

## PRODGER UP AGAIN ON MONDAY NEXT

Dr. George H. Wilson Says Miss Frank Will Be Able to Appear on That Day.

## POLICE TRACE THE HAT

Headgear Found in Frank Home Was Bought in a Local Store—It's an Important Piece of Evidence.

It is likely that the preliminary examination of John Prodger, charged with shooting Miss Elizabeth Frank, will be concluded at the police court next Monday morning.

The principal witness in the case, Miss Frank, will, according to her physician, Dr. George H. Wilson, be sufficiently recovered by Monday to come to the police station and enter the box, tell her story and identify Prodger.

She has already identified him as her assailant, but at the examination will be required to do so again.

Where Hat Was Bought.

It has been learned that the hat found at Miss Frank's place on the afternoon of the shooting, was purchased at H. A. Sabine's. Its size is 7 1/2, and when Detective Egelton placed it on the prisoner's head it fitted him exactly.

Prodger, it is stated, was formerly a member of the Northwest Mounted Police, and served for some time in the west.

## CAPT. ROBSON NEW PRESIDENT

Forest City Quoting Club Held Their Annual Meeting Last Night.

## MATCHES ON MAY 28

If This Date Is Satisfactory to Robt. Callander and Others—The List of Officers.

It is altogether probable that the championship matches of the Forest City Quoting Club will be played off on Saturday, May 28.

This date was set at a very important and successful meeting of the London Quoting Club last night, and Mr. Robert Callander will be communicated with to see if the date is satisfactory. These matches are for the Dominion championship, and were postponed from last fall. Robert Callander, Jas. Bell and Capt. T. E. Robson are the three left in the finals.

The Officers.

Officers were elected last night as follows: Hon. patrons, Hon. C. S. Hyman, Hon. Adam Beck, Mayor Beattie and James Duffield.

Hon. President—Father McKeon, Hon. Vice-President—Ald. John Saunders.

President—Capt. T. E. Robson, First Vice-President—Wm. Wyllie, Second Vice-President—J. J. Cox, Secretary—Dr. Wyckoff.

Treasurer—James Brown, Referee—P. Mulhall, Chairman Executive Committee—J. Ellwood.

Auditors—Jas. Bell and P. Boyle.

A most successful season is looked forward to, and a great deal of interest is being taken in the result of the championship matches.

## OLD RAILROADER CALLED BY DEATH

Was For Many Years G. T. R. Yardmaster at Detroit.

Detroit, April 28.—John Wilson, 88 years of age, an old resident of Detroit, and for 36 years an employee of the Detroit and Milwaukee division of the G. T. R., is dead. Mr. Wilson was born in Scotland. He first came to Canada, but after a time moved to Port Huron, and then came to Detroit. He was for many years yardmaster at the Brush street depot. He is survived by a widow and four children.

## INGERSOLL MAN FINED THREE DOLLARS

Joseph Carroll Wanted to Go Back, But the Magistrate Refused.

Joseph Carroll, of Ingersoll, formerly of this city, and not by any means unknown in the local police court, was arrested last night for being drunk.

Carroll told the court that he wanted to go right back to Ingersoll, and would go immediately if he were released.

Magistrate Love fined him \$3 on seven days, and it is likely that he will be Governor Carter's guest for a week.

Wesley Brown, who has been wandering around the country, and was arrested for drunkenness, requested that he be placed on the Indian list. His request was complied with immediately, and he was released with the usual warning of what will happen if he goes anywhere near a hotel.

## ECUADOR AND PERU

President of Former Country Sures That He Can Defeat Peruvians.

Quayaquil, Ecuador, April 28.—President Alfaro has issued a proclamation declaring that all peaceful methods have been employed to reach an agreement with Peru, so as to avoid war, but that if Peru insisted on its pretensions, he was sure that he could conduct the army to victory.

All political parties are giving their adhesion to the Government. Several groups of reservists paraded in front of the president's residence, demanding war. It is announced that Germany has offered her friendly mediation.

## TORONTO TRAVELLER DIES AT BLENHEIM

Edward Hudson Found Dead in His Bed at the Erie House.

Blenheim April 28.—Edward Hudson, aged 51 years, a traveller from Toronto, was found dead in bed at the Erie House this morning. He left a call for 7 a.m., and the hotel people, not being able to get an answer, forced open the door. It is thought death was due to heart failure.

## THREE LOG-DRIVERS PERISH IN RAPIDS

Tragedy Overtakes Members of a Lumbering Outfit on the Ottawa.

Quebec, April 27.—A deplorable accident occurred on Bedard's Rapids at Tewkesbury about 6 o'clock last evening by which three met a watery death in the Jacques River, only one of whose bodies, that of Sam Dumont, belonging to Batisacan, has so far been recovered. The unfortunate men were engaged in driving logs for the Jacques Cartier Paper and Pulp Company, of Port Rouge, when the fatality happened. Gangs of men are actively engaged in dragging the river for the bodies of the other two men.

## POWER CONTRACTS WILL BE SIGNED

Difference of Opinion Up-to-Date Between City and Companies Securing the Work.

## A MEETING WILL BE HELD

It Is Likely That the Entire Trouble Will Be Straightened Out at This Session.

The contracts for the machinery for the local Niagara power station will be signed today, both the Westinghouse Company, and the Canadian General Electric Company's representatives being in the city.

Everything is satisfactory to both parties so far as can be learned, with the exception of the date of the delivery of the goods.

The companies desire the time to date from the signing of the contracts, while Commissioner Pocock and others want the contracts to date from the time they were awarded.

There are almost two months' difference, and the later date will make the delivery of goods late in the fall.

A meeting will be held this afternoon, and the difficulty will be arranged, in all probability.

It is quite possible that a compromise may be arranged.

Both the Westinghouse and the General Electric companies will want three months at least for delivery.

## WHY KITCHENER MISSED

Would Have Been Poor Compliment to Have Hurried Through.

London, April 28.—Lord Kitchener, asked regarding his inability to visit Canada, expressed regret that he had not the time to do so, as he was merely rapidly passing through the United States.

"I made the journey as quickly as possible and did not even have time to go to Washington.

Of fee it would have been a poor compliment to Canada to have passed through it in such a hurried way."

## BJORNSEN'S FUNERAL

Christiansburg, April 28.—The funeral of Bjornstjerne Bjornsen, the Norwegian poet and novelist, who died in Paris, has been fixed for May 3. This will entail no change in the arrangements for the Nobel prize committee's banquet in honor of Theodore Roosevelt.

## THE WEATHER

### TOMORROW—FAIR.

### FORECASTS.

Toronto, April 28—8 a.m.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
London	40	30	Clear
Calgary	38	40	Fair
Port Arthur	42	32	Cloudy
Perry Sound	48	38	Clear
Toronto	50	32	Fair
Ottawa	58	28	Clear
Montreal	60	30	Fair
Quebec	60	28	Clear
Father Point	54	28	Fair

### WEATHER NOTES.

The pressure is quite high over the lake region and low in the western portion of the continent and in the Maritime Provinces.

Fine weather has now set in over the greater portion of the Dominion.

Frost occurred during the night in Ontario and Quebec.

### YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Light showers occurred yesterday in Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, while in the west the weather was fine and moderately warm.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 38-58; Dawson, 24-48; Atlin, 22-46; Victoria, 48-58; Vancouver, 32-38; Calgary, 28-48; Edmonton, 28-46; Battleford, 34-50; Qu'Appelle, 30-70; Winnipeg, 38-40; Port Arthur, 32-42; Perry Sound, 34-48; Toronto, 37-54; Ottawa, 42-58; Montreal, 48-60; Quebec, 24-30; St. John, 44-48; Halifax, 40-50.

### TODAY'S PROBS.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Northerly fine and cool.

Maritime Provinces—Fresh westerly to northerly winds; a few scattered showers, but generally fair.

Lake Superior—Fair; stationary or a little higher temperature.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan—Fair and moderately cool.

## UNANIMOUS CALL TO MR. BINGHAM

Talbot St. Baptist Church Wants Paris Clergyman for Pastor.

## COMING HERE MAY 15TH

Has Intimated That He Would Accept If Call Was Unanimous One—Mr. Vining Leaves in Month.

A call, unanimous and enthusiastic, was extended to Rev. Robert H. Bingham, of Paris, to succeed Rev. A. J. Vining, by the congregation of the Talbot Street Baptist Church, at a very largely attended meeting last night. A committee, composed of Messrs. J. W. Westervelt, chairman, J. B. Campbell and W. Secord, was appointed to take the matter up with Mr. Bingham and get his answer as quickly as possible. It was reported that he would accept provided the call was unanimous.

"Mr. Bingham will be a distinct acquisition to the preachers of the city," said Rev. A. J. Vining. "He is one of the best men in the Baptist ministry of Canada today. He is a good citizen, a good man and a good preacher, and I cannot speak too highly of him."

## Well Known in London.

Mr. Bingham, as stated in last evening's Advertiser, is well known in London, having preached here on many occasions. He is the president of the Baptist Young People's Union of Ontario and Quebec, and is known as one of the hardest-working preachers in the Province, and takes an especially keen interest in the young people's work. He has been in Paris, Ont., since 1906. Rev. A. J. Vining, who leaves London about the middle of May to go to Europe, where he will found a Baptist university.

At last night's meeting many kind words were said regarding his splendid work in the city and the wish for his future success was unanimous.

Mr. Bingham, it is stated, will take over the Talbot Street Church about the middle of May.

## ALLIANCE IS STILL CONSIDERING

Members Hesitating Between Summon Employees Or Go to Railway Commission.

## RAILWAY IS CONFIDENT

Alleges That the Charter Says Sunday Cars May Be Operated to Port Stanley.

The Lord's Day Alliance of this city has made no announcement as yet as to what action will be taken relative to Sunday cars to the Port.

The members are hesitating between two opinions—whether to go at once to the Dominion Railway Commission, or bring the employees of the company before a magistrate under the Lord's Day Act.

According to Rev. G. N. Hazen, the secretary, it will take some days for their plans to properly formulate, and when a decision is arrived at, will be taken at once.

In the meantime, the directors of the London and Lake Erie are not worrying. They claim that their charter gives them the right to operate cars on Sunday, and they are claiming that right.

## The Lord's Day Act.

The Lord's Day Act explicitly says that no provisions of the act will interfere with the rights of railway companies under the direction of the Dominion Railway Commission, to maintain a regular schedule. There is a clause both in Lord's Day Act and the railway act to prevent excursions being run on Sunday on steam roads, electric roads, or steamship lines.

"There is no doubt that the company have no right to run excursions on Sunday to Port Stanley," said a gentleman in close touch with the London and Lake Erie company. "Both the railway act and the Lord's Day Act cover that point. The latter act, however, does not interfere, nor can it interfere, with the charter of a railway granted by the Dominion Government. The railroads are under the direction of the Dominion Railway Commission, and any abuses would have to be settled by that body alone."

## Say There's No Doubt.

"There is no doubt whatever that the company's charter gives the right to run cars on Sunday. The Ontario Government has nothing whatever to do with it. We are incorporated under the Dominion act, and only officials appointed by that Government have any right to interfere with us."

The Pere Marquette have not announced whether or not they will maintain a Sunday schedule this summer. It is not considered likely that they will do so pending the decision of City Solicitor Meredith regarding their application to the London and Port Stanley Board for that right.

## DR. WILSON SUFFERS A SEVERE CHILL

Physicians State, However, That This Was To Be Expected.

Latest reports from the bedside of Dr. John D. Wilson are that he suffered a severe chill this afternoon.

This the physicians attending state was to be expected, however, and does not indicate any particular change.

In general Dr. Wilson's condition is the same as yesterday.

## LORD KITCHENER MADE FIELD MARSHAL

And Will Be Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Forces.

[Associated Press.] London, April 28.—King Edward handed Lord Kitchener the baton of field marshal at an audience at Buckingham Palace today. The Government seems to have decided definitely that Lord Kitchener shall take up the Mediterranean appointment in spite of the popular clamor in favor of placing him at the head of the home forces. In the House of Commons this afternoon, Richard Burdon Haldane, secretary of state for war, stated that it was proposed that Kitchener should shortly commence his duties as field marshal and commander-in-chief of the Mediterranean with headquarters at Malta.

## PAULHAN WINS AERIAL DERBY

Flys From London to Manchester in Twelve Hours.

Defeats White in Race For a Prize of Fifty Thousand Dollars.

[Associated Press Cable.] Manchester, England, April 28.—The first aerial derby for a prize offered by an Englishman has been won by a Frenchman and handsomely. Upon landing here, Louis Paulhan was given a tremendous ovation, and unstinted prize for his remarkable feat. At the same time his less experienced, but no less plucky, competitor is being showered with congratulations over his splendid attempt, and because he has shown himself a good loser.

As soon as Graham White learned of Paulhan's success, he called for three cheers for the victor. Paulhan, winner of the \$50,000 prize, for the first flight from London to Manchester, made within 24 hours, and with not more than two stops, arrived here at 5:30 o'clock this morning, almost exactly twelve hours after he left London last evening.

## White Unfortunate.

Graham White, who got away from the metropolis on a motor, again met misfortune, and was obliged to abandon the race at not more than half the distance. White, who is hardly more than a novice in the art of aviating, encountered treacherous wind currents, and three times turned back, and when he also experienced trouble with his motor. But for the Englishman's ill-luck and lack of experience, there would have been a close finish.

Paulhan was beamed with the cold and thoroughly exhausted when he reached here. A great crowd awaited him, and gave him a sportsmanlike welcome. Manchester first saw the French aviator a few minutes after 5 o'clock, coming steadily as a steamer on a smooth sea, and heading directly for the field which he had chosen as a landing place. Flying at a height of 400 feet, Paulhan came over a clump of trees, and then bringing his biplane around with a beautiful curve, landed exactly in the centre of the field. He seemed dazed and benumbed and swayed as he walked down the field. All he could say was:

"I am very cold, but very happy."

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## MEDICAL SCHOOL EXAMS WILL BE OUT FRIDAY

A Keen Race for the Gold Medal Medal—Two Said To Be Tied for It

The results of the recent examinations at the Medical School will be made known tomorrow, and it is stated that a number of the candidates have failed. There is a keen race for the gold medal, and it is understood that the winner will either be Ed. Butterwick or J. McFarlane, with the possibility of a tie. The percentages are being figured up now, but will not be completed before tomorrow.

Alfred Shore, one of the members of this year's class, this morning for Jackson, Mich., where he has been appointed chief house surgeon in the General Hospital there. It is likely that Cameron Wilson will go to Victoria Hospital as chief house surgeon. The convocation will be held next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the auditorium.

## ENGINEER GRAYDON SAYS IT WAS EASY

Denies That Story That a Sewer Was Lost Near the New Pumping Station.

A lost sewer has been giving the contractors of the new pumping station some worry the past few days. They desired to connect with the sewer on Horton street, and City Engineer Graydon was asked to locate it for them. He gave them an idea as to where it was, and they commenced digging.

After crossing the road they again appealed to Mr. Graydon to locate the lost pipe. He brought his staff down with him, and after a thorough search they managed to find the sewer.

"I gave them an idea where it was," said Mr. Graydon. "They simply did not dig in the right spot, so they did not find it. It was just as easy as falling down a cistern when they started at it right."

## DOG OWNERS ARE STILL PAYING FINES

A Peculiar Case in Court Which Seemed to Puzzle the Magistrate.

## CITIZEN AVOIDED TROUBLE

Thought It Better to Hand Over the Money Than To Be Compelled to Bring His Family Into Court.

A collie dog belonging to Edwin Wright, of Oxford street, furnished an enigma at the police court this morning, and the dog's owner ran up a big bill of costs. Mr. Wright decided to pay \$2 and be done with the matter.

P. C. Probyn stated that he had found collie running about in the north end on April 19, and on following it the dog went into 236 Oxford street. He went to the place and the people there told him it was Mr. Wright's dog, and that Mr. Wright had formerly lived there.

Other persons also said the dog was Mr. Wright's.

As a result a summons was made out charging Mr. Wright with a breach of the bylaw.

In court this morning Mr. Wright stated that he had a collie all right, but that on the day in question he left the house with his muzzle on and after being out for quite a while came back with it still on.

## Magistrate Puzzled.

"It is a funny thing," said the magistrate, "how the muzzle happened to be off when the officer saw the dog. If you like I will adjourn the case until Saturday, and if you can bring members of your family to swear that the dog had his muzzle on all the time I will let you go. The people who told Mr. Probyn the dog belonged to you can also be brought. If this is done, however, and the charge is still proven the costs will be heavy."

## Paid the Fine.

Mr. Wright thought it over for a minute, and then came to the conclusion that he would save money and time by paying the fine. He thereupon paid \$2 and the dog was allowed to go.

William Collins and William Lashbrook were each fined \$2 for allowing their dogs out without muzzles.

The London Leader, William Hatfield and Joseph Bell each paid \$1 for riding wheels on the sidewalk.

## LUMSDEN CHARGE NOT SUSTAINED

Investigating Committee Finds They Are Without Justification.

## DIFFERENCE IN OPINION

N. T. R. Chief Engineer Would Not Have Counsel Although It Was Offered Him Twice.

## [Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 28.—The special committee appointed to investigate the charges made by Mr. Lumsden against a portion of the engineering staff of the Transcontinental Railway in connection with alleged disregard of orders and over classification, presented their report to the Commons this morning, together with the evidence and summary of the proceedings of the committee.

Not Sustained.

The report of the committee is summarized in the following words: "Your committee beg to submit the evidence and to report that in our opinion Mr. Lumsden's charge of general disregard of his instructions has not been sustained, and no evidence has been adduced which in our opinion would justify him in stating that he had lost confidence in the portion of the engineering staff referred to by him."

## Would Not Have Counsel.

The report states that at the opening of the investigation Mr. Lumsden was informed that counsel would be provided for him at the public expense if he so desired. But although this offer was several times pressed upon him he expressed no wish to be represented by counsel.

At the inception of the hearing before the committee Mr. Lumsden stated that he had appeared only as a witness, and that he did not impute any bad faith to any of the engineers, and that the issue was simply a difference between engineers as to classification. The report states that the evidence taken before the committee and especially that of Mr. Lumsden himself, shows that the substantial reason for the difference between Mr. Lumsden and the engineers under him arose through different interpretations of the specifications sent out by Mr. Lumsden, on which classification of solid rock, loose rock and common excavation was to be made. This difference of opinion as to the interpretation of Mr. Lumsden's specification developed at a very early stage of the investigation, especially in connection with the classification of the peculiar geological formation met with in very large quantity on portions of district "F" and "B."

## GENERAL MILES HURT.

Washington, April 28.—Two fractured ribs, a slight scalp wound and bodily bruises comprise the injuries to Lieut. Nelson A. Miles, retired, who was thrown from his horse yesterday on Potomac Drive.

Apprehensions for more serious injury were entertained at first, but after a night's rest the soldier's injuries proved not so extensive as was at first thought.

## SISTER EUTROPIA DEAD.

Denver, April 28.—Sister Eutrophia, the oldest nun in Colorado, who crossed the plains to Denver by ox team, and established St. Mary's Academy here, died yesterday at Loretto Heights Academy, aged 90 years.

## COMBINED ACTION TO PROTECT THE CHILDREN

Nickel Theatres Said To Be Making Trouble for the Authorities.

The children's aid societies throughout the Province will take combined action very shortly with respect to the charge that in the nickel theatres throughout the Province children tender years are singing and performing for money.

Inspector Sanders had a case in hand, some weeks ago, and yesterday investigated another. It was found that nothing could be done as there was no evidence that the child was singing for money.

## Combined Action.

"The societies throughout the Province will take combined action shortly to stop this evil," said the inspector. "It is reported, and I have to reason to doubt it, that in a large number of these places children of tender years are working and we will have to do something to prevent it. We are not sure that the nickel theatres will very lately, and we must take action. It is a new development, coincident with the rapid spread of these nickel theatres, and I am afraid evils have resulted that need attending to."

"The case I had in hand yesterday is not likely to result in any definite action. There is nothing in the moment so far as I can learn, as the youngster is not singing for money."

## MAY BE TROUBLE WITH CIGARMAKERS

But It Is Hoped That Employers and Men Will Get Together and Avoid a Strike.

## A MEETING ON TUESDAY

There Are About 200 Union Workers in This City—Both Sides State Their Positions.

Local cigarmakers are still awaiting word from the International Union in regard to their request to be allowed to call a strike if their demand for increased wages is not complied with by local manufacturers.

A meeting will be held on Tuesday evening next, and it is expected that some word will have arrived from headquarters by that time.

200 Union Men.

There are about 200 union cigarmakers in London, and 150 non-union men and women. Manufacturers who keep open shops are the best paid workers in the city.

The cigarmakers are basing their request for increased wages largely upon the increased cost of living.

"Butter at 24 cents a pound and eggs at 25 to 30 cents a dozen most of the year, mean that we must have more money," said a cigarmaker. "Bacon is almost out of our reach now. We only want to be fair."

## What They Say.

"Trade conditions," he said, "do not warrant us paying more wages. Cigarmakers are the best paid workmen in the city."

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## QUEEN'S GRADUATES CALL IT MISTAKE

Londoners Opposed to Making of University an Undenominational Institution.

## PASTORS GIVE VIEWS

Rev. Mr. Inkster Will Vote Against Proposal—Rev. Dr. Ross Also Opposes It.

There are a number of graduates of Queen's College, Kingston, living in London, and all are greatly interested in the recommendation the committee made yesterday that the college in the future be undenominational.

The majority of the graduates, and the members of the Presbyterian Church agree that a mistake of the gravest character will be made if Queen's becomes an undenominational university.

## Rev. Dr. Ross Speaks.

"I voted against the proposal at the last meeting of the assembly," Rev. Dr. Ross told The Advertiser today, "and I can only say that if the changes are made that are proposed I hope they may prove to be in the best interests of the university."

"It would be a great mistake to do anything like this," said Mr. Thomas Alexander, collector of inland revenue. "The Presbyterian Church has a great heritage in Queen's University. It has to a large extent been kept going by the subscriptions of its graduates, and if it becomes undenominational it will lose a large percentage of this support. No university in Canada has such a loyal body of graduates, and if Queen's becomes undenominational the esprit de corps of the alumni will be destroyed."

## Rev. Mr. Inkster.

"Before this change is made it will have to pass the general assembly," said Rev. J. G. Inkster. "I, for one, shall vote against it. The Presbyterian Church has a great and rich heritage in a university of this kind. From the point of view of sentiment, such a step as has been recommended would be fatal. No matter what the result, the expense that has been incurred would be a loss."

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## DINNER TENDERED LIBERAL MINSTRELS

Members Entertained by President George S. Gibbons Last Night.

## SILVER FOR MR. GIBBONS

Mr. Chester Butler, the Indefatigable Secretary, Also Remembered—A Very Pleasant Evening.

At a complimentary dinner tendered by Mr. George S. Gibbons, president of the Liberal Club, to the Liberal Minstrels, he was presented with a large loving-cup by Mr. Angus Elliott, and Mr. E. S. Little, on behalf of the club. Mr. Chester Butler, the indefatigable secretary, was also remembered, and presented with a handsome piece of jewelry. The dinner was attended by over one hundred guests, and was a great success.

Mr. Angus Elliott was toastmaster. When the dinner was completed, and the health of the King had been honored, the toast to Canada was drunk most enthusiastically. All present sang "O Canada" in splendid style.

## The Presentation.

At this juncture Mr. Elliott asked Mr. Gibbons to stand up, and the presentation was made. Mr. Elliott spoke of Mr. Gibbons' untiring efforts on behalf of the club, and of the success that had attended the organization during the past year. The club was proud of its young president, and great things were expected of him in the future. Mr. Little presented the cup. Mr. Gibbons made a suitable acknowledgment of the gift. He felt that this was one of the proudest moments of his life. He had tried to do what he could for the club, and was thankful if his efforts had availed anything. He complimented the minstrels on the success of their entertainment, and he paid tributes to Mr. H. B. Somerville, Jack Robinson, Chester Butler, P. H. Ranahan and others for the part they played in the show.

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## ALL NOT HARMONY IN THE LE