

CLOSING DAY OF THE BIG FAIR QUITE A CROWD ON GROUNDS

Officers Expect Attendance
Will Run About as
Usual.

DOGS AND CATS ARE SENT HOME

But Nearly All the Other Exhib-
its and Attractions Are
on the Grounds.

This is the last day of the Western Fair, and the prospects are for as good an attendance as ordinarily. Saturday will be get-away day, and the attendance will be limited to the exhibitors and their attendants, who will be busy getting the stuff away from the grounds.

This morning there was a good crowd at Queen's Park, and the buildings were quite well filled.

The cars going to the grounds are well filled, and 5,000 or more people should be in attendance.

Usual Friday Crowd.

"We will have our usual Friday crowd, perhaps more," said President Reid. "There are quite a number of people in the city, and they are finding their way here. I look for more Londoners than usual today."

All the exhibits are in place, with the exception of the dogs and cats. These showings were closed at noon today, and the majority of the animals are now being shipped out of the city.

The live stock will be in their places until 5 o'clock this afternoon.

At the directors' meeting this morning there was little to be done. Some of the exhibitors complained that there should be a third prize in some of the classes. It has been the custom of the association not to award a third prize in a section where there was no competition, and so one of the exhibitors thought they were entitled to third prize, as it was not the animal, but the exhibitor.

Some minor matters also came up. It was decided to refer that of selling cheese butter exhibited, to next year's board.

President Everett Here.

Mr. H. A. Everett, of Cleveland, president of the London Street Railway Company, and family were entertained by the directors at luncheon today.

Among those present were: President J. W. Reid, W. McNeil, W. Moore, George G. McCormick, R. A. Carruthers, A. J. Fitzgerald, A. J. Saunders, James Murray, R. Oke, T. Hardy Shore, C. E. Trebilcock, W. W. Gamman, Dr. Routledge, Col. McEwen, W. M. Spencer, George Scattergood, Mayor Stevely, Secretary Hunt and others.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

Youngs and the Derbys, Two Fast Teams, Will Battle Tomorrow.

The city championship game to be played tomorrow at Tecumseh Park between Youngs, the champions of the City League, and the Derbys, champions of the Eastern League, should draw a very large crowd, as both teams have their friends, and it is likely that the Derbys will have large following to cheer them on to victory.

The game will start at 3 p.m., and as but one game is to be played to decide the city championship, it will likely be the last played in this city, if no arrangements are made with some outside team.

WIFE CHARGES HUSBAND BEAT HER

Toronto, Sept. 17.—Geo. Wellwood was brought before Magistrate Denison today on a charge of aggravated assault preferred by his wife Catherine. The woman is in the General Hospital in a very serious condition and may not live. Wellwood, who was arrested last night by Constable Black, was remanded for a week. He pleaded not guilty and elected to be tried summarily. Bail was refused.

TAFT FOR LAW REFORM

Says Administration of Law in the United States Is Too Much Delayed.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—Speaking with great earnestness to a mass meeting in Orchestra Hall tonight, President Taft declared that no question before the American people today is more important than the improvement of the administration of justice, and announced his intention of recommending to congress the appointment of a commission to take up the question of the law's delay. In the federal courts. The President said he hoped that the report of this commission, when rendered, would serve also as a guide to the executive branch in effecting remedial legislation.

GRAIN MEN CONVINCED.

Chicago, Sept. 17.—Grain men from all over the country and a few from Europe, in all more than 400, will be on the board of trade today. It will be the largest gathering of its kind that the grain trade has ever undertaken, and is for business and pleasure. Extensive decorations have been made in the Exchange Hall and all is in readiness for the reception which is to last two days.

Importance is attached to the business meeting, at which all the leading problems which confront the grain trade are to be discussed.

JAMES GRAHAM WAS SENTENCED

Man Who Stole Goods at Belle River Was Given 23 Months in the Central.

BIG BATCH OF DRUNKS

Appeared Before Police Magistrate Love and Were Soon Dealt With by His Worship.

There was a big docket at the police court this morning, but as there were a large number of first-time drunks among the number, in the usual penitentiary frame of mind, who were discharged with a warning. The session was not greatly prolonged.

James Graham, who appeared on two charges of theft, one of having stolen an overcoat and other articles from the Grand Trunk station at Belle River, valued at \$20, and the other of having stolen a camera, was sentenced to 23 months in the Central Prison and both counts, the sentences to run concurrently.

William McMullin and William Henderson, who were both charged with vagrancy, were discharged with a warning.

Hucksters Prosecuted.

John Eggert appeared charged with buying produce on a huckster, and then reselling as a huckster, pleaded guilty to the charge. He promised not to offend again, and was permitted to go.

James Mergar, charged with being disorderly, was remanded for a week.

The case of John Hooper, charged with cruelty to a huckster, was adjourned till tomorrow.

Samuel Pope, an elderly man, who was arrested for riding his bicycle on the footpath, pleaded that he was a stranger to the city, and did not know that it was against the law. He was allowed to go.

Arthur Wrightman, who fell out with Constable W. H. Down yesterday, was charged with assault. It seems that in the little mixup that ensued the officer's tunic was severely injured. This morning Wrightman was given the alternative of spending 21 days in jail, or paying for a new tunic, plus the incidental expenses of the case, which totalled \$22.50. He decided to pay.

A Batch of Drunks.

Edward Crowhurst, Joseph Quinn, Daniel Smith, John McKenzie, Abraham Nichols, George Brown, John Biggar, William Thornton, Samuel Kennedy and Annie Allan, were all charged with being drunk, the unanimity with which they explained that it was the first time, and would certainly be the last, was singularly touching. However, his worship decided to take them at their word, and they were all sent to the lock-up.

Elizabeth Haskett, charged with vagrancy, was remanded a week.

More of Them.

Alex. Dundan, for being drunk and disorderly, was adjourned for ten days. He chose the former alternative.

Samuel Bateman, an Indian hater, who had the misfortune to fall into the water wagon, was given an option of \$10 or 21 days. For reasons best known to himself he decided to take the days.

John Biggar, charged with cruelty to animals, was adjourned for one week. Biggar had traded horses with a man, who had given him a horse with a sore on its leg, saying that it was due to a kick. It was found, however, that the horse was suffering from a curable disease, and that the horse was not fit to be driven.

As the young man in question did not know this, he was not held responsible. He was, however, enlarged to see what he would do with the animal.

THE NEW STEEL STRIKE HAS PETERED OUT

Americans Were Determined to Work and Foreigners Fell Into Line.

Pittsburg, Sept. 17.—The second strike of workmen employed at the plant of the Pressed Steel Car Company, which was declared Monday, has brought the strike to a close. The climax was remarkable in the history of industrial disputes.

Having notified the foreigners that they intended to march into the mill carrying the Stars and Stripes, 2,000 American workmen who were not favorable to the strike, assembled early in the morning at the McKees Rock end of the O'Donovan bridge, and cheering enthusiastically, started toward the big plant. On the way 1,500 Chinese, Italian and 500 Italians joined the Americans. When the gates were reached 1,000 Slavs, Russians and Poles who had threatened trouble in the event any of the men attempting to enter the works, were encountered, but when they saw the great body of men determined to return to work they too fell in line and entered the plant. Anticipated disorder failed to materialize, and the strike was over. It is believed now that the trouble has been definitely settled.

JOHNSON BETTER.

Rochester, Minn., Sept. 17.—Governor Johnson's condition today is much more hopeful, and while the danger from pneumonia and other complications incident to an operation such as he has passed through is by no means over, there is some promise of a speedy recovery.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Sept. 16.—Reported at Boston—Caledonia, from Manchester; Cymric, from Liverpool.

At Liverpool—Haverford, from Philadelphia; Saxonia, from Boston.

At Southampton—Teutonic, from New York.

At Havre—La Provence, from New York.

At Cape Race—California, from Glasgow.

At Quebec—Empress of Ireland, from Liverpool; Manchester Spinner, from Liverpool.

At Plymouth—George Washington, from New York.

At Father Point—Corsecan, from Liverpool.

At Cape Magdalen—Corinthian, from London.

Make Bold Attempt To Rob Express Car on Rio Grande.

Leadville, Col., Sept. 17.—A daring attempt by five bandits to rob the second section of the Denver and Rio Grande passenger train, No. 5, was made about 11 o'clock last night four miles west of Malta, a small station near Leadville. The express car was dynamited. According to the trainmen no booty was secured.

It is believed the robbers climbed on to the two engines of the train at Malta. The train had proceeded but a short distance when two men crawled over the tenders and compelled the engineers and firemen to march back to the express car.

Engineer Smith, of the first engine was told to hammer on the door and order the express messenger to open it. The latter refused, and a charge of dynamite was placed under it and the door blown open.

The robbers rushed in, covering the express messenger with revolvers. Several charges of dynamite were placed under the safe, but without result, except to wreck the interior of the car.

After firing a volley the robbers fled in the darkness. One of the trainmen in the meantime had reached Malta, and Sheriff Campbell, with a posse, at once started in pursuit.

It is stated the safe contained a large sum of money. The train was known as the Chicago and San Francisco Express.



JUST ONE OF THE SCENES AT THE FAIR THURSDAY.

MAY SELL THE PRESENT GROUNDS AND BUY NEW PLOT FOR FAIR

Several Directors Are in Favor of the Move—Exhibition Is Outgrowing Its Present Site—Change Could Be Made So That Fair Board Would Make Money.

The attendance yesterday was the largest in the history of the Western Fair.

According to reliable information \$10,000 was received at the gates. This would bring the attendance to 45,000 at least, when the passes are taken into consideration.

The financial success of the Fair is assured. The directors are confident of having a good surplus over their expenditures. The exact amount of the surplus, and in addition there is a reserve fund, and some of it will be used in renting some of the buildings.

New Grounds.

The question of new grounds for the Fair was also brought up informally by some of the directors yesterday, and many of them expressed themselves in favor of selling the present site and purchasing a site larger in area, and more capable of handling the crowds.

They are outgrowing our present surroundings," said one director. "We could sell the present site for good money, and purchase a larger place. We could make enough money on the transaction to build some permanent buildings, and fit them up as we desire. I think the board will have to take that question up very soon."

ST. MARYS MAN BADLY HURT FOUND LYING ON THE ROAD

Robert Stevenson Had Been to London Fair and It Is Supposed That While Driving Home He Fell From His Wagon and the Wheel Passed Over Him.

Robert Stevenson, a well-known farmer, of St. Marys, was found lying on the road near Thorndale, late last night. He is very seriously injured, and his condition is believed to be fatal. It is thought that as Stevenson was driving home from London Fair, he fell off his wagon, and the vehicle passed over him.

Besides the injuries mentioned, both of the man's arms are badly bruised from the wheels running over them. Stevenson was taken to Thorndale, where Dr. Armstrong attended him. It is feared that blood-poisoning may develop from the wound in his head.

BIG QUOTTERS ARE IN LONDON

Semi-Finals in the Forest City Quoting Tournament Are Now On.

BELL DREW THE BYE

And Will Play Winner of the Callender-Polson Series on Saturday.

The semi-finals in the quoting tournament of the Forest City Quoting Club were played this morning. Bell, Callender, Polson, and James S. Bell remain to play for the international championship.

After the bye, and will play the winner of the Callender-Polson series tomorrow commencing at one o'clock.

The games this morning were very interesting. Bob Callender, many-time winner of the international cup, was pitted against Nickle, of Sarnia, last year's winner, and they had a great battle. Callender pitched well, and got the decision by 5 points.

Capl. Robson was pitted against Miller, of Fort Wayne, Ind., winner of the Dominion championship in Toronto this summer. Miller has been pitching great quots all season, and he gave Robson an awful battle. The county clerk had the majority of 2 shots at the end of a well-played and interesting game.

Jimmy Bell had J. Queen, of Toronto, as his opponent, and defeated him quite handsly.

Callender and Robson will pitch this afternoon. It is sure to be a great game.

The scores:

International Trophy—Third Series.

Callender 41, Nickle 36.

Robson 41, Miller 39.

Bell 41, Queen 25.

The second series is being played off.

SPIES IN THE SKIES

Balloon Used to Good Effect in French Army Manoeuvres.

Mont Lucon, France, Sept. 17.—The fall manoeuvres of the French army, in which 60,000 men are engaged, are attracting particular attention, on account of the work of the dirigible balloon Republique, attached to the army of defense. Although the field of operation is hilly and wooded, the Republique ascertained and disclosed to the defenders the plan of the enemy's campaign, and prevented them from falling into a skilful trap set by the attacking general. One army is using the new automobile service for the transportation of supplies which has proved very successful.

THE IRISH LAND BILL PASSES THE COMMONS

But the Lords Will Likely Modify the Measure.

London, Sept. 17.—The Irish land bill, which was introduced in Parliament March 30 by Mr. Austen Chamberlain, chief secretary for Ireland, passed through its final stage in the House of Commons today by a vote of 174 to 51. The House of Lords probably will pass the measure after modifying the clauses regarding compulsory acquisition of land.

BUILDING COLLAPSES AT WINDY CITY

Three Workmen Killed, Five Are Missing and Fifteen Injured.

Chicago, Sept. 17.—A three-story brick building, nearing completion at North Sawyer and Milwaukee avenues, collapsed here today. Three workmen were killed, five are reported missing, and fifteen were injured. Two bodies were recovered. Police and firemen made desperate efforts to clear away the wreckage.

BELIEVES IN COOK

Oliver Says He Cannot Accept Statement of Peary.

Dresden, Sept. 17.—Raoul Oliver, a member of the executive committee of the Belgian Antarctic expedition of 1897, who is now in Dresden, today expressed the opinion that Belgian scientists generally had full confidence in Dr. Frederick A. Cook, who won the esteem and admiration of the Belgian committee and the Belgian Antarctic expedition, of which he was a member, by his quaint and unassuming demeanor, his integrity, and his determination. He obliged to judge between the narratives of Dr. Cook and Commander Peary, Mr. Oliver said he would place greater reliance on the former. Continuing, Mr. Oliver said he was astonished by the severity of the attack on Dr. Cook's statement regarding the temperature at the pole was confirmed by previous observations. Peary's estimate was too low, Mr. Oliver said frankly that he disbelieved Peary's statement that he had travelled 25 miles a day, and he thinks the confession of the overstatement on Dr. Cook. The 24 hours Peary spent at the pole were insufficient to take copious observations.

Mr. Oliver was plainly much cheered at Commander Peary's statement that he would require more than abuse of Dr. Cook to win credit for his story in Europe. Continuing, he declared Prof. Oberhammer, with whom he had talked, did not reject Dr. Cook's recital, but was merely awaiting his evidence. The professor had read part of Peary's narrative and found it even less convincing than Dr. Cook's.

PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

Toronto, Sept. 17.—Wm. Smith, the third man arrested in connection with the blowing up of the Chinese restaurant on York street Wednesday night, said just two words in the police court this morning.

"Not guilty," said he, and turned and walked down stairs. The case was adjourned until next week when the other two men, George Woodward, of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and Herbert Wilkinson, also appear.

BISHOP MCLOSKEY DEAD.

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 17.—Bishop McCloskey, of the Catholic diocese of Kentucky, died this morning.

TOLSTOI AT MOSCOW.

Moscow, Sept. 17.—Count Leo Tolstoy, who celebrated his 81st birthday last week, came into Moscow yesterday for the first time for many years. He spent the night in his Moscow residence and left today for a nearby town to visit his friend, M. Pashkov, the leader of the religious movement among the better classes which resembles Tolstoisim. The count appeared to be in vigorous health.

MRS. SCOTT WILL REMAIN HERE WILL NOT BE AT THE INQUEST

Hearing Will Take Place at Thorndale Tonight—Story of the Finding of a Large Sum of Money in the Barn of Late Harvey Scott Is Now in Circulation.

Mrs. Wesley Scott will not be present at the inquest into the death of Harvey Scott, her father-in-law, who came to his death through a shot fired by Mrs. Scott on Monday last.

Certain requests have been received that Mrs. Scott be not compelled to attend the inquest, and as she has not denied the crime, and will be represented by her lawyer, it was not thought necessary that she should be present in person. Crown Attorney McKillop this morning stated that he saw no reason why she should be present, and that it had been decided not to subject her to this unnecessary ordeal.

Mrs. Scott's Condition.

On the face of it this action would seem to suggest that Mrs. Scott is not in as satisfactory a condition as the jail authorities would have the public believe.

When Dr. McArthur, the jail physician, was spoken to regarding her condition, he said he had not seen her this morning, but he believed that she was in about the same condition as usual. Had her presence been dispensed with at the inquest because of her impaired health, Dr. McArthur thought that he would have been consulted.

The jail authorities state that the woman's condition is improving, and that the signs of nervousness are gradually disappearing, and that she is eating and sleeping better, and that she does not show any particular interest in the approaching inquest.

A Money Story.

There is another story that is current in Thorndale that seems to be founded on a reliable authority. Mrs. Harvey Scott had for some time noticed the late Harvey Scott climbing up into the loft above the carriage shed. When she mentioned the matter to Constable James Gumb, of Thorndale, who has been working on the case, he considered that it was worth looking into, and in company with Mrs. Scott climbed up into the loft. There after some searching they discovered a large sack, which, on being opened, was found to contain a very considerable amount of money. What the money was being hoarded for, or why the owner had chosen such a place in which to hide it, is a question that has not yet been solved, and which may yet be found to have some bearing on the case.

SUNDAY CAR PEOPLE WANT NEW LEGISLATION

Will Appeal to the Premier to Change Act Which Affects London's Voting on the Subject.

An effort will be made at the next session of the Legislature to have the act amended that governs Sunday cars.

If the matter is left until the Legislature meets, a special vote would have to be taken.

According to the legislation promulgated by Premier Whitney it will be impossible to take a vote in London on the subject, as the population reaches 50,000. The city falls considerably short of that at the present time, and it is not expected that the figures will reach that mark for some time.

Appeal to Premier.

The advocates of Sunday cars will not remain idle. Steps have already been taken, it is understood, to make an appeal to Premier Whitney to amend the act, or else give London the special privilege of taking a vote on the cars on the basis of the present population.

A deputation will be organized to interview Premier Whitney and the cabinet in an effort to induce him to make a change in the law.

This may be done before December in order that if a favorable answer were received a vote could be taken in January.

BETTER THAN QUEEN BESS

American Workman of Today Lives Better Than Did Queen Elizabeth.

Washington, Sept. 17.—"The average laborer is today living better than Queen Elizabeth did in her time," said Secretary Wilson, of the United States agricultural department, today, upon his return from a month's vacation on his farm in New Hampshire.

"The farmer is producing more food than he needs, and is producing enough to meet the increase in population. I do not look for the prices to decrease materially soon."

The secretary was asked if the western farmers were really investing such large sums of money in automobiles.

"There is too much truth in these reports," he responded. "The farmer is out of date. He has money in his pockets and big crops continue to come on. He puts his money in luxuries instead of channels that might give a better return. Why, folks in the east do not know what luxuries are. They must go west to find that out."

UNITED STATES-NEW ZEALAND TRADE.

Washington, Sept. 17.—The imports from the United States into New Zealand fell off nearly 48 per cent during the first quarter of 1909, as compared with the first quarter of 1908, according to Consul-General William A. Peckitt, of Auckland.

The total imports have shown a large falling off, among them those from Great Britain, but the United States is the heaviest loser.

"This proportional difference is attributable almost entirely to the action of the preferential tariff," says Mr. Peckitt.

The total imports of the United States into New Zealand for the first quarter of 1908 amounted to \$2,511,645, as compared with \$1,340,305 for the same period of 1909.

HIT BY STRAY BULLETS.

Colborne, Sept. 17.—Colborne Village has had three different cases within the past two weeks where parties have been struck by stray bullets.

The last to be reported is that Capt. A. G. Willoughby was struck behind the ear by a spent bullet, while walking along the street, resulting in a painful swelling of the cords of the neck.

Citizens are up in arms against such wanton carelessness.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FINE.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Sept. 17.—8 a.m. Moderate to fresh northerly winds; fine today and on Saturday; quite cool tonight.

TEMPERATURES.

Today. Yesterday.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Low. High.

London. 59. 46. 58. 62.

Calgary. 44. 26. 48. 52.

Winnipeg. 36. 24. 48. 64.

Port Arthur. 42. 28. 42. 68.

Perry Sound. 68. 50. 66. 68.

Montreal. 62. 52. 62. 62.

Quebec. 62. 52. 62. 62.

St. John. 54. 46. 54. 64.

Father Point. 50. 40. 50. 60.

Victoria. 46. 36. 46. 56.

Vancouver. 46. 36. 46. 56.

Edmonton. 38. 80. 38. 80.

Prince Albert. 42. 32. 42. 52.

Moose Jaw. 45. 78. 45. 78.

Qu'Appelle. 44. 64. 44. 64.

St. John. 54. 46. 54. 64.

Halifax. 54. 46. 54. 64.