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JOINT BUILDING EXCITES HUMOR

It Is Taken for Granted That the County Is Only Seeking to Placate the Presiding Judge at Each Assize Court—Some Facts of the City and County Buildings.

A new joint city and county building is again to the fore, and the city council will in a short time deal with the question. The suggestion was the outcome of a conference between the board works and the county council committee yesterday, but there is a disposition at the city hall to treat the suggestion with levity

It is taken as a means of delaying the repairs to the court house jail for a considerable period-perhaps, many years. The suggestion does not mean a six months' hoist exactly, but it is taken to mean that the wrath of the presiding judge at each assize court will be

mollified when he is informed that the city and county are negotiating for the erection of newer and better equipped buildings. ABOUT THE COURT HOUSE. present court house is valued at \$88,000, of which \$28,000 is for the

land. It is owned by the county of Middlesex, but the city pays a rental each This rental is based on certain percentages, of the cost of maintain-Last year the city expended nearly \$11,000 on the court house and the This included sheriff's fees, witness fees, maintenance of prisoners

In other words, nearly one-half mill on the tax rates was devoted to that purpose.

There is a growing sentiment in the city, and particularly among the

aldermen, that the city should erect its own buildings, and maintain a suitable court house and jail. SELL THE CITY HALL. One suggestion is that the city should dispose of the present city hall

and police court, and erect a building on a corner of the park, opposite Kent street. It would then be unnecessary to purchase a site for the building, and the result would be that the city could practically finance such an edifice out of the receipts from the present city hall and the police court Provision could be made in this building for holding courts, care

prisoners, etc., and the one system of heating, ventilating, etc., could be There is a great need of more office room at the city hall, and this building would solve the problem.

At the present time it will be necessary, in all probability before the year is out, to provide suitable office room for the clerks and staff of the Niagara power plant and other engineers, etc.

"It is a big problem and will have present city hall and the police court "The suggestion of a joint building seems indefinite, and is, perhaps, a desire to put the subject over for the time being."

DOG OWNERS SHOW FIGHT PHYSICIAN WILL APPEAL NO EXCUSE LISTENED TO

Dr. H. A. Stevenson Shows That Muzzle Was Stolen From His Setter, But Acting Magistrate Beattie Simply Applied the Fine-Other Citizens Were Very Angry.

There were a couple of lively dising when citizens charged with allowing their dogs to be at large without and laid an information. Mr. Coles tured. muzzles, were fined \$2.

Dr. H. A. Stevenson, after being his dog was out. fined, gave notice that he would appeal the case.

It was shown that his dog was at It was shown that his dog was at a grocery man. large on Sunday morning without any

muzzle, and he was charged with per- Mayor Beattie. mitting it to be so. I took particular pains to see to the Mr. Richard Condon, of Clarence matter myself. He came back with- street, said someone had left a gate out a muzzle on, but that is not my open and his dog got out. It is fair to blame me."

found the dog out without a muzzle, John H. Phillips each paid \$2 for aland laid the information.

Another Case. at the police court this morn-also talked plainly to the court. P. C. more said someone had told the officer that

"I will have to fine you \$2," said

"Are you sure you have that markdog was muzzled when I let him out. ed paid," asked Mr. Coles as he handtook particular pains to see the

fault. I have had three muzzles stolen and have taken every precaution to Mr. Condon handed Mr. Moule a check keep the dog muzzled. I do not think that he had already written out. Messrs. William Buller, S. W. Mower Sergeant Lucas and P. C. McCrae William Holman, Mrs. Rogers and Mr. lowing their dogs out without muzzles

LOCAL BRICKLAYERS MAY ASK FOR AN INCREASE IN WAGES

Letter Has Been Sent Out Asking the Employers to Meet the Men and Arrange for a New Agreement for Five Years -Carpenters Appear Satisfied.

The bricklayers of the city have sent out a notice to the contractors, asking for a meeting with their representaa scale of wages. Although nothing is specified it is of 5 cents.

At the present time bricklayers are and 371/2 cents an hour, but it receiving the union standard of 45 claimed that as things worked cents an hour for an eight-hour day, very few got more than 35 cents. held or whether it will be held at all, for a nine-hour day. as several of the builders seem to While bricks are selling at \$8

As far as can be learned, the carpentives, in order that a three-year agree- ters will not ask for any increase, alment may be arrived at in regard to though Hamilton carpenters have shareholders had voted in favor of the asked for 40 cents an hour, an increase

understood that an increase in wages Last year Hamilton carpenters will be asked for.

Last year Hamilton carpenters started out with an agreement for 35 out It is not known when the meeting that Local carpenters state that they are the bricklayers have asked for will be receiving from 25 to 32 cents an hour,

think that a meeting is unnecessary, thousand for the common varieties, and that the present scale of wages is and \$9 50 for veneer bricks, lumber quite high enough, considering trade prices, it is stated, will show very little change.

In support of the bill, said the company would be able to pay dividends if the proposal carried.

HARE! HARE! HOW ABOUT THIS? COTTON-TAIL AGAIN IN THE AIR

When Is a Rabbit Not a Rabbit? Or, When Is a Hare a Cottontail? These Are Questions Which Are Bothering Judge Elliott of the County Court.

Judge Elliott is now face to face Mr. Onn and other nature specialwith the supreme question of his life! ists hold a contrary opinion, and as a result the decision has been appealed. Is a cotton-tail a hare or a rabbit? The question after being thoroughly threshed out in the police court some

the first division court this morning. The lawyers in the case were well but lives in stumps and similar favor-primed. Not for nothing have they been digging down into "Wild Animals"

The judge made a note of the fact. I Have Known" and similar imaginative literature in working up the pro and con, of the case in which Mr. bringing an action against Mr. F. S. Onn for selling the aforesaid cotton-tail hare or rabbit.

The police magistrate some time ago decided that a cotton-tail was a hare.

The Appeal.

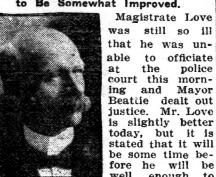
Mr. W. R. Meredith, for Mr. Onn, time ago, bobbed up again serenely in urged that a hare doesn't burrow in the ground, according to authorities,

The judge made a note of the fact. Also, it seems a simple mathematical calculation, dealing with the relative number of toes of the cotton-tail and Samuel Turner, a game inspector, is hare shows certain marked differ-

The cotton-tail, too, it was urged, born with its eyes open and with a coat of glassy hair. The species hare Continued on Page Eleven.

MANY FRIENDS ASK **FOR POLICE MAGISTRATE**

Mr. Frances Love is Reported Today to Be Somewhat Improved.



that he was unto officiate at the police court this mornand Mayor Beattle dealt out justice. Mr. Love is slightly better stated that it will be some time bewell enough be out again.

P. M. Love. Despite his position, in which he compelled to deal out justice to all ir espective of acquaintance or friendship, he has hosts of friends who are inquiring for him at the police station all expressing the hope that he will soon be around again.

CHICKEN RUN ON THE BRUCE

Hebrews Had Bipeds in a Bag When Traveller Liberated Fowl.

CHANTICLEER ESCAPED

Foot Race Up and Down the Aisle Until Finally the Train Crew Settled the Row.

Three Hebrews, who were journeying which cost them more than they expected. The three got on the train at tract considerable attention. a northern town, and each carried a bag, which from sundry sounds that were heard contained chickens. The men put the bags under the seats.

Then the trouble began. A commercial traveller, bent on mischief, took out his knife, and, reaching down, cut a hole in the bag. Out popped the head of a fine rooster. The knife was again brought into play, and the slit enlarged.

A moment later the fowl was out in the aisle, running about, and a few sec-onds later another chicken was also loose from the same bag.

A Chicken Run. The Hebrews "got wise," and then followed a chase that convulsed those who were in the car. Excited chickens flew squawking in all directions, chased by Hebrews, who weited. It was nearly ten min-

The Hebrews accused the traveller of liberating the birds. The traveller called the brakeman and said he wasn't paying to ride in a chicken ear, and demanded that the bipeds be removed.

Express Charges. The brakeman decided that the traveller was right, and took the chickens to the express car. There were three bags, and when the Hebrews went to get them at London they were informed that they would have to pay 35 cents for each bag. They expostulated in vain, and finally they paid over the \$1 05, and left.

COBALT LAKE COMPANY CAN REDUCE CAPITAL

Permission Under Certain Conditions.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Ont., March 11. — By a vote of 13 to 11 the private bills committee of the Legislature today gave the Cobalt Lake Mining Company power to reduce its capital stock from \$5,000,000 to \$3,500,000, and to buy back its own shares, on condition that the shares be purchased only on the open market, and after two-thirds of the proposal.

There was a lengthy discussion over the proposition. Mr. A. E. Fripp (Ottawa) said the company could "bear" the market, and send the price of stock down so far that the shareholders would be forced be established. to sell. It was on the chairman's suggestion that the three-fifths clause was

inserted. Mr. McGregor Young, who appeared in support of the bill, said the com-

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—RAIN OR SNOW.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 11—8 a.m.

Fair today; light falls or rain or snow tonight and for the first part of Saturday.

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Minus (—) means below zero. Minus (—) means below zero.

WEATHER NOTES,

Depressions exist in the Upper Missouri
Valley and in the Western Provinces, and
pressure is high from the lake region to Local rain or snow have occurred in Manitoba. Elsewhere the weather has been fine

LOCAL MEN TO CONTRIBUTE FOR PHILADELPHIA STRIKE

If Appeal Comes From Federation of Labor It Will Not Likely Be Denied-London Men in Past Have Put Up Money To Assist in Battle Against Steel Kings.

contribute financially to the Philadel- unions phia strike, and will also be asked for strike fund. an opinion of a general sympathetic strike of employees throughout Canada and the United States, which would involve 3,500,000 men.

President Archer of the London Trades and Labor Council stated to garding the matter.

If such an appeal comes it would happen, but I do not think it will."

A dispatch from Toronto states that come from the American Federation of foronto trades unions will be asked to Labor, and London members of the may contribute toward the

No General Strike. Mr. Archer pointed out that London unions have in the past contributed toward the strike fund in the fight against the steel magnates. "Regarding a general strike involv-The Advertiser that as yet no official ing union men throughout the country communication had been received re- I think such a course improbable," he stated. "It might, of course, possibly

Water Commissioners Are Not All in Favor of Meters and It Is Not Likely That Many Will Be Installed This Year -Two Items in Estimates of Interest.

The estimates of the waterworks board will be considered at a meeting tomorrow afternoon, and will then be submitted to the council.

the surplus for the year is estimated to the city last night on a Huron and at \$64,000. This is an increase of last year.

> One is for \$10,000 for main extension and the other is \$10,000 for meters and hydrants. The main extension will not be un- their tax rate.

dertaken until such a time as a com-

Mains Extension. The commissioners will adopt system along which they will con-The ratepayers have stantly work. voted down bylaws, although more It has been learned unofficially that and bigger mains are a necessity. The board will likely cut off a portion of the charge for meters.

At the present time the board are not Bruce train, had a little adventure about \$5,000 over what was received all in favor of the water-saving devices, and there is no doubt that this Two items of expenditure will at- year will witness the installation of few meters in dwelling houses. It may be possible that the surplu may reach \$70,000, or perhaps more giving the council a fine lift towards

In actual money, the surplus will be plete report on the requirements of the over \$38,000. The remainder is made city in the way of new meters is pre- up of water charges, which are not

Big Fight Is On in the Railroad City-London Bakers Say It Is Impossible to Do as Real Estaters Want-No Profit On Pound and a Half Loaf for Five Cents.

for a dollar. and Toronto bakers are selling bread everybody." in places all through this part of the Province for the same price that Lon- effect until July 1. don and Toronto people are paying. This, he states, he regards as most unfair to London and Toronto people.

Real Estaters Again. by Mr. Clarke, that London bakers, regard to the bill. after paying all charges for express- Another baker

can be reduced here. Feel Pleased. The association are well pleased Another baker told The Advertiser with the bread bill as it stands now, that his books show that on an aver-

through the House and become law.

Factory Inspector Clarke, who has pound loaf, but we are thoroughly satbeen making an inspection of the bake- isfied with the one pound and a half shops of the district, stated to he Ad- loaf, which, we are certain, bakers can vertiser this afternoon that there is produce and sell at a profit for five a bread war on in St. Thomas, and cents. Had the two-pound standard that the bakers of that city are at the been adopted, a slight raise in price present time selling 33 loaves of bread might have been necessary, but the standard pound and a half loaf at five Mr. Clarke says that both London cents will, we think, be satisfactory to

The Other Side. One of the largest bread manufacturers in the city, who does a big outof-town trade, when seen by The Ad-The Real Estate Owners will prob-vertiser, stated that as far as his firm ably deal with the bread question again tonight. They have been receivhim to sell a pound and a half loaf of to Chicago early this week. ing reports from all parts of the dis- bread at five cents and make any Privale Bills Committee Gives ing reports from all parts of the dis-bread at five cents and make any trict, and the information is in effect, profit. He stated that he did not it is alleged, the same as that given know what the bakers will do yet in

Another baker stated that bakers age, are selling bread throughout have a right to make a fair profit just Southwestern Ontario for the same as much as anybody else. For years, price London people are paying.

This, they contend, is making London people pay for the bread that out
He stated that he knew bakers who siders use, and if some measures can be had worked many years and were very provided to prevent such sales of little ahead. People not in the business, bread, they are confident that the price he said, have little idea of the bad debts the baker has to contend with The Average Customer.

and expect that it will soon pass age only 50 cents worth of bread is rough the House and become law.
"We did more work in connection In almost every home, he says, the with the passing of the measure than head of the family will pay two or any other organization in the countries that much for tobacco or try," said one member today to The other luxuries and not make a kick of Advertiser. "We were thoroughly of any kind, while for a necessary like the opinion that a standard loaf should bread he will make an awful row when We wanted a two-asked to pay 50 cents.

QUAKE SHAKES CALIFORNIA FRISCO FOLK BADLY SCARED

A Prolonged Shock, the Heaviest Felt Since the Great Earthquake of 1906, Felt the Entire Length of the State Last Night.

[Associated Press.]

night about 10:54 o'clock. The vibrations were long and undu-The shake was felt as far south as liceman. San Luis, but did not extend far north

of San Francisco. No damage was reported. 'Frisco Scared. ally aroused. In the telegraph office Rosa.

COL. CHISHOLM DEAD.

Col. Chisholm was born in 1834 at ing board, now the New York Con-Bufort, S. C. He served throughout solidated Exchange.

virtually every operator left his key. San Francisco, March 11.-A sharp This caused a report to come from the severest shock since the big one cisco wires had been interrupted. In lest night Mr. Morgan was in the best FAITHFUL SERVICE of 1906, was experienced throughout two San Francisco theatres, where the of health and at Rome. the central part of California last last acts were closing, scores of spectators jumped to their feet. In one house there was a decided movement latory, but slow. The duration was from the galleries toward the exits, BY MANCHESTER CROWD from one and a half to four seconds. but it was promptly stopped by a po-

The shock was particularly severe on a line running north from Monterey through Watsonville, Santa Cruz and In San Francisco people were gener- San Jose, and it also was felt in Santa

the entire war, and took part in the New York, March 11.-Col. Alexan- Black Horse Cavalry charge at the der Robert Chisholm, formerly lieu- battle of Bull Run and in other battenant-colonel on the staff of General tles. After the war he returned to Beauregard, of the armies of the Con-federacy, is dead at his home in this house of A. R. Chisholm & Co., and city after an illness of about a month. was one of the organizers of the min-

City May Do This in Order to Improve the Appearance of Main Throughfares by Doing Away With Niagara Power Poles—The Scheme in Detail.

districts will be asked to pay for part ference in the cost. of the Niagara power underground sys-

Some time ago the commissioners broperty owners by the same method as the frontage tax for local improvehought it would be an easy matter to ments. tring the wires in the downtown disprivate property.

ber, as iron poles—ornamental were suggested—are extremely dangerous to the firemen, and would prevent them gerous to string wires on, and would from doing their very best work. be a postive menace to the employees of the city.

overhead and an underground system the property owner."

view of the fact that new pavements on the street will be made very short
view of the laid on Dunday and by Some of the lusinessmen have been short time and new walks laid. | bear that portion of the expense in The commissioners are of the opin- order to assist in beautifying the ion that the property owners down-city.

The bsinessmen of the downtown town could well afford to pay the dif-

The city would contribute the cost tem, if the plans of the water commis-sioners are carried out.

of poles towards the project, and the difference could be obtained from the

ricts at the rear of stores and across period of say 10 or 15 years, and the

rivate property.

This scheme was gone into, and it telle.

The there were so many "I think the advantage of the annual to the business." was found that there were so many disadvantages that it had to be scheme would appeal to the business. bandoned, and will in no case be con-man," said one of the commissioners It then developed that there were saved the unsightly poles. A better only two plans—overhead wires and and more efficient system of lighting to The Advertiser. inderground.

Iron Poles Dangerous.

The poles would have to be of timeler as from poles of the poles would have to be of timeler as from poles of the poles of t

Difference in Cost. "I am convinced that the difference This poles system would be expensive, and the difference between an one dollar or perhaps \$2 per annum to

will have to be laid on Dundas and ly. Some of the businessmen have been Richmond streets. In any case, the approached on the subject, and they flags would have to be taken up in a declare that they would be willing to

ABOLISH THE PEAK LOAD NEW SCHEME TO BE ADOPTED

Hydro-Electric Commission Will Seek to Evolve a Plan Where by Fears of Street Railway and Traction Company Will Be Allayed-Power Prices Report Shortly.

A statement of the cost of Niagara electric commission are preparing a power to the London Street Railway, new scheme, and that will be submit-and the Southwestern Traction Comand the Southwestern Traction Company, is being prepared.

Some time ago, both companies were given an estimate of the cost of power the reak load basis. The rate it made and the southwestern Traction Companies at an early date.

Cut Out Peak Load.

The idea will be do away with the companies' fears regarding the peak load, and will mean that the city will have a considerable amount of power discovered of

given an estimate of the cost of power on the peak load basis. The rate, it is understood, was about \$35.

Objection was found at once with the peak load. This was, and as a matter of fact still is, the bete noir of the companies, and they did not look with any favor on the suggestion.

have a considerable amount of power onsposed of.

Both lines need more power. The London street railway are in great need of power, as it was quite impossible to operate their lines of late, owing to the lack of sufficient power.

It is expected that the report on the price of power to these companies will As a result, it is said that the hydrobe received very shortly.

EXPROPRIATION OF THE ROAD MAY FOLLOW ALBERTAN CRISIS

The Head of the Great Waterways Company May Ask Dominion Intervention—Lieut.-Governor Asks Rutherford to Resign.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Edmonton, March 10 .- That Presiclosures made in the Legislature, is believed to be the reason of his visit viewed.

Conference at Chicago. that point. On Wednesday he met Mr. Featherston Aylesworth, son of the Vegreville. Federal Minister of Justice, and himself a member of a very prominent ference was to engage Mr. Ayles-

ninion Government.

edge of Clarke and his whereabouts or plans.

Asked To Resign. lent Clarke of the Alberta and Great It is understood that the Lieutenant. Waterways Railway fears the expro- Governor has requested Rutherford to priation of his road owing to the dis- resign. The Premier spent fifteen minutes at a caucus, but he and all other members refused to be inter-

M. W. Hopkins, whom Hon. Mr. Cushing charged that Attorney-General Clarke is staying in Chicago at present and conducting his business from election funds, left the city Saturday. It is believed that he has gone to

It is stated today in good authority that Clarke had for some time a millaw firm in Toronto. The meeting was lion dollars' credit at the Royal Bank private, not to say secret, but it is be- for the construction of a portion of the lieved that the purpose of the con-railroad. Upon the formation of a new government it is planned to hold worth's firm to contest any expropri- a most searching judicial inquiry to ination or other legal proceedings on vestigate the entire negotiations with constitutional grounds, and to secure, the Waterways Railway and dealings if possible, the intervention of the Do- with regard to the bonds. A commission will be formed with very exten-

To Be on Lookout for

Party.

The local police have been notified

Furniture men, gents' furnishers and

Premier Rutherford denies all knowl- sive powers. AN UNCONFIRMED RUMOR | WORTHLESS CHECKS SAYS MORGAN IS DEAD PASSED IN ST. THOMAS

Death of the Great American Local Police Have Been Notified Financier Was Reported in Old London.

[Associated Press.] New York, March 11. - An uncon- that a man representing himself to be firmed rumor is in circulation in Lon- a Michigan Central brakesman passed don that J. Pierpont Morgan died sud-several worthless checks on merchants denly at Florence. Urgent measures in St. Thomas yesterday, and the auhave been adopted to ascertain the thorities are keeping an eye open for

The firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., in jewelers were operated among by the New York, said this morning that ac- bogus check artist. cording to messages received by them

JIM PATTEN MOBBED

[Associated Press.] London, March 11 .- A special dis-

STEAMERS ARRIVED. Montreal, March 11.—The Allan Line steamer Ontarian, from Glasgow for Port-land, docked at Portland at 8:45 a.m. to-

[G. N. W. Dispatch.] Hamilton, March 11.-Eli Van Allen,

faithful services.

WINS NICE LEGACY

the individual here.

Hamilton Man Leaves Five Thousand Dollars to His Stenographer.

the late beach commissioner, left an estate valued at \$147,372. The prinpatch from Manchester says that James cipal items are \$57,203 in bank stocks, A. Patten, the Chicago cotton and and \$21,000 cash in banks. His widow grain speculator, was hooted off the receives the income from the estate Manchester Exchange this evening, and until the daughter Alma reaches the age of 25 years or marries, after subsequently followed through the which Mrs. Van Allen receives half streets by a large crowd. He was the income. Miss Alma Van Allen reobliged to find refuge in a business ceives \$500 per year until she marries, after which half of the income of the estate is hers. Edward, a son, is also remembered handsomely. Mary Hester Carroll, a stenographer in Mr. Van Allen's office, was left \$5,000 for,