

## TRUSTEES VOTE BUSINESS LEGAL

Ratify Proceedings of Special Meeting After Lengthy Discussion.

DEBATE WAXES WARM  
Several St. Thomas School Board Members Indulge in Personalities.

Special to London Advertiser.  
ST. THOMAS, March 28.—After long discussion, the board of education, at a special meeting held Tuesday night, ratified the business transacted at a meeting Monday night, which had since been protested by four members of the board who were absent. As the result of the decision Tuesday night, increases granted to five public school principals and one janitor stand.

The long discussion had no effect on the members of the board as far as their stand was concerned, as apparently no one changed his mind concerning the legality of Monday's meeting. The six members who were present Monday voted for the ratification of the business, while the four who were absent, including Trustees George Spackman, R. W. Johnston, E. C. Harvey and F. Wright, voted against it.

After Trustees Johnston and Spackman attacked the action of the six members of the board, with M. Spackman denying that the vote of the internal management committee on the Friday previous to the meeting had been unanimous in deciding to call a meeting Monday afternoon instead of in the evening, and claiming that little business of consequence could have been transacted in the 25 minutes which the meeting lasted, Trustee A. W. Baines took up the cudgel of defence.

Regrets Board's Action.  
Mr. Baines said that it was unfortunate that the board had become little short of burliesque. It had become notorious throughout Western Ontario, he said, and years would be required before it could win back its former dignity and standing. He regretted that certain members had resorted to hairsplitting. If that procedure was to be followed the speaker claimed he could prove that the meetings since the first of the year had been illegal on technicalities, and that Monday's meeting was the most legal of all.

He produced a copy of the bylaws, and asked by what authority the board was bound by the contents. The bylaws, he said, were passed several years ago, and had no bearing on the present board. If they were to be binding they should be ratified from year to year.

He then read from the provincial act to prove that unless the date of the first meeting of a new board was fixed by the retiring board it was required to meet on the first Wednesday of the month. This had not been done, he said, therefore all business transacted in the February meeting was illegal, including the appointment of Trustee E. C. Harvey to the board, who was one of those actively protesting Monday's meeting.

Mr. Baines said that he did not intend to go into personalities, but he said that he merely wished to show where hairsplitting would lead. Quite a number of personalities arose out of and following Mr. Baines' speech.

Trustee Harvey took the reference to his appointment very seriously, and because he said the way in which he was appointed had never been satisfactory to him, causing, as it did, much turmoil among the labor men, he refused to vote until his position was cleared. In one voice the committee acclaimed him a member.

Calls Board a Joke.  
Trustee Johnston then claimed he had not been notified of Monday's meeting. Secretary Newton replied that he had been. Mr. Johnston exclaimed, pounding the desk, "I give the lie to you." He afterwards admitted that his wife might have been told of it.

Mr. Johnston also raised a storm when he said the board was a joke, and that he had been laughed at for associating with it. This was considered an insult by Trustee Mrs. McCully and Dr. Bennett, who demanded an apology. Trustee Johnston apologized toward the end of the meeting.

Trustee F. Wright wanted to know by what right Trustee Baines, a newcomer to the board and a comparative newcomer to the city, could dictate to the board in the face of members who upheld its honor for 29 years. He asked the chairman if he was to allow it. Mr. Baines replied that he would sit quietly in a corner if the other members wished him to do so.

The chairman at the beginning of the meeting made a plea for peace and harmony. He also declared that he wished to deny the report which had been circulated that Trustee Conley, representing the separate schools, had taken part in discussions referring to public schools.

## STRATHROY WOOLLEN MILL IS DAMAGED BY FIRE

Large Number of Residents of Town Are Thrown Out of Employment.

Special to London Advertiser.  
STRATHROY, March 28.—Fire almost totally destroyed the Butler's Woollen Mills on Victoria street early this morning. The fire originated in the drying-room on the second floor.

A few minutes after the alarm was turned in the whole second floor was a mass of flames. After a difficult fight the firemen succeeded in saving the lower floor and much of its contents. The loss will amount to thousands of dollars.

The building, which was of brick construction, was owned by James Butler. A large number of residents will be thrown out of work on account of the destruction of the mill.

## THE WEEK IN THE WORLD

### BURIED ART TREASURES OF ROME

Exclusive Advertiser Review.

By Canon Meyrick,  
Vicar of St. Peter, Mancroft,  
Norwich.

LONDON, March 28.—The discovery by Professor R. Paribeni, an underground structure in Rome, of what may be contemporary portraits of St. Peter and the other apostles is of unique importance to the antiquary and historian.

Only one event of the kind seems of parallel importance. That was when, in 1578, some laborers, digging in a vineyard two miles from Rome, accidentally came upon a subterranean cemetery.

This contained Christian paintings, Greek and Latin inscriptions, and some sarcophagi or marble tombs. It was soon discovered that this cemetery was but one of many. In the words of a contemporary writer, "Rome was amazed at finding she had other cities, unknown to her, concealed beneath her own suburbs."

There lived in Rome at this time one Lucius, an advocate by profession. Attracted by the wonder and mystery of this great city of the dead under the ruins of the Campagna, he gave his life and immense learning to these "catacombs."

The Columbus of the subterranean world, he explored every vineyard and studied every record. His adventures were not without danger. On one occasion he and his friends penetrated about a mile into a newly discovered cemetery and, like the cave of a Jules Verne story, could not find the path to take them back.

Their light failed, and Bosio writes: "I began to fear that I should die by my vile corpse the sepulchres of the martyrs."

In 1646 John Evelyn wrote of a visit to these cemeteries. "They led us down into a place which they called the Infernal, where they found the bones of many of the dead, and the skulls of the martyrs."

REJECTS THEORY HELD BY PSYCHO-ANALYSTS  
Dr. William Brown, British Psychologist, Declares "Function of Dreams To Guard Sleep."

LONDON, England, March 28.—Dr. William Brown, mental specialist and head of the department of psychology in King's College, University of London, has pronounced a novel theory of dreams. He rejected the claim of the psycho-analysts that dreams are always significant, and that every part of them has a meaning which must be looked for in the primitive, direct, lurking in the subconscious mind. He gave them a much simpler significance.

"The function of a dream is to guard sleep," he said before the Institute of Hygiene. "In sleep desires, wishes, and anxieties, the mind, earlier days, all of which are the lower and fundamental elements of the mind, well up and strive towards consciousness while the main personality is in abeyance. If they reach consciousness, sleep is at an end, but the dream, which is a sort of intermediary form of consciousness, intervenes and makes the impulse innocuous so that sleep persists. This theory covers the entire ground of all types of dreams."

SEEK RULING ON WILL  
Five Lawyers Ask Justice Riddell To Decide Toronto Estate Case.

TORONTO, March 27.—Mr. Justice Riddell today reserved judgment in the application of five lawyers for an interpretation of the will of Dr. Robert J. Wilson, of this city, a captain in the C. E. F., and at one time a license commissioner.

In 1918 Dr. Wilson called in Harcourt Ferguson, and with his assistance drew up a will disposing of his estate. Later, when his solicitor was confined to his bed with the flu, Dr. Wilson obtained possession of the will and made out an entirely new one. This is the one the court is now asked to interpret.

THE estate disposed of amounted to \$35,000.

HARWICH RESIDENTS DIE  
Mrs. Joseph Bicum and Mrs. J. Hushon, Claimed by Death.

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BLENHHEIM, March 27.—Mrs. Joseph Bicum, one of the highly-respected citizens of the Centre Line, Harwich, passed away suddenly yesterday at noon while at dinner. Mrs. Bicum was 71 years of age, and had lived since her marriage in the neighborhood. She was a Vestal before marriage, being a sister of the late Warden John Vestal, who passed away in 1905.

She leaves, besides her husband, two grown-up sons, Howard, who lives on the homestead, and Samuel, who has been several years a resident of the West. One daughter, Mrs. Henry Arnold, resides in Harwich at Troy.

Mrs. James Hushon, of the 4th concession, L. E. Harwich Township, passed away yesterday after having a severe attack of pneumonia. The family formerly resided just south of town on the Communication road, but some years ago sold out and moved to Guilds, where they purchased another home. Deceased leaves, besides her husband, one daughter, Miss Ada, at home, and one son, Walter, who has for some years resided in town.

MINERS' STRIKE IN ALBERTA NEARS  
CALGARY, March 28.—The situation between coal operators and miners in district No. 13 remains unchanged, with every possible indication that work at all union mines will cease on March 31. H. Ostlund, K.C., of Lethbridge, who has been nominated by the miners as their representative on the conciliation board, has arrived in Calgary and had a conference with Gerald Brown, assistant deputy minister of labor.

R. G. Drinnan, the nominee of the operators, is expected to arrive here from Edmonton on Wednesday morning.

WOODSTOCK CITIZENS DIE  
Mrs. Job Sibley and Miss Mary Costello Succumb to Illness.

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WOODSTOCK, March 28.—The death occurred last night of Mrs. Job Sibley, 56 years old, following an illness of ten days' duration. Mrs. Sibley was born in Ireland, and was the daughter of the late James Hazlett. One son Edward and her husband survive.

Word has been received of the death in Niagara Falls, Ont., early this morning of Mary Costello, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Costello of concession 2, Blandford. Miss Costello was a nurse-in-training at the Niagara General Hospital, and had been ill for about four weeks. She was in her 21st year. Besides her parents, two sisters survive, Marjorie, her twin, and Mabel.

They are purely vegetable, small and easy to take, work gently, and there is nothing of the griping, weakening and sickening effects of the old-fashioned purgatives.

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## CONSIDERS SCULLY OF UNSOUND MIND

Dr. W. J. Robinson of London Hospital Testifies at Port Huron Hearing.

TELLS OF DELUSIONS

Probe Opened in Michigan Court Adjourned Until Wednesday.

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SARNIA, March 28.—Dr. W. J. Robinson, superintendent of the Ontario hospital for insane, London, Ontario, was on the stand for an hour, Monday afternoon, at the Port Huron circuit court, testifying to the record of Anthony Scully, the Stratford, Ontario, man, who went to Port Huron in February and murdered his father Cornelius Scully, 80, with a hammer and seriously injured his sister, Mrs. William Toles, in a fit of maniacal rage. Scully had three times escaped from the asylum at London, Ontario.

Dr. Robinson said that Scully was first admitted to the asylum from Stratford, on December 11, 1913. He escaped on February 17, 1915, was readmitted July 31, 1916, escaped again July 3, 1917, by climbing the asylum wall, was caught immediately, and finally escaped in May, 1919.

The asylum authorities took the usual measurements of advising the police and his relatives and after a month elapsed struck him from the asylum roll. Dr. Robinson gave the opinion that if Scully were tried for murder he should and would be found insane. He considered his mind permanently unbalanced and while in some things he was intelligent as other men he suffered from the delusions of an insane person. All the time he was an inmate at London he held the delusion that some one was trying to poison him and at times would eat nothing but fruit. He wrote letters as describing means of stopping the war by providing certain food for the Germans.

Witness did not think he would have the mental power to form the intention to do a criminal act influenced by anger, but not by malice. Scully could not, in his opinion, resist the temptation to attack his father and sister. Dr. Robinson was closely examined by Prosecuting Attorney Henry Baird, who asked if it was the custom to allow dangerous inmates to work under conditions that lent themselves so easily to escape. The investigation was adjourned to Wednesday, when Dr. T. Heavenrich and W. B. James who have examined Scully, will give their evidence in court. Scully took the keenest interest in the proceedings, on the same charge.

Officer Smith swore that he had seen Irwin take four bottles of whiskey from the floor of the crossing tower shortly after the robbery. These bottles, the witness said, were handed over to Detective Graham of the C. P. R. by Irwin, who gave the officers to understand that they had been given to him by young Campbell and a companion.

Campbell, when he took the stand, claimed that he had not given the whiskey to Irwin, and he had no knowledge of his companion, whom he named as William McCarthy, having given them away.

Campbell told the court that he and McCarthy had learned about the car from a man at the Michigan Central depot. They had heard the C. P. R. agent talking about it over the telephones. That night they had gone to see Irwin, he testified, and had asked about the location of the car and then had borrowed a pinch bar and a wrench, being unable to open the car door. A portion of the roof had been torn off and the cases of whiskey removed in that manner. He swore that Irwin had held a lantern while he and McCarthy endeavored to remove the nuts on the car door.

Although a warrant was sworn out for McCarthy's arrest two weeks ago, he has not been apprehended.

HARROW MAN, 93, GOES ON WORKING  
Special to London Advertiser.

HARROW, March 28.—Monday afternoon Mrs. Renaud tendered a banquet in honor of Hiram Renaud, brook the oldest resident of this town. Though 93, he is still able to work at the bench as a practical cabinetmaker. He is the most regular attendant at the Baptist Church, and represented the local congregation at the last district meeting.

The other guests were: Dr. and Mrs. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. William Hushon, Mrs. Ed. Shaw, Mrs. Joseph Drummond.

The guests spent a very happy time together, singing songs and talking over past generations and the beginnings of Harrow. They are all hale and hearty. The combined ages of the seven is 563 years.

LIVER TROUBLE  
BAD BILIOUS ATTACKS

When your liver becomes sluggish and inactive your whole health suffers. Your bowels become constipated, the tongue coated, the breath bad, the stomach full and sick, and bilious spells occur on account of the liver holding back the bile which is so essential to promote the movements of the bowels, and the bile gets into the blood, instead of passing out through the usual channel.

The only way to keep the liver active and working properly, and thus get rid of the nasty bilious attacks, is to keep the bowels regular by using

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## Cayuga Boys Provide "Radio" Concert.

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CAYUGA, March 28.—The installation of a radioophone set in the residence of A. T. Kraft, station agent, by Roy Carlie and Aubrey Kraft, has created much interest among the citizens of Cayuga.

Sunday evening the boys demonstrated to their friends the first radio concert in Cayuga since the advent of this marvelous addition to science. The sermon at Calvary Church, East Pittsburg, delivered by Rev. R. J. Bennett, was distinctly heard, as well as the music and the singing of the choir.

## GALT TO SECURE NEW TIRE PLANT

City Council and Board of Trade Unanimously Support Negotiating Committee.

JOHN F. GLENNIE DIES

Native of Woolwich Township Succumbs in 72nd Year, After Week's Illness.

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Dr. Hutton Warns Parents To Give Attention to Children.

USING PREVENTIVE MEANS

Medical Officer of Health Asks Citizens to Co-operate to Check Spread.

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