twice, he was easily recogshow them all something in the way of nized by the peak cap pulled over his eyes, and his peering demeanor. He slouched along the street about 10 o'clock, and when he thought no one [Canadian Press.] To clock, and when he thought no one was looking, paused at Mr. Fitzsim-wars, the well-known Canadian artist mons' house and peered through the and secretary of the Toronto Art Club, was found drowned in the river at Port Neuf early yesterday. Mr. Morris has been missing since Thursday last. It is presumed that he was sitting on the railway bridge at Port Neuf sketching, and losing his belong full to the winer.

Mons nouse and peered through the stood through the window. For a few minutes he stood there when a dog belonging to one of the neighbors made a rush for him, causing him to leave in a hurry. He disappeared between the houses and peered through the student in the old lands, a To The Advertiser on his return Mr. Small-man declared that every indication pointed to an improvement in conditions in Europe.

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#### Fred the Flagman Plunges to Death In an Automobile

Fred Robertson, Grand Trunk Railwayman, Well rumors whatever." Known in This City, Meets Death by Motor Car Dropping Into Canal at Niagara Falls.

Flagman," in this city, where he was well acquainted, was drowned in the Buffalo. He was well known at the hydraulic canal at Niagara Falls on Grand Trunk depot in this city and will be instituted against the Grand peratures. Sunday morning, when a runabout in made many friends with the travelling Trunk Railway for the loss to the which he was riding with a friend, vaulted a five-foot stone wall, taking the coping and several stones with the bottom of the canal.

W. B. Sensabaugh, 46 years old, Robertson's companion, was thrown out of the car and against the wall, headfirst. He is now in the public hospital in Niagara Falls and is not expected driving, when he neared the canal, and

Neither Robertson's body nor the car has been recovered from the bottom of the canal.

Well Known in London. Robertson passed through London ressed the accident.

Fred Robertson, known as "Fred the every other day on expresses Nos. 1 and 4, between Niagara Falls and Port Huron. His home is said to be in

The accident happened at the head of Jefferson avenue on Sunday mornng. The street ends abruptly at the hydraulic canal, turning sharply to the right or left. Something is said to against it. have gone wrong with the steeringgear of the car, which Robertson was nstead of turning it shot straight

#### MR. BECK REFUSES TO COMPROMISE ON SITE OF BUILDINGS

At First Tries to Disclaim the Responsibilty for Locations.

"British Fair Play" and Not "Kaiser Rule" Demand of Farmers.

In connection with the dispute beween residents of London Township and the London Health Association regarding the site of the new children's Hodgins, of London Township, Dr. of health; Hon, Adam Beck, of the Health Association; Dr. Ross superintendent of the Queen Alexandra Sanatorium; Contractor George Hyatt, Dr. Bell, secretary of the provincial board of health, and about twenty residents of Byron and vicinity met at a conference on the disputed site today The Objections.

Messrs. Thomas Foster, Ninian Sanerson, James Davis, Thomas Ramsay, Villiam Weir and others set forth the ojections raised by the farmers livng in the vicinity to the proximity of the proposed preventorium to the public highway. The site originally fixed upon was only 70 feet distant from the road. Subsequently removed 30 feet in, the site now in dispute i bout 100 feet distant from the road.

Mr. Beck Answers Charge. "In the story which you gave the apers," said Hon. Adam Beck to the Byron deputation, "you blame me for he location. I was away in Toronto hen the work was started.' "You staked out the original site ourself one Sunday before you went to England," said Mr. Thomas Foster.

I myself saw you, and I can bring others to prove it." "Well, then, I will take the blame for the whole thing," said Mr. Beck. Refuses to Compromise.

Mr. Beck protested that he wished remain on friendly terms with the farmers of the vicinity, but he loftily declined to consider a compromise fence north of the building to prevent the children from reaching the road, where they might mingle with children going to and from school.

"I will pay \$500 myself, and move the site, but don't tell me that it is one whit e removed 70 feet further southwest,

ompromises Hon. Adam Beck was A Live Argument. At one stage in the conference live argument arose between Mr. Fos-ter and Police Magistrate Judd. Mr. Foster made pointed remarks and Mr. take impudence from Mr. Foster, and

A New Charge. cured under false pretences. n the property had been secured. ondon Health Association neglected to secure the permission of the local

#### Continued on Page Eleven. FINANCES GOOD INTHEOLDLAND

Mr. T. H. Smallman Just Back and Is Optimistic Over the Situation.

#### THINGS LOOKING BRIGHT

T. H. Smallman, vice-president of the London street railway, who returned this afternoon from Europe, has a most optimistic view of the financial situation in the old lands, a To The

er there and seem to be improving all Mr. Smallman's trip was purely a pleasure one, he having toured with his daughters. Asked as to local conditions Mr. Smallman disclaimed any knowledge of the alleged negotiations of the Mackenzie & Mann interests to acquire the London street railway. "I know nothing about it at all," he declared. "The only information that I have had has been contained in the

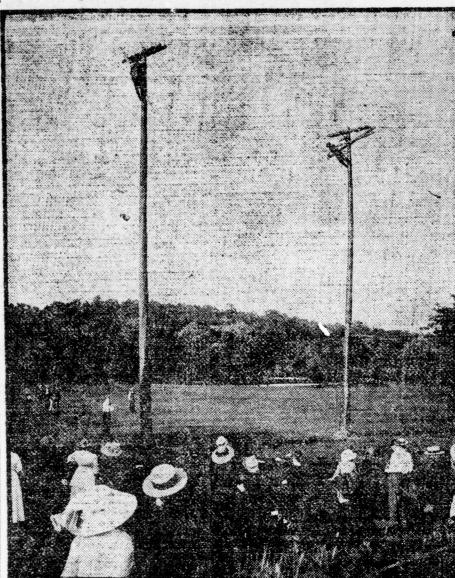
City Solicitor Back.

newspapers sent to me while away. So far as I know there is nothing in the

City Solicitor T. G. Meredith re-turned from England on the same boat as Mr. Smallman, and also arrived in the city this afternoon. The return of the city solicitor has been awaited with considerable interest, for there the a number of civic questions that have been held up pending his return One of these is the damage suit that city occasioned by the collision of the fire truck and a freight train some weeks ago. The company has decided to defend the suit, and the solicitor

There are a number of other minor uestions-the question whether exsting factory buildings in the annexed districts come under the 15-year tax shead and other the embankment. The exemptions, the exact definition of the Father Point fall to the canal is a straight one of city garbage regulations, the action of 25 feet. Two London trainmen were the board of health in trying to among the score of people who wit- secure compulsory meat inspection for Lendon, and others.

DOLE-ERECTING CONTEST between linemen of the Hydro-Electric and Bell Telephone Company at the Electrical Workers' picnic. Hydro team was victorious.



#### Entries Piling Up For London's Fair Records Will Go

In All Departments There Are Indications That This Year's Exhibition Will Surpass All Others in the ALL UNION MEN History of Western Fair-The Midway Shows To Furnish Clean, Novel Attractions.

or as would also satisfy the objecting in readiness for the biggest Western not to be outdone by their brother residents; that the proposed north Fair that has ever been held in this exhibitors, have also been busy enterving be built on the south side. These city. Hard as the records of past year's cessfully (and there is every reason to believe that they will be), the London fair will go down in history as a record-breaker. Much, of course, will Judd declared that he did not have to depend upon the weather man, but the somewhat earlier date will give that f the latter were looking for trouble gentleman a chance to serve up his he (Mr. Judd) would just walk away. best brand.

Many More Entries. Allegations were made by Mr. Foster and others that the site of the Dominion Savings and Loan building is sanatorium had been originally se- one of the busiest spots in the city at The the present time. Entries have been surpose for which it was desired had pouring in at an unprecedented rate, een concealed until a binding option and already the number is far in excess of what it has been at a corre-The obecting residents have an adsponding date in previous years. Enantage in the dispute in that the tries of cattle and horses have been especially heavy, and both those buildings will be filled to capacity. An entry of several horses was received this morning from east of Toronto, howing that the prize list is attractng exhibitors from a large area.

Dog Show a Feature.
A dog from Lethbridge, Alta., has

The English Channel

Auto Tunnel Under

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, Aug. 25. - Great en-

thusiasm is expressed every-

where in France in regard to

the increasing probability of an

Anglo-French tunnel under the

Dover Straits, becoming an ac-

complished fact. Le Tempts, Le

Journal des Debats, Le Figaro,

and M. Clemenceau's paper,

L'Homme Libere, are all favor-

ing the scheme, which, to meet

French ideas, should be a dou-

ble-barrelled tunnel, one for

railroad traffic and one for an

President Poincare, Premier

Barthou, War Minister Steeg,

Naval Minister Baudin and Sen-

ators Georges Clemenceau, Al-

exandre Ribot, D'Estournelles de

Constant, have all expressed themselves warm partisans of

scheme, which they hope will eventually be acceptable to the

British council of imperial de-

THE WEATHER.

The temperature by The Advertise nermometer at noon today was 66.

TOMORROW-FINE AND COOL.

mostly fair, with higher tem

Forecasts. Forecasts.
Toronto, Aug. 25—8 a.m.
Today—Fine and cool.
Tuesday—Moderate to fresh southerly
westerly winds; some scattered show-

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:
Stations. High. Low. Weather.
LONDON. 61 38 Clear
Calgary. 84 50 Clear
Calgary. 72 58 Clear

double-barrelled tunnel

automobile highway.

When the gates of the exhibition also been entered in the dog show on the morning of Sept. 6, all will be represented this fall. Poultry fanciers, ing their best birds, the fact that the prizes have been increased and that will be to surpass, the plans for this 200 extra coops have been put in place year's exhibition, if carried out suc- tending to make the entry list the biggest ever.

In Art Department. Art lovers are promised same sur-prise in the exhibition of paintings in the art department. Just what they will be has not yet been announced, but the committee in charge are work. ing to secure several noted canvases to be put on exhibition. It is underood that the paintings they are endeavoring to secure are now in Detroit and will probably be brought to this city about the middle of the week.

The Midway Shows. Secretary A. M. Hunt has received vord from Mr. H. W. Myerhoff, of New York, who will have charge of midway shows, saying that he will have fifteen good, clean shows on the ground, providing all the thrills of the snake charmer, living skeletons, dogfaced boys, etc. The fair board have made a new departure this year in arranging the days of the fair. While the old custom of having a citizens' Continued on Page Four.

#### George Magee Will Recover

Young Londoner Was Trying To Steal a Ride to Simcoe. Studied the Law.

Ingersoll, Aug. 25.—George Magee, of

President of Canadian Clubs Says There Is No Real Patriotisms in Present Methods-Scores Clergymen Who Make Hustings Out of Their Pulpits.

Hamilton, Aug. 25. - The fifth annual conference of the Association of Canadian Clubs opened here today, with an attendance of over 200 delegates, representing clubs from coast to

President McClemont, in his annual address, lauded C. R. McCullough, founder of the Canadian Club move. originator of Empire Day. He strongly originator of Empi reDay. He strongly urged the appointment of a Canadian minister of health, to deal with sani tation and the proper housing of the masses.

Prudery and mock modesty of modernities, he declared, had too long held back knowledge of physical culture, race suicide, maternity, sexology and other questions, affecting the virility

Too Partisan.

Discussing Canada's political life he insisted that there was altogether too much partisan politics in the country. The little Canadian and the blind parisans, he said, must be eliminated, and way made for the larger Canadians. Continuing he said: "Some there are who claim with confidence that the parliaments of Canada, like many other things, are becoming commercialized, and that they are fast be-

coming like our neighbor, the repre-

sentatives of financial interests rather than of the people. "When one sees the British flag kicked about, as it were, in the political contest, as a football in the athletic arena, for political ends, one is apt to question whether Canadian or British patriotism is the sacred attribute it ought to be, and whether it is yet rooted in the hearts and fibre

of Canadian people. The Clergy's Stand.

"When one sees an occasion of political entests some of the Canadian clergy turning their pulpits into political hust- speak on "The Stranger Within Our ings, one wonders whether the separa- Gates."

tion of church and state in Canada is only in name and not in reality.' The balance of the president's address vas a lengthy appeal for high national ideals and a warning note against the possibility of the country being ruled by

Canadian millionaires. One had to admit, that in the States materialism predominated and the milconaire ruled as supremely as any monarch. This was something for Canada to

Civic Government.

Touching on civic government, he said in part:

"Civie government throughout Canada, s one of its weakest points. It has much to learn in this regard from European The larger and more important the civic centre in Canada the more likely is its management and the expenditure of its revenues in the hands of the most politically partisan, the most financially irresponsible and the least! representative of its citizens. It is also probably owned body and soul by some private corporation franchise holder, who dominates its life and makes or retards its progress according as its managers and directors are public spirited and pro-

gressive or otherwise."

Municipal Control. Mr. McClemont urged a large municipal,

control of public utilities The president expressed himself as beng strongly opposed to Canada being ommitted to militarism. It would be refreshing, he said, to hear some of the Canadian statesmen give utterance to a little peace eloquence. He commented upon the harmonious relationship between Canada and the United States, and concluded with a stirring eulogy on Britisk connections!

Bernard K. Sandwell, the well-known Montreal dramatic critic, spoke this morning on "The Stage and Its Position in Canada."

This afternoon, Sanford K. Evans, of Winnipeg, ex-mayor of that city and past president of the Canadian Clubs, will

Trouble Expected On Vancouv- Bandsman States Position In er Island Again If Work Is Started.

Many Arrests Have Been Made, Musicians Have Refused From Claims for Heavy Damages Made.

[Canadian Press.]

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 25 .- An attempt is to be made to start No. 1 mine

In the meantime the "Jingle Pot Mine" is working full blast. Arrests continue to be made. Women of the district have forwarded a round robin to the Attorney-General, complaining that they of this country are against militarism are not allowed to see their husbands in

CLAIMS HEAVY DAMAGES. [Canadian Press.]

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 25 .- Mr. Ping Tien, vice-counsu for China at Ottawa, was in this city last evening with his suite on his return from Vancouve condon, who was found beside the G. Island, where he has been investigating R. tracks recently with a fractured the losses suffered by the Chinese resiskull, is doing nicely in the local hos- dents in the strike zone. His investigapital. He has recovered consciousness, tions resulted in his formally placing and states that he was trying to steal substantial claim before the Attorney a ride to Simcoe when he missed his General. He declined to discuss the sitfooting and fell off the train. Magee's vation beyond saying he was received father, who resides at 426 Adelaide with every courtesy and that he was sure street west, Toronto, visited him on the claim would receive prompt recognition. He has left for the east.

# WITHOUT UNIFORM

Reference to Order of Trades and Labor Council.

First to Lay Aside the Official Colors.

In reference to the statement of the ex-president of the Trades and Labor Council that the two local military bands will not appear in uniform in the with non-union men by the Western Labor Day parade an official statement Fuel Company. Trouble is expected. This from the bandsmen of the Seventh notice is posted at the headquarters of Regiment has been received, definitely the U. M. W. of A.: "An attempt is be- stating that the band will not appear ing made by the Western Fuel Company mitted. The Seventh has refused from to operate No. 1 mine by 'scabs.' Unless the first to appear without uniforms, as

martial law is proclaimed, the right of picketing is ours. All union men are ordered for picket duty. Remember those in jail."

There is grave anxiety as to the outcome. In the meantime, the "Engle Peters, and the first to appear without uniforms, as the following letter will show:

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

In your issue of Saturday under the heading of "No Umiform For Bands out Labor Ray," the statement is made that two London bands will take part in the wo London bands will take part in the

and to show the people that such is the case, we have decided to request the bandsmen to appear in civilian dress.

As these statements naturally give the impression that the military bandsmen of this city have fallen in line with the request of the Trades and Labor Council, few words of explanation are due. It is quite true that such a "request" vas made some time ago in the form of n ultimatum, which was promptly re-

the Trades and Labor Council There are only two union bands in the ty, both being military, viz., Seventh d Hussars, and as the bandsmen e Seventh Regiment still absolutely to obey the demands of the Trades Labor Council, it is manifestly unair for anyone to try to create the im-ression wherever the London Advertiser s read, that the bandsmen of the Sevnth Regiment have accepted the terms of the Trades and Labor Council by stateng that two London bands will take

g that two London bands art in the parade.

Trusting you will allow space for this xplantion in your columns, and give the nen who had the courage to stand by their colors a fair deal, I remain, etc.,

FRED YOUNG, Seventh Regiment Band London, Aug. 23.

BIG FAIR AT TORONTO If Weather Stays Fine the Attendance Will Exceed

a Million.

Weather Notes.

A marked cool wave is centred in the lake region, while pressure is low in Manitoba and the Guif of St. Lawrence.

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## MISSIONARY WAS SHOT IN MISTAKE FOR MASHER

Turks Wanted to Punish Armenian Who Had Been Paying Attention to Women and Killed Rev. Dr. Helbrook.

[Canadian Press.] Constantinople, Aug. 25. - The United States embassy here has dispatched Louis Heck, acting vice-consul and interpreter at the United States consulate-general in the Turkish capital, to open an inquiry into the circumstances attending the murder of Rev. Dr. Charles H. Holbrook, an American missionary belonging in Lynn, Mass., at Soushehir, Asiatic Turkey, in the middle of August. It is declared that certain facts have come into possession of the Bible House

the garden and shot the sleeping Dr. I the Catholic Cemetery.

Holbrook in mistake for the owner The murderers have been arrested and are awaiting trial. It is expected they will be punished severely.

Lived in Ingersoll Over Fitty Years

Ingersoll, Aug. 25. - Agnes Smith, aged 81, for half a century a resident of Ingersoll, died at the family residence on Charles street yesterday after a long illness. She was the widow here, showing that the murder was a of Andrew Smith and is survived by at 2:30 this afternoon pressed the button six daughters and one son, Mrs. Thos. which officially set in motion the Canadeliberate one.

According to the official version of the affair Dr. Holbrook was sleeping in the garden surrounding the house of an Armenian, who had been paying attentions to some Turkish wolling attentions to some Turkish wolling. Age Mich The funeral will be held on the Canage which officially set in motion the Canage dian National Exhibition for 1913. The gates were open at 8 o'clock this morner in the garden surrounding the house of an Armenian, who had been paying attentions to some Turkish wolling. The funeral will be held on the Canage dian National Exhibition for 1913. The gates were open at 8 o'clock this morner in the garden surrounding the house of the canage dian National Exhibition for 1913. The gates were open at 8 o'clock this morner in the garden surrounding the house of the affair Dr. Holbrook was sleeping in the garden surrounding the house of an Armenian, who had been paying attentions to some Turkish wollden.