

LAY SPUR LINE TO SITE OF PLANT

Activity Marks Start On Steel Works At Sarnia

CONTRACT TO LONDON FIRM

Many Improvements Being Made On Front Street

SARNIA, April 3.—Officials and engineers of the C. N. R. and Pere Marquette, in company with W. B. Boyd, of the Dominion Alloy Steel Corporation, visited the site of the steel plant to-day in preparation for the laying of a spur line from the main line to the plant. Plans are nearing completion for the laying of the rails. The contract for the laying of the big sewer on the company's property was awarded to the Webster Construction Company, of London, the price being in the neighborhood of \$20,000. A large gang is employed by Thomas Grave, contractor, in laying the foundation of the first unit of the plant.

FAITH IN FUTURE

Faith in the future of Sarnia is shown in the improvements being made to numerous stores on Front street and in other parts of the city. At the present time, on Front street, contractors are remodeling the premises of Lampel & Zierler, Fry's book store, Phippen & Cornell, the old Observer building, Sarnia fruit market, Mills Brothers and others. New fronts are being put in and the stores improved to modern requirements. Sarnia is looking forward to bigger business in the coming year and the merchants are

PREPARING FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AN EXTENSIVE NATURAL MAKE GOOD PROGRESS.

The Methodist congregation of Point Edward, at their annual meeting, reported the greatest progress in the history of the church. In six months the membership has doubled under the pastorate of Rev. W. R. Hughes. All the organizations had a wonderful year of progress and the finances were said to be in excellent shape. **SPRING MOVES IN SIGHT.** Sarnia had signs of spring to-day with a balmy south wind, sunshine, blue skies, a placid blue St. Clair, smoke pouring from the funnels of the big lake boats, gangs of men renovating the steamers, clothes lines filled with carpets during house cleaning, street cleaning and pedestrians walking minus overcoats. The north wind of the past few days has formed an ice bridge at Point Edward again and the only sign of winter to-day is the ice field stretching out on Lake Huron as far as the eye can reach. Farmers to-day reported an excellent run of saps.

ADMONITS SERIOUS OFFENSE.

I. J. Ridout, aged 76 years, of Watford, to-day elected summary trial in county police court, before Magistrate Woodrow, on a serious charge under the criminal code. Ridout admitted the charge and pleaded guilty and evidently felt the seriousness of his position keenly. The charge carries a maximum penalty of life imprisonment. Ridout will be confined to his mental condition before trial.

CONSIGNMENT OF HORSES FROM WEST SOLD AT SIMCOE.

SIMCOE, April 3.—Forty-eight Western horses were sold in Simcoe to-day. The top price for a team was \$296, and the average price per animal was \$134. The horses were part of a consignment, mostly from Lethbridge, Alberta. The animals were fairly good ones. Those which were not disposed of here to-day will probably be offered at Brantford next week.

MATCH COMPANY PAYS FOR INJURY

Unusual Case As Result of Defective Manufacture

NEW S. A. HOME IS READY

First Party of Boys Expected To Arrive On Tuesday

WOODSTOCK, April 3.—An interesting case has just been settled in Woodstock, showing that manufacturers of matches are willing to accept liability for injuries caused by imperfectly made matches. A. W. Clendenan, of this city, had an unpleasant experience when a flying spark from a match caused a painful injury to his eye, causing him to be confined to his home for about two weeks. Notification was given to the match company of the accident and one of its representatives has been in the city investigating the matter and has made a satisfactory settlement with Mr. Clendenan.

RAISE LARGE SUM.

The complete returns for the Save-the-Children fund, which has been raised in Woodstock under the auspices of the Local Council of Women, in aid of the refugees, is \$731.24. All of this was raised by voluntary contributions, and the ladies are delighted with the result of their appeal to the public.

Hurstville, the former G. R. Pattullo home and the scene of many an important conference of the Liberal leaders of Canada, is now ready for the reception of the first party of boys from the Western Ontario under the auspices of the Salvation Army. Adjutant Leach, of London, and Captain and Mrs. Skipworth, of Toronto, who are to be in charge of the boys, are now on the scene, and the dormitories, dining-rooms and sitting-rooms have been furnished and equipped for the first party, which is expected to reach Woodstock on Tuesday of next week.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The 1923-1924 season of the Woodstock Musical Club was brought to a successful close with the holding of an annual meeting to-day, when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Eudora Irving; first vice-president, Mrs. George Orin; second vice-president, Mrs. A. G. Ede; secretary, Mrs. Russell Bickie; assistant secretary, Miss Marion Miller; treasurer, Mrs. Lillian Wood. The report showed that the year had been the most successful in the history of the club, which now has a membership of 275 members.

FORDWICH COUPLE MARRIED 55 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. George Strong Honored On Wedding Anniversary

FORDWICH, April 3.—On Tuesday evening about 40 relatives and old neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. George Strong met at the home of their son, William J., of Fordwich, and with them celebrated the 55th anniversary of their marriage. They were married in what was then the New Connexion Methodist Church, Gorrie, in 1869, by Rev. Wm. Tyndall. They were attended by Mrs. Henry Harding, of Gorrie, who is still living, but was unable to be present, and Thomas Atkins, of Fordwich, who was present at the celebration and entertained the company with many old-time tales.

Mr. Strong, who is in his 83rd year, entertained the company before dinner with some of his favorite old-time songs, and Mrs. Strong, who is in her 75th year, gave a recitation which she had learned in her early days. There were three children, all of whom were present, William J., at whose home the celebration was held; Mrs. George Baker, of the 10th concession, Howick, and George, at home, and three grandchildren.

The wedding march was played by Miss Vera Strong, of Gorrie, while the wedding party marched to the dining-room, which was decorated in yellow and white. The table decorations were yellow daffodils and it was presided over by granddaughters, Cora Strong and Vera Strong, of Gorrie, wearing bows of yellow corresponding with the color scheme of the dining-room. After a sumptuous wedding dinner the bride cut the wedding cake, which was beautifully decorated in white and gold numbers representing the 55 years. On leaving the table the bride was presented with a beautiful bouquet of pink and white carnations by her oldest granddaughter. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Strong, the former a brother of the groom, who is hale and hearty, in their 92nd and 80th years, respectively. Guests were present from Wingham, Woodstock and Gorrie and surrounding country.

PARIS WOMAN HONORED ON 85TH BIRTHDAY

PARIS, April 3.—About 80 neighbors and friends gathered at the home of Miss Henderson, last evening, in honor of her 85th birthday. During the visit Mrs. James Schofield read an appropriately worded address, while a valuable purse was presented by Mrs. Robert Armstrong. The evening was then spent in music and song, during which refreshments were served, and before leaving Miss Henderson in well chosen words thanked all for their kind remembrance.

William Taylor, while proceeding home last evening, slipped on the icy walk near Dundas street bridge, breaking his left leg. A most instructive lecture was given to the Community Hall last evening in behalf of the blind of Canada, by the Daughters of the Empire. These ladies are also holding a tag day to-morrow, and a house-to-house canvass. The proceeds are for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, through which these helpless citizens are being taught to become self-supporting. The I. O. D. E. in Ontario are taking up this good work. Over 6,000 have so far been assisted by the institute.

FADING ART.

Heads of great museums on this continent are compelled to consider preservatives of art. Modern painters do not work for posterity. They are notoriously careless about the materials they use and the way they use them. They struggle for effect and temporary success. Many of the best paintings of to-day may not last half a century and some have deteriorated in 20 years.—Brandon Sun.

KERCHIEF MATCH.

The newest handkerchiefs to carry with the evening frock are of chiffon that matches the frock in color, placed with gold or silver lace.

TOWN BELL TOLLS IN HONOR OF DEPARTED

Chimes On Trinity Church Erected Years Ago By Simcoe Again Used By Municipality.

SIMCOE, April 3.—The tolling of the bell at Trinity Anglican Church here to-day during the funeral of Mrs. William Sutton, whose husband in one of Simcoe's grand old men, recalled the almost forgotten fact that the bell at Trinity Church is the town bell.

The bell was purchased many years ago by funds raised by private subscription, and it was mounted in the belfry at the Anglican church on condition that the church be allowed to use it for church purposes. For many years it was the only fire alarm, but in recent years has been used only for church purposes.

To-day it was used again by the town to show the sympathy of the municipality in the passing of Mrs. Sutton, who, with her husband, had been a member of the Presbyterian church for upwards of 60 years.

ADD TO AND CORRECT LIST OF HONOR ROLL

ST. THOMAS, April 3.—Lieut.-Col. D. E. Gerard, O. C. the Elgin Regiment, who has charge of the collection of the names of soldiers and nursing sisters to appear on the honor rolls in the Memorial Hospital, reported on Thursday that since the publication of the compiled list on Tuesday, a number of corrections and additions have been received, including a telegraphed correction from California. There has been little received from East Elgin, however, in reports, and he urges residents in that district who know of soldiers or nursing sisters whose names have been omitted from the list or incorrectly reported, to communicate with him at once. It is the desire of the memorial features committee to have the list both correct and complete.

P.M. STATION AT SHEDDEN ROBBED

Cash Drawer Pried Open With Pocker

STRANGER SUSPECTED

Took Sum In Bills, But Ignored \$15 In Silver

SHEDDEN, April 3.—An unknown man this evening broke into the Pere Marquette station, in this village, and after smashing the window with a pocker and opening two cash drawers with the same instrument, walked off with a considerable amount of money in bills but entirely ignored about \$15 in silver. He was last seen headed in the direction of Dutton.

The men who is suspected of the robbery dropped off a freight train this afternoon and was seen hanging around the town all afternoon. The station master let the station for his supper about 7 o'clock and the man was seen hanging around the station. When the agent returned at 8 o'clock the window was broken and upon investigation the cash drawer was also found broken open. The pocker, slightly bent, was found inside the office.

A few minutes before 7 o'clock a local man noticed the hobo walking in the general direction of Dutton and everyone on the road was warned to keep a sharp lookout for the man. Late to-night he had not been apprehended.

LINSEED.

DULUTH, April 3.—Close: Linseed—May, \$2.40; July, \$2.35 1/2; September, \$2.32.

ARBITRATION BOARD HEARINGS ADJOURNED

F. P. Lewis, Yarmouth Farmer, Claims Damages From St. Thomas As Result of New Waterworks Dam

ST. THOMAS, April 3.—The hearing of the evidence in the arbitration proceedings between Frederick P. Lewis, farmer in Yarmouth, and the board of water commissioners and the City of St. Thomas, which opened in Judge Ross' chambers on Saturday, was adjourned until Thursday, May 1, this morning, by consent of both parties. Judge Ross is chairman of the arbitration board, while Aid. J. T. Webster is arbiter for the water commission, and W. A. Galbraith, of Dunwich, for the claimant.

Mr. Lewis is claiming an unstated amount of damages from the city, alleging that the construction of the new waterworks dam in Yarmouth and the creation of a large reservoir has injured his land by isolating a section on the east part of the farm; prevented him from tapping a number of maple trees, destroying his supply of gravel; caused the loss of eight trees; destroyed pasture land by causing silt to settle over the land at flood time in the spring, and injured fences adjoining the creek.

DEATH OF AYLMER WOMAN.

AYLMER, April 3.—Mrs. William Ayler, a highly respected resident of Aylmer, died on Thursday morning after a two weeks' illness of heart trouble. She was a member of the Methodist church. Her husband predeceased her several years ago. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Frank Westover, of Sarnia, and Miss Jettie, at home. Mrs. Ayler was in her 70th year.

DEATH OF SIMCOE WOMAN.

SIMCOE, April 3.—Mrs. Walter Austin, wife of ex-Alderman D. A. Austin of Simcoe, died suddenly this morning in her 81st year.

GARAGE AND CAR COMPLETE LOSS

Gasoline Tank Explodes During Fire and Wrecks Brick Wall

ST. THOMAS, April 3.—A large touring car was completely destroyed this evening about 8:30 o'clock, when fire of unknown origin destroyed the garage belonging to T. Hitch, on First avenue. The garage was noticed burning about 8 o'clock and an alarm was immediately turned in, but after making a record run the firemen could do nothing as the gasoline tank in the automobile had exploded and blown down the south wall of the garage.

The building was one mass of flames when the firemen arrived on the scene and as the nearest hydrant was more than a half a mile away, the garage being outside the city limits, nothing could be done to save either the building or the car.

DEATH OF GALT WOMAN.

GALT, April 3.—Mrs. James Echlin, 66 West Main street, is dead at the age of 78. She was born in England, but came to Canada when four years old and for the past 37 years had lived here. Two sons, Arthur and Albert, and one daughter, Miss Evelyn, all of Galt, survive.

DEATH OF NORFOLK MAN.

SIMCOE, April 3.—Joseph T. Scott, of Testerville, died yesterday, aged 72. He had been a resident of Windham practically all his life.

DEATH OF RENTON.

John Stokney, of Renton, died yesterday in his 90th year.

Tries Kellogg's Bran—restores health after 12 years of intense suffering

Mr. Firth writes that he suffered for 12 years from constipation. His friend for 10 years—a total of 22 years suffering permanently—was cured by Kellogg's Bran, and he is now well and happy.

Dear Sirs: For 12 years I had been troubled with indigestion caused mostly by constipation. Until about a year ago I would suffer from 4 to 20 weeks at a time. I happened to see your Krumbled Bran in a store, purchased a package and got almost immediate relief. I am still eating the Krumbled Bran every day. The most wonderful results obtained with your Krumbled Bran I will now relate. A gentleman who has been taking medicine for about 10 years

constipation could not find any relief to give him relief. Try Krumbled Bran as I had told him what wonderful results I had gotten from it. The gentleman in question purchased a box, and he told me that for the first time in ten years he is regular without taking medicine. Yours for success, William Firth, Jr. (Address on Request.)

Eaten regularly, Kellogg's Bran is guaranteed to relieve the most chronic case of constipation, or your grocer returns your money. Eat two tablespoonfuls daily—in chronic cases, with every meal. The flavor is delicious. Try it in the recipes on every package. Made in Toronto, Canada. Sold by all grocers.

Columbia

New Process RECORDS

It Ain't Gonna Rain No Mo' and So This is Venice—Vocal \$7D

California Here I Come and Linger Awhile Vocal 86D

Limehouse Blues and Virginia, Don't Go Too Far!—Fox-Trots 85D

Dream Daddy and Mr. Radio Man—Fox-Trots 82D

Hula Lou and You're in Kentucky Sure as You're Born Fox-Trots 92D

Hear these "silent surface" records at any Columbia dealer's.

Columbia Phonograph Co. Toronto

On Sale Now!

Exclusive London Agents for the New Columbia Phonograph and New Process Record.

PUDNEY BROS.

348 DUNDAS ST. PHONE 5124-J.

Chi-Namel

DEMONSTRATION NOW ON. Expert Lady Demonstrator In Charge. COME IN AND LEARN TO GRAIN.

Chi-Namel Demonstration and Exhibition

Buy a 25c Brush and Get a 35c Can of Chi-Namel Varnish Free (Sole Agents in London)

Pudney Hardware

124 DUNDAS STREET

"THE SHOP FOR DAD AND HIS LAD."

TOP COATS

That Make You Feel It's Spring

For Men and Young Men of All Ages

With warmer days coming you'll be needing a Cap for sports and any other sort of outdoor wear. See our new springstock in the very latest styles and shades. Specially priced. 95c, \$1.50 to \$3.00

Nothing can approach these New Spring Topcoats for comfort, quality, up-to-dateness, service. Style calls for these loose, full-hanging effects, either with kimono or set-in sleeves. They're here for you in all the newest fabrics.

25.00
Others at \$28 to \$40

FINE SUITS

THEY'VE "NEWNESS" AND "SPRINGNESS"

If you want something that's just a little bit away from the commonplace and a little bit better than anything you've ever seen, these new Spring Suits will please you. English Sack Suits without vent, Norfolks, Double-Breasted and Sport Suits are here for you now; newer and better ideas all the way through. Priced at

\$22.00 to \$45.00

Our Two-Trouser Suits

Men have come to expect wear from the suits they buy here. The reason, no doubt, why these splendid Two-Trouser Suits are in such demand. The material, in the first place, is strong in fabric and weave. The added wear that comes from the extra trousers, too, ought to convince every man that he's getting real clothes value here for every cent he spends. Priced for Saturday selling.

\$26.50 and \$32.00

Stylish Hats

FOR THE SMART DRESSERS

Made by the leading manufacturers. The predominant shades shown this season are light gray, sand, slate and coffee. Better select yours this week. Our stocks are complete.

\$4 to \$7.50

FREE! FREE! ON SATURDAY THE SORT OF SUITS A BOY ENJOYS WEARING

The Boy is just as anxious to be spruced up for Easter as Dad, of course. He'll like nothing better than a trim suit of clothes that fits him comfortably. The new ones are very attractive in the English style, plain coat with straight knee pants, standard Norfolk and the better with patch pockets. Remember, most of our Boys' Suits have the extra pair of pants, which means double the amount of wear.

\$10.75 to \$16.00

With every Boys' Suit sold at \$12.00 and up we are giving a Sterling Silver-plated Watch, strongly made, with open face. A splendid timepiece. Boys can have it for yours on Saturday.

\$7.50 to \$12.00

Made of navy blue Irish serge, tan polo cloth and fancy Donegal tweeds. These are made up in the regulation style, double-breasted, either brass or bone buttons, with emblem on sleeve. Others with half belt and belt all around. Beautifully tailored in every detail. Bring the little boys and girls here and have them fitted up.

\$7.50 to \$12.00

156 Dundas Street **OAK HALL** 156 Dundas Street