

THREE MORE NEW YORK BANKS HAVE SUSPENDED PAYMENT

Run on the Trust Company of America Continues But the General Situation Has Improved.

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New York, Oct. 24.—The Empire City Savings Bank, located at 231 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, posted a notice this morning, announcing its suspension for 30 days under the banking laws. The officials of the bank say the institution is entirely solvent, but they decided to avail themselves of the 30 days' notice of withdrawal under the state law, because they feared a run owing to the suspension of payment by the Hamilton Bank and Twelfth Ward Bank in the same neighborhood. The Empire City Savings Bank according to recent statements owed its depositors about \$3,300,000.

New York, Oct. 24.—The Hamilton Bank in West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street suspended payment today to depositors. A notice posted on the doors says the bank is solvent, but in justice to the depositors payment has been suspended until public feeling in banking institutions was restored.

The Hamilton Bank is not one of the large institutions in the city. Its location, in Harlem, gave it quite a good neighborhood, but it never was in any way a rich New York bank. Following the announcement of the suspension of the bank, news came of the suspension of the Twelfth Ward Bank, located at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and Lexington avenue.

The Twelfth Ward Bank is a state institution, and a state bank examiner will be placed in charge of its affairs. According to a recent statement, the institution owed depositors about \$3,000,000.

The run on the Dollar Savings Bank in the Bronx, which began Tuesday, continued today. Nearly 300 depositors were lined up outside the bank building at daylight. Many of them were women who stood all night in the line. A large percentage of the Dollar Savings Bank's depositors are foreigners.

New York, Oct. 24.—At 9:30 there were about 1,500 persons in line in front of the Trust Company of America's main office in Wall street waiting for the opening of business.

The Trust Company of America began payments to its depositors promptly at 10 a.m.

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Reduction Won't Affect London C. P. R. Officials Give Assurance

Order to Cut Expenses Will Not Be Felt in This Locality.

The idea is to close down the Montreal shops in so far as the new work is concerned, retaining only such a staff as is necessary to make repairs, etc. The men, so far as is practicable, will be paid on half-time, and the remainder discharged. The order affects three thousand men in Montreal alone. The work of discharging and reducing has already begun, and will be completed within a few days.

At Montreal and other places, however, the order has gone forth to cut down expenses over one-half, and as a consequence there will be many men along the C. P. R. thrown out of employment.

C. P. R. officials in this city today stated to The Advertiser, that the order to reduce expenses along the C. P. R. line will not affect London in any way. The usual full reductions in the section working gangs, which have been employed in repairing the tracks will, of course, go into effect, but beyond that there will be no reduction in expenses.

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Local Cases Tried at Osgoode Hall

In high court of justice, Toronto before Chief Justice Falconbridge and Justices Britton and Riddell arguments in the case of James vs. Gibson, Edmund Weld (London), for defendant, appealed from judgment of Judge of county court of Middlesex at the trial, Aug. 14, 1907, finding in favor of the plaintiff for \$75. The action is to recover \$82.50, being the amount of five years' rent alleged to be owing by defendant under a certain award of arbitrators, for the use of lands and fences.

Water Is Low in the North Branch

"If there is anything in the old adage that there will be no winter until the creeks are full, we will have a fine fall until the 31st, and then we may have a few snow flurries," said a north end resident this morning. "Did you see the north branch of the river? There is hardly enough water in that part of the river to float a duck. We have had a lot of rain during the past month or so, but there is no appreciable difference in the quantity of water there than during the drought of the summer. There is scarcely any water running there at all. I was surprised. I have watched it for a number of years now, and the amount of water in the north branch is steadily decreasing. It would be a great object lesson for those who are in favor of the north branch scheme to take a trip out there and go over the whole branch. It is amazing, I tell you, what little water there is there. In other years, there would be plenty of water, and it would make the filtration scheme feasible. No filtration for the water there."

Up Go the Prices of Beer in London

The price of beer has gone up in London. Yesterday a circular was sent out to the trade, by the brewers in the city and those brewers doing business in the city, putting up the prices. The heading on the circular shows that it comes from the Brewers' and Maltsters' Association of Ontario. In future bottled ale, porter and stout will be \$1 a dozen for quarts, and 70 cents for pints, less a discount of 5 per cent if paid by the 15th of the month following the order. For draught ale and porter the price has been advanced to 32 cents per imperial gallon, with a discount of 5 per cent, if paid within 30 days. The advance is ten cents a dozen on quarts and pints for bottled ale, porter and stout, and three cents per gallon on the draught goods. The retail trade only received their notice yesterday, and have not had time to consider what action they may take. Unless they advance prices, which apparently they do not feel in

TRACY ELECTS TO BE TRIED BY JURY

He Will Likely Remain in Jail Until December.

The first sitting of the county judges' criminal court held during the present quarter, which began the 1st of October, was held this morning, when William Tracy, the young Englishman who was recently arrested on a charge of having attempted an assault on a young lady at the London Asylum for the Insane, appeared to elect trial before Judge Macbeth.

The charge of attempted assault was not brought up against Tracy when he appeared in court this morning, he being charged with breaking into a residence at the Asylum instead.

Tracy is youthful appearing, of perhaps 19 years in weight. He appeared very nervous.

After hearing the charge Mr. Judd, on behalf of the prisoner, elected trial by judge and jury, which means that Tracy will have to remain in jail until the December sessions, unless he can furnish bail in the meantime. The amount of bail was not fixed, as Mr. Judd stated that he was unable to procure bonds for his client at the present time.

STRICKEN WHILE RIDING ON A CAR

Mr. Henry Griffin, of South London, Lying at Point of Death.

As a result of a stroke of apoplexy which attacked him early last evening while riding on a street car, Mr. Henry Griffin, a contracting teamster, now lies at the point of death in his home at 54 Askin street. Mr. Griffin, who is about 74 years of age, was riding on a belt line car toward his home when he suddenly collapsed.

Passengers rushed to his assistance and found that his body was stiff, as if stricken with paralysis. One of the passengers happened to know Mr. Griffin, and the car was rushed as quickly as possible to the Wharfedale hospital. As soon as the stricken man could be carried to his home a physician was called.

Almost the entire body was found to be in a state of paralysis, and his recovery is looked upon as impossible. There are five children in the Griffin family, all grown up.

MEN LAID OFF LACK OF MONEY

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Oct. 24.—A report circulated here this morning that the Canadian Foundry Company had laid off 200 hands on account of the financial stringency, Frederick Nicholls, interviewed, admitted that the night gang of blacksmiths had been laid off. This was the result of a demand of the blacksmiths, 85 in number, for an increase in wages of 10 per cent. The men are paid 25 to 30 cents an hour. Mr. Nicholls pointed out the necessity for retrenchment on account of the diminished purchasing power of the dollar, and instead of granting an increase, about 50 of the night gang were dismissed.

ACCUSE BREWERS TRUST

Ottawa Retailers Claim They Are Being Unfairly Treated. Ottawa, Oct. 24.—In regard to the raise in the price of beer announced by the brewers, the local retailers are sore at the surprise laid upon them. It is alleged that associations with high-sounding titles and high fees are formed for the purpose of lighting local option, and other prohibitive measures, but in reality to assist the brewers' trust. The local option parties are aiding them, say the local retailers, who suggest, too, that the Government should investigate the Ontario Brewers' combine.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR. FORECASTS.

Toronto, Oct. 24—8 a.m.			
Today—Moderate south and southwest winds; fine.			
Friday—Westerly winds; fair.			
TEMPERATURES.			
Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	25	25	Clear
Winnipeg	24	24	Clear
Port Arthur	32	24	Cloudy
Toronto	32	26	Clear
Ottawa	30	24	Fair
Montreal	32	30	Fair
Quebec	32	32	Cloudy
Father Point	34	32	Cloudy

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

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES. London, 32.5—50; Ayles, 26—34; Victoria, 46—55; Vancouver, 47—55; Calgary, 40—52; Edmonton, 44—56; Regina, 32—42; Port Arthur, 22—38; Parry Sound, 28—46; Toronto, 35—44; Ottawa, 36—46; Montreal, 38—44; Quebec, 39—46; St. John, 46—52; Halifax, 28—38.

Small Boy Almost Caused Tragedy Sets Fire to Leaves Near Girl

Child's Dress Was Smoking Before She Realized Her Danger.

A couple of boys caused a terrifying experience to a little girl and her mother Tuesday evening. The little girl, who lives on Piccadilly street, was taking up the leaves in front of the house and was standing in a big pile of them. A milk wagon drove up near her, and one of the boys in the rig slipped up, and running behind the little girl set fire to the leaves. She did not notice nor hear him. The girl's mother was in an upper room of the house, and seeing the fire rapped on the window.

Bad Row at Suburban Hotel Edward Gunn Lays Charge of Assault

Alleges the Bartender Struck Him When He Was Doing His Duty.

Very much excited, and with a jaw that was swollen to twice its normal size, Edward Gunn, of Pottersburg, rushed into the county buildings this morning on a search for Squire Chittick, before whom he laid a charge of aggravated assault against a bartender named Summer, employed at the Barnes House in Pottersburg. Gunn's story was to the effect that he had for some time been employed at the Barnes House looking after some thoroughbred horses, and that this morning the bartender kicked him in the jaw for no reason at all, except, perhaps, a desire to show his ability in that line.

How Late Wm. Bowers Met His Death

Mr. Edward Bowers, of the Hotel Savoy, has received particulars, although somewhat meagre, as yet, concerning the death of his brother William Bowers, who was killed at Medicine Hat on Wednesday day. He received a Winnipeg paper with an account of the accident.

Keymen Expect Early Settlement Of Differences With Grand Trunk

Mr. W. W. Ashald, of Montreal, general superintendent of the Grand Trunk Telegraph system, was in the city yesterday afternoon, and when seen by The Advertiser stated that there was practically no new developments regarding the telegraph operators' requests. "The matter will, no doubt, be settled this week," said Mr. Ashald, "as a meeting has been arranged between the operators' committee and Mr. Fitzhugh, third vice-president of the Grand Trunk. The question at issue submitted to the Government, and in a Grand Trunk man, or, if carried out, may result disastrously on the road. For some months a committee composed of leading men from all the Canadian railroads have been busily engaged in drawing up a set of rules that can be applied to the operation of all railroads. A few weeks ago the new rules were completed, and have been submitted to the Government, and in a short time, we are hoping, they will be passed upon and adopted."

\$91,930 Cut Off the Assessment

The court of revision has finished its work for the year, and the total reduction in the assessment is \$91,930. The work of the court resulted as follows: Ward No. 1.—\$82,842 loss. Ward No. 2.—\$3,757 loss. Ward No. 3.—\$6,851 gain. Ward No. 4.—\$6,122 loss. In 1906, the reduction amounted to \$61,942, divided as follows: Ward No. 1, \$31,306; Ward No. 2, \$10,157; Ward No. 3, \$14,258; Ward No. 4, \$6,222.

Telegraph Messengers Want More Pay

The increase cost of living is being felt everywhere. Even the local telegraph messengers have felt it, and now they threaten to go on strike. They are a dozen in number, but a million in grievances. "How kin I take me goil to Ben-

QUAKE DESTROYS ITALIAN VILLAGES

Rome, Oct. 24.—The earth shocks, which were felt throughout yesterday, caused considerable damage, destroying two villages, but so far as known only ten lives were lost. To add to the desolation, it was raining in torrents, which resulted in much suffering among the homeless people. The cathedral at Torre Di Gerace was thrown down, as was an ancient tower, which had withstood all the Calabrian earthquakes for centuries past.

LABOR MEETING IN S. LONDON CANDIDATE AND OTHERS SPEAK

Major Beattie Criticised—Hon. Mr. Hyman Spoken Highly Of by Montrealer.

A meeting in the interests of Mr. John D. Jacobs, the Labor candidate, was held last night in Trillick's Hall, South London. There was a fair crowd present, and the speakers were given a splendid hearing. Besides the candidate, Mr. A. Verville, M. P., Montreal; Mr. J. G. O'Donoghue, Toronto; Mr. Allan Studholme, M. P. P., Hamilton, and Mr. Jos. T. Marks, of London, delivered addresses.

The Labor Movement. Mr. Marks, the chairman, made a brief speech. He spoke of the great growth of the labor movement of later years. New Zealand, for instance, was a country deep in debt, and its people were leaving for other countries. The labor people then began to take an interest in public matters. Labor men were elected to parliament. Now New Zealand was the most prosperous colony under the British flag. What made it so? The people elect-

Labor Men and Municipal Offices

"With an assurance that there will be at least three candidates for the mayoralty at the coming municipal elections, there is a move on the part of the workmen to put up a candidate of their own at the coming municipal elections. At present the Labor party itself is so busily engaged with the by-election that municipal matters have been entirely neglected. The success of the party at the last election, when an alderman was elected, has inspired the party with confidence. For Mayoralty. "So far as I know there has been nothing definite done as yet about a candidate for the mayoralty," said a prominent Labor man this morning.

No Need for Alarm in Canada So Says Prominent Local Banker

Wall Street Crash Will Serve to Clear the Air—Is Very Optimistic.

"Canadians need not be alarmed at the conditions in New York," said a prominent banker to The Advertiser this morning. "I do not think that the Canadian banks will be affected very much by the conditions at present in Wall street. I am no prophet, and I really cannot say what is going to happen there. But we are prepared for any possible happening in the financial world. The heads of all the institutions foresee this trouble, and have prepared for it. That explains the tightness of money that has obtained for a year or more past. It was discovered that there was widespread speculation in stocks and real estate all over Canada. Businessmen who had a good line of credit were using that credit, not so much in their business as in speculation. Put a Stop to It. "The banks thought that such a condition must be put a stop to. So the credit of many firms was cut down. The banks refused to advance money for such purposes. Any business man who was known to have a good line of credit, and was showing too much interest in the stock exchange—in fact, warned that he must cease. The banks have pursued that policy for nearly a year now, and the result has been that there has been almost a complete cessation of stock speculation. Will Clear the Air. "This will clear the air, then, you think," was ventured. "Oh, yes, it was needed," he answered. "Stocks will assume their more real values. Investments will improve. There are many of these stocks held in Canada now, but they have been bought outright. When they assume their normal value, the Canadian investor will be all right."

G. T. R. Will Not Lay Off Its Men

Superintendent Brownlee passed through the city on No. 6 this morning. "Nothing new," he said to The Advertiser. "I have just come from the Tunnel, and find that we will be unable to operate our new electric apparatus before the first of the year. There has been a great deal of delay in obtaining material, and labor conditions are such that the work cannot be completed for some time yet. It was supposed that the system would have been in operation by the end of August, but it was found that that was impossible."

Will Not Affect G. T. R.

Questioned as to whether the move of the C. P. R. at Montreal in laying off a large number of men in their shops would have any effect upon the G. T. R. shops in this city, Mr. Brownlee said: "No, not the slightest. As soon as the present addition is finished there is plenty of work waiting to be done, and at present the shops have all they can take care of."

Protest Against Remission of Fines

A short time ago the council considered a petition from C. W. Wonnacott, of St. Thomas, who had been fined by Magistrate Love for running an automobile without any lights. The council decided to remit a portion of the fine. Now there is a petition from a local man, who was fined a few days ago, to have his fine remitted. Magistrate Love and Chief Williams do not approve of this policy at all, especially Chief Williams, who regards it as a menace to the discipline of the force. "It is not fair at all," said Chief Williams, this morning. "These men simply laugh at the police now, and say, 'All right, you can arrest us if you choose, but we will go to the council and get any fine remitted.' The consequence is that the tendency is for the policeman not to be so particular. The men are always perfectly satisfied with the decisions of Magistrate Love and have full confidence in his judgment after he has heard the evidence. The council never hears any evidence at all, but just listen to the story of the man with the petition, and take his side of it. The man puts up a plausible story and the council decide to remit his fine. What use is there in having a magistrate if you are not going to accept his decisions, and what use is it for the police to go to a lot of trouble and run down a man if their work is to be set aside by a few aldermen, who do not even hear any evidence."