

A CIVIC EMPLOYE WILL SUE THE LOCAL HOSPITAL TRUST

Mr. Victor Mitchell Wants His Wages for Drawing the Plans for the Proposed New Isolation Hospital.

A sensation was sprung at the city hall today when it was announced that unless the hospital trust pays Mr. Victor Mitchell of the city engineer's office the sum of \$240 for drawing the plans for the isolation hospital he will sue the trust for the amount. Mr. John F. Faulds, barrister, is looking after the case for Mr. Mitchell, and the latter has taken the precaution to retain possession of the plans.

Asked to Draw Plans. When the matter of the isolation hospital was first broached, the hospital trust approached Mr. Mitchell and asked him to draw up the plans, as he was the only man in the engineer's office for such work. Mr. Mitchell pointed out that the work of the department, especially at that time of the year was so heavy that it would be impossible for him to do the work during office hours.

Engineer Graydon admitted that such was the case, and that Mr. Mitchell

had enough work for two men. The matter was further discussed, and at last Mr. Mitchell agreed to draw up the plans after hours, provided that he was recompensed for the work, as it was clearly out of his usual order of work.

Mr. Geo. B. Harris and one of the other hospital trustees, it is alleged, agreed to pay Mr. Mitchell from \$250 to \$300 an evening for his work.

Mr. Mitchell then went ahead with the plans. He worked every morning from 5 o'clock until 9, and then took the plans home with him, and worked on them.

Plans Changed.

The plans were drawn on the basis of a \$60,000 hospital, that being the first proposition. When the plans were finished, the hospital trust decided that \$50,000 was the limit to be spent on the building as the debenture issue amounted to only \$75,000 and it would

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Collegiate Games on October 4th

Oct. 4, is the date set for the annual field games of the London Collegiate. The outlook for a successful athletic meet is most promising, and this year's affair promises to even out rival that of last year, when over a hundred clever young athletes turned out to Tecumseh Park to compete for glory and the handsome prizes offered.

Several of last year's winners have graduated and the younger boys will have a better chance of winning than they had on the last occasion when they had to compete against older and more experienced boys.

The winner of last year's open 100-yard dash, J. Folinsbee, will in all probability not compete this year, and the way is open for the bringing out of another champion in that class.

In pole vaulting the boys of the Collegiate were somewhat lacking in previous years. Since the last meet, however, they have taken to this great pastime in earnest, and as a result the mark will probably go higher than ever before.

The Collegiate games have always been most popular with all classes of Londoners, and this year's attendance promises to be larger than ever.

BUFFALO WOMAN'S AWFUL DEED; STRANGLER HER THREE CHILDREN

Took Their Lives While They Lay Asleep in Bed—Then Told Her Husband.

Buffalo, Sept. 24.—Shortly after 7 o'clock, Mrs. Bertha Mund, aged 27 years, strangled her three children, Christopher, aged 8 years; Helen, aged 2 years, and Fred, aged 8 months, to death, at their home, 925 Clinton street. Immediately after committing the deed, she went to the Pennsylvania Railroad yards, where her husband is employed as a member of a wrecking crew, and informed him of her action.

Mrs. Mund was placed under arrest.

While They Slept.

"The children were all sleeping when the mother destroyed them. She murdered the boy, Christopher, first. He was asleep on a mattress in the parlor. She wrapped a blanket about the boy's head, covering his face, and then put the clothesline about his neck, turning it around three times, and then drew it tight, and fastened it by tying several knots.

The police say the boy could not have lived more than a few minutes. When found his body was half on the mattress, and half on the floor, with the face downward.

The girl, Helen, was next slain. This child was asleep in a crib in the parlor. Mrs. Mund wound a clothesline around the little one's neck twice, and after strangling the child, she carried the body into the bedroom and put it on the bed and covered it with a quilt.

Fred, the baby, was her next victim. She was asleep in a baby carriage in the kitchen. Mrs. Mund tied a piece of clothesline about the little one's neck once, and fastened it in two knots.

The Woman's Confession.

When Mrs. Mund met her husband she said:

"Fred, I have made away with the three children; come home and see." Mund hurried home, taking his wife with him. When they reached the house, Mrs. Mund sat down at a table and began to cry. Mund notified the police, and the woman was taken into custody. To Superintendent of Police Regan, Mrs. Mund made a statement in which she said: "I killed the children, because I did not want them to grow up and be crazy like me."

The police say the woman does not realize the enormity of her crime, and that she killed the children while suffering with an attack of insanity that suddenly seized her. She has been ill for several months, but had never, prior to this morning, manifested signs of mental derangement.

Action For \$5,000 Against G.T.R. Brakeman Sues for Many Injuries

Suit for Alimony Commenced Against a Local G. T. R. Brakeman.

Another important damage action and a writ of lesser importance have been added to the long list of suits set down for the coming assizes. They are as follows:

W. H. Gibbons vs. the G. T. R.—An action by W. H. Gibbons, a brakeman of this city, to recover \$5,000 damages for injuries received at Merritt, Ont., on June 21.

Gibbons, who was a green brakeman, was putting down brakes on top

of his train when he collided with an over-hanging roof of the Rioran Paper Mills Company's building, which is located near the tracks at Merritt.

Gibbons was thrown between two cars, sustaining the loss of two fingers, his left hand, his face was injured, and he was internally injured.

The man was confined in the St. Catharines Hospital for six weeks. Fitzgerald & Fitzgerald for plaintiff.

Sarah White vs. Thomas White.—An action to recover alimony. The defendant is a brakeman on the Ontario Limited of the G. T. R., and resides in London.

Fitzgerald & Fitzgerald for plaintiff.

LET'S TRAIN BEHEAD HIM

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 24.—Rather than be confined in the inebriate ward of St. Francis Hospital, Thomas McDermott, a wealthy resident of Agnew, laid his neck on a rail yesterday afternoon, and allowed a train to decapitate him. He was being taken to the hospital by relatives. McDermott's death is traced to his inability to keep an agreement to cut down the number of his drinks.

While walking along the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago road on the way to the station with his brother-in-law, John Denne, who was taking him to the hospital, McDermott suddenly broke away, and laid in front of a train, and before he could be rescued the wheels decapitated him.

ELECTROCUTED IN WATER

New York, Sept. 24.—Pierre Collin, an employee in Chas. Rell's automobile garage at 71 Graham avenue, Williamsburg, had occasion to go into the basement of the establishment and search around for a section of steel shafting. The heavy rain had flooded the cellar. Collin waded into the water.

The water was heavily charged with electricity. His cries were heard by other employees, who pulled him out of the water, but he died before an ambulance arrived.

The insulation around an electric cable that ran along the floor of the cellar had worn away, and in this way the water had become charged.

HYMAN HALL OPENING

The grand opening of Hyman Hall for the season 1907-8 will be held Friday night, and every Liberal in London is invited to be present.

President Sippi, of the Young Liberal Club, has been assured by Hon. A. G. MacKay, the newly-chosen leader of the Liberal party in Ontario, that he will be present and deliver an address.

Other speakers will be, Mr. Fred Pardee, M. P. for West Lambton, Mr. Duncan Ross, M. P. P. for West Middlesex, and others.

The Imperial Male Quartet will be present and will render a choice programme.

TRAIN DERAILED 32 PERSONS HURT

Cars Leave the Track—Sleepers Burn—The Longworths in Accident.

Washington, Sept. 24.—Thirty-two passengers were injured, none of them seriously, by the derailment of the Chattanooga and Washington Limited on the Southern Railway near Ryan's Siding, Va., on Sunday. A broken rail was the cause of the accident. The entire train, composed of a baggage car, day coach and three sleepers, left the track. The sleepers were almost destroyed by fire.

Among the injured are: Joseph Abrams, Westfield, Pa.; C. M. Davis, Baltimore; C. D. De Linn, cotton broker Collins, Miss.; W. H. Geise, Allegheny, Pa.; W. W. Gennet, Bayonne, N. J.; Charles Kull, Pottsville, Pa.; W. L. Taylor, Baltimore; James Wade, Boston; Mrs. R. E. Wade, and young son, New Haven, Conn.; D. A. Walton, New Orleans.

Ryan's Siding is a small station 30 miles south of Charlottesville.

Cincinnati, Sept. 24.—Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth were in a railroad wreck on the Pennsylvania Railroad on the outskirts of Cincinnati Sunday morning on the last stage of their trip from Honolulu to their home in this city. The locomotive attached to their train struck an obstacle at South Norwood Station, was derailed and plowed across the ties. The train came to a sudden halt and the passengers were shaken up.

GREAT GROWTH OF THE DOMINION

Figures From Mr. Blue's Paper Read Before Manufacturers' Association.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Ottawa, Sept. 24.—Commissioner Blue, of the census and statistics branch of the Department of Agriculture, read a paper today at the meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in Toronto, on "Some illustrations of the growth of Canada in the twentieth century."

Mr. Blue pointed out that Canada's foreign trade in the last year of the nineteenth century was \$336,018,000, and in the sixth year of the twentieth century it had reached \$518,800,000.

The assets of the chartered banks in the six years have nearly doubled. The amount at the credit of depositors in the chartered savings banks last year was \$667,880,000, or \$309,590,000 more than in 1900. The same expansion is seen in railways, both steam and electric.

Mr. Blue quotes the recent census of the two new provinces, Saskatchewan and Alberta, to show the rapid growth of the west, and then goes on to give the census of manufactures of the Dominion, which was of particular interest to the members of the association.

In fourteen cities and towns of the Dominion there was an increase of 58 per cent for the five years ending 1905.

In conclusion, Mr. Blue says while it will not be claimed that the older provinces are growing at the same rate as the west, there is, no doubt, that all parts of the country have prospered in their varied industries, and there is no limit within sight to the greatness to which Canada may attain before the century is out.



PURSER "JACK" GREENE. London man who had a close call for his life on the steamer Picton, burned at Toronto.

HAND MANGLED IN CUTTING MACHINE

Mr. Roland Stevens the Victim of a Very Serious Accident.

As a result of offering assistance to a farmer friend near Delaware yesterday afternoon, Mr. Rowland Stevens, a well-known farmer residing just outside of London South, accidentally got his hand caught in a cutting machine, and sustained a badly-cut right hand.

At first it was thought that some of the fingers would have to be amputated, but Dr. F. C. Cowan, who attended the injured man, found that no bones were broken, and that with proper care the hand would be as good as new within a few weeks.

Mr. Stevens was passing his friend's farm, and, while chatting, the machine became clogged, and he attempted to free the blades. As he did so the machine started, and mangled his hand.

HAD BOTH LEGS AMPUTATED

Terrible Accident to Young Man in Toronto—Fell Under Car Wheels.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Toronto, Sept. 24.—Both legs amputated and with only slight hopes of recovery, William Perry, 26 years of age, a carpenter living at 862 Dovercourt road, is lying in Grace Hospital.

Perry was on his way to work this morning, when he went to get on a Dovercourt car. Not waiting till it had stopped he slipped and fell between the motor trailer. The wheels of the trailer passed over both his legs, mangling them terribly. In an unconscious condition Perry was pulled from under the car and laid on the sidewalk. He was then carried into Dr. Carver's office, and then removed to Grace Hospital. He was immediately operated on at the hospital, and both legs were amputated at the knee.



MISS ISABEL WILKIE.

Miss Wilkie is the brilliant Scottish vocal soloist, who has been engaged as contralto soloist by the choir of St. Andrew's Church. Miss Wilkie is a pupil of Mr. A. L. Galbraith, formerly lieutenant of the Royal Academy of Music, London, Eng. She came to this country from her home in Glasgow to finish her studies here, she having been a pupil of Mr. Galbraith's in Scotland. Miss Wilkie has sung in London at several public functions, and she has created a great impression. She is but 18 years of age.

NEWFOUNDLAND SWEEP BY STORM

Several Vessels Wrecked With Loss of Life—Sea Broke Over Railroad.

North Sydney, N. S., Sept. 23.—Fourteen hours late, the steamer Bruce arrived here, bringing meager details of the awful storm on the Newfoundland coast last week.

At Conception Bay a terrific sea swept the track, threatening its destruction and holding a train for fourteen hours. When the storm subsided the train crossed, reaching Port Aux Basques.

For miles along the railway from Port Aux Basques to St. John's the telegraph wires are down, making it impossible to ascertain anything but meager details.

Several vessels were wrecked in Bonaventure Bay and two lives were lost.

One vessel (Captain Parsons, owner), was lost with a cargo of fish valued at \$20,000.

Many fishermen lost their total season's catch.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—COOLER. FORECASTS.

Toronto, Sept. 24—8 a.m.

Gales westerly to northwesterly; a few showers, but partly fair, becoming much cooler tonight and on Wednesday.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	46	34	Clear
Winnipeg	42	30	Fair
Port Arthur	38	30	Cloudy
Parry Sound	54	40	Cloudy
Toronto	58	55	Clear
Ottawa	58	52	Fair
Montreal	58	54	Cloudy
Quebec	52	50	Rain
Father Point	46	44	Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES. The disturbance which was in Manitoba yesterday morning is now centered near the Straits of Mackinac as an important storm, attended by southerly to westerly gales over the lakes. Showers have occurred generally in Ontario and Quebec, and heavy rain in the Maritime Provinces. In the Western Provinces the weather has been fine and cooler, with frost in nearly all localities.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 37.5-70; Dawson, 34-48; Atlin, 46-64; Victoria, 48-75; Vancouver, 42-48; Barkerville, 34-66; Edmonton, 46-64; Calgary, 50-60; Battleford, 48-60; Regina, 48-62; Winnipeg, 55-60; Port Arthur, 46-50; Toronto, 44-66; Ottawa, 48-59; Montreal, 45-56; Quebec, 42-56; St. John, 54-60; Halifax, 54-64.

Action Against St. George's Society; Mr. W. H. Bartram the Complainant

Writ Also Includes Mr. Peter Birtwistle and Mr. George Pritchard.

A writ was issued this morning at the office of the deputy registrar at London of the high court at the suit of W. H. Bartram, barrister-at-law, who is a life member and a past president of the St. George's Society of London, against Peter Birtwistle, Geo. Pritchard and the society as defendants. The indorsement on the writ shows that the plaintiff's claim is on behalf of himself and all others, the injured man, found that no bones were broken, and that with proper care the hand would be as good as new within a few weeks.

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to the charter of said society. Cap. 98, Ont. Stat. 34 Vict (1871), which provides that the application of the funds of the society shall be restricted to the defraying of current expenses of the corporation, and the relief of persons whom the corporation may deem proper objects of such relief.

And for repayment to the said corporation by the defendants, Peter Birtwistle and George Pritchard, of the said sum of \$321 92, which was drawn by check of the defendant, Peter Birtwistle, as president, and the defendant, George Pritchard, as treasurer, from the moneys of the said society, at its credit in the Ontario Loan and Debenture Company, and in part or in whole, applied and appropriated by the defendant, Peter Birtwistle, in payment of certain indebtedness to him of the defendant, George Pritchard.

An for such other and further relief as may appear necessary and according to law.

Local Police Nail Man Much Wanted

Detectives Egelton and Rider made a clever capture last night when they arrested James Miller of Brantford. Miller is an itinerant typewriter repairer and yesterday afternoon it is alleged, got a machine from a Brantford firm to repair.

It was learned that he had disposed of it, it is said, and was heading for this city. He had only been in town a short time when the detectives spotted him and took him to the police station. He was taken back to Brantford again last night.

LONDON BY-ELECTION ABOUT OCTOBER 22

(Special to The Advertiser.)
Ottawa, Sept. 24.—The by-elections for the Dominion House will be held in the fourth week of October, about the 22. All the vacancies are in Ontario.

May Burn Peat in Lieu of Coal; Important Discovery in District

Dorchester Has a Peat Plant Which Is Delivering the Goods Every Day.

If the story of one of London's most reputable citizens, Mr. J. M. McEvoy, can be credited—and it most surely must be—the coal barons that are so busy at present raising prices on their products must, in a comparatively short time, meet the consumers half way, or go out of business.

For over twenty-five years scientists and capitalists have been busy trying to solve the problem of making peat in Canada. Reports state that the United States Government annually spends upward of a million dollars trying to solve the vexed problem.

A few years ago \$380,000 was lost in Montreal in trying to get to the

bottom of the question. Twenty-five years ago it was thought in London that the secret of making the famous product of the Irish bogs had been found, but the scheme proved a failure.

Millions have been spent in the vain search of the secret which would make its discoverer wealthier than John D. Rockefeller, but all to no purpose.

Londoner Succeeds.

It remained for a Londoner to make the great discovery, and not only has he succeeded in doing so, but his product is even now being used with great success by a well-known local brick concern, and in several private residences, including that of Mr. McEvoy, who declares that for stove fuel the manufactured peat cannot be beaten.

The peat leaves absolutely no ashes to clean away, there is no odor con-

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Most Peculiar Case of Albert Hughes

Dr. Hadley Williams stated this morning that an attempt will be made to cure Albert Hughes without cutting his arms off. Hughes is the unfortunate individual who was brought to Victoria Hospital last winter from the House of Refuge in Stratford.

He suffers from what the doctors believe to be a nervous disease which caused his muscles to contract to such

an extent that he suffers excruciating pain. He has told the authorities repeatedly that rather than endure such agony he would be willing to have his arms amputated.

Dr. Williams believes that by cutting some of the muscles of the arm, the contract might be counteracted, and while a complete cure might not result Hughes would be freed from the terrible pain which he now suffers.

West Middlesex Physicians Meet And Form a Medical Association

Dr. L. Hyttenrauch is the First President—Another Meeting in November.

At a meeting attended by twenty-five of the physicians of the western district of Middlesex held at Stratford yesterday, a medical association was organized with the following officers: President, Dr. L. Hyttenrauch, Appleton; vice-president, Dr. O. L. Berdan, Stratford; secretary-treasurer, Dr. W. H. Woods, Mount Brydges.

The following committee was appointed to draw up the constitution and bylaws of the association: Dr. J. Ware, who will read papers.

R. McCabe, Stratford; Dr. W. H. Woods, and Dr. L. Hyttenrauch.

Dr. James MacArthur of London, representative of the Ontario Medical Council, was present, and assisted materially in the organization of the association. He explained the work of such associations, and referred to the good work being accomplished by them for the medical men.

The matter was thoroughly discussed by all the members present, and by a unanimous vote it was decided to form the association.

The first regular meeting of the association will be held in Stratford early in November, at which Dr. McCabe, Stratford, and Dr. Mitchell, of Delaware, will read papers.

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

There Were 456 in the Dominion During August.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Ottawa, Sept. 24.—The Labor Department has been advised that there were 456 industrial accidents during August. Of these 166 were fatal and 270 resulted in serious injuries.

The collapse of the Quebec bridge increased the fatalities last August, as compared with August, 1906.

EDWARD ARNOLD

HAD LEG BROKEN

Was Climbing Onto an Express Wagon—Legs Slipped Through Spokes.

Edward Arnold, of 351 Clarence street, a boy of about 12 years of age, was climbing onto an express wagon when his legs slipped through the spokes of one of the wheels and the limb was broken. He was removed to his home, where a doctor set the fracture.



MRS. EVERARD BARING.

Famous English beauty, heroine of the Bishop of London's life romance. Two years ago the engagement of the Bishop to Mrs. Baring, then Lady Ulrica Duncombe, the youngest daughter, was announced. Dr. Ingram was heart and soul in his work among the poorer classes and his fiancée was deeply interested in his plans. For some unknown reason the engagement was abruptly broken three months after it had been announced. The Bishop appeared stunned by the blow which temporarily, at least, wrecked his happiness, and he left England for a time. Lady Ulrica was afterward married to Colonel Everard Baring.