SWYRDA GOES TO THE GALLOWS

Executed at Brampton at Eight o'Clock This Morning.

THE FIRST HANGING IN PEEL COUNTY

Galician Pays the Penalty for Brutal Murder of a Felow-Countryman.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

view on two sides, by a specially built fitting and formal token of the appre sides by the stone walls. On the scaf- holders. fold Swyrda still maintained that he was innocent. The drop fell at 8 Judge Street in the presidency of the o'clock, and within twelve minutes the man was pronounced dead. Only officials were allowed to witness the created by Colonel Little's withproceedings.

The crime for which Steffan Swyrda this morning suffered the extreme penalty of the law was a most brutal one. G. T. R. PLANS On April 16 last, Good Friday, Swyrda enticed Oleeka Liutick, a fellow-Galician, to a bush, near Clarkson, and there killed the young man for the sake of a small sum of money he had in his possession. Not until some weeks later was the crime discovered, through the finding of Liutick's body in the bush. Nobody had seen the murder committed, but Swyrda's movements, as traced by the detectives, made it almost certain that he was the guilty A NEW STATION man. When placed in the witness box at the trial to give evidence in his own defence, Swyrda told a story of Liutick such man could be discovered. Attempts were made to secure a new trial for the man, but they failed, as did an

WEATHER FAIR AND

Mercury Only Dropped to 15 Above Last Night.

It was the general opinion around the city today that real winter had just begun, and with the present ap- asked The Advertiser. pearance of everything this feeling!

was confirmed.

The registrations at the local ob- ation in the way of track elevation." servatory are as follows: Coldest 15.5 degrees above; highest, 18.5.

The probabilities for tomorrow say a continuance of the cold weather, "fair and moderately cold."

A GALT MAN TO WED HETTY GREEN'S DAUGHTER

Cruickston Park, Galt, has notified her out. friends in Galt of the following announcement made this week: Mrs. Het-ty Green, New York, announces the enty Green, New York, announces the engagement of her only daughter, Miss Silvia, to Mr. Matthew Astor Wilkes, New York, eldest son of the Matthew Wilkes, Cruickston Park, Galt, Ont.

DROPPED DEAD.

Kingston, Feb. 11.-William J. Connors, attacked with heart failure, collapsed in the Frontenac lumber yards, and expired. He was aged 34 years, and married.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW-FAIR. FORECASTS.

Toronto, Feb. 11-8 a.m. Today-Strong westerly winds; fair, enow flurries. Friday-Fair and moderately cold. TEMPERATURES.

Today. Yesterday Calgary Port Arthur Parry Sound Ottawa Quebec Kamloops Edmonton Battleford Moosefaw Qu'Appelle

Halifax ... Minus (-) means below zero. WEATHER NOTES.

The disturbance which was centred in

COL. LITTLE LEAVES HURON AND ERIE

Retires From Presidency After 21 Years--Mr. T. . Meredith Succeeds Him.

from the directorate of the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company, of which he has been president for 21

During Colonel Little's long term of office the Huron and Erie has made remarkable progress. He leaves it one of the largest and soundest financial institutions in the Dominion, and one Brampton, Ont., Feb. 11. — For the be proud. His business acumen and of which the city of London may well first time in the history of Peel County close attention to the affairs of the capital punishment was carried out company have been important factors this morning, when Steffan Swyrda, in its great success. At the annual who was found guilty of the murder meeting yesterday Mr. T. G. Meredith, of Oleeka Litutick, was hanged in the K. C., who was elected president to jailyard here. Hangman Ratelive officiating. The scaffold was erected in vices. It was unanimously decided to a corner of the jailyard, hidden from ask Colonel Little to accept some high board fence, and on the other ciation of the directors and share-

Colonel Little succeeded the late Huron and Erie in 1887. Mr. H. E. Gates was yesterday elected a director to fill the vacancy

drawal.

Engineer Kelly and Staff Passed Through City Today.

Too. Busy To See Reporters.

attempt to obtain executive elemency. Engineer Kelly, of the Grand Trunk, the privilege of doing business alone. A Swyrda's wife became a mother only went through London at noon in his dispatch from Toronto states: private car St. Clair, attached to express No. 6. Unfortunately for the newspapermen, in the few minutes that Mr. K. J. Dunstan, manager of the MODERATELY COLD he was in the city, Mr. Kelly was in earnest conference with some officials, ence to the proposed agreement with

and could not be seen. His secretary, however, willingly answered all questions asked him regarding the plans that are being pre-

pared for London. Plans Not Finished.

"Have the plans been finished yet?" The rinks are all being liberally to complete them within a couple of the company was not as anxious to effect the attempt of the board of patronized, and if the cold snap re- weeks. They will then be submitted to secure an agreement with the city now. health to whitewash the whole affair, Hamilton he served for one year in mains the rink owners will have easily General Manager Hays and the other He also pointed out that the rail- and have put it up to that board to the city council. He was a prominent change at the opening this morning

"How about a new station?" modern affair."

OUT ON GRADE

Railwaymen Say That Trains Nowadays Are Too Heavy.

a great deal of trouble lately with engines running from here to Toronto terfly," last evening. which go by way of the Copetown | She has been ill for some time, and it. Can a room be healthy where sick | Makes Desperate Attempts to Escape grade. Repeatedly, after climbing the when she reached the city yesterday, women are compelled to live where steep grade there, the engines have had she was far from well after the long the cooking, the washing, the lavatory o go into the roundhouse for repairs. railroad journey from Toledo. Railwaymen do not understand it, as last evening as if nothing were wrong, the best engines on the system have but when it was over she collapsed.

She went through her performance when the best engines on the system have but when it was over she collapsed. Here the desired the deny it, that the downstairs room was spanhouse and his son in Melancthon and the control of the contr been affected. The effects on the big She was taken to the Tecumseh Moguls have been particularly bad, and House and retired. This morning she there are a large number of them in was some better, but still far from a hospital, to say nothing of an ordinfor repairs all the time.

In view of the heavy traffic which has been handled all winter, this has meant considerable delay and expense to the company. One engineer offered the explanation that the strain put on the engines by

10 the heavy grade and the very long trains was responsible for the breaks on the engines.

Trains Too Heavy. the yards with less than 60 cars. The remanded for one week for sentence. means of summoning aid if he took a there more excitement than exists tonew consolidated engines will pull a Detective Mahoney was on hand with turn for the worse. tremendous load. That is what they an invincible case against the prisoner are built for. On level tracks they will in connection with the Tilbury bank isolated as if they had been in the Stewart, charged with the murder of was to blame, then that under the cosy inn, whose praises have been has passed to the jump along with a string of 60 cars at robbery. Quinn is the man who woods miles away. He was so bad John and James Spanhouse at their workman's liability act, the plaintiff sung by no less a bard than Words-



A PLACE OF INTEREST FOR THE LADIES OF THE ADVERTISER'S PARTY. Tarbet Lake, Loch Lomond, the onetime home of the famous Highland freebooter, Rob Roy MacGregor, somewhere in the shadow of the hills in the distance his body lies buried. It was through this very scene that Wallace and Bruce fied for their lives from the bloodhounds of the English King. This, too, is the scene of the "Wanderings of Ossian," the great Gaelic epic. Loch Lomond will be one of the ladies who will form The Advertiser's party in July.

\$4,000 A YEAR

Bell Telephone Agreement May Not Be Renewed.

GOVERNMENT NOW CUNTRULS THE RATES

Nothing To Do With This Important Matter.

ffect that the Ben Telephone Company programme was not carried out, owing agreement with the city for an exclu- wind prevailing. ive franchise.

The present agreement expires this year, and negotiations will have to be entered into this fail. The company, it is understood, will stand aloof, and will not ask for an exclusive right. This will deprive the city of \$4,000 revenue each year, besides 12 telephones for which the city will have to pay. The reason given for the company's IS CONTEMPLATED to be because the telephone situation

has changed greatly during the past two years. Now the rates are under going off with another man, whom ne Will Be a Modern Affair-Mr. Kelly the control of the Dominion railway The company have refused to renew

> been accustomed to pay large sums for Situation in Toronto.

other places, it is said, where they have

The board of control conferred with Bell Telephone Company, with referthe company.

Mr. Dunstan informed the controllers that the whole telephone situation against the smallpox hospital has five years ago Mr. Woods sold his store had changed since the company offered created widespread interest throughout in St. Thomas to his son-in-law, Mr. the city \$20,000 a year for a five-year the city, and there was little else disagreement. He pointed out that the cussed on the street last evening and company and the city had no longer today. the power to fix the rates since that "No," said the secretary, "Mr. Kelly of railway commissioners by the Domade up for past deficiencies by the officers of the road. There are quite way commissioners did not fix the refute the charges made, or at all member of the Foresters, and since living in London had been a member of the charges made. a lot of improvements under consider- rates purely to suit local conditions, events order an investigation.

"The plans include that also," said The question of a city rate for West "There was no hotel in connection comes part of the city. If the telewith the plans I saw, and as far as I phone users want a city service they know, none is contemplated. The will have to pay \$50 in addition to the last been made.

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The will have to pay \$50 in addition to the last location between the last loca regard to track elevation and the new and private users will have to pay five were interviewed by The Advertiser the Grand Trunk station, interment sider the suggestion that the private Moffatt McIntyre. users accept a higher rate and the

MISS VAN STUDDIFORD

The Grand Trunk have been having collapsed after singing her last song in sanitary, and not fit for human beings Miss Grace Van Studdiford almost

The company left at noon today for Hamilton on a special,

SWITCHED SATCHELS

Sensational Theft.

Chatham, Feb. 11.—When he ap- me the same. "We used to run with a train of 30 peared before Magistrate Houston on boy's mother, who had no means of cars a couple of years ago," he said, the charge of theft from a railway car communication with him. He might "but now there is not a freight leaves Eddie Quinn pleaded guilty, and was nothing about him. There was no tory of the county of Dufferin was Michigan yesterday has passed to the lower St. Lawrence Valley.

An important high area, accompanied by extreme old, is setting in over the every provinces, and another storm is developing near the middle Pacific coast. A heavy snowfall has occurred in A heavy snowfall has occurred in Quebec, and rain has fallen in the Maritime Provinces.

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KING EDWARD SLIGHTLY ILL

Ordered to Remain in His Room But Disobeys Physicians.

Berlin, Feb. 11. - King Edward is uffering today from an attack of bron chial catarrh, and according to a local WAS THE HEAD OF ewspaper he has called in consulta tion a German physician, who ordered him to remain in his room until he was better. In spite of this, however, his majesty had luncheon with the officers Company and the Municipalities Have of the dragoon regiment, of which he And One of the Best-Known Businessis honorary colonel. This was one of the functions scheduled for today. It had been planned also that the King go in an automobile to Potsdam this morning to lay a wreath on the There is a persistent rumor to the tomb of his sister, but this part of the viil not ask for a renewal of the to the very cold weather and the high

TO THE ATTACK

refusal to renew the agreement is said Smallpox Victims Demand Investigation of Charges

agreements for exclusive franchises in STRAIGHT TALK FROM THOSE WHO SUFFERED

Attempt of the Board of Health to Smother the Case Will Not Prove Successful.

The reiteration of the charges made Thomas, Goderich and Belleville. About

power had bene delegated to the board A. McFadyen, one of the patients, and is still working on them, and expects minion Government. For that reason Mr. J. A. Nelles, have made of non-

Absolutely True.

the secretary, "and it will be a most Toronto telephone users was also dis- two of the patients who made com- and lovable personal qualities. cussed, and Mr. Dunstan stated that plaints of the conditions, emphatically "Will there be a hotel in connection the company could not make any state that what they said regarding change even after West Toronto be- the hospital is absolutely true, and

Galt, Feb. 11.—Miss K. T. Wilkes, station," he said as the express pulled cents for each call in addition to the regarding their charges, and they told being made at Hamilton. The funeral \$30 annual rate. He promised to con- the stories of their son Harris, and services will be conducted by Rev. W

businessmen a lower rate in order to of the board of health to hide behind of the box were un-No definite action resulted from the ruly," said Mr. Mills, in the presence of Harris and McIntyre. "Whether or not the boys were unruly has nothing at all to do with the charges made by us against the hospital. Saying that WAS QUITE ILL Harris and the others were rowdies today Judge Riddell sentenced Walter HUSBAND KILLED does not refute the charges we made. Blythe, the Canadian Pacific section-We stand prepared to prove every-Star Made Brave Attempt Last Night are things actually unprintable, and we want the board of health to know

Building Insanitary. -such as it is, and everything else, is

The Lack of a Telephone. "And there is another feature that has not been touched upon, and that is son was greatly worried about him, and told several that he thought the boy would not get better. He told

had to submit to all such as this.

London Merchant Succumbed to Effects of Bad Fall.

A CHAIN OF STORES

men in Canada-Story of His Life.

Mr. J. C. Woods, one of London's best-known businessmen, died at his

A Big Businessman. the system of stores that he founded the contract. many years ago, and which were known

when he was a very young man. Chain of Stores.

Mr. Woods started life in Pulaski his chain of stores, which are to be found in many of the most important towns and cities in Western Ontario. branch store in Hamilton. Shortly afterwards he took over the C. C. Woods' stores in London, Guelph, and Wood-

Later he established stores in St. F. E. Jones, and later sold his store in this city to Mr. J. M. Thomson, Thus Mr. Woods gradually disposed of his interests, with the exception of those in Guelph and Kingston.

Alderman in Hamilton. While widely known as a business

man, Mr. Woods took very little part ing in London had been a member the First Methodist Church. Those ment. who knew Mr. Woods familiarly testify 1 rris Mills, and Moffatt McIntyre, to his kindness of heart, his charity

Besides his wife, Mr. Woods is survived by three daughters-Mrs. Ed-

Rutledge, of the First Methodist

TO DIE ON MAY 13

Toronto, Feb. 11.—Just before noon man, who beat his wife to death at Agincourt, to be hanged on Thursday, May 13, in Toronto jail.

LUNATIC STEWART ATTACKS KEEPERS

From Orangeville Jail.

used for all that, and it cannot be Township, early on Sunday morning, healthy. Those are fine conditions for made two desperate attempts to escap from his cell in the Orangeville jail, last night. When two turnkeys opened "The people were sick, and yet they his cell door to give him his evening meal, Stewart sprang upon them from a corner of the cell, and attempted to overpower them. The men, after hard struggle, however, succeeded in the telephone. Now, McIntyre was so forcing him back. Governor Bowels Tilbury Bank Robber Pleads Guilty to sick that for three days Dr. Hutchin- was sent for, and on his arrival a second attempt was made to give Stewart pilot engine was permitted to run out his supper, for which he was pleading, but no sooner was the iron door opened Well, there was that when the lunatic again attacked them.

MELANCTHON EXCITED. "The patients were as completely day over the preliminary trial of G. E. jury stated that if the workman alone has a beautiful little cataract, and a

A Heroine of the Switchboard

Chicago, Feb. 11.-Following the recent example of Jack Binns, the wireless operator of the steamer Republic, Miss May Donnelly, a night telephone operator, proved herself a heroine early today in a fire which destroyed a freight house of the Wabash Railroad, causing a loss of nearly half a million. While the flames raged about her, Miss Donnelly remained at the switchboard notifying the different employees in the yards of the fire, until she was overcome by smoke. Clerks found her unconscious in front of the switchboard, and carried her to a place of safety, where she was revived.

STEEL COMPANY WINS LONG FIGHT

Privy Council Announces Decision, Which Is Against

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Feb. 11. - What amount of damages will the Dominion Coal Company have to pay for repudiating its 93-year contract with the Steel Company.? The sum may reach from \$50, 00,000 to \$100,000,000. For two years alone the Steel Company puts the

Dominion Coal.

amount at nearly \$3,000,000. When the Steel Company was orhome, 564 Talbot street, last night, as ganized some years ago, the contract a direct result of injuries sustained by was made with the coal required, suitable supply all the coal required, the price falling down a stairway on Jan. 23. for making iron and steel, the price Mr. Woods injured his spine, and his to be \$1 24 a ton. The Steel Company condition was regarded as critical since alleged that the quality of the coal offered was not up to contract requirements, and was unfitted for making Loch Katrine, but the country that iron and steel, and after protracted has come to be known by that name Few men were more widely known that controversy the coal was rejected by has a wider sweep than that, being throughout Canada than Mr. Woods. This the Coal about 26 miles in diameter. From the

ages, claiming the difference between Stirlingshire to Altogether, Mr. Woods was head of \$1.25 per ton and the amount they had quidder, in Perth. system embracing eighteen stores, since been paying, which was \$2.65 At the head of a system embracing eighteen stores, since been paying, which was \$2.00. He was born in Pulaski, N. Y., in 1847, per ton. For one year this amounted the beautiful Loch Vennacher, which and his business career commenced to about \$800,000. Figured out for 99 means "The Lake of the Fair Valley," years, it can easily be seen how large and well does it deserve its name. would be the amount of damages. but afterwards moved to Kingston, asked that Coal Company be com- head of Ben Ledi, the Hill of God, so Ont., and it was there that he started pelled to fulfill its contract. It was the named because in a far-distant time biggest law suit ever entered in Can- the people of the country were won't The trial lasted sixteen days, to climb its heights to worship the Ninety witnesses, including many ex- sun. From Kingston, Mr. Woods opened a perts from Britain and the United States were examined. A great array of eminent counsel were engaged Lomond, a little steamer plies to therein and the cost of the trial was Inversnaid. one of the most expensive in the history of Canadian courts, was not less strewn with the memories of the olden in favor of Steel Company.

GREAT EXCITEMENT ON FORONTO MARKET

Decisive Victory of the Steel Company Reflected in Quotations. Toronto, Feb. 11.—There was great strongholds of his lady love, as a result of the Steel Coal judg- Lake" is perhaps the best picture of

The decisive victory of the Steel glens of this section. Company was immediately reflected Farther along on the western shore in the quotations. Steel Common of the loch a tragedy is commemorated jumped 4 points, and the Preferred 13 points right on the start off, while 1600 the MacGregors rose against Coal was heavy and 4 points lower.

COMPANY WAS NOT TO BLAME

\$3,300 Damages Awarded to Mrs. Frank Fralick.

Sterling. ON GRAND TRUNK

Chief Justice Meredith Believes That elift over which the captives were Only Employees Were Negligent.

Chief Justice Sir William Meredith yesterday gave his decision in the case the Scottish peaks, and with its mantle f Mrs. Frank Fralick, of this city, vs. the Grand Trunk Railway Company,

awarding the plaintiff \$3,300, with the costs of the suit. It will be remembered that on Oct. 6, tion about them that is hard to de-1908, Frank Fralick, in charge of an engine of a work train, pulled out of Brantford under orders, and collided with a returning pilot engine that had scribed in the lines, been pushing a heavy train up the Mount Vernon grade. In the collision, which occurred seven

miles out of Brantford, Fralick was killed. The plaintiff claims negligence on the part of the company, in that the of Brantford without train orders and that the yard foreman was the only man intrusted with the guarding of

the work train. Asked for \$15,000 Mrs. Fralick asked for \$15,000 dam- Here Bruce recited romances to his ages on behalf of herself and her seven men while one by one they were bechildren.

In bringing in their decision the

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THE TROSSACHS AND LOCH LOMOND

Far-Famed Scenery in Itinerary of Advertiser's Guests.

LAND OF SCOTCH ROMANCE AND POESY

The Cave of Rob Roy, Ellen's Isle and Strongholds of Wallace and Bruce.

Large numbers of letters are comng to this office that read: "My subscription is paid up to ---. Kindly credit my votes to Of course this is impossible. The request for votes must accompany subscription, otherwise no votes

can be credited. If one has coupons can they be In the case of the votes that acmpany a subscription, these, of course, can be voted in bulk, but when the coupons are those cut from the daily paper, each must be filled in with the name of a candidate in the

regular way. "When does the contest close?" another asks. The voting will be concluded on or before June 1.
"If one subscribes for the paper for year and gets his 1,000 votes, can

he also vote the ballots which you print daily in the paper?" Yes. It is the understanding that the votes for a subscription are extras "If for any reason I miss my paper for which I have subscribed, can a

candidate be credited with the number of ballots I have missed?" No. That would hardly be fair to all, and it would entail an unreasonable amount of office work. The Trossachs.

Properly speaking the Trossachs is the little stretch of land surrounding This was due in a large measure to Company construed as cancellation of Village of Callander, in the east, it stretches to Loch Lomond, in the Steel company brought suit for dam- west, and from the northern plains of At the head of this district stands

Laurick Mead, the gathering-place The Steel Company also sued for of Clan Alpine, is on the banks, while damages for stoppage of works, and a little to the east rises the beautiful

> Loch Lomond. From Balloch, at the head of Loch

The shores along the Decision of privy council today was the site of the stronghold of the Earls of Lennox, where both Wallace and Bruce were entertained, are all that now remain of the once famous Balloch Castle.

On the opposite shore war-memories linger about the ruins of Boturich Castle. Here the doughty Squyer Meldrum, as told in Sir David Lindsay's roem, routed the Macfarlane raiders, who were attacking the

In Scott's Land. Scott's story of "The Lady of the

the lochs and mountains, dells and in the name Glen Eruin, the glen of sorrow. It was here that in the year their ancient enemy, the Calho and decimated them, and in the intoxication of this sangunary deed, the "Sixty bloody shirts" paraded before King James by the windows of the vanquished. But their grisly deed was not quite unavenged for the angry

King dispossessed them of their land.

vanderers, with no land to call home. Inch Murren, a duke's deer island, has still the ruins of the Ladies' Bower, to which Isabella, Duchess of Albany, retired to end her days after the execution of her father, and two sons, on Heading Hill at

sent them out, a nameless band of

Rob Roy's Prison. The rocks of Craig Royston, under Ben Lomond, contain Rob Roy's prison eave, where he sometimes intimidated his captives by a cool dip in the loch, sometimes hung by a rope around their waists, and thus airily suspended, were invited to discuss the question of ransom. Ben Lomond, rising at the side of

the loch, is one of the most noble of of mist is a sublime sight. The mountains of Scotland may be small in comparison with other ranges, but there is a feeling of vastness, of isolascribe, and are a fitting setting as the haunts of the wild clans whose warlike nature and fierce hate are de-

Through the depths of Loch Lomond the steeds shall career. O'er the peaks of Loch Lomond the galleys shall steer, And the rocks of Craig Royston, like icicles melt, E'er our wrongs be forgotten or

our vengeance unfelt. A ferry plies across the loch to Inveruglas, passing on the way, Walwhere the patriot is said to have hidden from his enemies.

ing rowed across to safety

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