THREE CENTS.

PROBE OPENS IN BOAT TRAGED

Fight Is Launched To Save "Key of the River" For City

ST. THOMAS STUNNED BY PARK DISASTER

Eighth Victim of Drowning Accident At Pinafore Is Recovered This Morning-Child Victims Are Prepared For Burial-Owner of Ill-Fated Craft Tells of Efforts To Save the Passengers.

INQUEST IS OPENED BY CORONER EWIN

Boards Served as Seats

Boards, serving as seats, ran across

ever since it was first used on July 1.

were nearly all adults, the combined

weight was much greater than yes-

commenced, but was told by a gen-

of the local police force stated this morning that St. Thomas had one greater disaster in 1886 when an ex-

dents collided with a Michigan Cen-

ral train of oil cars at a crossing not

for from the station with the loss of about 24 lives, under the most har-

Under Arrest by Rome

Police.

Associated Press Despatch

ursion train of St. Thomas

St. Thomas, July 7.—After a night of grief and anxiety spent by a large number of citizens at the scene of last night's appalling tragedy at Pinafore park, this city awoke this morning to a full realization of the extent of the disaster. Heavy clouds and drizzling rain were symbolical of the state of mind into which the whole community has been plunged.

At two undertaking parlors of Messrs. Williams and Towers pathetic scenes were witnessed as the bodies of the tiny victims, recovered last night, were prepared for burial.

Under white sheets, which all too plainly revealed the outlines of little forms which looked pathetically small on the slabs on which they were laid out, lay children who yesterday morning were the embodiment of youth and health.

Beautiful in life, they were even up to a height of about a foot and more lovely in death, with long, dark a half. eyelashes closed forever upon cheeks like driven snow, and tiny, folded hands, resembling the work of some this box. A fancy swan's head, tramed of tin, decorated the prow of

master sculptor in white marble. Last Body Recovered.

the craft. Mr. Stoner stated that the contrivance had worked splendidly With the recovery of the body of Ronald Smith about 3 o'clock this Never before, he admitted had 23 morning, the work of the searchers, people been on it at one time, but, he which continued all night, and was claimed that on Dominion Day 20 pernot rewarded by the discovery of any more bodies until about 11 o'clock this morning , when the remains of terday. little Jean Murray were brought to the surface at a considerable distance movement of the children in the boat nearer shore than the bodies recov-

ered last night.
At 11:30, Coroner Dr. D. L. Ewin opened an inquest at the police sta-tion into the death of Mrs. Thomas opened an inquest at the police station into the death of Mrs. Thomas Watt. The jury men, after viewing the remains, journeyed out to the park and inspected the ill-fated pleasure craft, after which they adjourned to meet on Monday evening next at 8 o'clock.

Meanwhile, police under direction of Chief Armstrong, are busy inter-

of Chief Armstrong, are busy interviewing eye-witnesses and survivors
of the accident in an effort to bring
of the accident in an effort to bring
morning's incident touching of the out all possible evidence regarding the disaster. The names of the jurors are: L. O. Peason (foreman), H. E. P. S. station. They looked so smal stansell, G. R. Rinn, John Lyle, P. M. that every heart was touched as the Egan, R. R. Dinner, B. C. Harton, and were taken off the train. W. R. Doherty. According to a statement made to the coroner's jury by William Stoner, operator of the swan boat, the craft did not tip forwards, as reported, but went over sideways, catapulting every one of the occu-pants clear of the boat, he repeated story of yesterday relative to his

view of the misnap and his efforts to save the passengers. He succeeded in bringing two to safety and stated that he might have saved two others had he not been alone in the surgeon lawns and beautiful roses.

The most harwing circumstances.

Pinafore Park is a deserted spot this morning. There are none to appropriate the mocking beauty of its green lawns and beautiful roses.

With a chum, Bob Gaskin, was closest to the pleasure craft which sank in Pinafore lake last night, causing the death of eight persons. view of the misnap and his efforts ceeded in bringing two to safety and

"I did all that any man could do single handed," he stated. He explained that he had constructed the craft himself late last month, having single handed," he stated. He ex-plained that he had constructed the gotten the idea from a New York friend who was visiting him. two rowboats were fastened to-gether at their oar locks by stout timbers, and on this the platform had been erected and box-like sides put

The Weather

North and northeast winds fair and cooler tonight and Wedsure which was over the great lakes yesterday has passed to the



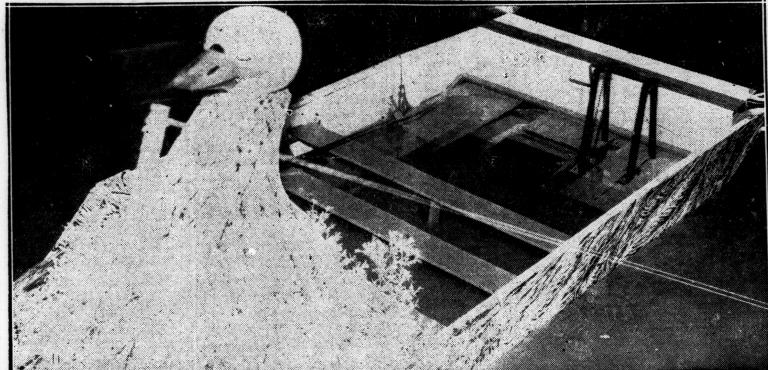
ward of Lake Superior. Heavy thunderstorms have occurred in many parts of Ontario, and heavy rains have occurred in Southern Alberta and Western Saskatchewan

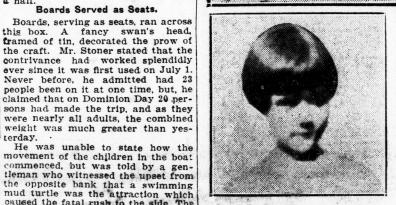
Temperatures. The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m.

today were:	P	
Stations. High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria 70	48	Clear
Calgary 62	44	Rain
Winnipeg 76	50	Fair
Port Arthur 72	56	Clear
Parry Sound 88	62	Cloudy
Toronto 88	72	Rain
Kingston 86	66	Fair
Ottawa 88	70	Rain
Montreal 86	72	Cloudy
Quebec 82	64	Cloudy
Father Point 68	48	Rain
St. John 68	48	Cloudy
Haufax 72	52	Cloudy
LOCAL TEM	PERATUE	RES

The highest and lowest temperatures ecorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 93; lowest, 60.

Swan Boat Carries Eight To Death In St. Thomas





morning's incidents here was the ar-Vinister and Boys in Now They looked so small Aid in Rescue of Several From Drowning. Chief Armstrong, the veteran head

St. Thomas, July 7.—Stories of boy was made by flashlight shortly after the tragedy occurred and shows it heroism that rival the records of still half filled with water. The eight victims are, from left to right, in great men's deeds are told today by the upper row: Edith Robertson, aged 8; Mrs. Thomas Watts and her little Harvey McCallum, who, in a rowboat nephew, Roland Smith; Jean Robertson, aged 12; and in the lower row: with a chum, Bob Gaskin, was Alfred Sutherland, aged 5; Jean Murray, aged 7; 5-year-old Murray Barnes,

ausing the death of eight persons. We were within speaking distance 4 ALDERMEN FIGHT PLAN of the other boat when we noticed it settling in the stern," Mr. McCallum relates. "Almost at the same instant we saw that Norman Ward, who was paddling, also sensed the danger. He called for help and the cry was taken up by the children.

"The boat was slowly sinking and the pacnic-striken children rushed to he pacnic-striken children rushed to Saved For Larger Civic Vatican Thieves Are Placed the side nearest the shore on which the picnic was being held. Tilting on the rear right hand side, the boat capsized, throwing all into the water.

Rowing as hard as we could to the spot where the children were floundering in the water, we grasped Rome, July 7.—The sacred objects two and pulled them into our boat. One was semi-conscious, but the stolen from the Vatican treasury last Friday night have been recovered other little lad seemed none the worse for the ducking. 'I still have my ten cents; they didn't get that,' and four of the thieves arrested he exclaimed when he found himself

through clever detective work by the Italian police. The stolen articles are valued at Admired Boys Pluck. more than one million lire, or about "In the midst of the terrible tragedy early construction of a new Springwe could not help but admire the bank dam. This, with plans for a \$50,000. They included the ring set pluck of the boys who were in the boat when it sank. All the girls riverside drive and a civic dock near with diamonds and a great sapphire which is placed on a finger of St. boat when it sank. All the girls dropped to the bottom like stones, but most of the boys managed to keep at the surface, and those who could swim at all were struggling to Peter's statue on special occasions, and a complete altar service of gold, adorned with precious stones.

One of the prisoners, Mariano

save their playmates.

"Norman Ward swam to shore with four aldermen, together with mem-Stella, a former shoemaker, is be-lieved to have been a principal in the a girl under each arm, while one bers of the public utilities commis plot and the other three his accomsmall lad, who seemed to be taking his first lesson in swimming, tried They were captured when Commissioner Marotta got hard to rescue a girl. Feeling him-self weakening he had to give up, but he struck out for shore, dog into contact with them, posing as a Six workmen who were engaged in fashion, and made it. He was the only one to save himself by swimming

repairing the interior of the palace, and who are suspected of having connection with the crime, were also "Mary Barnes, 5, and Frances Vidler, 8, playmates in life, were brought up from the bottom of the lake still clasped in each other arms.

Pastor Saves Lives.

"Several owe their lives to the daring of Rev. C. M. C. Hallawell, of St. Luke's church. He was on shore when the tragedy occurred, but he was one of the first to swim to the spot where the children went down. Time after time he dived and heavily have a unconscious hedy. clasped in each other arms.

HAMILTON BOY FOUND CRUSHED TO DEATH

Canadian Press Despatch. Hamilton, July 7 .- Reported missing by his parents, James G. and Mrs. Murray, 361 Ottawa street north, last night, their three-year-old son was found dead this morn-

Highest, 93; lowest, 60.

The official temperatures for the 12 olds on was found dead this morning in the yard adjoining Magee's blacksmith shop at 363 Ottawa street. The little fellow had evidently gone into the yard to play after the shop was closed and dislodged a heavy timber which-fell on him and crushed him to death.

Today—8 a.m., 29.16.

north, last night, their three-year-addown. Time after time he dived and brought up an unconscious body. All of them were revived.

"Ernie Cox was another who swam out to the rescue. He managed to save Merle Sutherland, sister of Alfred Sutherland, who was drowned. Kenneth Corkfoot also played a big tatively stated to have been secured. Continued on Page 3, Column 3.





Scheme, They State.

P. U. C. UP IN ARMS

Whole Project, Including Sul-

phur Springs, To Come Be-

fore Special Council Session.

A fight was launched today to save

A new project has been started for

fence of the city's rights. At least

sion, are seeking to save the title t riverside property for the city.

Plans of private interests to secure riverside property, the "key" to the city's entrance to the Thames, were

flayed by aldermen and members of the public utilities commission today

A meeting of the city council has been called for Friday and the whole

river project will be opened up.
Private interests are seeking con

the "key" to the Thames.



OF PRIVATE INTERESTS



British Women

Leave Chungking

Associated Press Despatch,

London, July 16.—A Lloyds message from Hankow says all British women and children have

left Chungking, but the British

men resident there are remaining

Shungking is about 800 miles

Bitter anti-foreign feeling

above Hankow on the Yangtse

there has been reported during

Health Minister Assures Beck

of Early Action-Back

From Europe.

Sir Adam Beck, in a long distance

elephone consultation held this after-

oon with Hon, Dr. Forbes Godfrey

minister of health in the provincia

government, who has just returned to Toronto from Europe, was advised

received representations from owner

charge the city with converting the

Sir Adam sought a co-operative Continued on Page 3, Column 7.

of properties along the Thames be tween London and Springbank, wh

There is a shortage of food.

the recent Chinese troubles.



VICTIMS IN SHOCKING ST. THOMAS TRAGEDY. Above are the eight persons who were drowned last night in Pinafore Lake, St. Thomas, when the swan boat, in which they were making the

"Jail for reckless drivers." last pleasure trip of the evening, capsized. The top picture of the boat Launching a new police court offensive on rash motorists, Magistrate Graydon this morning fined Sam Soskin, 22, of 394 Waterloo street, \$50 and costs and suspended

JAIL THREAT FOR

urt Forecasts Heavier Pen-

alties For Rash Motorists

in London.

Soskin is the first person to lose his license in local court for reckless | franchise to the company at the fivedriving since section 25 of the highway traffic act was amended two division at the next meeting of the

The court deliberated on sending the young man to jail, to properly impress the motoring public with the sincerity of the safe-driving campaign, but finally freed Soskin with the fine and license suspension. Jail terms and heavy penalties will greet reckless drivers of the future was the warning which accompanied the magistrate's denunciation of Soskin's unwarranted speeding.

Soskin, who is an employee of a tire and auto supply company on Waterloo street, was paced by Mo-torcycle Officer Charles W. Noltie. Noltie told the court that his speedometer was registering more than 50 miles an hour and that Soskin was still gaining on him when he gave chase on Bruce street.
Chief Birrell brought objections
from Defence Counsel J. G. Gillanders when he asked Soskin pointblank whether his speeding was not an attempt to keep a cargo of liquor from the police. Soskin denied he

SIR ADAM CHALLENGES ATTITUDE OF WENIGE ON RAILWAY FRANCHISE

Calls On Council and Public To Rally To Maintenance of City's Rights.

CHANCE FOR LOW FARE

Has Assurance of Legislature's Support in Cause of City.

With the vigor of th Beck who first fought through the hydro issue in London nearly twenty years ago Sir Adam Beck this afternoon issued a statement in which he challenges the attitude of Mayor Wenige on the London street railway franchise and calls upon the members of the council and the public generally to rally to a battle for the maintenance of the city's rights.

Sir Adam declared that if the city

council will stand fast the people of council will stand tast the people of London need have no fears as to the success of their battle to compel the company to respect the old franchise agreement in all its vital particulars agreement in all its vital particulars including fares, and street paving for he has the assurances of the provincial government that is is solidly with him in supporting London.

ship, whose every act in this railway question, in my humble opinion, has

question, in my numble opinion, has been antagonistic to the interests of the people of London and in the best interests of the company.

"Now he suggests that the city control about about and any area." council should not appeal from the decision of the Ontario railway and municipal b ard in the face of the advice of the city solicitor and best available counsel in Toronto, who tell us that the judgment is wrong and us that the judgment is wrong and

posing a further agreement with such a crowd is beyond my conception.
"Let this buffoonery cease. The vital interests of the people of London are at stake of the people have the first."

Plans will be gone into thoroughly, with the first.

got to fight.

"The mayor can depend upon it that if the council stands fast for the rights of the people I will put the company where it belongs if it is within the power of the legislature of Ontario to do it, and I am the member of that legislature for the member of that legislature for the

Counts on Council. "I hope that the council will not lend its support to this avowed street, \$50 and costs and suspended enemy of public ownership, and that his driver's license for a month when

he found him guilty of racing on Bruce street on July 2. The sumthat the city council and people of London should capitulate to the street railway in the matter of fares and service and grant a new 15-year cent rate promises to bring a sharp

council. His worship's opposition to an appeal by the city from the decision of the Ontario railway and municipal hoard is a matter of much interes and surprise, in view of the fact that City Solicitor T. G. Meredith, K.C., has given it as his opinion from an economical standpoint. He that the judgment is not sound and has information which would indi-Continued on Page 3, Column 8,

MINE PICKETS ACQUITTED ON CHARGE OF ASSAULT

were aired in the provincial police court yesterday. Two of the pickets, who were alleged to have assaulted dictions a non-union miner, were dismissed, Gillan-while the cases of the other three were adjourned until Wednesday.

planation for going more than 20 her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very miles an hour in the city. The only solution for the problem seems to be this morning. Funeral is being held ruined block will ever be restored unsulting to a statement of the norm o



SIR ADAM BECK. who today made an important state-ment, challenging the attitude of Mayor Wenige on the street railway

Mayor is Scored. "We have a mayor in London today," declared Sir Adam, "whose consummate gall is collosal, an open and avowed enemy of public ownership, whose every act in the consummate gall is collosal.

Plan Will Be Advocated At Next Meeting of Board.

Measures to provide new high school buildings in both Lendon us that the judgment is wrong and can be reversed. The mayor suggests a new franchise for the company; a at the next meeting of the board of a new franchise for the company; a company that has never in its history, and especially during this mayor's regime, made any pretence to keep its obligations. The fallacy of proposing a further agreement with such a crowd is beyond my conception.

"Let this huffenness, come The sufficient sum for hulldisseries as a sufficient sum for hulldisseries as a sufficient sum for hulldisseries."

with the expectation that saving in

two-school plan which appeal to me," comments Rev. R. D. Mess, "though I cannot say that I can wholely sup-port it until we have gone into the plan thoroughly

According to Trustee Mess. money available for an east end collegiate could very well, legally, be used for the construction of two schools. rason, of course, but I know that he wants the matter fully considered,

into the matter as it is now, I would think it cheaper to build two buildtime. Costs Are Lower. Trustee Mess points out that build-

they have been, or as they may yet! be, and the time is opportune now from an economical standpoint. He cate that two buildings of the same type could be put up much cheaper than the \$10,000 a room schedule which formerly held.

The problem of providing winter

Canadian Press Despatch.
Edmonton, Alta., April 7.—Assault charges against five striking miners Chairman Lawrason's scheme, but they are ready to fully investigate

WILL NOT REBUILD TARA HOTEL DURING THIS YEAR

from the police. Soskin denied he was carrying anything but tools in the car. He did not think he was only anything but tools in the car. He did not think he was only anything but tools in the car. He did not think he was only anything to keep a carrying anything but tools in the car. He did not think he was destroyed by the fire broken special to The Advertiser.

"I certainly feel like sending this man to jail," the magistrate declared. "There is no possible explanation for going more than 20 her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) G. T. given out tonight. It appears very her daughter her daugh solution for the problem seems to be this morning. Funeral is being held the site is purchased by some the stiffening of penalties and the this afternoon, with interment in this afternoon, with interment in other person for the above purpose. Toronto.

Tara therefore will likely be with-

Picture Page **People Today**

carefully counted out the cop-pers one at a time.
"I hope the speeders don't get this habit," commented the court.

On the picture page today an-ear Walter Dorland of Strat. ford, Mayme Sewell and Jean Ferguson of Learnington, Ethel and Vera Clark of Dutton, Mrs. Effie McLeod of Wallaceburg, London Old Boys of 1911, Chief Justice Meredith, Charles Kelly of Simcoe, and the Dandlin brothers

of Jeannette's Creek.

Speeding Motorist Pays Fine With 1,500 Coppers

by the minister that action will be "Say it with coppers," was the taken this afternoon to force an early. slogan of a young speeder caught on the Springbank drive Sunday, clean-up of the unhealthy condition of the River Thames.

The minister stated that he had when he appeared in county court before Magistrate Hawkshaw to-

Apparently the young man found it necessary to dig down deep into the family bag of spare coppers for he arrived at court laden down with 1,500 one-cent

The fine amounted to \$14.75 with costs added and the clink coppers made sweet music in the courtroom for over 15 minutes as the youth solemnly and

"We will need a five-ton truck to cart the stuff to the bank if this keeps up."