

GROUP EMPLOYEES IN MANY CLASSES

Assessment for Compensation
Will Then Be Made on
Annual Pay Roll.

COMMISSIONER'S VIEWS

Railways Will Not Be Brought Within
the Scope of the Act Yet
Awhile.

Toronto, Jan. 9.—It is generally understood that Sir William Meredith has already in mind what form of workers' compensation act he will advise the Ontario Government to adopt at its next session. So far as receiving evidence, his investigations are practically over, and he would have settled down to his report very soon now had F. W. Hindsdale, of Washington State, U. S. A., arrived on the scene yesterday. His absence caused an adjournment until today.

The commissioner tacitly favors the grouping of employees into classes, according to industries, and assessing them according to their yearly pay roll. This form of assessment practically makes the employer responsible for the whole sum, instead of making the employees pay a share, which it has been argued, creates a more careful attitude on the part of the latter. This was opposed by W. H. Wegenast, counsel for the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, but now it is understood that he has made this concession.

Falling the attendance of the chief witness yesterday, the commission led a debate at the session in the parliament buildings which was more recapitulative than anything else. Among the questions were: On what grounds would the railways come in under the new act? Whether farmers' help should be placed in the hazard class? and whether compensation should be paid in lump sums or as otherwise specified?

No Railways Yet.
"I am not in favor of the railways being brought within the scope of the act yet awhile," said Sir William Meredith to I. F. Hellmuth, K. C., who represented them. "We might as well leave that to the commission, but, of course, they will be more or less under the control of the act later on."

Mr. Hellmuth did not object to such a move. What he was more particularly interested in was the prospect

of the railways being grouped. "If the C. P. R. has less accidents in a year than the Grand Trunk, then the former will be looking for cheaper rates," suggested Mr. Wegenast, "but Mr. Hellmuth wants the railways to govern their own administration of the compensation. It would appear that certain sections of the railway employees are in favor of this, and that a blanket rate be charged, but they want a board to which they can appeal in case of a dispute."

Harvey Hall, who appeared for the railway trainmen, was more interested in what form the compensation was going to take, and when informed that it would not be paid in a lump sum, said that he would not be in favor of the act.

"We are not going to waste time over such an argument as that," put in the commissioner somewhat hotly. "I will not recommend any scheme that will involve the right to lump money, and if that is the basis of the argument, it is particularly desirable that no outlay should be given to the commission to authorize that."

Social Legislation.
"This legislation is social. There is no disguising that fact. The basis of it is to prevent the workingmen from becoming a burden to the community. If this were not one of the primary motives of the scheme, it would be defeated. Such allowance of a lump sum hazards the squandering of the money, and if that were permitted it would defeat our primary object."

The subject then turned to the question as to who is going to share the burden in the matter of the railways—the community or the company.

I. F. Hellmuth offered the remark that the companies had already fixed their rates in a way of explanation that the company did not anticipate shouldering the people with greater burdens.

"The rates are very high," said Sir William, "and they are never fixed below what the traffic can stand."

Mr. Hellmuth pleaded that the C. P. R. should not be asked to pay the same rates as any other railway or manufacturer who would not be so sure on the standpoint of safety appliances installed.

It was estimated that some 400,000 workers would benefit by the act, which would cost the Government in the neighborhood of \$250,000.

ELECTED OFFICERS.
[Special to The Advertiser.]

Woodstock, Jan. 9.—At the annual meeting of the Woodstock Liberal-Conservative Club last night the following officers were elected: President, John A. McKenzie; vice-presidents, W. Barrowclough, D. Ross, W. Riddick; secretary-treasurer, H. Wichman; assistant secretary, Robert Scott; auditors, Dr. Welford, T. A. Forman.

TASTES AS WHISKY OUGHT TO TASTE

NEARLY ALL HURON IS DRY TERRITORY

Only Wingham and Brussels
Have To Be Added by
Local Optionists.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Gorrie, Jan. 8.—After one of the most strenuous municipal battles for many years, the council for Howick has been elected.

Mr. J. Hyndman, who has sat for councillor, aspired for the honors of deputy reeve; Mr. James Underwood, the deputy reeve, endeavored to hold his old seat, but Mr. Reuben Harding, a new man, defeated both, and was elected by the narrow margin of eight votes over his nearest competitor, W. J. Hyndman.

Reeve Winters has been presiding for two years; Mr. Joseph Downer, an ex-deputy, thought it was time for a change, and entered into the contest, and proved no mean rival for Mr. Winters only held the reeve's chair by a majority of 24 votes.

The council is as follows:
Reeve—D. Winters.
Deputy Reeve—R. Harding.
Councillors—J. Edgar, W. Crawford, L. Demmeling.

Howick for four years has been local option territory, and has been joined by its neighbors, Morris and Turnberry.

Huron is becoming steadily free from the influence of the bar. On the G. T. R. from Listowel to the lake at Kincardine, every town and township, save Brussels and Wingham, will be under local option. Ethel, Bluevale, Whitechurch, Lucknow, Ripley and Kincardine are all now in the white line.

Mrs. W. Evans has been seriously ill, but is slowly recovering.

HOTELMEN ALLEGING OPTION IRREGULARITIES

The Bluff at Kincardine Is Not
Feared by the Temperance
Workers.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Kincardine, Jan. 9.—Local option has been carried by a three-fifths vote, but owing to the close vote over the proportion required to carry it, the hotelkeepers and their supporters are making a loud bluff about having a recount and voiding the election by proving alleged irregularities by the local option party. The charges amount to nothing, as the law has provided for technicalities or irregularities, and as in the local case, the returning officer declared yesterday officially that local option was carried by a majority as required by law.

All the requirements having been conformed to, the law will come into force on Jan. 1.

The mayor and other citizens, accompanied by G. W. Ross, chief superintendent of postoffices, drove over the town yesterday to locate drop-letter boxes. These will be lifted twice a day.

THE SLIPPERY WALKS.
[Special to The Advertiser.]

Goderich, Jan. 9.—Following the recent storms the sidewalks were very slippery, causing many accidents. Mr. John Breckenridge fell and broke his leg. Mr. William Proctor, M. P. P., in falling sprained his wrist, and several ladies suffered minor injuries. The new ambulance has been very busy since its arrival in town.

CORB'S SPECIAL SELECTED WHISKY

District Personals

CODY'S CORNERS.

Cody's Corners, Jan. 9.—Miss Clara Major visited relatives in Hamilton recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Canfield, of Bond's Corners, were the recent guest of Mrs. Prouse.

Miss Eva Cody is spending the week with relatives near Lakeside.

Mr. Robert Jacques attended the funeral of his grandfather, Mr. Malcolm, at Otterville recently.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Fraser, of East Zorra, visited relatives in this vicinity recently.

Mrs. George Murray is critically ill at her home here.

Cyrus Day and Andrew Cody visited with friends at Hickson recently.

Miss Eva Cody is spending the week with relatives near Lakeside.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, of London, were recent guests of Mr. H. Greenfield.

Mrs. E. Harris, of Ingersoll, visited recently with Mrs. Greenfield.

Mr. Robert Houston visited friends and relatives in Derham over the week-end.

LAMBETH.

Lambeth, Jan. 8.—The Lambeth cement works opened yesterday, and will be in full swing making cement blocks of all kinds of brick and the shortly.

Mr. Sharon Kelly has returned to Toronto having spent the holidays with his father, Mr. John Kelly.

Mr. Sterling Wallace, of Vancouver, is the guest of A. G. House.

Mr. and Mrs. George Westlake, who have been visiting their son in Chatham, returned yesterday.

Rev. D. Williams has gone back to Toronto to resume his studies at Victoria College.

The Willing Workers, of the Methodist Church, meet at the home of Mrs. Wm. Plimcomb Tuesday afternoon.

THAMESFORD.

Thamesford, Jan. 9.—This being the week of prayer, Rev. Wm. Galbraith, of St. Andrew's church, is holding prayer meetings in different parts of the parish.

On Monday one was held in the lecture room of the church on Tuesday evening at Galloway Bros' on the eighth line, at Passadena, on Wednesday evening at the church, on Thursday evening at the home of Robert Kerr's in North Oxford, and on Friday evening at the home of Thomas Patterson in the Biggin road.

A meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held at the close of the prayer meeting, when Mrs. George Hogg was elected president.

Mr. Wm. Armstrong, who has been for a number of years in the employ of Henry & Alex. Hossack on the 12th line.

Miss Jennie McKay, of Grosvenor street, accompanied by her niece Nora Haney, is visiting Mrs. W. W. McLeod.

Mrs. Ernest Sandick and children are spending a few days with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weil.

Wm. Kurns, wife and son visited with Mrs. Kurns on Sunday.

Miss Sullivan visited in London Sunday and Monday of this week.

GODERICH.

Goderich, Jan. 9.—Miss Bernice Davis, daughter of the proprietor of the Bedford Hotel, gave a delightful party recently to a number of her young friends.

Miss Gladys Elliot has left to visit friends in Montreal.

Miss Isabel Proudfoot has left to visit in Windsor.

Mr. Russell Fox, teller in the Union Bank here, has been transferred to the Dunnville branch.

Mr. Carter, of Toronto, has taken the position of teller in the Bank of Montreal in place of Mr. Watmore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Collins, of Edmonton, are visiting the latter's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Whitely.

At a meeting of the General Brook Chapter, I. O. O. E., it was decided to hold a progressive euchre party, for the benefit of the hospital, on Jan. 16.

The fishing tug Two Macs sank at her anchorage yesterday, and is resting at the bottom of the harbor. The large fleet of grain boats wintering here are now securely frozen in.

GLENCOE.

Glencoe, Jan. 9.—On Tuesday evening in the Anglican Church, Miss Bowman, missionary lately returned from Japan, gave an interesting address on the manners and customs of the Japanese, and also on the missionary work being done there. Her address was accompanied by lantern slide views of the scenery, street scenes, heathen temples, and Christian schools with their inmates. Miss Bowman also exhibited miniatures of Japanese furniture used in the homes and of their street conversations.

Chas. McLean, of Toronto, visited Glencoe friends recently.

Mr. James Wilson has resigned his position at the postoffice. Miss Hazel Wilson, of Wardsville, is filling the position.

Mr. Alfred Aldred has returned from the West.

Miss Gladys McAlpine, of Ekfrid, visited her aunt, Miss M. McAlpine, recently.

WIARTON.

Warton, Jan. 9.—Rev. Byron H. Stauffer, of Bond Street Congregational Church, Toronto, delivered his lecture: "The Latest Fad to an interested audience in the Baptist Church last evening."

Miss Margaret Kastner entertained the ladies evening in honor of her guest, Miss Dorothy Mickle, of Chesley. Mrs. S. J. Cameron and Miss Margaret Sutherby were also hostesses at a tea and skating party given for the visitor.

Mrs. Alfred Logan went to Toronto yesterday to meet her mother, Mrs. Hall, of L'Orignal, who will spend the winter here.

J. E. Johnson is again mayor: Wm. Moberg is reeve, and the council is composed of the same members as last year, with the exception of J. S. Cook in place of A. E. Pickard, who dropped out.

THORNDALE.

Thorndale, Jan. 9.—Miss Ruth Hubbard, of Toronto, is holidaying at her home here.

Miss Florence Grant is visiting at the home of Mr. Wm. Hueston.

The Scottish Concert Company, of Canada, will give a concert in Harding's Hall on Tuesday evening, January 14.

The Women's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Squires yesterday afternoon.

Miss Rebecca Duffin left Monday to take charge of her school at Dashwood.

VARNA.

Varna, Jan. 9.—Mr. Albert Denison, son of Mrs. Robert Denison, after a number of years spent in the West, is visiting his mother and other friends here.

Dr. John Esler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Esler, is spending a few holidays at his home here. Dr. Esler has been in Alberta for the past three years.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Dunkin are visiting friends in West Williams.

The congregations of Blake and Varna have raised the full amount allotted to them by the presbytery of Huron as their share of the million-dollar budget.

CLEAN YOUR LIVER AND 30 FEET OF BOWELS WITH "SYRUP OF FIGS"

More Effective Than Calomel, Castor Oil or Salts; Gently
Cleanses the Stomach, Liver and Bowels Without
Nausea or Griping. Children Dearly Love It.

You know when your liver is bad, when your bowels are sluggish. You feel a certain dullness and depression, perhaps the approach of a headache, your stomach gets sour and full of gas, tongue coated, breath foul, or you have indigestion. You say, "I am bilious or constipated, and I must take something strong tonight."

Most people shrink from a physic—they think of castor oil, calomel, salts or cathartic pills.

It's different with Syrup of Figs. Its effect is as that of fruit; of eating coarse food; of exercise. Take a teaspoonful of delicious Syrup of Figs tonight, and you won't realize you have taken anything until morning, when all the clogged-up waste matter, sour bile and constipation poisons move on and out of your system, without a single harsh effect.

For the schemes of the Presbyterian Church. They also agreed to increase the pastor's stipend by \$100.

Special services are being held in the Methodist Church, conducted by Rev. Mr. Snowden, the pastor.

BLUEVALE.

Bluevale, Jan. 9.—Mr. Mrs. Wm. Gillespie and Miss Christine, of Rush Lake, Sask., are at present visiting Mrs. Gillespie's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gillespie.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Duff, of Welland, spent the holidays at Mr. Duff's home here.

Mr. Alex. Davidson, of Leamington, is visiting friends here.

Mr. George Greenwood made a business trip to Leamington recently.

Mr. J. C. Johnstone is at Toronto attending the horse races.

The annual ball given by the young men of Bluevale was a great success.

Guests were present from Listowel, Cranbrook, Wingham, Belgrave and Wroter. The committee in charge of the arrangements was C. Cleghorn and R. Atchison.

Mr. Walter Burgess, of Wolseley, Sask., is visiting his parents here.

Local option carried on Monday by a majority of seventeen.

THE DETROIT FLYER.

Thedford, Jan. 9.—Mrs. A. Aldridge, of Detroit, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Smith.

Miss Clara Kraft has left for an extended visit to her parents in Dashwood.

The young people of the Epworth League of the Methodist church are giving a sleighing party to J. Willie's on Wednesday evening. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the outing.

The Lamington poultry show opened here today with over 500 entries.

The election here was very interesting for school trustees. There were six contestants, three to be elected. Mr. Bryant headed the poll. The next three being even, the returning officer gave the casting vote, electing Mr. R. McKenzie and Mr. T. Davidson.

NORTH EKFRID.

North Ekfrid, Jan. 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Howe have returned home from their honeymoon visit with relatives in London.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kettlewell, of Melvin, Mich., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kettlewell.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Chable, of Oakburn, Man., are visiting with friends in this vicinity.

Miss Violet Fisher was suddenly taken ill with scarlet fever at Peter Perry's recently. Her condition at latest reports is fair.

Mr. L. L. McTaggart was the successful candidate for reeve of Ekfrid for 1913. The councilmen were elected by acclamation.

DETROIT FLYER.

While Slowing Up at Hamilton Junction Derailment Occurred.

Toronto, Jan. 9.—The Grand Trunk passenger train from Detroit, known as No. 2 flyer, ran off the tracks at "derail" just west of Hamilton Junction.

WEARY TIREDNESS
Changed to Vigor

THAT PLAYED-OUT FEELING
WAS QUICKLY REMEDIED AND
HEALTH RESTORED.

Story of a Merchant Who Almost Lost
His Business and His Health Through
Neglecting Early Symptoms of Disease.

"My life for years has been of sedentary character," writes T. B. Titchfield, head of a well-known firm in Buckingham. "Nine hours every day I spent at office work and took exercise only on Sunday. I disregarded the symptoms of ill-health, which were all too apparent to my family. I grew thin, then pale, and before long I was jaundiced—eyes and skin were yellow, my strength and nerve energy were lowered, and I was quite unfitted for business. In the morning a lightness in the head, particularly about the temples, made me very worried about my health. Most of the laxative medicines I found weakening, and knowing that I had to be at business every day I neglected myself rather than risk further weakness. Of course, I grew worse, but by a happy chance I began to use Dr. Hamilton's Pills. I was sorely struck by the fact that they neither caused griping nor nausea, and it seemed incredible that pills could so cleanse and regulate the system without causing any unpleasant after-effects. Dr. Hamilton's Pills acted with me just as gentle as nature—strengthened my stomach, and won me back to perfect good health. My skin is clear, dizziness has disappeared, and my appetite, strength, spirits are perfect."

Refuse anything offered you instead of Dr. Hamilton's Pills, which are sure to cure. Sold in 25c boxes, five for \$1, at all druggists and storekeepers, or by postpaid from the Cataractine Company, Buffalo, N. Y., and Kingston, Canada.

out gripe, nausea or weakness. Nothing else cleanses and regulates your sour, disordered stomach, torpid liver and thirty feet of waste-clogged bowels like gentle, effective Syrup of Figs. Don't think you are drugging yourself. Being composed entirely of luscious figs, senna and aromatics, it cannot cause injury.

If your child is cross, sick, and feverish, or its little stomach sour, tongue coated, give Syrup of Figs at once. It's really all that is needed to make children well and happy again. They dearly love its pleasant taste.

Ask your druggist for the full name, "Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna," and look on the label for the name of California Fig Syrup Company. That and that only is the genuine. Refuse any other fig syrup substitute with contempt.

LAXATIVE FOR OLD PEOPLE—"CASCARETS"

What Glasses Are to Weak
Eyes—Cascarets Are to
Weak Bowels.

Most old people must give to the bowels some regular help, else they suffer from constipation. The condition is perfectly natural. It is just as natural as it is for old people to walk slowly. For age is never so active as youth. The muscles are less elastic. And the bowels are muscles. So all old people need Cascarets. One might as well refuse to aid weak eyes with glasses as to neglect this gentle aid to weak bowels. The bowels must be kept active. This is important at all ages, but never so much as at fifty.

Age is not a time for harsh physics. Youth may occasionally whip the bowels into activity. But a lash can't be used every day. What the bowels of the old need is a gentle and natural tonic. One that can be constantly used without harm. The only such tonic is Cascarets, and they cost only 10 cents per box at any drug store. They work while you sleep.

tion, at 8 o'clock last night, and the engine, tender and front passenger baggage car were derailed. The fact that the train was slowing up approaching the diamond, saved it from a serious derailment.

The derailment resulted in a tie-up of the Grand Trunk traffic from the west, all trains arriving at the Toronto Union Station from the west last night being from two to three hours late. The Detroit train suffered no serious damage and the passengers arrived here at 10:40 p.m.

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Laxative Bromo Quinine
Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days

on box 25c
E. W. Grove

MOTHERHOOD SUGGESTIONS

Advice to Expectant Mothers

The experience of Motherhood is a trying one to most women and marks distinctly an epoch in their lives. Not one woman in a hundred is prepared or understands how to properly care for herself. Of course nearly every woman nowadays has medical treatment at such times, but many approach the experience with an organism unfitted for the trial of strength, and when it over her system has received a shock from which it is hard to recover. Following right upon this comes the nervous strain of caring for the child, and a distinct change in the mother results.

There is nothing more charming than a happy and healthy mother of children, and indeed child-birth under the right conditions need be no hazard to health or beauty. The unexplainable thing is that, with all the evidence of shattered nerves and broken health resulting from an unprepared condition, and with ample time in which to prepare, women will persist in going blindly to the trial.

Every woman at this time should rely upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a most valuable tonic and invigorator of the female organism.

In many homes once children there are now children because of the fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound makes women normal, healthy and strong.

If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

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Over 1½ Grains of Caffeine

A cup of Coffee contains over 2½ Grains.

Physicians recognize this drug to be of poisonous effect upon stomach, heart and nerves. Scientists employed by the U. S. Government found, in the famous Rabbit Case, that an amount of caffeine equivalent to that contained in three and one-half average cups of tea or two cups of coffee killed a rabbit.

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Multiply 1½ grains of caffeine by the number of cups of tea, or 2½ grains by the number of cups of coffee you drink each day, and you will determine the amount of poison you give yourself daily.

Eminent physicians are protesting against the present use of tea and coffee. (Your family doctor can vouch for this).