

THE WEATHER:
LIGHT WINDS, MOSTLY FAIR.
TOMORROW—FAIR AND WARM.

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HATHWAY IS GIVEN SIX YEARS

City's Fire Loss Caused By Lightning Placed At \$158,000

THORNDALE BANDIT UNMOVED AS COURT IMPOSES PENALTY

Mrs. Hathway Falls in Faint as Magistrate Utters Fateful "Six Years," and Is in Serious Conditions as Her Husband Is Returned to Jail To Await Trip To Kingston Penitentiary.

GLADMAN LECTURES PRISONER FOR RASH ROBBERY

G. Leslie Hathway, confessed Thorndale bank robber, was sentenced to six years in Kingston penitentiary when he appeared before Magistrate F. W. Gladman in police court today.

Work Would Have Saved Hathway

"The reasons which moved you do not seem to be at all adequate. I can't help but think that back of it all is the fact that you seemed to dislike the idea of getting down to real hard work. There were ways out of your difficulty and good hard work would have saved you. It was a rash and foolhardy act."—Magistrate Gladman in pronouncing sentence on Leslie Hathway.

FARMER CRUSHED TO DEATH BY POLE

William Eckert of Dunwich Township Victim of Un-usual Accident.

Special to The Advertiser.
Dutton, Aug. 6.—Crushed against the wall of a barn by the pole of a seed drill he was taking to the fields, William Eckert, aged 44, was so badly injured this morning that he died within an hour. The accident happened on the farm of Eckert's father-in-law, Daniel Quick, in Dunwich township, two miles south of this town.

ARRIVES AT SYDNEY.
Canadian Press Despatch.
Brisbane, Queensland, Aug. 6.—Commander de Pinedo, the Italian aviator, who is flying from Italy to Japan, arrived here today from Sydney, N. S. W.

The Weather

FORECASTS.

Light winds, mostly fair and warm today and Friday; thunderstorms in some localities.

Pressure has decreased somewhat, but is still fairly high and very uniform from the great lakes to the Atlantic, while in the west it is relatively low.

The weather is for the most part fair and warm throughout Canada, with heavy thunderstorms have occurred at some points in Ontario and Nova Scotia.

Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	72	54	Cloudy
Calgary	78	58	Clear
Winnipeg	80	58	Clear
Port Arthur	74	56	Cloudy
Parry Sound	74	56	Clear
Toronto	80	60	Cloudy
Kingston	80	60	Cloudy
Ottawa	86	62	Fair
Montreal	88	68	Cloudy
Quebec	80	62	Clear
Halifax	78	54	Fog

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 82; lowest, 58.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 70; lowest, 60.

Sun rises at 5:31 a.m., and sets at 7:36 p.m., standard time.

Barometric Readings.
Wednesday—8 p.m., 29.32.

Find Skull of Ice Age

South African Anatomists Make Discovery During Dissection.

Associated Press Despatch.
Cape Town, Union of South Africa, Aug. 6.—South Africa has yielded another cranial curiosity, which is attracting attention among anatomists and antiquarians almost equal to that aroused by the discovery early this year of a fossilized skull at Taung, Bechuanaland, described at the time as representing something midway between man and the great apes.

When the body of a native was dissected at the anatomical school of Cape Town university, it was found to have a typical "boskop" skull, virtually identical with that discovered in the Transvaal in fossil form in 1923 and traced to the Ice Age of probably thirty-five thousand years back.

Anatomists emphasize the interest and importance of the recurrence of a type of man hitherto unknown except in fossil remains.

BALDWIN STANDS BEHIND SUBSIDY

British Premier Declares Plan Proposed Is "Only Way Out."

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Aug. 6.—Premier Baldwin faced a crowded house when he arose today to move the government's supplementary estimate of £10,000,000 sterling to finance the subvention plan in the coal mining industry.

UNTENANTED HOUSE DESTROYED BY BLAZE

Old Rags Blamed For Fire in Premises at 310 Wharfedale Road.

An untenanted house, owned by R. Antonucci, at 310 Wharfedale road south, burst into flames shortly before 3 o'clock this morning.

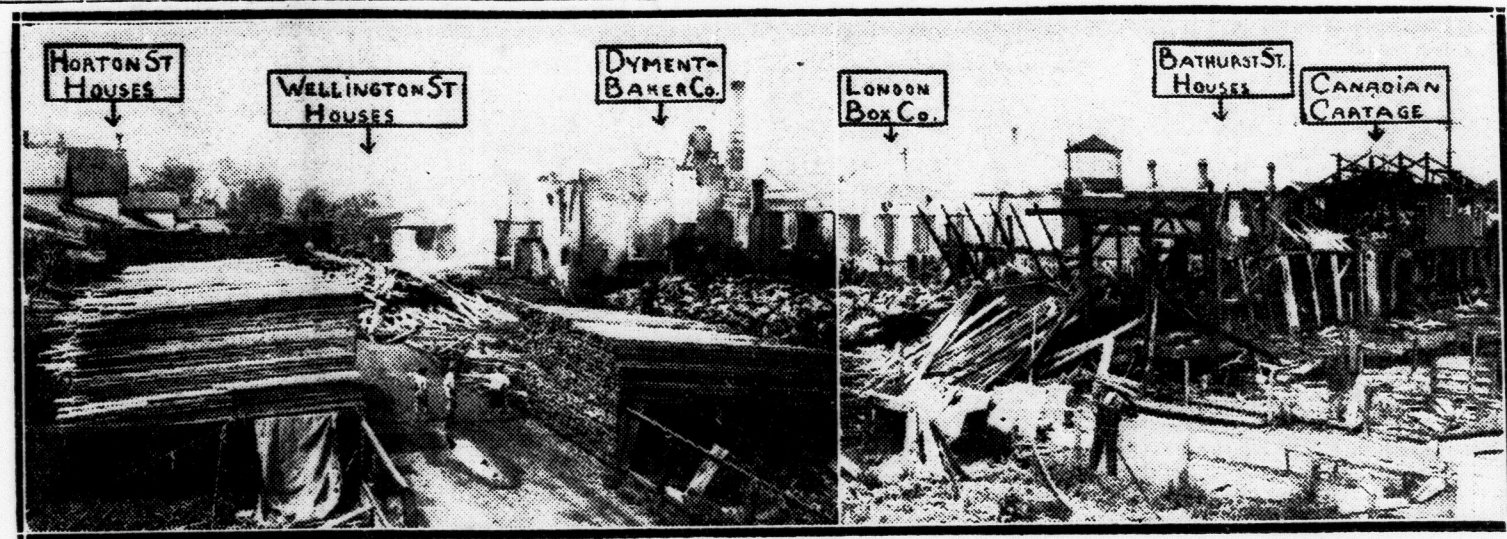
The house, a story and a half frame structure, was completely gutted. The fire started in an upper room, it is believed, where old rags had been deposited. Spontaneous combustion is given as the cause.

MOTHERWELL MAINTAINS IGNORANCE ON ELECTION

Canadian Press Despatch.
Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 6.—Addressing a Liberal picnic here Wednesday, Hon. W. R. Motherwell, federal minister of agriculture, declared that there had been no decision as to federal election this year and that the matter was entirely in the hands of the prime minister.

Two Weeks To See Opening of Fine New Brescia Hall

The new Brescia hall, Catholic seminary for girls, will open in two weeks. The beautiful building, situated on a hill beyond the Thames, will then receive students for the fall term.



THIS PICTURE, TAKEN TODAY FROM THE REAR OF THE HOUSE ON WATERLOO STREET, BETWEEN HORTON AND BATHURST, SHOWS ALL THAT IS LEFT OF THE LONDON BOX COMPANY FACTORY AND THE STABLES OF THE CANADIAN CARTAGE COMPANY AFTER THE DISASTROUS FIRE OF LAST NIGHT. AN INDICATION OF THE DAMAGE CAUSED TO THE DYMENT-BAKER PLANT AND THE SURROUNDING HOUSES IS ALSO GIVEN. LUMBER PILLS, SCORCHED AND CHARRED, BELONGING TO THE BOX COMPANY AND TO DYMENT-BAKER'S.

ALL-NIGHT VIGIL SAVES BLOCK OF HOMES AFTER BOX PLANT IS RAZED

Fires Started by Lightning Cause Damage in City Estimated At \$158,000.

FAMILIES DRIVEN OUT
London Box Company Suffers Most Seriously in Spectacular Bathurst Street Blaze.

ESTIMATED DAMAGE.	
London Box Company	\$103,000
Dymont-Baker Lumber Company	10,000
Canadian Cartage and Storage Company	18,000
Ruttie's clothing store	20,000
Store building	3,000
Residences	2,000
Miller's shoe store	2,000
Total	\$158,000

Only the walls of the London box factory, standing like a shell, and a heap of smoking hay and debris, remain today as remnants of last night's double fire, started by lightning, which caused a damage estimated this morning at more than \$158,000.

Ruttie's clothing store, Dundas street, burst into flames when it was struck by lightning shortly before 6 o'clock. The London Box Company, Bathurst street, became ignited a half hour later when a second electrical bolt started a blaze in the building. The fire spread to pillars of lumber owned by the Dymont-Baker Company, and to stables of the Canadian Cartage and Storage Company on the same property.

Examination of the burned building this morning revealed that the London box factory suffered the greatest loss, the damage amounting to about \$100,000, according to company officials. The Canadian Cartage and Storage Company's loss will amount to about \$18,000, and Ruttie's clothing store, \$20,000. The total damage will not be less than \$158,000.

Fire Chief John Aitken states: "Thirty-two families, rendered temporarily homeless when they cleared their houses of furniture in anticipation of spread of the fire, recamped last night when Chief Aitken gave assurance the fires were under control. The neighboring frame houses suffered to some extent when roof tops were damaged and scorched from the intense heat."

As soon as the fire is completely extinguished reconstruction work will be commenced, officials of the box company state.

Twenty-five teams of horses and scores of heavy lorries belonging to the Canadian Cartage and Storage Company, which were saved from the stables before the fire took effect, will be temporarily quartered in barns at the Western Fair grounds.

First Fire at Ruttie's.
The first lightning bolt struck electric wiring in Ruttie's upstairs clothing store. The entire stock of furnishings quickly took fire. The blaze started in the rear and worked towards the front. Water and smoke also caused damage to A. S. Miller's shoe store below. Firemen fought the blaze for half an hour. By that time it was well under control, and the second alarm was received.

Firemen Were Out.
It was almost 15 minutes after a fire alarm was turned in from the London Box factory that the fire department was able to respond. Every piece of apparatus was in use at the blaze. During the time which took to send trucks from one fire station to another, the fire spread.

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Thugs Shot By Police

New York Gunmen Fall Before Rain of Bullets.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Aug. 6.—One gunman, James McCann, was killed and two others probably fatally wounded in a raid on a Harlem crap game early this afternoon. The three men fell victims to police vigilance as they attempted to escape. McCann and two companions had lined 14 men up against a wall and collected several thousands in money and jewelry.

The other two, George Mueller and William Nagle, were wounded and captured. Both were taken to the hospital unconscious and little hope is held for their recovery.

ST. HELENA SCENES PLEASE PRINCE

British Heir Gets Warm Welcome From Islanders.

Associated Press Despatch.
St. Helena, Aug. 6.—A large number of the inhabitants of this island went aboard the British cruiser Repulse during its two-day stopover here on the voyage of the Prince of Wales from South Africa to South America. The Repulse departed last night, the prince remarking that he had enjoyed his visit and was especially pleased with the beautiful scenery of the island.

AMERICAN AVIATORS JOIN FRENCH FORCES

Associated Press Despatch.
Paris, Aug. 6.—Eleven United States aviators, who have volunteered for service with the French forces in Morocco against the rebellious tribesmen, left yesterday for the fighting front. Six of them went by air and five by train.

PROSECUTION FALLS ON SPOTTERS' RECORDS

Canadian Press Despatch.
Hull, Que., Aug. 6.—The trial of an alleged illicit liquor selling case in Hull police court yesterday afternoon had a somewhat dramatic development when one of the witnesses for the prosecution, placed in the witness box by the Quebec liquor commission, admitted under cross-examination that he had served three years in a penitentiary for house-breaking, white slavery and receiving stolen goods, while another admitted having served a term in a reformatory for beating his mother. Judge Miller, presiding over the trial, dismissed the case, and had some forcible comment to make upon the character of some of the men who were employed by the Quebec liquor commission in making their cases.

STEEL COMPANY ACCEPTS PLAN

Nova Scotia Coal Strike Ends After Five Months Period.

NEW CONTRACTS

Canadian Press Despatch.
Halifax, N. S., Aug. 6.—The British Empire Steel Corporation today advised Premier Rhodes that it had accepted the Nova Scotia government's proposals for a settlement of the provincial coal strike.

In a telegram from Montreal to the provincial premier, Roy Wolvin, president of the corporation, announced his company's decision to accept the settlement proposal "solely to avoid further disaster to the province and on your representations that it is for the general benefit of the people of Nova Scotia."

The telegram also asks the government to "devise ways and means for proper protection of our properties both from direct attack and from damage resulting from interference with maintenance through intimidation and forced removal of our officials and employees."

VOTE AUTHORITY

Associated Press Despatch.
Atlantic City, Aug. 6.—Authority to Continued on Page 3, Column 2.

BRAMPTON FIREMEN ARE WINNERS IN FANCY DRILL

St. Catharines, Aug. 6.—Brampton firemen won first prize in the fancy drill competition in connection with the demonstration at Thorold yesterday, which concluded the annual convention of the provincial association.

HIGH OFFICIALS QUIT JOBS TO SAVE CUT IN MEN'S WAGES

Bethlehem Steel Corporation Chiefs Forced Out As Economy Measure.

PRODUCTION LIGHT

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Aug. 6.—Need for drastic economy, with the alternative of cutting the wages of 10,000 workers is given as the reason for resignation of three principal officials of the Bethlehem Steel corporation.

The officials, whose resignations were announced yesterday, are: Subsidies are Archibald Johnston, close associate of Charles M. Schwab; H. S. Snyder, vice-president, in charge of finances; and William M. Tobin, general manager. The condition of the steel industry is such that Wall street expects retrenchment of other concerns.

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DRUGS, GUN USED IN 4 ROBBERIES

Thug Terrorizes Homes in the Vicinity of William, Nelson and Philip Streets.

CHLOROFORM USED

John Trebeker Outwits Burglar, Though "Covered" by Revolver.

Terrorized by a three-night series of burglaries perpetrated by an armed, masked bandit, who has robbed four houses and attempted to force entry to three others, people in the vicinity of William, Nelson and Philip streets are operating with the police in maintaining an all-night vigil in anticipation of the crook's return.

The houses entered and robbed are those of:
John Trebeker, 50 William street, no loot.
Steve Tichenchuck, 534 Philip street, gold watch and shoes stolen.
A. Woodland, 532 Philip street, London Box Company pay envelope, ladies' purse and wedding stole.
S. Martin, 11 Adelaide street, \$15 cash and two suits stolen.

The outbreak of burglaries in the district is reported to have commenced early last Saturday morning.

Chloroform Used.
At the homes of Tichenchuck, a Russian, and Woodland, on Philip street, the burglar used chloroform or some other sleeping gas to dull the senses of the victims. In each case entry was secured through windows partly raised with screens in place. Woodland, who is thrown out of employment by last night's raid at the box factory had just put pay envelope in his bedroom and lost it with its contents when the burglar made the raid. Both he and Tichenchuck are described as alert men, but both slept heavily through the episode and some hours later were awakened with the greatest difficulty. It is this fact that caused both families to report the drug theory to Detective Sergeant Harry Down, who is in charge of the case.

The robbery of Trebeker's home, a pretty, neatly-kept cottage on the northeast corner of William and Nelson streets, was one of the most sensational episodes of the series. Mrs. Trebeker slept with one of her little sons in the bedroom off the kitchen, while her husband with another child was in the bedroom off the dining room. The burglar, shortly after 2 o'clock, piled ash boxes found in the yard against a rear window and entered through the paneled door.

Awakened by Noise.
Mrs. Trebeker awakened, hearing a cold-air register squeak when walked upon. The register is covered in the summer months with a blanket. Believing that one of the children had awakened, she called, and receiving no answer, got up to investigate. At the moment the burglar sprang from the kitchen back into the pantry, the window, which had been left with the sash raised, was open.

Other winners were: Hose reel race, Burlington; rescue race, Kincardine; hook and ladder race, Niagara Falls. A surprise appearance on parade, Hamilton veterans (1831).

Claim Channel Is Not New One

Canadian Press Despatch.
Victoria, B. C., Aug. 6.—Reported discovery of a new channel from the "panhandle" of Alaska and into the Yukon territory did not come as a surprise to experts of the provincial government geographic service here, who said that the existence of this channel has been known to the officials for many years.

The underwater connection between the Yukon and the open sea is regarded as being of tremendous importance here.

During the world war the spectacular rise of its stock made millions overnight. President Eugene G. Grace's report recently showed that the corporation earned net profits of \$2,347,400, equal to \$1.31 a share on common stock during the second quarter of this year. This compares with net profits of \$1.61 a share for the first quarter.