

MINISTERS ENGAGE IN A WORDY BATTLE HOT TIME ON STREET OVER SUNDAY CARS

Rival Forces Failed to Discuss Views Calmly.

Crowd of Three Hundred People Hugely Enjoyed Rather Distinguished Riot.

It has been a long time since London has had the privilege of witnessing even a small-sized street riot, and never in the history of the city has there ever been a semblance of anything approaching a real street battle between ministers of the gospel until today.

It all happened when Messrs. Walker, Morrison, Woodcock, and the Rev. Victor Gilpin, representing the Business and Laboring Men's League and the Rational Sunday League, met at noon near the corner of Dundas and Wellington street a number of the Ministerial Alliance members, including the Rev. D. S. Hamilton, Rev. Mr. Stuart, Rev. E. B. Lancelley, of London, and Rev. T. A. Moore, of Toronto.

Argument Began.
Almost at once an argument began in reference to the placing of the Sunday street car question before the public.

"You people seem to be very much afraid to give the people an opportunity of deciding what they would have," remarked Mr. Morrison, after the argument had gone on for some minutes.

"Don't you believe it," the Rev. Mr. Hamilton is alleged to have replied warmly. "We are in this fight to a finish, and don't you people forget it."

Saying which, the reverend gentleman shook his fist, it is alleged, beneath the nose of one of the opposing party.

The Biggest Sinner.
"You people are but four of a gang trying to fool the people," the Rev. Mr. Stuart is reported to have said.

"Yes, and Gilpin is the biggest sinner of the lot," cried another of the Ministerial Alliance, who, along with many other ministers, had joined in the argument.

Mr. Gilpin Retorts.
"We want to give the people a chance to say whether or not they want the street cars," retorted Mr. Gilpin. "It is not for one minister, or a hundred ministers to tell the public that they shall or shall not have this or that!"

And so the argument went on, each side making more pointed remarks as the battle of words progressed.

Crowd Gathered.
In the meantime a crowd of perhaps three hundred people had gathered, and were taking everything in with broad eyes.

Hard words are alleged to have passed between the contending parties, and both sides afterwards admitted that some things which might have been left unsaid had been thrown out in the heat of the debate.

Matters Calmed.
Eventually matters calmed down and a number of the ministers against Sunday cars went to the city hall to see the mayor.

Later the delegation from the Rational League followed suit, and it was decided that a meeting between the two parties will be held some time this afternoon in the city hall.

Tonight's Arguments.
Tonight arguments from both sides will be presented to the council.

When interviewed after the row the four gentlemen representing the Rational Sunday League stated that the Rev. E. B. Lancelley had given them assurance last evening that their committee would be given a hearing at the meeting of the alliance held today at the Y. M. C. A. building.

How They Came to Meet.
It was stated that the alliance meeting would be over by 12:30, and that the committee would then be given a chance to present their argument.

Very Heated Argument.
Rev. Mr. Hamilton, on behalf of the Ministerial Alliance, stated to The Advertiser that there had been a very heated argument on Dundas street around noon, but refused to further discuss the question.

Cars in Port Arthur.
The dispatch further stated that the cars ran yesterday, and that the Lord's Day Alliance had not taken action against them, and had not signified its intention of so doing.

Talbot St. School Again Inspected Sanitation Must Be Improved at Once

This Is the Opinion of Dr. Niven, Chairman of the Board of Health.

The condition of Talbot street school was again to the fore this morning when a deputation, consisting of Chairman Fitzgerald, of the board of education; Dr. Teasdale, chairman of the No. 2 committee; Dr. Niven, chairman of the board of health; Inspector Edwards, Mr. D. J. Cowan, Mr. J. H. Carling, Mr. John Bowman, Mr. Robt. Greene and Mr. O. B. Graves visited the school, and thoroughly inspected it. Conditions were more favorable this morning, as the weather was practically perfect, and the Smead-Dowd system was working more satisfactorily, than is its custom. No odors were detected, and everything seemed to be in fairly good shape.

Chairman's Opinion.
Chairman Fitzgerald was seen by The Advertiser after the inspection, and he is convinced that something should be done, and from the drift of his remarks, it was taken that the board would shortly take up the matter, and improve the ventilation and heating of the school.

"We found the school in very good condition," he said. "Of course, the morning was very favorable. I am convinced, however, that something should be done if there is the least doubt about the sanitary condition of the school. That is my position. Of course, I cannot foreshadow what the board will do, but I expect some-

thing will be done. I am not very partial to the Smead-Dowd system, and I think it should be improved."

Dr. Niven.
Dr. Niven was also seen, and he has not changed his opinion regarding the school, in spite of the fact that conditions were more favorable this morning than heretofore. Some time ago he wrote a letter to the chairman of the board of education, Mr. Fitzgerald, calling attention to the school, and condemning its sanitary arrangements.

The letter was not brought before the board at its last meeting, which was a special meeting called for the purpose of considering the salary question. This letter will be considered by the board at its next regular meeting. It could not be seen this morning, as Mr. Fitzgerald had mislaid it.

Must Be Changed.
"The closets downstairs must certainly be changed," he said, "and the flush system installed. I have advocated this some time, and I think it should be done. The present arrangements are not sanitary, and any alterations other than a complete change of the system will be of no use whatever. Of course, the Smead-Dowd system of heating and ventilation is not good. While it was working quite satisfactorily this morning, I was under the impression that there was not enough fresh air sent through the rooms. It will have to be changed."

The committee was convinced as far as could be learned that there should be radical changes made in the school before it could be considered healthy and sanitary.

Should P.O. Dept. Collect Mails
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Oct. 21.—The conviction of Horace Mountain, of Toronto, recent arrival from England, and sentence of four years in penitentiary for robbing mail boxes, has opened up another subject for the postal authorities. The collection of mails by contract is regarded by many older officials as something that must soon pass away and collection be done by civil service, the same as delivery of mails. The contention is advanced by officials that there is just as much to be said in favor of mail collection by contract as there is mail delivery by contract, which is nothing.

The fact that the men connected with the postal department, who have been convicted of robbing mail boxes, have nearly all been newcomers from London, England, has engendered some feeling against the admission of immigrants into the civil service.

Bigamist Captured by a Clever Ruse
An Owen Sound dispatch says: It was by a clever ruse that Thomas A. Richardson, the alleged thief and bigamist who is wanted here, was arrested this afternoon in London, Ont. Richardson has been a sawyer and saw-miller in lumber mills for a number of years, and when he disappeared from St. Thomas, after the victim of his second matrimonial venture, Miss Weir, was brought home, it was thought that he would make his way out of the Province to some other point where the sawmills are numerous.

He had frequently spoken of a desire to go to South America to work in the mills there. An advertisement was placed in a daily paper, calling for a competent sawyer and saw-setter to go to South America, far advanced to acceptable man. Among the replies received was that of "Thomas A. Richardson," which are Richardson's Christian names. Mr. J. S. Findlay, for whom Richardson had been sawyer and from whom the latter had stolen a fur-lined coat, at once recognized the applicant as the man that is wanted. Instructions were wired to the London police, and the arrest, followed at the factory in the east end, where Richardson was working.

A Chinese Doctor Now in London
In the evidence at the police court this morning it was learned that London's latest acquisition is a Chinese doctor.

The gentleman was not among the prisoners who appeared this morning at the police court, and inquiry elicited the information that he was called to Paris, Ont. yesterday afternoon to attend a sick Chinaman.

His name is Sing Fong, and he is a young man about twenty-five years of age.

He is a graduate of Hong Kong University and came to this city from China a few weeks ago.

The Chinaman questioned stated that he is kept quite busy, as he is the only Chinese doctor in Ontario, and they apparently regard it as wrong to patronize an English physician when one of their own nationality is within even several hundred miles of them.

Jumped Tracks.
A car of coal on the M. C. R. jumped the tracks near Waterloo street just at noon today. It was pulled on after an hour or two of work.

THE WEATHER.
TOMORROW—FINE AND COOL. FORECASTS.
Toronto, Oct. 21.—3 a.m. Today—Moderate winds; fine and cool. Tuesday—Fresh southwesterly winds; fair and a little warmer.

TEMPERATURES.
Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.
Calgary 44 44 Clear
Winnipeg 32 32 Clear
Port Arthur 30 20 Clear
Perry Sound 20 16 Clear
Toronto 28 24 Clear
Ottawa 26 24 Fair
Montreal 26 16 Clear
Quebec 22 18 Cloudy
Father Point 38 28 Cloudy
The first column records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperature during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.
Since last evening an important storm has developed off the Atlantic coast, and northerly gales, with snow and rain, now prevail in the Maritime Provinces.

The weather continues fine and has turned comparatively warm again in the Western Provinces, while from Ontario eastward it is cool, and the frosts have been unusually severe.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES:
Minimum and maximum temperatures:
London, Sunday, 22—51.5; Sunday, 32.5—44; Vancouver, 47—54; New Westminster, 46—52; Calgary, 23—70; Regina, 16—56; Winnipeg, 14—58; Port Arthur, 26—33; Perry Sound, 24—40; Toronto, 30—46; Ottawa, 30—38; Quebec, 24—36; Halifax, 22—46.

GENERAL BOOTH ILL AT CHICAGO

Aged Salvation Army Leader Suffering From a Severe Cold.

Chicago, Oct. 21.—The condition of Gen. William Booth, of the Salvation Army, remained unchanged yesterday. A consultation of several physicians was held, and Dr. Oscar Clef announced that unless unexpected complications arose Gen. Booth would be able to continue his trip in about a week. On account of his advanced age precautions are being taken to prevent the cold from which he is suffering from turning into pneumonia. The general remained in bed all day at the home of Commissioner C. A. Kibbey, who is in command of the western territory of the army.

London Brakeman Killed in West Wm. Bowers Loses Life on C. P. R.

Body Is Being Brought to the Home of an Aunt Here for Burial.

Mr. Edward Bowers, of the Savoy Hotel, yesterday received a message informing him that his brother, Mr. William Bowers, had been killed by a C. P. R. train at Medicine Hat some time Saturday. The telegram contained no particulars.

The late William Bowers left London a year and a half ago for Calgary, where he took up railroading on the C. P. R.

Last April he returned to this city and was married to Miss Annie Richardson here.

Death Deeply Regretted.
Mr. Bowers' untimely death is regretted by a host of friends in this city with whom he was most popular.

Allege 6,000 Children Signed Against Sunday Cars for London

Those in Favor of the Move Question the Potency of the Anti Petition.

The action of No. 1 committee in recommending that there be no vote of the people taken on the matter of Sunday cars for London does not settle the matter if the Sunday Rational League can prevent it.

This league will be represented at the council this evening, and will ask that the question be submitted to a plebiscite be taken, involving no expense for the city, and it will mean merely an expression of opinion of the people on the matter.

It is alleged that the letter of the city solicitor confuses the question somewhat, and that there is no law to prevent the council allowing the question to be submitted to a vote.

Four People Almost Asphyxiated In Home on Lyle Street During Night

Timely Awakening of a Boy Saved Lives of All in the House.

A mistake in the turning of a damper of a stove last night almost cost the lives of four people by asphyxiation.

Before retiring Mr. John E. Rogers, of 339 Lyle street, opened the damper of the sitting-room stove and fixed the fire for the night.

A short time later Mrs. Rogers, not knowing that her husband had turned the damper, tampered with it, and as a result the house became filled with deadly coal gas.

Boy Became Ill.
About 5:30 this morning Archie, their 17-year-old son, became sick and arose. The boy felt dizzy and made his way to the kitchen door and went out into the yard in his bare feet. Just as he reached the bottom of the outside stairs he collapsed.

Father Unconscious.
The noise he made in arising awakened his father, who got up to find out what the trouble was. Mr. Rogers was so dizzy that he made his way toward the front door, instead of the rear exit, and he was later found unconscious in the hallway, clad only in his nightgown.

Watchman to Rescue.
Mr. Charles Scott, the nightwatchman at the barns, happened to look out on the street a short time later, and at once came to the rescue.

Miss Nellie, the 21-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, was found lying on the rear steps of the house, while the rest of the family were all lying unconscious where they had first fallen.

Administered Antidotes.
Word was at once sent to Dr. Seaborn's office by the doctor was not in. A young medical student, however, was procured, and he administered antidotes to the stricken family. Later Dr. Pingel arrived on the scene.

Serious Condition.
Mr. Rogers was found to be in the most serious condition, and for some time it was feared that he would not regain consciousness.

At noon today the entire family still felt the effects of their experience and were quite ill. No serious results are anticipated.

created a sensation in the pulpit of Brock Street Methodist Church Sunday by declaring that he had seen more drunkenness in Kingston on Sunday than he ever saw in any other place he had visited.

Minister Says Limestone City Holds the Record for Drunkenness.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Oct. 21.—Rev. T. E. Burke



THE LATE WM. BOWERS, Former Londoner who was killed on the C. P. R. in the west.

CAMPAIGN WILL BE VIGOROUS LABOR MEN ARRANGE MEETINGS

Members of Parliament From Montreal and Hamilton as Well as the Candidate and Local Men, Will Deliver Addresses—Meeting on Wednesday.

The Labor Party will institute a vigorous platform campaign after the nomination (tomorrow) and several public meetings will be held.

On Tuesday at the nominations, the Labor Party will advocate a public meeting, and will insist on a joint debate being held.

Major Beattie, the Conservative candidate, prefers merely a formal nomination with very little talking.

It is not at all probable that the Labor Party will agree to this. They will insist that public questions be discussed.

Meeting Wednesday Night.
On Wednesday evening a public meeting will be held in South London in Trebilcock Hall.

This meeting will be addressed by the candidate, Mr. John D. Jacobs, Mr. F. Verville, M. P. for St. Ann's, Montreal; Mr. Allan Studholme, M. P. for East Hamilton; Mr. Donohue, solicitor of the Dominion Trades Congress, Toronto; Mr. David Carey, Toronto, and Mr. J. Platt, Hamilton, in addition to several local speakers.

West London Thursday.
A meeting will be held in West London on Thursday evening if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

At present there is some doubt about it. The same speakers will address this meeting.

Mr. W. F. McLean, M. P. for East York, has been invited to speak on behalf of the Labor candidate. No reply has been received from him as yet, but it is expected that a favorable answer will be received today.

He will fix his own date for a meeting.

Is a Union Man.
A report has been circulated in other places to the effect that Mr. Jacobs was a non-union molder for the purpose of affecting the subscriptions in other cities.

The report has acted as a boomerang, the Labor men say, as subscriptions have been coming in splendidly since this report was started.

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Ministerial Alliance Meets the Arguments Against Sunday Cars

Important Session Held This Morning at Which Warm Addresses Were Given.

The Ministerial Alliance held an unusually interesting session this morning in the Y. M. C. A. parlors. President D. E. Martin was in the chair, and the following other gentlemen were present: Harris, Hume, Black, Shearer, Hamilton, Belcher, Stuart, Lancelley, Birks, Claris, Bowen, Henderson, Davis, Stewart, Steven, Rollins, Moore, Mitchell, Rutledge, Bull, McKenzie.

The topic for the day was the Sunday car question, and the Lord's Day observance, and the speakers, Rev. E. B. Lancelley, Rev. Dr. Shearer and Rev. T. A. Moore, Dr. Shearer, the retiring secretary of the Dominion Lord's Day Alliance, and Rev. T. A. Moore his successor. The addresses were inspiring and informing. Experiences were cited from cities where

Sunday work in many shops, factories and livery stables has been discontinued since the new act came in force 40 livery stables throughout the country now refuse to hire their horses or conveyances on Sunday.

The law was cited showing that every laborer in these places where Sunday work must be done, as in gas, electric light plants and telephone offices, may claim one day's rest each week. Policemen are also entitled, under the new law, to their rest day.

The Sunday school superintendents of the city will be invited to the November meeting of the alliance, and the subject will be, "The Adult Bible-Class Movement," and representatives of the labor unions will be invited when the subject of "Labor Unions" is taken up.

Clampitt Was Committed for Trial
On Charge of Assaulting a Farmer

Big Batch of Drunks Faced Police Magistrate Love This Morning.

The case of Bartholomew G. Clampitt, charged by Thomas Colledge, a Delaware farmer, with assault took up much time at the police court this morning. Clampitt was committed for trial.

Dr. Wilson was called first and stated that Colledge had been severely injured sustaining several fractures of the nasal bones. He had also received blows which had resulted in a hemorrhage at the base of the brain. Colledge had suffered much pain and had been unable to sleep ever since the assault.

Colledge Testifies.
Thomas Colledge said he went to Clampitt's house to sell some apples. Clampitt said to get out and took the apples and threw them in the road. Clampitt tried to frighten the horse, and then got after Colledge, striking him several blows. Clampitt knocked him down and said he would kill him.

Batch of Drunks.
A number of drunks would have added considerably to the city funds had they not been so financially embarrassed that they were compelled to take the days.

James Harris, a young man, who has been appearing rather frequently of late, was sent down for 21 days in default of paying a fine of \$10.

John Greenway and John Schwartz will be guests at the Carter for 10 and 6 days respectively.

James Brothers, the only one of the crowd who had any money, paid \$3 for being drunk.

A local man was shown a big stone and admitted breaking a window with it. He promised to pay the costs of replacing it, amounting to \$15.

The court imposed a fine of \$1 and \$2 costs and bound the man over to keep the peace for one year.

Death of Mr. Robert Ironside Former Assistant City Engineer

Had Been Prominent in Local Society Circles and Was Popular.

The death occurred at his residence, 488 Elizabeth street early this morning, of Mr. Robert Ironside, formerly assistant city engineer of London. Deceased had been ailing for many years with an incurable malady, and his demise was not unexpected. He is survived by a widow.

The late Robert Ironside, was well known in the city. He was born here and when quite young became attached to the Seventh Regiment, and became sergeant-major under Col. Tracy. While Col. Tracy was city engineer, Mr. Ironside, was given an appointment in the engineer's office, which appointment he held until 1902, when ill-health compelled him to retire. He was also connected with the C. P. R. for a time, and assisted in the survey of the line between Woodstock and London.

Was Very Well Known.
He was well-known in society circles, being a prominent member of the Knights of Pythias. He was vice-chancellor of that order, and took a great deal of interest in its fancy drills.

The funeral will be conducted by the Knights of Pythias.

Building Permit.
A building permit was taken out by Mr. J. C. Allan for a two-story brick dwelling on St. George street.