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LAYMEN ARE GATHERING
FOR THE GREAT MEETINGMen's Missionary Con-
vention Opens in
London Today.MANY DELEGATES
ARE EXPECTEDRegistration Tickets Obtainable
at Convention Hall Up to
This Evening.The Western Ontario Men's Mis-
sionary convention will open this
afternoon at four o'clock, in Wesley
Hall.Hundreds of delegates will be present
from all parts of Western Ontario,
and the convention will be one of
the largest assemblies of men ever
held in this city.The meetings of the interdenominational
conference will be held daily in
the First Methodist Church and
Wesley Hall, and denominational con-
ferences will be held on Wednesday
in other centrally located churches.
Registration tickets will be ob-
tainable at the convention hall up to
eight o'clock this evening.THE CHURCH
AND HER TASK.The general theme of the conven-
tion will be "The Church and Her
Task." It is the aim of the members
of the Laymen's Missionary Move-
ment to preach the Christian gospel
in the language of every man of
every race within the next 25 years,
so that all will have an opportunity
to embrace the Christian faith.The London convention is one of a
series which are being held from one
coast to the other. Conventions have
been concluded at Vancouver, Cal-
gary, Regina and Winnipeg, and others
will be held at Hamilton, Ottawa and
Sydney, C. B.Among the leading speakers at the
local convention are Sir Andrew
Fraser, Robert E. Speer, Rev. Canon
Gould, and Dr. Donald McGilivray, a
noted missionary from China.
Rev. Dr. McGilivray spoke Sunday
on the aims of the convention in King
Street and the First Presbyterian
Churches.WORKED HARD
FOR SUCCESS.Mr. A. J. Robinson, executive sec-
retary, has worked hard to insure the
success of the convention. He will
be assisted during the progress of
the meeting by General Secretary
Casky, of the Laymen's Missionary
Movement, who arrived in the city
today.The offices of the convention during
the three days' session will be in
Wesley Hall, on Wellington street.
This will be the headquarters and
rendezvous for the delegates.WORK IN
INDIA.Rev. John Wilkie, D. D., a leading
missionary worker in India, who is
here for the Men's Missionary Con-
vention, spoke in the First Presby-
terian Church yesterday morning on mis-
sionary problems and difficulties in
India. He emphasized the difficulty
which the missionary meets with in
country where 90 per cent of the peo-
ple can only have one meal a day, and
work for a daily wage of less than
five cents. The sympathies of the
missionary are called forth by the
condition of the people, and yet al-
most all material help has a pauper-
izing effect.The caste system also presents a
serious problem for the missionary to
solve. He has to adapt all castes of
converts into a new Christian caste,
which is no easy task.
Dr. Wilkie's plan for missionary
work among the Indians is to buy
villages outright and rent the land to
the natives, thereby giving them an
interest in agriculture and industry.
The experiment has already been
proved successful, and Dr. Wilkie
wishes to buy three villages, which
by bringing the villagers under Chris-
tian influences he would make cen-
tres of missionary work, from which
the natives would go out over the
country making new converts to
Christianity.LARGELY
POLITICAL.The unrest in India at the present
time, Dr. Wilkie declares to be largely
political, but also in part religious.
The Hindus are quite aware that their
old religions are crumbling, and they
are in resentment of this stirring-up
of religious opposition to the British.
The Mohammedans, on their part, are
jealous of the people by Mohammedan
systems, and to this end are building
a great university, and spending
large sums in literature and religious
propaganda. Dr. Wilkie pointed out
that the present moment is very op-
portune for the Christian church to
step in and stem the strong tendency
towards Mohammedanism, which is
working in direct opposition to Chris-
tianity.Ninety-five per cent of the natives,
Dr. Wilkie claims, would, if they had
a referendum on the question, vote
in favor of European officials and
Continued on Page Nine.A TERRIFIC STORM
ON ALBION'S COASTSAn Unknown Steamer Goes
Down Off Cuxhaven.[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, Nov. 6.—A very severe storm
is sweeping over the Baltic and North
Sea coasts. An unknown steamer sank
off Cuxhaven. The fate of the crew is
not known. Lifeboats rescued the crews
of several other distressed vessels. Dikes
at many points have been broken, and
the country in the vicinity is flooded.
Special trains are being rushed to the
coast with boats and soldiers to rescue
endangered residents there.A CONTEST FOR
THE PRESIDENCYR. E. Davis and Donald Fer-
guson Will Seek Travellers'
Honor.

ANNUAL MEETING HELD

President Dillon's Report Showed On-
tario Travellers' Association To
Be Flourishing.At the annual meeting of the On-
tario Commercial Travellers' Associ-
ation, held on Saturday afternoon, Mr.
R. E. Davis and Mr. Donald Ferguson
were nominated for the presidency.
Both consented to run, and an interest-
ing contest is expected.
Mr. H. W. Lind was unanimously
elected as first vice-president, while
Messrs. H. H. Rennie and E. N. Hanna
will contest the second vice-presiden-
cy. The elections will be held Dec. 16.
The financial statement was presented
and showed the organization to have
had a very prosperous year. The as-
sociation has a big balance to its
credit.President's Address.
Mr. J. M. Dillon, the president, oc-
cupied the chair.
At the opening of the meeting he stated
that it was exceedingly gratifying to
him and to the other members of the
board of management to be able to
meet the members with such a highly
favorable report.
The annual report of the associa-
tion would show record results in all
important respects. The total mem-
bership is 2,963, a gain of 182; a new
membership of 500, and an addi-
tion to the reserve fund of \$22,117.25.
The reserve fund now amounts to
\$228,516.58.The death claims accruing dur-
ing the year number twenty-one,
amounting to \$12,320, and have been
promptly paid. Prominent among the
members of the association who have
passed away were the late Wm. Lind,
Gavin Rowat, and J. McCarthy, Frank
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MAY FEDERATE.

Houston, Texas, Nov. 6.—Members of
the Brotherhood of Engineers, Brother-
hood of Firemen and Engineers, Brother-
hood of Railway Conductors and the
brotherhood of the Harriman
lines entering Houston, met yesterday
behind closed doors for the purpose, it
is declared, of discussing a federation of
these four unions. Similar meetings, it
is said, were held at all the division
points of the Harriman system. It was
stated that the meetings had nothing
whatever to do with the strike now on.FARMER'S WIFE, BOY AND DOG
SAVE HIM FROM AWFUL DEATHAllan Taylor, of Adrian, Near Dorchester, Was Tossed Twice by
Enraged Bull and Will Be Laid Up for Some
Time With His Injuries.[Special to The Advertiser.]
Adrian, Nov. 6.—Mr. Allan Taylor
is laid up at his home here as a re-
sult of a series of mishaps which hap-
pened to him in the last few days. A
couple of days ago as he was in a
field one of his bulls attacked him
and hurled him about fifteen feet. As
the ferocious animal was about to
attack Mr. Taylor again, Mrs. Taylor
rushed out and attacking it with a
big club managed to drive it away
while Mr. Taylor made good his
escape. Later the bull was driven
into an inclosure and penned in, but
in a few minutes it again broke loose
and charging upon Mr. Taylor hurled
him into a straw stack. A boy with
a pitchfork rushed to Mr. Taylor's
help, and by prodding the bull with
the prongs of the fork forced it
back. A dog which was with the boy
leaped upon the bull and was con-
fined to his bed for two days. Almost
as Mr. Taylor was out he went to
the orchard to pick some apples,
and while up in a tree a limb broke,
and in falling he fractured his arm.
A Dorchester physician was sum-
moned and set the fracture, and Mr. Tay-
lor is doing nicely.CONTINUE MARKET LANE
NORTH TO CARLING STREETA Move on Foot To Have This Done Now That Big Fire Has
Left Land Needed Vacant.It is now proposed that the city pur-
chase two of the stores destroyed by
the conflagration Friday morning, and
continue the Market Lane through to
Carling street. This would make for
a better business section, it is thought,
and improve Carling street. Aid Eck-
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is a feasible one, and would result
greatly to the advantage of the city.
"We could purchase 30 or 40 feet
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for all concerned. This has been done
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not be done here. If it costs us \$50,000,
the money would be returned in in-
creased assessment in a short time. I
think the proposition a good one."
It is probable that the matter will
be decided.FIRST METHODIST CHURCH AND WESLEY HALL IN THE REAR.
In this handsome edifice the great meeting of the Laymen's Missionary Convention opens today.AN ONTARIO LADY
STRANGELY DISAPPEARSRiver at Flint, Mich., Dragged
for Body of Miss Emma
Peters.[Special to The Advertiser.]
Detroit, Nov. 6.—Men dragged the river
all day yesterday near Steven's Bridge,
Flint, Mich., in the hope of finding the
body of Miss Emma Peters, 32 years old,
of Toronto, who mysteriously disap-
peared from the home of her sister, Mrs.
Lazear Harmer, Saturday night. Miss
Peters went to the store near her sis-
ter's home to buy some groceries and has
not been seen since she left the grocery
store. The police and sheriff's force and
relatives spent almost all night and all
day yesterday in an unsuccessful search
for the woman. Miss Peters became ill
several weeks ago from overwork, and
came to Flint on Oct. 3 to go to a san-
atorium. She left there and went to visit
her sister a week ago.ALL GRADES SUGAR
DOWN TEN CENTSNew York, Nov. 6.—All grades of re-
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Men's Missionary Convention Programme

4 p.m.—Service of Intercession:
Rev. Dr. James Ross, St. Andrew's Church, London.
Address—"The Central Place of Missions in the Life of the
Church." Rev. Canon S. Gould, B.A., M.D., general secretary M.
S. C. C.
8 p.m.—Devotional exercises: The Right Reverend Lord
Bishop of Huron.
Words of welcome: His worship, Mayor Beattie.
Response, R. S. Robertson, Stratford.
Address—"The Canada of Today and Tomorrow"; J. A.
Patterson, K.C., Toronto.
The police have been subjected to con-
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the fire before Chapman's store was a
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vestigation.
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is presented to me, I see no necessity
for an investigation," he stated to TheNO INQUIRY, SAYS MAYOR,
INTO FRIDAY'S BIG FIREThere will not likely be any investiga-
tion into the conflagration of Friday
morning that destroyed a large section
of the business area.
Mayor Beattie stated today that unless
a great deal more information than was
to be had now was available, nothing
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FOR KYRLE BELLEINFuneral Service Over Actor Held in New
York City.[Canadian Press.]
New York, Nov. 6.—A few personal
friends gathered at the Church of the
Blessed Sacrament this morning to attend
the funeral of Kyrle Bellein. The actor
had no relatives in this country and the
services were private. They were con-
ducted by the Rev. Father M. A. Tay-
lor, assisted by the other priests of the
church. The body was brought here
early today from Salt Lake City, where
Mr. Bellein died last Thursday.

REMOVAL OF WRECKS

Marine Department To Find Out Who
Is Responsible.[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Nov. 6.—Canada is going to
find out who is responsible for the re-
moval of wrecks by bringing action
against the owners of the Cleveland
barge Joliet, which sank a short time
ago in the St. Clair River. The wreck
has been buoyed, but is still more or
less of a menace to navigation. The
marine department is going to seek an
order of the courts to compel the own-
ers to remove the wreck.

SPAN COLLAPSED.

Auburn, Cal., Nov. 6.—Three bodies
have been recovered from the wreckage
of the Mountain Quarries Company's
bridge across the American River, the
east span of which collapsed late Satur-
day night.
Five workmen were injured. It is be-
lieved still more casualties will be dis-
covered.
The victims were working under the
superstructure building caissons when
the concrete pillars gave way. The men
caught under the sinking arch were en-
lashed.PROBATED WILL IS DISPUTED
LEGAL FIGHT OVER HUGE ESTATEFourteen Petitioners Secured an Order From Judge Macbeth to
Have Will of Late R. P. Smith, of Strathroy, Returned
—A New List of Bequests.Curious complications have arisen in
the settlement of the estate of the
late Richard Portingall Smith, of
Strathroy who died on May 25 last,
at his home in that town, and whose
will was probated in the local sur-
rogate court on July 4. The discov-
ery of four subsequent wills has been
made, and as a result one of the
greatest battles in the history of Can-
adian law may be waged.
The estate was valued at approxi-
mately \$154,000 by his executor, Mr.
John Cowan, a Sarnia solicitor, when
the matter was entered for probate,
but it is since asserted in legal quar-
ters that his holdings in Ontario and
the State of Michigan may amount
to \$400,000 or \$500,000.Must Return the Will.
Judge Macbeth, upon being peti-
tioned by fourteen men and women
interested in the four wills now in
question, has issued a citation order
commanding the executor to return
the probated will to the court, in
order that the parties at present in-
terested may take whatever action is
necessary to revoke the accepted
document.The amounts bequeathed to the pe-
titioners under the later wills range
from \$1,000 to \$15,000, and total \$76,000.
The four documents purport to
have been drawn up in Strathroy on
Nov. 2, 1910, in the presence of Rob-
ert Howie, of London; Benj. T. Gar-
side, of St. Thomas, and Ann Caroline
Frost, of this city. They are signed
by Benj. T. Garside, "per R. P. S.
Smith," whose signature is also affix-
ed in a weak, scribbling hand that
bears little resemblance to that writ-
ten by the former private banker
when he was in better health.The Bequests.
The sums granted in the bequests of
the four documents of Nov. 2 are as
follows:
Mrs. Robert Howie, London, \$5,000.
John Winnerton, Strathroy, la-
borer, \$1,000.
Benj. T. Garside, St. Thomas,
freeman, \$5,000.
Ann Caroline Frost, London,
spinster, \$15,000.
William Frost, London, carpen-
ter, \$5,000.

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SIR JOHN CARLING MAY NOT
LIVE OUT DAY, SAYS PHYSICIANAged Statesman's Life Is Slowing Ebbing Away at His Home
on Wellington Street—Family at the Bedside.Hon. Sir John Carling, K.C.M.G., P.C.,
Senator of Canada, and former Post-
master-General and Minister of Agricul-
ture, is dying at his home on Wellington
street.For some days his condition has been
very serious, and this morning his phys-
ician, Dr. F. R. Borden, announced to the
family that the final dissolution had set
in. It is not expected that he will live
out the day. The family are at the bed-
side.Several months ago it was thought that
the end was near, but the splendid con-
stitution of London's grand old man stood
off the reaper, and after a siege of ill-
ness which might well have resulted in
the death of a much younger man, the
aged statesman partially recovered. He
is in his 84th year.At 8 o'clock Sir John Carling's con-
dition remained unchanged. His death
apparently is but a matter of minutes.
The family are with him awaiting the
end.Photo by Ed Sanders, corner of Dund as and Richmond Streets.
SIR JOHN CARLING.
It is Announced by the Family That the Aged Statesman Will Not Live
Through the Day.