

MERCHANT ASKS \$1,000 DAMAGES

Cellar of a Richmond Street
Store Was Flooded During
Storm On July 25.

CITY WILL FIGHT CLAIMS

Two Others Were Presented to the
Board of Works Last Night—
Referred to City Solicitor.

The city will fight all claims for damages arising out of flooded cellars. At the meeting of the board of works last night three claims were presented: W. F. Boughner and George Brown, Richmond street, for \$1,000; Norman McLeod, King street, \$500; and George Leith, Dundas street east, damages not stated.

"We should find out whether or not we are liable," declared Ald. Saunders. "If we pay one claim there are hundreds of others just as worthy, and we will find out that the city will have to pay enormous sums of money if a settlement is made in one case. If we send the matter to the city solicitor we will find out our position exactly. I move that this be done."

Ald. Tancock suggested that a committee be sent to interview the claimants to see what had been done. However, the majority thought it wiser to send the claim direct to City Solicitor Meredith and discover in how far the city was liable.

THE PORT BEACHES HUMMING WITH FUN

Lawn Parties, Dances and Athletic
Contests Very Popular.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Port Stanley, Aug. 4.—Miss Greta McLean, of Max Villa Cottage, Orchard Beach, entertained a large number of her London friends to a most delightful lawn party on Wednesday in honor of her guest, Miss Irene McNaughton, of London. The beautiful lawn was prettily decorated with Chinese lanterns, flags, bunting, etc. The afternoon was spent in playing tennis, croquet, and bowling. The tennis champions were Miss Freda Hunter and Mr. Simpson Parkinson, the winners in croquet to Messrs. Stanley Graham and Norman Tillson, while Miss Helen Webster and Mr. Norman Tillson easily demonstrated their ability to bowl. At the tea hour the hostess served a most dainty lunch. The evening, till a late hour, was given over to dancing on the lawn and spacious verandahs, Miss Albright, of London, presiding at the piano in a most capable manner. The party broke up only in time to catch the last train for London.

Miss Helen Graham, of Victoria Cottage, Erie Rest, is spending a few days in London, with her uncle, Mr. Thomas Knott.

A sneak thief visited the garden of Mrs. M. A. Ferguson at The Nook, Erie Rest, last evening, and helped himself to all the hollyhocks.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. McKillop, of West Lorne, and Miss Nellie Graham, of London, have returned to their homes after visiting Mrs. (Dr.) McKillop, of Lorne Villa Cottage, Fraser Heights.

Miss Kathleen McEwen, of Melbourne, is the guest of Miss Greta McLean, of Max Villa Cottage, Orchard Beach.

Miss H. A. McEwen and Miss Maybelle Albright, of London, are spending a few days with Mrs. G. McLean, of Max Villa Cottage, Orchard Beach.

Messrs. Martin and Jack Fox, of London, who have kept Jokers' Camp on Stanley Beach, doing business for the past three weeks, returned to their homes today.

Mrs. Herbert Lee, of Vancouver, and Mrs. Billy Hadden, of London, spent Wednesday at the Rambler Cottage, Willow Beach, the guests of Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Wilson.

The first bowling tournament of the season to be played on the Willow Beach greens by the Port Stanley Club was pulled off Wednesday afternoon, with Rodney and Dutton. The home rinks was composed of nearly all new men, so when this is taken into consideration they made an exceptionally fine showing and the score will testify. The totals were as follows:

Port Stanley.—Marlatt 21, Miller 15, Butler 21, Wheeler 18, Sutherland 15.—Total, 91.

Dutton.—Price 21, Shaw 19, Campbell 19, Rodney—Giddy 18, Graham 22.—Total, 99.

Miss Irene McNaughton has returned to her home in London, after spending a couple of weeks with her friend, Miss Greta McLean, of Max Villa Cottage, Orchard Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Stuart, of Stuart Glen Cottage, Willow Beach, entertained the Imperial Club of St. Thomas last evening.

Mrs. Wm. Ward and Miss Minnie Ward, of London, are the guests of Mrs. P. Stuart, of Stuart Glen Cottage, Willow Beach.

Miss Laura Stephenson, of London, is visiting Miss Greta McLean, of Max Villa Cottage, Orchard Beach.

Mr. J. W. Stuart, of the railway mail service, and wife, Mr. and Mrs. T.

Stuart and family, of St. Thomas, are holidaying with Mrs. P. Stuart, of Stuart Glen Cottage, Willow Beach.

A nicely dressed young man called on Manager Keys, of the Sterling Bank here, yesterday and asked to cash a \$500 check, drawn on a well-known farmer in this neighborhood. While the bank was communicating with the said farmer the young gentleman disappeared and has not been heard from since. The check was a forgery. The police are investigating the case.

The following Londoners are registered at Chestnut Grove: Mrs. A. Hall, Miss M. Hodgins, Miss Jane Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Westlake, Mrs. Somerville, Miss Somerville, Miss Johnson, Miss Pearl McGugan, Miss Agnes McGugan, Miss R. Parson, Misses Ada and May Parsons, Miss Ethel Loney, Miss Laura Wayne, and Mr. H. E. Parsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Whiteall, of London, Mr. and Mrs. Corbett, of Brownsville, Mr. and Mrs. McQuire, of Tillsonburg, and Miss Jessie Johnson, of Detroit, are located in Erie Vale Cottage.

Rev. O. D. Fournier, who has been visiting with his family at Idlewild Cottage, Orchard Beach, for the past week, left today for Roxton Pond, Quebec.

The Fresh Air Camp bulletin from noon Wednesday till noon today is:

Wednesday.
12:30 p.m.—Baseball game ended. Result: Fresh Air boys 7, St. Thomas Scouts 5. Batteries.—Fresh Air, Sam. Morley, Rusty Carruthers; Scouts—Sawyer and Major.

After dinner the camp was inundated with visitors.

After supper the young gentlemen kindly interested themselves in the operation of gathering fuel to be used later on at a bonfire concert. Captain Gregory assumed the duty of interlocutor, and the performers were ranged in a conventional staccato on one side of the bonfire, while the audience, composed of camp visitors and cottagers, were seated on the other. The following programme was "pulled off" amid much enthusiasm, and the scene as viewed from the real right down gypsy style.

Recitations by Fat Martin, "Mephistopheles."

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Song, by Jimmy Whitelaw, "Silverly Moon."

Chorus, by the troupe, "O, Canada."

Song, "Fresh Air Camp," by Cedric Chessman.

Recitation, by W. Richards, "Cradle Song."

Chorus, by the troupe, "Kelley," and "School Days."

Duet, by Birmingham brothers, "Come for a Fall."

Acrobatic turn by Sam. Morley.

Song, by Dr. Arnot, "On the Road to Mandalay."

Song, by Mr. Bentley, "Yes! Yes!"

Chorus by the entire company, "Pony Boy."

Song, by Capt. Gregory, "The Veteran Song."

Chorus, "Onward, Christian Soldiers" and "God Save the King."

The boys were finally quieted after a few camp yells, and after prayers doimed their "lingerie" costumes and retired for the night.

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BOARD OF WORKS IS IN A QUANDARY

Aldermen Do Not Know What
to Do Regarding Local
Improvements.

The board of works are at a standstill with reference to local improvements. At their regular meeting last night, they were decidedly at sea, and it was apparent that they did not know how far they could go in the matter. The majority were in favor of obtaining an opinion from the city solicitor as to what his former opinion meant.

The discussion arose as to whether or not the board would lay the sidewalk on north King street, from Ridout to the bridge.

This walk is absolutely needed, and as the city and the county are alone interested, it was thought that something could be done without interfering with the municipal act.

Wait For Solicitor.

After some discussion, it was decided to allow the matter to stand until something definite is learned from the city solicitor.

"He is in doubt as to what should be done," said Ald. Saunders. "If he is in doubt, I do not see where we can figure the thing out. All we can do is to get another opinion to interpret the first."

A number of petitions were presented also, and they were filed, although they were sufficiently signed under the old system.

"We do not know whether we can pay half, or any part of the cost, or what we can do," said Ald. Tancock.

"File them until we find out where we are at," said Ald. Saunders. "We can do nothing else."

FALL EXHIBITIONS

Dates of Agricultural Societies' Fairs
in Western Ontario and Large
Cities of Dominion.

Alisa Craig	Sept. 22, 23
Alliston	Oct. 6, 7
Alvinston	Sept. 18, 19
Amherstburg	Oct. 4, 5
Atwood	Oct. 3, 4
Aylmer	Sept. 27, 28
Barrie	Sept. 26, 27, 28
Blenheim	Sept. 22, 23
Blyth	Sept. 20, 21
Bothwell's Corner	Sept. 23, 24
Bridges	Oct. 4, 5
Brussels	Oct. 7, 8
Burford	Oct. 4, 5
Chatsworth	Sept. 15, 16
Chester	Sept. 19, 20
Comber	Oct. 4, 5
Cookstown	Oct. 4, 5
Delaware	Sept. 23, 24
Dresden	Sept. 23, 24
Drumbo	Sept. 27, 28
Dundas	Sept. 27, 28
Dunstable	Sept. 27, 28
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Emmville	Oct. 4, 5
Embro	Oct. 4, 5
Erin	Oct. 13, 14
Essex	Sept. 27, 28, 29
Exeter	Sept. 27, 28
Flesherton	Sept. 22, 23
Florence	Oct. 6, 7
Forest	Sept. 23, 24
Georgetown	Sept. 20, 21
Goderich	Sept. 18, 19
Galt	Sept. 27, 28
Glencoe	Sept. 27, 28
Hamilton	Sept. 27, 28
Hanover	Sept. 23, 24
Harrow	Oct. 4, 5
Highgate	Sept. 23, 24
Ingersoll	Sept. 20, 21
Kirkton	Oct. 6, 7
Kincardine	Sept. 23, 24
Thorndale	Oct. 4, 5
Lambeth	Oct. 4, 5
Leamington	Oct. 6, 7
Lion's Head	Oct. 12, 13
Listowel	Sept. 20, 21
LONDON	Sept. 9, 17
Lucknow	Sept. 22, 23
Markdale	Oct. 4, 5
Merrill	Sept. 23, 24
Milverton	Sept. 23, 24
Mitchell	Sept. 20, 21
Mildmay	Sept. 23, 24
Mount Brydges	Oct. 7, 8
Mount Forest	Sept. 23, 24
Norwich	Sept. 23, 24
Onondaga	Oct. 3, 4
Oro	Sept. 23, 24
Owen Sound	Sept. 17, 18
Paisley	Sept. 27, 28
Parkhill	Oct. 4, 5
Petrolia	Sept. 22, 23, 24
Port Elgin	Sept. 23, 24
Paris	Sept. 23, 24
Priceville	Oct. 6, 7
Ripley	Sept. 27, 28
Rodney	Oct. 3 and 4
Ripley	Sept. 27, 28
Sarnia	Sept. 27, 28
St. Marys	Sept. 27, 28
Seaford	Sept. 22, 23
Simcoe	Oct. 18, 19, 20
Springfield	Sept. 23, 24
Stratford	Sept. 15, 16
Strathroy	Sept. 19, 20, 21
Tavistock	Sept. 19, 20
Teeswater	Oct. 3, 4, 5
Thamesville	Oct. 3, 4, 5
Thornhill	Sept. 23, 24
Tilsonburg	Sept. 13, 14, 15
Tiverton	Oct. 4, 5
Walkerton	Sept. 15, 16
Wallaceburg	Sept. 27, 28
Wallacetown	Sept. 23, 24
Watford	Sept. 23, 24
Waterford	Oct. 6, 7
Wheatley	Sept. 27, 28
Windsor	Sept. 23, 24
Wilkesport	Sept. 23, 24
Woodstock	Sept. 23, 24
Wyoming	Sept. 20, 21
Zurich	Sept. 22, 23

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