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A SERIOUS SMALLPOX OUTBREAK IN TOWNSHIP OF DORCHESTER

Between Twelve and Fifteen Cases Are Reported by Dr. Banghart—Eight Cases in the Greatrix Family Alone—Two Cases Near London.

A very serious outbreak of smallpox is reported from Dorchester Township, between Dorchester Station and Thamesford. There are not less than eight cases in one family, named Greatrix.

Dr. Banghart, of Dorchester, estimates that there must be between twelve and fifteen cases in the neighborhood.

The disease first made its appearance some time ago, but was of a very mild type.

Thought It Was Chickenpox. It passed as chickenpox, and no particular attention was paid to it. Some of the younger members of the Greatrix family were exposed to it. Last week the whole family were taken down with it. The cases are all mild, with the exception of that of Mrs. Greatrix and the youngest child, a little girl of 3 years, who are in quite a serious condition from the disease.

Neighborhood Exposed. Practically the whole neighborhood has been exposed to the disease, and it is more than probable that it will spread.

Quarantined.

Dr. Percy Banghart, of Dorchester, the medical health officer, was notified, and diagnosed the cases as smallpox. He has placed the home under quarantine, and has taken every precaution to stamp out the disease.

Constant watch is being kept to prevent further contagion, and every case in the slightest degree suspicious is being watched very closely.

Cases Near London.

On all sides of London smallpox has made its appearance. There are two cases on the outskirts of the city, one on the north and the other on the south side.

The board of health is taking every precaution to prevent a spread of the disease in London.

Dr. Hodgetts, provincial medical health officer, has been notified, and it is understood he will send experts to Dorchester to investigate the conditions prevailing.

Building Permits Aggregate \$37,380 29 Issued Thus Far This Month

Seven Were Handed Out Thursday Afternoon and This Morning.

Building is certainly booming in London if the number of building permits issued by City Engineer Graydon is any criterion. The month is now just two-thirds past and he has already issued 29 permits. The aggregate cost of the buildings to be erected amounts to \$37,380. The major portion of the build-

ings are dwellings, only one or two stores being in the number, and they are quite small stores.

This month is likely to prove a record month in building permits.

The Permits.

Seven permits were issued yesterday afternoon and this morning. They are as follows: William Smith, 1½-story frame residence on Victoria street; John Wilkey, 1½-story brick-veneer residence on Princess avenue; A. V. Johnston, 1-story frame on Pegler street; 1-story frame on Briscoe street; and three 1-story brick-veneer residences on Carfrae Crescent.

Charged With Cruelty to a Horse

In the police court this morning Melville MacLeod appeared to answer to a charge of cruelty to animals preferred against him by P. C. Clark.

In the witness-box the officer testified that he had seen MacLeod driving about the streets, and pulling, slashing and whipping a horse, and had taken his name. MacLeod's father was present in court and stated that the animal was a three-year-old which had won numerous prizes, and had been given by him to the boy to break in. "I think there is no doubt that you ill-used this animal," said Magistrate Love "and in future I would recommend you to be more gentle. I will let you go this time, but the officer was perfectly justified in reporting you."

Mr. MacLeod, son, started an argument, and would not keep quiet when

told. He was removed by the sergeant in charge of the court.

Case Adjourned.

The case of Jacob Fox, charged with being drunk and with assaulting Geo. Exley, was adjourned until Monday. George Stryker, charged with stealing a fur coat from John Dillon, was remanded to jail for a week for sentence after pleading guilty to stealing the coat.

John Penicott, for being drunk, was fined \$5.

Nellie Abbott, charged with being disorderly, has been in jail a week, and was allowed to go.

William Pate, an Indian lister, was fined \$10 and \$2 costs for being drunk.

The case of C. Summers, charged by Inspector Weir with not sending his child to school, was adjourned for a week.

Seven Men on Hand Car Were Killed

Chicago, Nov. 20.—Seven track laborers on a hand car were run down by a Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad passenger train between Highland and La-

grange, Ill., today, and killed. Three of the seven men met death instantly, and the other four died soon afterwards. There were ten men on the hand car. The others escaped with slight injuries.

RECEPTION AT HURON COLLEGE

Class of 1911 Entertained Large Number of Guests Last Night.

Huron College presented a gay appearance last night when the arts and divinity students of the class of '11 held a reception, at which about one hundred and fifty students and their friends were present. For weeks the freshmen have been busily engaged in getting ready for the reception, and the college was transformed last night with its decorations of flags and bunting.

The early part of the evening was spent in playing observation games, the prizes being won by Mr. Stewart, Miss Thompson and Mr. Powell.

The address by the chairman of the class of '11, P. J. Law, followed, and in it Mr. Law spoke most hopefully of the future of the Western University and Huron College. A programme, including the freshmen's song, a piano solo by Mr. Charles Percy, a solo by Miss Mona Fitzgerald, a recitation by Mr. A. S. H. Cree, a solo by Mr. P. J. Law, songs by Messrs. Percy, Ehlbers, Cardigan and Law, a programme by Miss Mona Fitzgerald was rendered in Convocation Hall, and was thoroughly appreciated. The evening was brought to a close by the serving of light refreshments by the young ladies of '11. The patronesses of the reception were Mrs. Williams, Mrs. James and Mrs. Waller.

POLICE FOUND A LITTLE WANDERER

Taken to the Station Said His Name Was "Jimmie."

P. C. Clark found a little 3-year-old boy wandering about on Dundas street this morning shortly before 10 o'clock. He was taken to the station and beyond the information that his name was "Jimmie," nothing could be gained. The little fellow had a great time at the police station with some picture postcards and an apple, and was there about half an hour before his mother came and got him.

DRAGON'S TAIL DUST

Causes Death of a Chinese Gambler of Denver, Col.

Denver, Nov. 20.—Chinatown here is in the throes of its first Highlander war brought on by a fight between owners of gambling houses for the exclusive right to operate fan tan tables and lotteries. The death yesterday of Yee Long, a gambler, is ascribed to the battle of the tongues. The body of Yee was found in an alley in the Chinese quarter. That he died of poison was made evident by his contorted face and twisted limbs, and a note in Chinese found in his blouse. The note reads: "They are here from San Francisco. Soon I must go to my fathers. Whether by the broad-bladed axe or by dust of the dragon's tail, it matters not. I know I go. I commend my spirit to Buddha, the all wise and merciful." A searching examination of the body failed to reveal any marks of violence. It is believed that "by dust of the dragon's tail" Yee referred to some potent Oriental poison.

MR. WILLIAM BROOKS DIED IN TORONTO

Was a Well-Known Former Resident of This City.

The death occurred in Toronto on Wednesday last of William Brooks, a well-known former Londoner. Mr. Brooks was 86 years old, and came to this country from Devonshire in 1853. He settled first at Thorold, and afterward moved to Eastwood, coming to London 42 years ago. For some years he was employed in Burrows' mill, in East London, and was afterwards appointed foreman in the Miller refinery. For a few years Mr. Brooks was crossing watchman on the Grand Trunk at Adelaide, but retired twenty years ago, and had been living with relatives in different parts of the country. The remains were brought to this city this morning, and the funeral took place from D. A. Stewart's undertaking parlors to Mount Pleasant Cemetery this afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Baird, of the Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church. The pall-bearers were six nephews and sons-in-law of deceased.

Mr. Brooks is survived by the following daughters: Mrs. P. Neil and Mrs. J. Wright, of Winnipeg; Mrs. H. Bell, of Sarnia; Mrs. J. Goudie, of Toronto, to whom he was married; Mrs. J. Pfeister, of Syracuse, and Mrs. Charles Rogers, of Hill street, East London.

E. E. SHEPPARD DANGEROUSLY ILL

Former London Newspaperman, and Editor of Saturday Night.

Mr. E. E. Sheppard is, it is understood, very seriously ill, in Arizona, whither he went some weeks ago. A telegram has been received in Toronto informing his wife and the members of his family of his condition and summoning them to him. Mr. Sheppard has been suffering from lung trouble for some time. He was for many years prominent among the newspapermen of Toronto. He edited the News, and was subsequently editor of the Saturday Night, where his writings signed "Don" were widely read. Mr. Sheppard is a former Londoner.

KING GOES TO CHINA FOR OPIUM CONFERENCE

Ottawa, Nov. 20.—Mr. Mackenzie King, M. P., leaves for China on Dec. 9 to attend the international conference for the suppression of the opium traffic. He goes as an imperial commissioner representing Canada.

GREGORY IS VERY ILL

Toronto Agent of Marine Department at Quebec Prostrated.

Quebec, Nov. 19.—Mr. J. U. Gregory, the former ex-marine agent of the marine department at Quebec, is seriously ill, and his physicians have but slight hopes for his recovery.

THE BELL MEMORIAL

Former Home of the Inventor To Be Bought and Monument Erected.

Brantford, Nov. 19.—The sites committee of the Bell Memorial Association announced today that the former home of Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the Bell telephone, on Tutela Heights, near this city, where the telephone was invented, would be acquired as part of the memorial scheme. In addition a \$25,000 monument will be erected in the city and unveiled probably in the summer of 1910.

SHOT HIMSELF IN HOSPITAL

Suicide of Mounted Police Sergeant at Regina.

Regina, Sask., Nov. 19.—Staff-Sergeant Bates, of the Mounted Police, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself. He was orderly sergeant in the hospital and had just called the doctor to replace the night man. When the night man went into his sleeping quarters, he found Bates' body on the floor in a pool of blood. Col's revolver had been placed in his mouth and the bullet went through the crown of his head and into the ceiling. Despondency is given as the cause of the act. Bates joined the force 23 years ago. He went through the rebellion of 1885 and the South African campaign.

THE WEATHER.

TOMMORW—FINE AND COLD. FORECASTS.

Toronto, Nov. 20—8 a.m. Today—Moderate variable winds; fine. Saturday—Southwest winds; fine and cold.

TEMPERATURES.

	Today.	Yesterday.
London	32	32
Calgary	32	32
Winnipeg	32	32
Port Arthur	30	30
Park Sound	30	30
Toronto	28	28
Halifax	28	28
Ottawa	30	24
Montreal	30	24
Quebec	30	24
Father Point	28	18
Dawson	—12	—4
Victoria	48	54
Vancouver	49	53
Edmonton	30	30
Battleford	30	30
St. John	22	20
Halifax	20	20
Minus (—) means below zero.		

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather continues fine and mild throughout the west, and cold from East to west. The all-ages stakes, in which the winners were as follows: G. O. Smith's lemon and white English setter dog, Puyrell Fly, first; W. J. Baughne's black, white and tan English setter, Fairland Don, second; Dr. Campbell's black, white and tan English setter dog, third.

GREAT BRITAIN A TRAITOR TO THE WHITE MAN'S CAUSE

According to the Kaiser Whose Suppressed Century Interview Is Out—Says Germany and U. S. Will Settle the Eastern Question.

New York, Nov. 20.—The American this (Friday) morning prints the following:

London, Nov. 19.—Here is exactly what Emperor William said on world politics to Dr. William Bayard Hale, the distinguished clergyman, traveller and writer, on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern, at Bergen, Norway, on July 19.

Dr. Hale was seeking an article for the Century Magazine, which article, in view of the earthquake created throughout Germany by an interview subsequently given by the Emperor to a diplomat, for the London Daily Telegraph, has been suppressed at the request of the German Government.

The Emperor talked to Dr. Hale for several hours. He was bitter against

England and full of "the yellow peril." He declared England a traitor to the white man's cause. He predicted that she would immediately lose some of her colonies through her treaty with Japan.

The invitation to the American fleet of battleships to visit New Zealand and Australia was intended to serve notice on England that those colonies were with the white man and not with the renegade mother country. The British colonies would show by the ardor of their reception that they understood the situation.

Japan Fomenting Hindu Revolt.

The Emperor declared that Japan is even now fomenting insurrection in India. This insurrection might break

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Military Camp May Come Back Again But Will Likely Be Held at Coves

'Tis Said Department at Ottawa Has Been Petitioned Regarding the Matter.

According to statements made by several officers connected with the Twenty-sixth Regiment, the camp next year will be held in London, several petitions to that effect having been sent to the department. It is not likely, however, that the

camp will be held on Carling's Heights as formerly, as there is not enough room there for the purpose.

A suggestion has been made that it be held at the Cove just near the ranges.

There is sufficient land there for the purpose, and it could, with the expenditure of little money, be made sanitary and healthful.

It is understood that the matter is under advisement in the department, and an announcement will be made shortly.

The Place of University Education In National Life of the Dominion

Principal Falconer's Brilliant Address to the Canadian Club at Noon Today.

The inaugural luncheon of the Canadian Club was held at noon today, with Principal Falconer, of the University of Toronto, as the guest of honor. He delivered a very strong address on "The Place of University Education in National Life." The address was growing rapidly in Canada. Attention had been attracted to this country by the fact that Canada was the theme of discussion at the meeting of the New York Chamber of Commerce last evening, at which several distinguished Canadians spoke. The great question could be double. The people of Canada was, "What would contribute to the development of the country?"

President Lawson.

Mr. Frank Lawson, president of the club, presided. He felt that this year had been the banner season for the club, as the executive and membership had taken hold with more enthusiasm than formerly. He was pleased to introduce Principal Falconer, who would delight the members of the club with his address.

Principal Falconer expressed his pleasure at speaking to the Canadian

Club of London. It was always a pleasure to talk to such clubs. They were a distinct manifestation of national life, and one of the best omens for the future, as they showed that the businessmen of the country were taking time to discuss the great problems pertaining to national life, to which they so largely contributed.

The Subject.

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The Commercial Side.

There was no danger that the commercial side of Canadian life would not be developed properly. Commerce was growing rapidly. There was no danger from this side of the question, except perhaps the danger that the "com-

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Reorganization for Canadian Oil Co. Meeting Called for November 28

If Negotiations Are Successful Name of Concern Will Be Changed.

The shareholders of the Canadian Oil Company have been notified to attend a meeting to be held in Toronto on Nov. 28 to ratify a reorganization of the company, which has just been arranged by the board of directors. If the reorganization is ratified the company will hereafter be known as the Canadian Oil Companies, Limited.

The question of reorganization has been under consideration since the last annual meeting held in the Temple building, where a good deal of criticism was indulged in by shareholders, who were not forthcoming. While negotiations were under way last week looking towards a complete reorganization two writs were issued, which brought the matter to a speedy conclusion. The sums for which suit was entered were secured by the company and an agreement has been reached with the National Refining Company of Cleveland by which they will subscribe for stock to the value of \$150,000 if the present directors subscribe for \$200,000. This was done after Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson, of Toronto, made an inspection of the company's affairs and found the company on a good financial basis.

The negotiations have been carried on by Mr. G. Lomplicht, of Cleveland, the head of the National Refining Company, who has been instrumental of Oil Company.

THE FIELD TRIALS.

Ruthven, Nov. 20.—The international field trials were concluded at Ruthven today, with the all-ages stakes, in which the winners were as follows: G. O. Smith's lemon and white English setter dog, Puyrell Fly, first; W. J. Baughne's black, white and tan English setter, Fairland Don, second; Dr. Campbell's black, white and tan English setter dog, third.

late in putting one or two large oil concerns in the United States on a solid financial basis. For the National Refining Company it was said last night they could find a market for all the new company's output, and by making some changes in the refining works at Petrolia at a small outlay the output could be doubled. The position of the shareholders more secure, and it was said last night that the common stock could shortly be depended upon to go to par, and that an 8 per cent dividend on the preference stock is in sight.

The Organization.

The Canadian Oil Company was organized some six years ago, with a capital stock of \$2,000,000. Mr. W. S. Calvert, M. P., of Stratford, is the president. Mr. John Kerr, Petrolia, treasurer, and Mr. W. P. Bull, Toronto, secretary. The other directors are: Messrs. J. J. Main, Toronto; T. H. Hamilton, Toronto; W. J. Lovering, Toronto; R. Cox, Ottawa; W. D. Todd, N. W. Jamieson and W. J. Neaston, of Warren, Penn.; S. Dymont, Barrie; James Playfair, Midland, and Senator Choquette, Quebec.

The company's head office is at 123 Bay street, Toronto, with works at 2½ Strachan avenue, and branches at Montreal, Winnipeg, St. John, Hamilton, Petrolia, Vancouver, Halifax and Calgary. The general manager is Mr. T. H. Hamilton.

The Canadian Oil Company was originally the Grant-Hamilton Oil Works, of Toronto. Mr. Grant is still in business in Toronto, and Mr. Hamilton is the manager of the Canadian

TWENTY WORKMEN MEET DEATH BY EXPLOSION OF A GAS MAIN

Accident in the Streets of Brooklyn Takes Terrible Toll in Human Lives—One Man Roasted Alive Attempting a Rescue.

New York, Nov. 20.—More than twenty persons are believed to have lost their lives as a result of the explosion of a gas main at Gold and Force streets, Brooklyn, today.

New York, Nov. 20.—Twenty were killed by the explosion of a gas main in an excavation at Gold and Front streets, Brooklyn, today.

The explosion tore the street to pieces for rods on either side, and the twenty men who were working in an

excavation for a big sewer pipe, were buried by the debris, which fell in upon them and smothered or burned them to death in the fire that followed.

Samuel Trout, who lived near the scene, lost his life in attempting to save a woman who was passing through Gold street at the time of the explosion, and fell into the trench. Trout was caught by the flames from the blazing gas main and roasted alive. The woman was dragged out of the trench, and saved by a boy.

Child Killed by a Fall From a Chair Peculiar Death of Harriet Durdin

Father Was Also Injured While at Work the Same Night.

Harriet Minerva Durdin, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Durdin, died at her parents' home, No. 1 Dreaney avenue, last night as a result of a sad accident which happened the night before.

The little girl was playing about the house and had climbed up on a chair. In some manner she lost her balance and fell. The distance was only about

18 inches, but she was taken very ill, and Dr. MacLaren, who was called, discovered that she was suffering from concussion of the brain. She never rallied and died last night.

Mr. Durdin, while cleaning a lamp on his engine in the G. T. R. yards on Wednesday evening, cut his wrist so badly that 14 stitches were required and he will be laid up for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Durdin have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their bereavement.

The funeral of the little girl will be held on Saturday afternoon at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Glencoe Votes To Own Its Lights

Glencoe, Nov. 20.—Glencoe voted on Monday last to provide for a municipally-owned power plant, and it carried by a vote of 125 to 67, practically a two-thirds vote. The day was very stormy, or a much larger vote would have been polled.

This means that the plant owned by Mr. Gordon will be put out of business. His contract with the village and private consumers expired last March, but since that time he has been

supplying light at the old rates, but with no contracts.

When it was learned that the vote for a municipally-owned plant had carried, Mr. Gordon shut down his plant, cutting the town out of light.

This caused not a little inconvenience, and as it will be some time before the new plant can be installed, conditions will not improve in the meantime.

The Glencoe Council will hurry the work of installing the new plant.

Foot Caught, Was Run Down By Car

Hamilton, Nov. 19.—Violet Norton, the twelve-year-old daughter of Edward Norton, Flamboro street, Dundas, was run over by a Hamilton and Dundas car in Dundas about 5 o'clock this evening and received injuries from which she died at her home about 10 o'clock tonight. Miss Norton was crossing the tracks near the canal when her foot caught in the frog. She tried to pull it out, but without success, and though she called for help, no person was near. Shortly after her foot was caught she heard the car approaching. She tried to try and at-

tract the motorman's attention, and threw her body to one side, but the spot was unlighted and he could not hear her cries over the noise made by the car. The first he knew of the accident was after the car wheels had passed over her leg. This was terrible, rushed near the knee. She was taken home, where Dr. Ryckert was called. He first thought she should be brought to the city hospital for treatment, but she was too weak from loss of blood and shock, and rapidly declined. Dr. Ryckert will open an inquest tomorrow morning at Dundas.

The Trade Returns Are Significant

Ottawa, Nov. 19.—Trade returns for October show an increase of \$2,602,074 in exports of domestic products, and a decrease of \$5,221,515 for consumption, as compared with October of last year. The total value of domestic exports for the month was \$26,299,212, as compared with \$23,697,148 for the same month last year. Exports of agricultural products increased by about four millions, while exports of the mine and of animals and their products each fell off about one million. Total imports, exclusive of coin and bullion,

were \$26,262,985, as compared with \$31,484,500 for October, 1907.

For the first seven months of the present fiscal year the imports entered for home consumption totalled \$162,908,292, a decrease of \$59,726,936, as compared with the same period of 1907. During the seven months the value of \$7,212,812, as compared with \$1,396,375 last year. Exports of domestic products for the seven months totalled \$136,408,263, a decrease of \$12,862,525. The total trade for the seven months was \$318,406,985, a decrease of \$73,216,434.

Grand Trunk Made a Freight Record

The Grand Trunk made a new record last night in the freight handled between London and Toronto. For the first time in the history of the company traffic was so heavy that train No. 418, the fast way freight, had to be sent through in three sections.

Altogether there were 118 cars. The first

train took 40 cars, and the other two 39 cars each. The trains were made up of 40 cars of live stock, and the remainder were perishable goods that had to be handled with all speed.

Traffic continues very heavy in this district, and repeated orders for more

JAMES SERGEANT BROKE A LEG

Accident to a Well-Known East London Carpenter.

Mr. James Sergeant, of 590 King street, fell from the roof of a cottage which he was shingling at 383 Adelaide street, at 11 o'clock this morning, breaking his left leg.

Mr. Sergeant had been engaged with a number of other men on the roof, and was about to descend for a supply of nails when he slipped, falling a distance of about twelve feet.

He was removed to his home, which is but a short distance away, and Dr. Cline was called and reduced the fracture. He will be confined to his home for some time as the fracture is a bad one.

MINING INSTITUTE WANTS MR. TEMPLEMAN

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Nov. 20.—At a meeting of the Toronto mining institute last night, a strong resolution was passed urging the Premier to retain Mr. Templeman in the cabinet on account of his grasp of the mining situation in the country. A memorial will be forwarded to the Ottawa Cabinet.

RAILWAYS APPEAL.

Windsor, Nov. 20.—The Wabash and Grand Trunk Railways have entered an appeal against the verdict of a Sandwich jury, by which the two railways are required to pay \$2,500 to the relatives of John Gray, of Windsor, a brakeman on the Wabash, who met death at Tilsonburg in a crash between Wabash and Grand Trunk trains. The appeal will be argued soon at the court of appeal in Toronto.