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ONLY TWO DRY DAYS
Sallybury Camp Evidently Some Fine Place for Ducks.
Oliver Ellwood, a nephew of O. Ellwood, secretary of the public utilities commission, and a corporal with the Canadian expeditionary force at Salisbury Plain writes, in a letter received Saturday, that there have been only two dry days in the last month at camp.

CONDITION OF WITNESS HOLDS UP INQUEST
The postponed inquest into the death of Olive Phillips, the young man who met his death on December 6, when the buggy he was driving was struck by a C.P.R. light engine near Crumlin, is not likely to be resumed Tuesday night as Miss Smith, the principal witness, has not sufficiently recovered from the injuries she received to leave St. Joseph's Hospital. While Miss Smith's condition is greatly improved and her injuries almost healed, the young woman is at present too weak to be discharged from the institution.

TWO LONDON TRAINS MAY BE TAKEN OFF
Rumored That M. C. R. Will Make Several Changes Shortly.
[Special to The Advertiser.] ST. THOMAS, Dec. 27.—Commencing Tuesday, the Michigan Central fast express, No. 32, eastbound, will run to Suspension Bridge only, instead of Buffalo, as heretofore. It is rumored in railway circles that shortly after the first of the year the company intends taking off two of their Chicago-New York fast trains, one each way.

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AUSTRO-RUSSIAN "WAR"
RESULTS IN FINE

International Brawl Has Court Sequel—Police Look For Gunmen.

John Sauri, an Austrian, arrested by the police in "Little Russia" Saturday night following a brawl there, was found guilty of being disorderly by Police Magistrate J. C. Judd in court today, and given the option of a \$5.00 fine or spending 15 days in the county jail. Meanwhile the detectives are looking for a couple of other Austrians who, a number of Russians say, opened fire on them with revolvers.

Sauri and some of his fellow countrymen became involved in a free-for-all fight at the corner of Hill and Clarence streets with a number of Russians. During the melee the police were summoned. When the motor patrol arrived all had disappeared.

Sergeant Thomas Lucas and Patrolman Lewis selected Sauri as he was running down a side street. Shortly after a number of Russians informed the police that shots had been fired from the hands of the Austrians during the fight, which the former stated had started over an argument regarding the war in Europe.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC IN MANY CHURCHES
In several of the city churches special Christmas services were held yesterday instead of a week earlier. In others, Christmas music was provided for the second time, while a number of the Anglican churches repeated the fine program rendered on Christmas Day.

In St. Paul's Cathedral the Christmas music, under the direction of F. G. Killmaster, B. A., Mus. B., again gave pleasure. At the conclusion of the evening service a selection of carols was sung by the choir.

In Dundas Centre Methodist Church, under the direction of J. Parnell Morrison, the choir rendered from Handel's Messiah were rendered, including the choruses "and the Glory of the Lord," and the soloists sang "Behold, I bring you good tidings," "Every Valley Shall Be Exalted," "Oh, Thou That Tellest Good Tidings to Zion," "There Were Shepherds Abiding in the Field," "Come Unto Him." The soloists were Misses Reid and Gilmore and Bert Howcroft.

Rev. Dr. McCreas preached sermons on Christmas themes both morning and evening in the Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church, in the morning of the text, "Behold, I bring you good tidings," and at night on the coming of the wise men. The work of the choir, conducted by Alex. B. Stein, organist, was most creditable, and included the anthems "The Prince of Peace," "Arise, Shine, For the Light is Come," "The First Christmas Morn," and "Blessing and Honor." A male quartet sang acceptably in the evening, and the soloists of the day were Miss Helen McCreas and Andrew Bull.

Christmas music was rendered in Wellington Street Methodist Church as follows: Morning, anthem "First Christmas Morn," solo, "To Victory," Miss Quilley. Evening, three Christmas anthems by the choir; solo, "Night of Nights," Miss Quilley.

The choir, conducted by James Alderson, organist and choirmaster, the church quartet and the soloists, Mrs. A. E. Brown and Ed. Wilmer provided a most attractive and impressive musical numbers in the Adelaide Street Baptist Church.

Calverton Street Methodist Church, of which Leslie H. Roberts is organist and choirmaster, enjoyed a Christmas feast of song, the soloists being Miss Gwen Ware, F. Downing and E. Westman. A ladies' quartet and mixed quartet lent pleasing variety.

Other churches, which had music appropriate to the Christmas season, were the First Presbyterian Church, Hyatt Avenue Methodist, King Street Presbyterian, New St. James' Presbyterian, and the Christmas music of the choir of New St. James' Presbyterian Church, was greatly enjoyed by the large congregation present both morning and evening. Miss Minnie Fox was at her best in "And He Shall Lead His Flock" from "The Messiah," while the excellence of the choral work reflects great credit on F. L. Willoughby, Mus. Bac., leader of the choir.

Following were the numbers rendered at the morning service: "There Were Shepherds," anthem by Peel; "And the Glory of the Lord," from "The Messiah"; solo, "Night of Nights," by Van der Westman; Mrs. Howe, contralto; "And He Shall Feed His Flock" from "The Messiah," sung by Miss Minnie Fox, soprano.

200,000 GERMANS PROTECTING ANTWERP
Spend All Their Time Near First Line of Fortifications.
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 27.—German officers have been good enough to state that there are now in the fortified zone of Antwerp about 200,000 men. They will remain there until the city is besieged by the Allies from Roulers, and retire on Ghent, but Antwerp will be entirely defended before it is evacuated by the garrison.

Troops no longer appear in the city, but remain in the neighborhood of the first line of fortifications day and night. About 3,000 men are working at the reconstruction of the forts. Fort Waechlen has been abandoned, but great activity is being displayed at Fort Wavre-Saint Catherine.

GAMMAGE
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GLAUBITZ AND ASSISTANTS
RELIEVED OF ALL DUTY

Temporary Resignations Accepted by Commission Pending Judicial Inquiry Into Charges Against Them—Special Council Today.

"THAT WHEREAS CERTAIN charges have been made against F. Glaubit and his assistants, the public utilities commission, and A. O. Hunt, assistant general manager, both in the city of London, and certain evidence has been taken and certain statements have been made and investigations have been made and are being made by a committee of the council of the city of London and such investigations have been reported by the committee to the council aforesaid, AND WHEREAS it is the desire of the public utilities commission and of the said H. J. Glaubit and A. O. Hunt that the charges should be fully investigated and that evidence should be taken upon oath and such action as in and to the said Glaubit and Hunt should be taken upon the finding of the judge after a judicial investigation thereof."

NOW THEREFORE the public utilities commission do hereby request and urge respectfully the Honorable the Council of the City of London that (under and by virtue of the Municipal Act, revised statutes of Canada, 1914, chapter 12, section 245), the said council to request the county judge of the County of Middlesex to hold a judicial investigation into the charges against the said H. J. Glaubit and A. O. Hunt, and that the said county judge of the County of Middlesex do take all evidence to be adduced, under oath, and to report to the said council his findings upon such evidence."

Keeping Ottawa Informed. Mr. Pocock also informed Col. Hodgins that he was keeping Ottawa informed about the case by sending all the newspaper clippings to military headquarters there.

Commissioner Chapman said Glaubit and Mr. Hunt took an honorable course by resigning, and it was up to the board to see that the charges against them were fully investigated.

"REDUCTION" SPEAKERS TALK TO BIG CROWD IN THEATRE

Monster Gathering Hears Cancelling of Six Hotel Licenses Discussed by Able Lecturers.

The monster mass meeting held in the Majestic Theatre Sunday afternoon to discuss license reduction, was a mass meeting indeed, every seat in the theatre being taken, while a number stood at the back and in the aisles. If the sentiment of the meeting is to be taken as a sign of the voting on New Year's Day, then the city will have but twenty licensed hotels next year.

Major Oliver, of Toronto, who was advertised to speak, was unable to attend, being ill. Ben. H. Spence, provincial secretary of the Dominion Alliance, took his place.

Present, the Crisis.
Professor Hallam, of Wyndolfe College, declared that the present was a time of crisis, and that the city was in a position where many other communities, for the people were waiting to see what way the wind was blowing for the reduction of hotel licenses in London.

Why was it that men could not get a drink on Christmas Day, a day which was supposed to be full of jollity? Why was the stuff sold in bars supposed to be brought in from the provinces? Why was it that the bars were closed on election day because men needed all their faculties when they cast their votes?

Curtains Sales.
The Government curtals the selling of liquor," said Prof. Hallam, "We'll do a little curtaling ourselves, and before we are through we will cut the tail of the beast. This is a teetotal war, Russia has gone dry at the expense of \$91,000,000 of revenue, France has cut out absolute abstinence. Germany has stopped the drinking of liquor to such an extent as possible, while the late Lord Roberts declared that alcohol robbed the nerves of their power. We also have the word of Lord Kitchener, using the men to leave the stuff alone, the stuff that was supposed to give courage, and put vim into a man. We also have the authorities of the Kaiser to his troops to leave beer alone," continued the speaker. "I do not believe that the blackest page of history in the present war, the desecrations in Belgium, would have been written, and the German troops refrained from entering the wine cellars. When any man has got the strong devil of drink in him he will do anything, he will do the British army passed through the vast French vineyards, and the men called for their tea, and did not molest a thing."

"You have a chance of cutting off six hundred of this stuff," said the professor, "going to do it," continued the professor, amid applause.

Like War Skirmish.
Ben. H. Spence, who followed Professor Hallam, likened the present campaign for license reduction to a skirmish in the war for total prohibition. "The policy of the people of Ontario is like that of Gen. Joffre, keep rubbing away, until finally the forces of progress beat the forces of the liquor traffic," declared Mr. Spence. "Lessen your facilities for this traffic, and you lessen your temptations. The liquor people have resisted to the death in this war. They did not want early closing on Saturday night. They wanted the pay envelope of the workman, but the Government, realizing this fact, will not allow a pay check to be cashed in a bar." Mr. Spence expressed the belief that the time was not far distant when the bars would be closed at 10 o'clock on Saturday. He also declared that the cry of the liquor people that the city would not have proper accommodation for visitors if the six licenses were cut off, was ridiculous, because last year five unlicensed hotels in Toronto provided accommodation for more guests than a hundred that were licensed.

The speaker appealed to the voters who did not have any children to be ruined by the bar. He asked the vast audience to think of the homes that were wrecked almost daily, and concluded by stating that he was but a little bird, and that God help us to do what we can.

RECORD HOLIDAY TRADE
[Special to The Advertiser.] BRISTOL, Dec. 27.—The merchants report that they did a splendid holiday trade and are well pleased. Rough weather for a day or two interfered with business, but later it came with such a rush that the merchants were kept busy satisfying everyone.

Reeve Dr. Milne made a great many in town happy by presenting them with a turkey for each family.

Mr. G. E. McTaggart, as chairman of this district of the G.T.R. operators, left on Saturday for Toronto to attend a meeting of the chairmen, when it is expected the \$100,000 promised by the G. T. R. will be divided among the agents, in the way of an increase in wages. During his absence Mr. Snider, relieving agent, will have charge of the district.

At present there are a number of the children in this locality afflicted with measles, but not many in the village.

At the Methodist Christmas tree two unexpected gifts were presented: the Adult Bible Class giving their teacher a leather upholstered rocking chair, and a group of teachers presenting the superintendent, Mr. C. H. Deese, with a gold headed umbrella.

ORGAN OPENING AT FIRST METHODIST

Big Church Has a Splendid New Instrument Now In Service.

A DUPLICATE KEY-BOARD
Can Be Played and Heard in Either Church Auditorium Or Wesley Hall.

The First Methodist Church was filled to overflowing yesterday morning by an expectant throng that had gathered not only for the regular service, but also to witness an epoch-making event in the life of the congregation, the opening of the magnificent new organ.

Bought of cedar, with here and there a dash of maple, the organ was tastefully arranged entirely around the gallery, while the holiday season was further brought to mind by the garlands of green and red on the choir loft and altar, the great silver star that hung high up on the organ.

Seated with the pastor, Rev. Dr. Flanders, were Rev. J. W. Graham, D.D., educational secretary of the Methodist Church in Canada; Revs. Howes, Kennedy and Vollick of the three city and church, and the organ committee of the church.

After a brief invocation by Rev. Mr. Flanders, Dr. Flanders rose and on behalf of the organ committee and trustee board, handed the key of the console to Rev. Dr. Flanders on behalf of the membership and congregation. In replying, Dr. Flanders referred to the splendid work of the organ committee, the members of which had expended a large sum of money as well as time. He congratulated the congregation upon the pleasure awaiting them; the choir on the splendid work they were doing; the members of the organ committee on the guidance of the gifted organist, A. D. Jordan.

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The key was turned in the console, the lid raised, then from a great distance came a thin thread of music, the organ began to sing, drew nearer and increased in volume till all the building was flooded with melody, rich, sonorous, mellow, colorful. Even the most fastidious of the organists of the day would have been proud to play on the organ of the First Methodist Church.

In the accompaniment to the first anthem, "O Praise God in His Holiness," the organist, A. D. Jordan, gave a fine example of the possibilities of the organ in the marvellously faithful orchestral effects achieved.

Rev. J. W. Graham, D.D., educational secretary of the Methodist Church, and a former pastor of the First Methodist Church in which his father and grandfather had also served, pronounced his text, "In my Father's house are many mansions," he wanted it to be understood that he did not intend to preach a funeral sermon. "The organist, A. D. Jordan, gave a fine example of the possibilities of the organ in the marvellously faithful orchestral effects achieved."

Believes in Church Union.
He deplored the narrowness that made the Roman Catholic see God's mansion in the Vatican; the Anglican in St. Paul's; the Methodist in the First Methodist Church, London. This monopolizing and restricting of God had been the trouble with the Catholics. At the same time, the preacher was a firm believer in individualism. He knew the man to be a much better neighbor whose deepest love was for his family and his own, than the man who was a religious seer, the man who owed special allegiance to some particular idea of worship. Personally, he believed there was only one church better than the Methodist—the church of Jesus Christ. He would not cut and out believer in church union.

In conclusion, he answered emphatically in the affirmative the question, "Do you believe in the life to come?" He firmly believed it was a state, a place in which the glory of the celestial world exceeded the greatest glory of the terrestrial.

The special music included, in addition to the anthem already mentioned: Chorus, "The First Noel" (Traditional), by the Sunday School and choir; solo, "Oh, For a Burst of Song" (Francis Albion), by Miss Lane, Layman; and organ numbers, "Amening" (Lennon) and organ postlude, "Toccata, Fifth Symphony" (Widor).

The pupils of the Sunday School gathered at a quarter to 11, with their teachers, marched in a body into the gallery.

A Splendid Instrument.
In regard to the new organ, while there are several larger in Canada, experts who have tested it say that a more perfect instrument never was built. It has about 4,000 pipes, arranged to give from individual keys, and by "borrowing" it has the equivalent of over 5,000. If these pipes were arranged in a series, each pipe standing a foot from its neighbor, it would reach over three miles. Enough copper wire has been used in making the connections to join London and Toronto.

Here is a problem for mathematicians: The organ stops or complete sets of pipes. It has an organ has three combinations: If it has fifteen stops, it has 32,768,192,000 possible combinations.

A notable feature is a duplicate console or keyboard, by means of which the organ can be played and heard in the church or in the church auditorium at will. Another interesting detail is the echo or celestial

PAYS TRIBUTE TO MR. MACGARVEY

British Oil Journal Tells of Former Petroleum Man's Life Work.

Interesting details of the life of W. H. MacGarvey, pioneer oil man of Austria, former mayor of Petrolia, brother of Mrs. G. P. Westland, this city, and the man who introduced Canadian oil drilling methods in the dual kingdom, are given in the Oil News of London, England, in its issue of December 5, the Oil News has the following to say of the late Mr. MacGarvey, who died in Vienna on November 25, the day after his 71st birthday.

"In 1881 he came to England at the request of Mr. John S. Berghelm, who was anxious to obtain his advice in exploring for petroleum in Hanover; and after returning to Canada to obtain the necessary plant and expert Canadian drillers, he began operations with a view to carefully exploring the German oil fields. From that time to his death Mr. MacGarvey was recognized as the pioneer in Europe, of the Canadian system of drilling, which will ever be closely associated with his name. A warm and close friendship sprang up between these two oil pioneers, which remained unbroken until the untimely death, in September, 1914, of Mr. Berghelm."

"After conducting extensive drilling operations in the German fields, Messrs. Berghelm and MacGarvey decided to stake their fortunes in the oil fields of West Galicia, in the Austro-Hungarian empire, which was then under the control of Austria. Mr. MacGarvey made his first entry in Central Galicia, at Uherce. In these early days the two successfully overcame all the manifold difficulties which the oil pioneer encounters in the opening up of unexplored country."

"The first considerable success which Mr. MacGarvey and his partner, Mr. Berghelm, obtained, was the discovery of the Westowka oil district in West Galicia. This success being the forerunner of many others throughout the length and breadth of Galicia, which made the firm of Berghelm and MacGarvey known throughout European oil circles."

"In due course they erected the largest petroleum factory in Europe outside of Russia, which the two partners divided themselves on paying for from the proceeds of their business. Formed a Company.

"In 1895 their business was formed into a limited company, now well-known as the Galitsche-Karpathen Petroleum Aktiengesellschaft, which soon began to extend its operations and widen the scope of its activities under the presidency of Mr. MacGarvey's old friend, Count Gorzycki; and upon the retirement of that gentleman, Mr. MacGarvey was elected to fill his place. "From modest beginnings the Galitsche-Karpathen Petroleum A.G. increased its influence under Mr. MacGarvey's guidance so that today it exercises a paramount influence over the whole Austro-Petroleum industry, and in addition to controlling a very large proportion of the crude oil produced in Galicia, has, besides its original refinery at Glinik Maryampolski, other refineries in the Austro-Petroleum industry."

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QUARTERS FOR BELGIANS
Reservists Will Be Carried for at Windsor—From Western States.
Military headquarters has received notice to grant accommodations to about fifty reservists at Windsor. These reservists have been assigned to the Western States by Belgian consuls, pursuant to a call from the mother land.

Orders were issued yesterday by the division to grant them such courtesy and convenience at Windsor.

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