

COUNCIL TO DECIDE ON CENSUS WHITNEY EVADES RESPONSIBILITY IN THE SUNDAY CAR MATTER

Letter From Premier Says He Is Willing to Allow
Figures To Be Taken If Money Is Put
Up by the City.

COUNCIL DIDN'T ASK FOR A CENSUS

Although It Was Thought That They Had Done So—There
Appears To Have Been Some Misunderstanding—
A Special Meeting.

The question of a census is before the city council.

A letter was received at the city hall from Premier Whitney, saying that if the council wanted a census and would raise the money for it, he would be willing to take it.

The communication was not made public, but this is the gist of it. The Ontario Government declines to allow a census to be taken without providing, of course, the council declare it advisable by resolution, and set aside the sum of \$500, which is considered about necessary.

SOME MISUNDERSTANDING.

It was thought that the communication, at present in the hands of Sir James Whitney from the council, was a request from that body asking the Government to allow a census to be taken.

It now develops that there was some misunderstanding as to the intent of the council. That body asked the Government to take steps to have the population of the city declared to be 50,000, and was not a request for a census.

None of the members of the council considered that it would involve the expenditure of money, and all voted in favor of the resolution. Premier Whitney interpreted the resolution as a request for a census, but during the past few days has been informed that such was not the intention.

THE POPULATION.

However, the Premier would not declare the population on the figures submitted to be 50,000, and Assessment Commissioner Grant, owing to the fact that the figures were not collected by himself, would not take an affidavit to the effect that the population was at the present moment the number required.

Sir James Whitney, in order to obviate further discussion, has put the question directly to the council, and in effect says that if they are willing to pay the price he is willing to allow a census to be taken.

SPECIAL MEETING.

The communication will be made public at a special meeting of the council on Monday evening, and will be discussed.

From what can be learned, there is no possibility of the census being taken this year.

More than half the members have declared that under the circumstances it would be inadvisable to spend the money for a census.

However, pressure sufficient to make them change their minds may be brought to bear on the aldermen, and a census may yet be taken.

At the present time it is distinctly up to the aldermen.

FOUND DEAD AT PORT STANLEY

Body of Alfred Hastings Discovered Close to Franklin House.

NO MARKS OF VIOLENCE

Dead Man Was Ex-British Soldier and Had No Friends in This Country.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Port Stanley, Nov. 20.—The body of Alfred Hastings was found dead in death just north of the steps leading up to the Franklin House barroom this morning. No marks of violence were noticed except a bruise over one of his eyes. The coroner, Dr. Guest, was notified and an inquest is now being held. Hastings was an ex-British soldier, and as far as known, had no friends in this country, but had brothers and sisters in England. He had been working at odd jobs here for the past month or more, and for the past few days had been acting as porter in the Loney House.

STANDARD OIL ORDERED DISSOLVED

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 20.—In an opinion written by Judge W. H. Sutherland of St. Paul, Minn., and St. Paul today the United States Circuit Court for the District of Minnesota held that the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey was an illegal corporation and ordered that it be dissolved.

MRS. SHORE DISCHARGED

Squire Chittick Decided That Evidence Was Not Conclusive.

Judgment in the case of Mrs. Susan Shore, of Westminster, who was accused of placing salt around a number of trees and vines on the premises of Mr. John E. Jones, was given this morning by Squire Chittick. In considering the case the squire did not think that the evidence was conclusive, and in sending the matter for the consideration of the grand jury, and hence dismissed the case against the defendant. He spoke very strongly, however, of the wisdom of Mr. McEvoy in considering the action so thoroughly, as he considered that if such cases were known to be taking place they should be very severely dealt with.

In the information laid Mrs. Shore's son Albert and Albert Mooney, the third man, were also implicated, but the latter turned King's evidence, and no case was made out against the son, so they were both dismissed.

CALLED TO THE BAR.

Toronto, Nov. 19.—The following students at Osgoode Hall were called to the bar before Chief Justice Falconbridge today: C. E. Bothwell, J. McEwan, A. C. Mackintosh, C. A. Irvine, Lionel Davis, M. Macdonald, J. W. Carrick, G. B. Balfour, J. E. Caldwell and F. E. Treleven. W. F. McPhie was enrolled as a solicitor.

BURNED TO DEATH IN HOME AGED MAN'S TRAGIC DEATH

John McIntyre Perishes in Early Morning Blaze That Wipes Out
His Home on the 13th Concession of Yarmouth County.

St. Thomas, Nov. 20.—John McIntyre, aged 70, met with a tragic death early today in his home on the 13th concession of Yarmouth County. About 3 o'clock this morning neighbors noticed smoke and flames coming from McIntyre's house and immediately rushed to the scene. The flames had spread with such rapidity, however, that it was impossible to enter the building to

effect a rescue. When the fire had burned itself out the remains of the unfortunate man were found burned to a crisp close to the front door, their position indicating that he had made a desperate effort to get out. The cause of the fire is unknown, and an inquest will be held. McIntyre lived alone. He has a daughter in St. Thomas, and a son in Michigan.

TEN CENT FARE WILL BE ASKED

Water Commissioners Have Their
Minds Made Up in Regard
to Springbank Park
Next Summer.

LOWER FARE TALKED OF

But the Commissioners and the Mayor
Believe It Would Be Unfair to
the London Street Railway
Company.

Springbank fares will be taken up at a special meeting of the water commissioners to be held on Monday afternoon.

The agreement with the London Street Railway Company will expire in a short time, and the water commissioners in order to obtain improvements and amusement devices may be erected by the company on the park.

The bone of contention will be the Springbank fare. At the present time the fare is three tickets. The present commissioners, to a man, will demand a ten-cent fare straight, and it will be granted.

Some Petitions.

In connection with that matter it is expected that some petitions will be presented to the commissioners.

The residents of Byron and district will present a request for a more frequent service. They claim that in the winter time an hourly service should be run.

There are a number of citizens who claim that the fare to Springbank should be the ordinary city fare—a single ticket each way.

The commissioners have been approached on this matter by some citizens, and asked to compel the company to come to a straight fare agreement as outlined.

Commissioners Opposed.

To this latter proposition, the commissioners will not agree. They will insist upon a ten-cent fare, and no more, nor less.

Manager King will agree to this, provided, of course, his claims are allowed as to park privileges. "A straight ten-cent fare seems to be the most equitable," said Chairman Jones. "We will insist upon that or allow the board of next year to act upon it."

"I think a ten-cent fare is the correct thing," said Mayor Stevely. "We will demand it. The single ticket each way idea is not equitable, as it would not be fair to the company."

"We want a ten-cent fare," said Commissioner Darch.

TEACHERS ARE SCARCE CERTIFICATES EXTENDED

Department of Education Realizes
Something That Certain
People in London Are
Ignorant Of.

Inspector Edwards received a circular this morning from the department of education in Toronto, stating that owing to the scarcity of properly-qualified teachers in many districts, the department has decided to extend the validity of certificates of limited, third-class, county-board, third-class, extended third-class and extended district certificates, which expire on Dec. 30, until June 1, 1910, provided that the teachers produce a certificate of recommendation from the inspector of their district.

"This will not, of course, apply to London, where there are no vacancies," Inspector Edwards told The Advertiser, "but to many of the districts all through the country where there is a great scarcity of duly qualified teachers."

OLD MAN STOLE COAT

John Devlin Was Remanded for Week
for Sentence.

John Devlin, an old man who gave his home as Montreal, and who since coming to London about a week ago has been applying at the police station every night for lodgings, was found guilty this morning by Magistrate Love of stealing an overcoat belonging to Frederick Ward, a young man from West London, who is staying at the Houghs House, and was remanded for a week for sentence.

WOMAN BROKE JAIL.

St. Johns, Mich., Nov. 20.—Mrs. Bertha Baker, who escaped Thursday night from the Clinton county jail, where she was awaiting trial on the charge of murdering her aged husband, was captured last yesterday near her home, the scene of the crime. The woman's children for hours yesterday defied the sheriff and denied that their mother had returned home. But the eldest boy finally broke down under a fire of questions and directed the sheriff to a swamp, where the woman was discovered wrapped in a blanket. Mrs. Baker said her escape was effected by stealing a key from the sheriff's wife.

SIR WILFRID IS SIXTY-EIGHT

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Nov. 20.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier is 68 years old today. From all parts of the country messages of congratulation on his continued good health are pouring in. Sir Wilfrid is celebrating his birthday by working hard in council.

BRILLIANT WEDDING OF LONDON COUPLE

Miss Estelle Louise Leonard Be-
comes the Bride of Mr. J.
H. Innis Carling.

THE CHURCH CROWDED

Large Gathering to Witness the Inter-
esting Ceremony—Edifice Beau-
tifully Decorated for the
Occasion.

This afternoon two of London's oldest and best established families were united, the occasion being the marriage of Miss Estelle Louise Leonard, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elton Leonard, of London, Ontario, to Mr. John Henry Innis Carling, only son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Harry Carling, and grandson of Sir John Carling.

The ceremony took place in the church of St. John the Evangelist, and was a most brilliant affair, the church being filled to overflowing with guests and spectators, and the picturesque old church was adorned and beautified by a gay and brilliant display of floral decorations, including trailing asparagus fern, and the pews reserved for the guests were marked by knots of white silk cord and huge bunches of pink chrysanthemums. The church was simply but artistically decorated with pale pink and white chrysanthemums.

The pastor, Rev. Canon Dwyer, presided, and the ceremony, and Miss Katherine Moore, organist of the Memorial Church, presided at the organ, and played softly throughout.

Promptly at 4 o'clock, to the strains of the bridal chorus from Lohengrin and Mendelssohn's wedding march, the bride party advanced slowly up the aisle. The ushers, who came first, were Mr. Woodman Leonard, Mr. Hugh La-
batt, Mr. Victor Kent and Mr. William E. Meredith. The groom was supported by Mr. Elton Leonard, brother of the bride.

Little Miss Louise Blabson, of Montreal, made a sweetly pretty flower girl, and carried a basket of pink roses. Directly after the flower girl came Miss Elaine Leonard, who carried a basket of pink roses. The bride's gown of pale blue crepe de chene, the bodice of which had beautiful lace, was very becoming.

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CRUELTY TO ANIMAL CASE

George Metcalfe, charged with cruelty to animals yesterday, brought his horse to the police station this morning in order that Magistrate Love might see it. The court inspected the animal, and decided that as Mr. Metcalfe has been taking good care of it, that he would not press the charge. The magistrate remarked that the constable was perfectly right in laying the information and not allowing the horse to be worked.

John Chapman and James Fox, charged with being disorderly by fighting on the street, pleaded guilty and were fined \$2 each.

Richard Haynes, a young man who admitted being drunk and disorderly, was fined \$10 or 21 days and was released any time to pay.

COUNCIL WILL IGNORE THE REAL ESTATE

Will Not Ask Mayor and Ald. Fergu-
son to Refund Recent Trip
Money.

Mayor Stevely is paying no attention to the resolutions of the R. E. O. P. A. regarding the expenditures of himself and Ald. Ferguson while at the convention at Medicine Hat.

"I have nothing to say," said his worship, "it does not make any difference how much they resolve, as we spent no more than was absolutely necessary."

The council will not request his worship and Ald. Ferguson to make the refund demanded by the R. E. O. P. A., but will ignore the petition altogether. It was stated today.

Ald. Ferguson is out of the city to-day, and will not return until Monday.

Travellers' Society Meets.

The annual meeting of the Mutual Benefit Society of the Western Ontario Commercial Travellers' Association will be held this afternoon at 8 o'clock in the office of Secretary A. M. Robinson.



MR. F. J. SMITH.

Mr. Smith, a prominent young member of the Liberal Club, is a candidate for the chairmanship of No. 1 ward. Although quite a young man, he has been in politics for some years, and is extremely popular among the younger Liberals. His father was engaged in the same work for many years. He is certain to poll a heavy vote in his ward.

SIGNS OF DISASTER ON LAKE SUPERIOR

Found Wreckage That Would
Indicate the Boat Came
From Sarnia.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Nov. 20.—The steamer Minnie M. arrived down last night and reported passing through wreckage consisting of some 200 barrels of naphtha oil and gasoline along the shore from Whitefish Point down for miles. The only mark on the barrels indicated they were from Sarnia, and filled with Canadian oil. There is no due to what steamer they are from, except that the steamer Arabian unloaded 100 barrels of the same oil here Sunday night, and looked up for re-election.

CITY MUST REASSESS GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY

Expected That Company's Assess-
ment in London Will Be
Run Up to \$800,000.

No word has been received from the Dominion railway commission regarding track elevation.

It was expected that some announcement would be made before this, but nothing has come.

The Grand Trunk have sent no communication to the city on their side of the matter, and it is now a question merely for the commission.

An interesting side issue to the business is the fact that next year the Grand Trunk Railway Company's property in the city will have to be reassessed, according to the latest assessment act.

At the present time the company are assessed for approximately \$625,000. The new assessment, it is expected, will bring the total up to about \$800,000, a decided advantage to the city of London.

This, it was thought, would influence the company in opening negotiations with the city, but apparently, it has had little influence whatever.

"I have heard nothing at all," said Mayor Stevely. "I have forwarded all the information I have at my disposal, and Mr. Mabey, I presume, has it in his possession. I do not know when the matter will be taken up seriously, but it certainly will not be long."

SISTERS SUFFOCATED

Philadelphia, Nov. 20.—With gas escaping from the loosened tube of a stove in their room, Fannie Fredrich, aged 16 years, and her sister Katie, 12, were found dead in bed here today, both asphyxiated. The bodies were discovered by their mother, who had gone to the room to awaken Fannie. Rosie, aged 11 years, had a narrow escape from the fate of her sisters. She retired with them last night, but was made ill by the gas, and went to her mother's room for relief. Thinking the child was suffering from nausea due to a minor complaint, home remedies were administered, and Rosie was put to bed in her parents' apartments.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—MILD.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Nov. 20—8 a.m.

Fresh to strong southerly to southwesterly winds; partly fair and mild; light local showers, chiefly during the night or on Sunday.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	10 a.m.	12 m.	Low.	High.
London	48	48	48	48	48
Windsor	48	48	48	48	48
Winnipeg	11	14	14	10	19
Parry Sound	40	44	44	23	40
Toronto	48	48	48	48	48
Ottawa	48	48	48	48	48
Quebec	50	50	50	18	20
Port Arthur	48	48	48	48	48
Dawson City	—	—	—	—	—
Vancouver	—	—	—	—	—
Edmonton	—	—	—	—	—
Battleford	—	—	—	—	—
Regina	—	—	—	—	—
Moosawa	—	—	—	—	—
Qu'Appelle	—	—	—	—	—
Port Arthur	—	—	—	—	—
St. John	—	—	—	—	—
Halifax	—	—	—	—	—

No reports this morning from Port Arthur or Victoria.

Very cold weather prevails in the Western Provinces. Elsewhere it is generally mild.

Light snowfalls have occurred from the Great Lakes in the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valleys.

THE MILITIA STORES DESTROYED IN GREAT FIRE AT OTTAWA

Conflagration Early This Morning Consumes Many Thousands
of Dollars Worth of Supplies and Wipes Out
Big Building.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Nov. 20.—A serious fire occurred here this morning. Between 7 and 8 o'clock flames were discovered issuing from the central stores building of the militia department. The building belonged to the Federal Government, and was full of valuable militia properties consisting of small arms, harness, saddles, tents, blankets and uniforms, ambulance supplies, and in fact everything which is issued to the militia. This is one of the largest of the militia department's depots. Before the fire was extinguished the contents were nearly all destroyed or badly damaged. The loss will run into many thousands of dollars.

CANDIDATES WILL STAY IN FIELD

Ald. Ferguson and Beattie Will
Run No Matter What Op-
position Crops Up.

R. F. MATTHEWS AGAIN

It Is Said He Will Try To Get Even
With Ald. Beattie—Mayor to Run
For Utilities Board.

Municipal matters are becoming greatly involved these days, and it does not appear that there is any relief in sight.

Slates of all sorts and descriptions are being promulgated, and confusion is the result.

The two candidates in the field for the majority have definitely decided to run. Ald. Beattie and Ald. Ferguson are in to the hilt, they declare, and nothing will stop them.

Nothing further has been heard from the civic committee slate, which Mr. C. C. Gibbons, K. C., is asked to lead.

The members of the committee are hopeful that he will enter the list, and if he does they expect his election.

It was stated by a close friend of ex-Ald. R. F. Matthews that he would enter the field provided that Mr. Gibbons did not run. In other words, he is not going to allow Ald. Beattie to run without opposition from himself. He remembers his own experience two years ago, and blames Ald. Beattie for his defeat.

However, this is a rumor about which Mr. Matthews has little to say, although many of his personal friends take it for granted that he will run under certain circumstances.

Utilities Commission.

The utilities commission is adding to the candidates' troubles. It was stated today that the present commission would not pass the bylaw authorizing the election of a commission.

Their excuse is that the Niagara River disbursement point will not be ready until next autumn at least, and the council, through the special power committee, could handle it very satisfactorily.

However, it is not thought likely that the council would do such a thing, but there is a persistent rumor to that effect about the city hall.

The present council are having plans for the coming election. They are not going to be caught napping, and the majority of them are on the lookout for re-election.

Ald. Cooper, Ald. Saunders, Ald. Rose, Ald. Fitzgerald, Ald. Moorhead, Ald. Garratt and Ald. Stevenson are trying to get on their feet today, and Ald. Ferguson and Ald. Beattie are in the majority, while Ald. Parsons, Ald. Gerry and Ald. Stewart have announced that they would retire. It is possible that one or two of them will try it once again.

The Mayor's Intentions.

Mayor Stevely has not announced whether he will run for, but it is considered more than likely that he will run for the utilities commission.

The civic committee, it is said, have named Mr. Phil. Pocock, Mr. A. T. Macdonald, and ex-Ald. W. West for that board. His worship, Ald. Stewart and some others may run, to add zest to the game.

JUDGMENT RESERVED IN ASSESSMENT CASE

Interesting Action Over Divi-
dends of London Electric
Company.

Judgment was reserved this morning by Judge Macbeth in the case of Mr. J. I. A. Hunt, M. K. Kent, Mrs. Rayley, and J. C. Judd, against the decision of Assessment Commissioner Grant that the dividends of the London Electric Company were assessable.

It will be remembered that Mr. Judd on behalf of several of the stockholders appealed to the court of revision against the assessment of the dividends of the company. Their contention was that the company had not declared a dividend, and consequently it was not assessable. Mr. Grant contended that the department was assessing dividends that had been paid, and that the assessment of this year's dividend was a matter for future consideration.

Mr. Judd would not agree to that and action was brought.

At the court, this morning the facts of the case were admitted by both sides, and the decision as to the legality of the claim was left to his lordship.

Mr. J. C. Judd, K. C., represented himself, Mr. Hunt and Mrs. Rayley, while Mr. F. F. Harper represented Mr. Kent.

Mr. T. G. Meredith, K. C., appeared on behalf of the city.

Waiting for Incorporation.

Letters of incorporation have not yet been received by the committee in charge of constructing the new Masonic Temple, and until such a time as they arrive little further can be done. Several architects are working on the plans of the new temple, and it is said that they will be considered in a short time. A number of sites have been located, and when the letters of incorporation are received, it is expected that the work of construction will be commenced.

CASSELMAN SECOND IN O. H. A. POLLING

John Dymont Elected to Execu-
tive by 25 Votes, Londoner
Getting Twenty-One.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Nov. 20.—At the O. H. A. meeting today John Dymont, headed the polls for the executive committee with 25 votes. Casselman, of London, ran second with 21, Bart 7, Whitney 13, McPherson, of Peterborough, 18.

The junior age limit was reduced from 20 to 19 to take effect a year from date. Motion to allow juniors to rest five minutes at quartertime was rejected.

A proposal to secure new cups for junior and intermediate series passed.

UNCLE SAM VICTOR OVER STANDARD OIL

Great Company an Alleged Cor-
poration and Ordered Dis-
solved.

St. Paul, Nov. 20.—The Government wins its suit against the Standard Oil Company. The United States circuit court today ordered the company dissolved and pronounced it an illegal corporation.

This case was heard in the United States circuit court at St. Louis in April, 1908, by Chief Judge Sutherland, of St. Paul, Minn., and Judge C. H. Lusk, of Chicago, Ill., and Judge H. H. Wood, of Chicago, Ill., and entered the decree in that city this morning.

The case was argued by Frank R. Kellogg, of St. Paul, and Mr. Charles B. Morrison, of Chicago, for the United States, and John G. Milburn, of Buffalo, David T. Watson, of Pittsburgh, Morris Rosenthal, of Chicago, and John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia, on behalf of the defendants. It was brought to enjoin John D. Rockefeller, Wm. Rockefeller, Henry M. Flagler, Wm. H. Rogers, John D. Archbold, Oliver H. P. Rockefeller, and the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, and about seventy other corporations, from maintaining a combination and conspiracy in restraint of trade to monopolizing interests and international commerce and the decrees grants the injunctions sought by the Government.

The nature of the case and the character of the decision appear from the syllabus of Judge Sutherland's opinion, which reads: "Congress has power under the commercial clause of the constitution to regulate and restrict the use in commerce among the several states and with foreign nations of contracts, of the method of holding title to property, and of every other instrument employed in that commerce so far as it may be necessary to do so. In order to prevent the restraint thereof and to protect the public trust act of July 2, 1890, and act of 1897."

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