

## Eleven Nurses Received Diplomas Victoria Graduating Exercises

Held This Afternoon in Grand  
Opera House—Medals  
Presented.

The graduating exercises in connection with the nurses of Victoria Hospital were held in the Grand Opera House this afternoon in the presence of a very large number of citizens. His Worship Mayor Stevely presided, and made a brief address, in which he spoke of the duties and heavy responsibilities the nurse's life exacts.

The presentation of diplomas was made by Mr. Samuel Secaton, chairman of the hospital trust.

Dr. Niven, chairman of the medical board, presented the gold medal to Miss Alice Dickinson, who made the highest number of marks at the examinations.

Miss Clara England was presented with a silver medal, she having stood second.

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## WHEATLEY'S WIFE IN LONDON ALMOST PROSTRATED BY NEWS

Of the Death of Her Husband in Hotel Fire in Tillsonburg—She Leaves for the Scene—A Pretty Romance Begun in Clinton Is Cruelly Ended.

The supposed death of Mr. Thomas Wheatley, of Tillsonburg, culminates what appears to have been a very pretty romance.

Mr. Wheatley comes from Clinton, and is the son of Chief of Police Wheatley, of that place.

About two years ago young Wheatley fell in love with a Miss Delmont, of London.

The young man's parents opposed the marriage, and the couple were married clandestinely.

Not wishing to incur the wrath of his parents, the couple decided to live apart for a few years, or until such time as the consent of Wheatley's father could be won.

The young man was then employed in an organ factory in Clinton, while the young lady accepted a position as waitress in the Savoy Hotel here.

At frequent intervals the young husband would come to London to visit his wife, and they corresponded regularly.

Advertiser Told Her.

Mrs. Wheatley had not heard of the disaster until interviewed by an Ad-

vertiser reporter at the Savoy this afternoon. She at once made haste to catch a train for Tillsonburg, in the hope that her husband might have been but slightly injured and carried into nearby house.

Mrs. Wheatley was terribly affected by the sad news.

She stated that her husband had worked for a short time for the Sherlock-Manning Organ Company, of London, several years ago, but had later gone back to Clinton.

About a year ago Mr. Wheatley accepted a position in the Arlington Hotel, Tillsonburg, and a month ago started to work in the ill-fated Queen's.

Brother Drowned.

Mrs. Wheatley is a sister of the little Delmont boy who was drowned in the Thames River some six years ago.

Mr. Wheatley was well-known at the Tillsonburg house, a number of friends working there whom he used to call upon when in the city.

He was very popular with all who knew him, and all are shocked at his sudden death.

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Riding on Walks.

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Missionaries on Furlough.

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## Local Items

A permit was issued by City Engineer Graydon this morning to Mr. J. P. Cartwright, for a two story red brick residence at 80 Central avenue.

Work has commenced on the Queen's avenue pavement by the Barber Asphalt Company. The grading will be finished within a couple of days and it is expected that the asphalt will be laid next week. The asphalt is being laid on the Adelaide street pavement.

The first installment of this year's taxes is coming in, so City Tax Collector Hayes reports. "We commenced on Monday to receive the first installment and so far we have had several responses. We expect to have a good amount in shortly. We are doing as well as last year at this time."

Not the Man.

Mr. George Abel, of the Pipe Line road, wishes it understood that he is not the man whose name was mentioned in connection with the police court proceedings yesterday morning.

Boys' Club of the Y. M. C. A.

The Boys' Club of the Y. M. C. A. will hold its weekly meet tonight at 6:15 in Queen's Park. The following events will be pulled off: Shotput, hop, step and jump, running broad jump, and the 100 and 220-yard sprints. A large turnout is expected.

Liberal Meeting.

A meeting of the Liberals will be held in Madrier Lane on Friday evening. Mr. M. M. Mero, the candidate, will speak, and addresses will be delivered by other prominent Liberals.

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## Spray and Raise Fruit

This is the time to spray your trees and shrubs if you would protect them from the ravages of hungry insects. We can supply all necessary materials for spraying, and if you need information in regard to using them, will gladly give it. Our prices are very low on spraying materials.

## Strong's Drug Store

184 DUNDAS STREET.  
Strong's Baking Powder is in a class by itself. It is the best.

## OFFICERS AND THE TENCEN

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poolrooms and the craze that has taken possession of our young men for this game, is a matter that has received the serious thought and attention of the executive.

"There are now 82 licensed tables, and all of them appear busy. The age limit at which boys are allowed to frequent these places is fixed by the bylaw at 18 years, and the advisability of having this age increased to 21 years has been frequently discussed, and the advice of many citizens sought."

Form Clubs.

"The preponderance of opinion is against the change, the reason being given that if the boys are driven from the licensed places they will form clubs and in the last condition become worse than the first by reason of the greater latitude allowed, and the probability of other and worse vices being introduced."

Will Prepare Statement.

Secretary McDermid's report was unanimously adopted, and several present spoke of the efficient manner in which he is performing his duties.

In reference to the complaints in regard to the removal of the camp, and the criticism of the secretary, the president and secretary were instructed to prepare a statement indorsing fully the stand taken by Mr. McDermid. This statement will be issued shortly.

The Officers.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Rev. D. S. Hamilton.

Vice-Presidents—Ex-Ald. Wyatt, H. Wallace.

Treasurer—Prof. J. H. Bowman.

Secretary—D. A. McDermid.

PANIC AT CHARITY CIRCUIS

Chicago, May 20.—Twenty-one persons were injured, many of them seriously, and hundreds narrowly escaped death last night at a performance of the charity circus, Oak Park avenue and Thirty-third street, Berwyn, when all the seats in the tent suddenly gave way and crashed to the ground.

The accident was caused by a scramble of the audience to obtain sample packages of a brand of breakfast food, which were being thrown from the arena by a young woman, who was taking part in the circus.

LATEST STOCK  
MARKET REPORTS

[Special Wire from Harris, Winthrop & Co., Ltd., London, and Becher.]

NEW YORK

Reported by C. N. Spencer, Stockbroker, Market Lane, for The Advertiser.

New York, May 20.

Open High Low 2 p.m.

Amel. Copper..... 66 67 68 68 1/2

Amer. Locomotive..... 60 61 62 62 1/2

Amer. Foundry..... 37 38 39 39 1/2

Amer. Rolling Mill..... 23 24 25 25 1/2

American Steel..... 10 11 12 12 1/2

Atchafalpa..... 10 11 12 12 1/2

Brooklyn Transit..... 61 62 63 63 1/2

C. P. R..... 10 11 12 12 1/2

Ches. & Ohio..... 44 45 46 46 1/2

Chic. Great Western..... 75 76 77 77 1/2

Colorado Fuel & Iron..... 53 54 55 55 1/2

Distillers..... 53 54 55 55 1/2

Erie..... 22 23 24