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TAXI STRUCK HOLE IN ROAD

Dr. Holmes and Mr. Maurice Percival Injured in an Accident Last Night.

AN ACTION FOR DAMAGES

One Is Likely To Be Entered by the Gentlemen Who Were Roughly Used.

Dr. L. Seale Holmes, of 260 Hamilton road, and Maurice Percival, druggist, at the corner of Central avenue and Richmond street, had a remarkably close call from being badly injured last night when a taxi in which they were going to the convocation at the Western University, plunged into a washout on St. James' street.

The machine was going at a good rate at the time, and when it struck the deep rut, Dr. Holmes and Mr. Percival were thrown several feet in the air.

Dr. Holmes found himself scrambling about in the top of the auto which on account of the warm night had been folded back.

Mr. Percival struck heavily on his back against the side of the taxi. He was so badly bruised that he can hardly walk about today, and Dr. Holmes' arm is wrench.

They are considering taking action against the city for damages. There are so many bad streets and walks in the city that it appears only a question of time until someone badly hurt, when the corporation may be heavily mulcted.

BARRACKS HOSPITAL LIKELY TO BE CLOSED

Arrangements To Be Made With Victoria for Care of Patients.

In all probability the hospital at Wolseley Barracks will be closed entirely very shortly.

At the next meeting of the hospital trust, Col. Dr. Belton, who is in charge of the medical department, will wait upon the members and try and make arrangements by which in future all sick or injured soldiers will receive treatment in Victoria Hospital.

It is likely that the trust will give the barracks men a special rate, and if this is done, it will be far better for them to be treated *at the* hospital, and will result *in a great* saving at the barracks, *as the present* hospital has been found *somewhat* expensive to maintain.

PAY CAR HERE

G. T. R. Left $80,000 in London Today.

The Grand Trunk pay car arrived in the city today, and about $80,000 was passed out in checks to the various employees of the road. The month just passed has been a very heavy one both for freight and passenger traffic, and a large number of extra men are at present employed.

"We are very busy in all departments," said one official to The Advertiser this afternoon, "and the outlook is for a record-breaking year."

KAISER'S PARTY HAD A FINE TIME

Went About Like Tourist During Visit to London.

[Canadian Press.]

London, May 20.—Emperor William, Empress Auguste and Princess Victoria Louise left today to rejoin the German imperial yacht at Sheerness, from which port they will depart for home tomorrow, after apparently heartily enjoying their visit to the British capital. The imperial visitors spent the week here more like tourists than members of royalty, having devoted all their spare time to sight-seeing at the picture galleries, zoological garden and museums and at the naval and military tournaments. While out driving or walking, they conducted themselves with a remarkable absence of formality.

King George and Queen Mary, together with other members of royal families in London, bade farewell to the imperial family at the railroad station, in the precincts of which big crowds gave the Emperor and Empress a hearty send-off.

A NEW WHEEL

South London Gentleman Has Invented One.

Mr. Archibald McAlpine, of 86 Byron avenue, a local carriagemaker, has just secured patents on a rather important improvement on vehicle wheels.

Mr. McAlpine's patents simplify and alter the whole construction of carriage and wagon wheels and make it possible to remove and replace one or more spokes with ease without removing the wheel from the axle. The spokes, which are notched are driven in between plates at the hub and are held rigidly by means of a threaded plate put on from the outside. The whole operation can be performed by an unskilled person. It is also claimed that the wheel can be manufactured at a fraction of the cost of the present variety.

Patents were taken out a few days ago for eighteen years' duration by Mr. McAlpine's solicitors, a Toronto firm.

JUDGE TO COMMAND.

Ottawa, May 20. — Lieut.-Colonel Fisher, former commander of the Forty-First Regiment at Brickville, will have command of the Eighth Infantry Brigade at Petawawa camp this year, while Lieut.-Colonel Rogers, of Ottawa, is on leave in the west. The brigade will have only two regiments this year, the Forty-Second and Fifty-Ninth. The Fifty-Sixth Regiment is still disorganized and will not go to camp.

An interesting feature in the command is that Lieut.-Colonel Fisher is the junior judge for Leeds and Grenville, and there was considerable investigation to see whether a judge could be a commanding officer. There is nothing against it, so the judge will act.

$200,000 WORTH OF PERMITS, CITY ARCHITECT EXPECTS

The Building for May in London Has Shown a Decided Improvement—Touching the High Water Mark.

City Architect Nutter expects that the building permits for May will run up to $200,000, the high-water mark of the year.

Up to the present time there have been 19 permits taken out for a total of $81,055.

However, there are some large contracts ready for signing, and it is probable that permits for many of them will be taken out this month. Among them are: C. P. R. roundhouse, $60,000; St. Martin's Church, $25,000; Richmond Street Methodist Church, $20,000; Masonic Temple, $45,000, and courthouse repairs, $25,000—a total of $175,000.

"We want to touch the high-water mark if we can," said Mr. Nutter. "So far we have issued about $81,000 worth of permits this month, and we will easily increase that amount before the end of the month in ordinary permits to exceed the total of $87,165 issued last May. In addition, I hope to issue sufficient large permits, such as the C. P. R. work, the Masonic Temple, and others, to run the total well over $200,000. Building looks very good, indeed."

The Queen City Oil Company took out a permit this morning for a new warehouse to cost $10,000.

CITY DOES NOT WANT CIRCUS PASSES

Contract Made With Howe's Shows Will Be Rescinded at Once.

NEW CONTRACT WANTED

Chairman of the Board Says City Must Have More Money, and Mayor Backs Him Up.

There is going to be trouble over the contract for supplying water to Howe's Circus on Sunday and Monday.

Following the usual custom, Secretary Ellwood made the price $25 for the water and a dozen passes were thrown in. This was the price decided upon some years ago, and it has been collected from every circus showing in the city.

However, Mayor Beattie and Chairman Pocock, of the water commission, learned of the contract, and they repudiated it this afternoon.

A new contract will be drawn up, and it is probable that the price of water will be raised somewhat and the passes cut out.

"I did not know the contract was made until before noon today," said Mr. Pocock, when questioned about the matter. "I do not know what the commissioners should charge for the water, but if it is worth $25 and a dozen passes, it is worth more money. We do not want the passes, but we do want a proper price for the water. I think the circus people should pay us $50 or $100 for the water they use. They go to the township so they will escape paying the tax in the city, but at the same time they want us to furnish them with water. I do not think it a fair proposition, and something should be done. Mayor Beattie and I will take the matter up."

Mayor Confirms It.

Mayor Beattie confirmed Mr. Pocock's opinion, stating that his attention was called to the matter in the morning, and he immediately got in touch with the chairman of the water commissioners.

"The circus use our streets for a parade, but they will pay nothing for the privilege," he stated. "They go to the county to avoid paying the tax, but they want all the benefits just the same. We should get more money from them. We will cancel the contract and make a new arrangement with them."

It was stated at the waterworks office that the contract was made in the same way as they have been for some years. A resolution of the board was passed naming the price some years ago. This resolution will be rescinded at the next meeting of the board, if it is in force, and the payment of water rates put on a different basis.

REYES AT HAVANA.

Havana, May 20.—General Bernardo Reyes, the former Mexican minister of war, arrived here yesterday from Europe on board the steamer Ypiranga. He proceeded at once to a hotel, intending to resume his voyage to Vera Cruz today, but received a message from Mexico last night which caused a sudden change to be made in his plans and, therefore, he decided to remain in Havana to await further developments of the Mexican situation. He is in excellent health.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Thunderstorms.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, May 20—8 a.m.

Today—Moderate southerly winds; fine.

Sunday—Warm, with local thunderstorms; becoming cool by night.

TEMPERATURES.

Past 24 Hours.

Stations.	Max.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	56	36	Clear
Winnipeg	64	44	Cloudy
Port Arthur	62	46	Clear
Parry Sound	88	66	Fair
Toronto	82	58	Clear
Ottawa	76	60	Fair
Montreal	82	64	Clear
Quebec	84	51	Fair
Father Point	54	42	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

The disturbance to the westward of the Great Lakes has diminished in energy, while the high pressure over the Atlantic and Western States has increased.

The weather continues decidedly warm in Ontario and Quebec, and quite cool in the Western Provinces.

Thunderstorms have occurred near Lake Superior, and showers in Manitoba and Alberta.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

In the Western Provinces the day has been cool, with local showers, but in Ontario and Quebec it has been mostly fine and decidedly warm with a few local thunder showers in the Ottawa Valley.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 62—90; Victoria, 46—58; Vancouver, 46—60; Kamloops, 52—68; Edmonton, 36—60; Battleford, 40—46; Prince Albert, 40—42; Moosejaw, 45—51; Winnipeg, 54—64; Toronto, 58—82; Ottawa, 60—76; Montreal, 62—82; Quebec, 48—84; St. John, 48—66; Halifax, 36—54.

DR. LOUIS WOOD.

Mr. George Wood, Central avenue, yesterday afternoon received a cablegram from Germany telling him that his son, Mr. Louis Wood, had taken his degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the world-famed University of Heidelburg. Mr. Wood has spent nearly three years in study and research work in Heidelburg, and in London, Eng.

Dr. Wood's course has been particularly brilliant. He graduated from the University of Toronto, taking a high stand in his examinations. Later he went to the Montreal Presbyterian College, where he also did well. His course at Heidelburg was also brilliant.

Dr. Wood is well known in newspaper circles, having been a reporter here about eight years ago.

He will remain in England for the coronation, and will return to Canada shortly after.

CONGRESS SWELTERS BUT TAFT IS COOL

President's Office Placed Above Refrigerating Plant.

Washington, D. C., May 20.—Congressmen who get in to see Mr. Taft these days are not surprised to learn that he is not worrying about the date of adjournment. While all Washington is sizzling with the thermometer around the 100 mark, the President's office shows a temperature of about 80. The President sits over a ton of ice each day, for the White House refrigerating plant is just beneath his desk. The cooled air is forced into the room by fans, and statesmen who made their perspiring way to the executiv offices found Mr. Taft smiling and comfortable.

If it comes to a struggle between Congress and the President, Mr. Taft will have an aid in the hot weather. The capital is a hot spot and even the aid of lemonade and iced water doesn't offset the advantage of twenty degrees difference in temperature.

MADERO TO BANISH FIGHTS AND GAMBLING

Radical Reforms To Be Instituted if He Becomes Presidentz

Juarez, Mexico, May 20. — Gambling and bullfighting are to be abolished in Mexico by the Maderists when they get into permanent power, and race-track betting may be doomed, too, according to Abraham Gonzales, who is stated to be provisional governor of Chihuahua. Today he said:

"As is your president, so am I against gambling and bullfighting. All gambling concessions made after Nov. 20, the date of the revolution's beginning, will be cancelled. All concessions made before that time will be honored by us, but at their expiration no more will be granted. This applies to both gambling and bullfighting. We now are investigating the keno and poker rights in Juarez."

As Madero is against gambling in every form, the national lottery and all gambling rights eventually may be nullified.

DIAMONDS AND PEARLS

State Ball Costumes Blazed With Precious Stones.

[Canadian Press.]

London, May 20.—Numerous crowns made especially for the coronation were seen for the first time at the state ball in Buckingham Palace last night. The display of gems could not be surpassed by any European court. Queen Mary's corsage was like a breastplate of diamonds, and included two immense stones, cut from the famous Cullinan diamond, which were worn as pendants. She also wore a high collar of diamonds. The German Empress wore a diamond crown; a splendid pearl necklace, and other diamond and pearl ornaments.

The leading peeresses all wore costly displays of jewelry.

LONG SERVICE MEDAL PRESENTED

"B" Squadron, of First Hussars, Honored Sergeant Livermore.

A PURSE OF GOLD TOO

Sergt.-Major Campbell, Who Is To Represent the Hussars at the Coronation, Was Also Remembered.

The members of B Squadron, First Hussars, assembled at the Alexandra Cafe last evening for the purpose of presenting Quartermaster-Sergt. H. Livermore with his long-service medal, and also to give a purse of gold as a parting testimony of goodwill to Sergeant-Major Campbell, who is to represent the First Hussars on the Coronation Contingent.

Col. Hodgins Present.

Major Reason introduced the toasts. After the King's health had been drunk, "The Canadian Militia" was proposed, and was ably represented by Col. Hodgins, O. C. Division No. 1. He made a masterly address, and showed himself thoroughly conversant with the military affairs of the Dominion. During the course of his speech, Col. Hodgins presented Quarter-Master-Sergeant Harry Livermore with his long-service medal, given for twenty years' service with good conduct.

Excellent speeches were made by Col. Campbell of the Seventh and Capt. A. Elliott of the Twenty-sixth, and President Reason of the Board of Trade.

Lieut. Turner expressed his pleasure in meeting the men preparatory to the coming camp.

Col. Abbott Speaks.

"The Regimental Staff" brought replies from Col. Abbott and Major McComb. The colonel expressed his great pleasure at finding Col. Hodgins and Col. Campbell and others present, and the warmth of his reception was a splendid manifestation of the warm feeling all ranks have for him.

"The Coronation Contingent" was enthusiastically received, and was ably responded to by Color-Sergeant Butler, of the Seventh Regiment, Sergeant-Major Marshall, on behalf of A. M. C., and Sergeant-Major Campbell, of the First Hussars.

"Our Non-Commissioned Officers" was ably responded to by Sergts. Heighway, Clare and Tummonds, and Corp. D. McCallum.

Sergt. Simmons then, on behalf of the officers, non-commissioned officers and men of B Squadron, First Hussars, presented Sergt.-Major Campbell with a purse of gold as an expression of the goodwill and high esteem in which he is held by the squadron, and on their behalf, wished him a pleasant trip and safe return.

Major Is Popular.

Before the National Anthem was sung, Col. Hodgins called on Major Reason. The major made a brief address, wherein he stated that every member in the squadron, non-commissioned officers and men, had done his best to help him make the squadron a success. The hearty way in which the major was received was a clear demonstration of the esteem with which he is held by all his men.

A very pleasant evening was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

TO PLACE WOMEN ON SCHOOL BOARD

Council of Women at Meeting Favored the Proposal.

In spite of the extreme heat there was a good attendance of the representatives of the affiliated societies and committees composing the National Council of Women, in the Y. W. C. A. parlors yesterday afternoon.

The president, Mrs. Boomer, occupied the chair.

A request that two women commissioners be placed on the school board was indorsed, the Mothers' Club stating that women best know the requirements necessary for the health of the children, and ask the women of London to vote for them.

A Canadian flag will be presented at 3 p.m., May 27, to the Boy Scouts, by the Local Council.

Mrs. Riddle wants to know by May 24 how many delegates could go to Port Arthur in June for the annual meeting.

Many reports were read, telling of the good work being done in all the different institutions under the control of the affiliated bodies.

The old officers were re-elected.

TO VACCINATE ALL

Montreal Decides To Take No Chances With the Smallpox.

Montreal, May 20.—Next Monday, the eighteen public vaccinators will begin their visits to the factories and shops of the city for the purpose of vaccinating all who have not been vaccinated within the last seven years. Dr. L. Laberge, city health officer, announced last night that he was ready to carry out the instructions of the provincial board of health, which ordered public vaccination in all parts of the Province of Quebec, where smallpox has assumed epidemic proportions in several localities. Montreal has been remarkably free from the disease for a generation, but as two cases have appeared within the city limits, the law will be enforced here as well.

THE CHINESE LOAN.

London, May 20.—A dispatch to the Times from Pekin says that the railway loan contract of $50,000,000 between China and a European-American syndicate will be signed tomorrow. The correspondent says it is the most important ever signed in China, and will provide for 1,200 miles of railway in Hunan and Hupei Provinces. The loan is secured by revenue of those provinces, which, in case of a default may be administered by the marine customs.

SPORTING EXTRA TODAY!

The Advertiser will this afternoon publish a King's Pate and Sporting Extra as soon as the feature event at the opening of the Woodbine, Toronto, is decided.

The extra will contain all late sporting news up to the time of going to press, including the Canadian League and local baseball matches.

Get The Advertiser Extra.

BIG ELEPHANT ON RAMPAGE WRECKS INGERSOLL GARDENS

Takes French Leave of Circus, Charges Helter Skelter Through Town and Miles Out Gets Stuck in Bottom of a Ditch.

[Canadian Press.]

Ingersoll, May 20.—One of the largest elephants belonging to Howe's circus did the disappearing act in Ingersoll this morning. Its going was not noticed by the attendants who were all busy in setting up the show. Shortly after 7 o'clock, however, he was missed, and examination of the neighborhood discosed the fact that he had done considerable damage before leaving the town in a southerly direction. Gardens were trampled and fences torn down as by a cyclone, and evidence ed to the belief that the brute had gone in the direction of Verschoyle. A search was instituted and after some time news reached town that the elephant was safe in the bottom of a ditch one mile north of Verschoyle, six miles from town, and was unable to get out. Horses on the road were terrorized by his trumpeting and farmers found difficulty in getting them to go past, though the beast was some distance away. Men are at work trying to dig the elephant out, but the job is proving very difficult.

SAW BROTHER'S DEATH IN PAPERS

Then Lou Fisher, Away for Ten Years, Sent a Telegram Home.

SURPRISE FOR MOTHER

Mrs. Fisher, of the Hamilton Road, Loses One Boy to Find Another.

Mrs. Fisher, whose son Albert Fisher died at Port Stanley a few evenings ago from a fit after he had been rescued after falling into the water, received a pleasant surprise today, when she received a night lettergram from her son Lou, in Vancouver, from whom she had not heard for ten years, and did not know where he was.

In the wire Mr. Fisher told his mother that he had seen in the papers of his brother's death, and that as he had grown rich in the west, he wanted all the family to come out there and that he would look after them.

Mrs. Fisher was naturally overjoyed at hearing from her long-lost boy, and while she has not yet decided whether or not she will go west, she is considering it.

JULY 15 IS DATE OF THE ENGLISH PICNIC

Sports Programme Will Be One of Best Ever Put On.

The finance and sports committee in connection with the English picnic to be held at Springbank, July 15, met last evening in Society Hall, East London, and made arrangements for the special sports and attractions to be added to this year's picnic.

It was decided to hold a baby show, and a handsome prize will be offered.

The following have been appointed as members of the ladies' committee: Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. Howle, Miss Freeman, Mrs. Freeman, Mrs. A. E. Wood, Mrs. Vincent and Mrs. Owen.

A FAREWELL FOR MR. HARRY GIVENS

Popular Londoner Goes to Saskatchewan.

Prior to leaving London for Regina, Sask., Mr. Harry Givens, assistant manager of the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company, was tendered a farewell last night at the home of Mr. D. McAlpine, 870 Wellington street. Mr. Givens will take charge of the western branch of the company, with headquarters at Regina, and the members of the home staff here assembled to wish him success in his new field of work. A pleasant evening was passed with music, vocal and instrumental, and luncheon was served on the lawn, which was beautifully decorated with Chinese lanterns, bunting and electric lights, for the occasion.

Prior to the breaking up of the party, an address was given by Mr. Hume Cronyn, manager of the company, in which reference was made to the long and efficient services rendered by Mr. Givens, in which he has proved himself a most capable officer of the company. All the members of the staff expressed regret at Mr. Givens' departure from London, but they joined in all manner of well-wishes for him in his new home in the west.

GRAND TRUNK BRIDGE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Passengers Had to Cross on a Footbridge at Jeannette's Creek.

The Grand Trunk bridge at Jeanette's Creek was destroyed by fire this morning, and all passengers on the Grand Trunk and Wabash had to get out at the village and cross on a foot bridge and take another train which had been sent out from Windsor. The structure, which was entirely of wood, was completely destroyed. How the fire started is unknown.

NO MOURNERS AT THE FUNRAL

The Remains of Nathaniel Self Buried iu Woodlan Cemetery This Morning.

"WAY OF TRANSGRESSOR"

Not Even a Clergyman Present to Say a Word Over the Grave of Suicide and Would-Be Murderer.

Without a flower, without a mourner, and without a clergyman to officiate at the obsequies, the remains of Nathaniel Self, who on Thursday last shot and killed himself, after having wounded his wife, were interred at Woodland Cemetery this morning.

The remains were taken from the undertaking rooms of John Ferguson & Sons in the black wagon used for such purposes, and buried in the cemetery in a lot that had been arranged for by a couple of Self's sisters, who came here from Galt. They went down to the cemeter yin the afternoon and saw the grave.

It was stated to The Advertiser this afternoon that Mrs. Self, who is still in a serious condition in Victoria Hospital, instructed the children to have nothing whatever to do with the funeral arrangements or the disposal of the remains.

TO LIGHT SPRINGBANK WITH NIAGARA POWER

City Will Charge London Street Railway $2 Per Night.

The water commissioners are planning to light Springbank Park bett than it has ever been lighted before.

The London street railway have always lighted the park, including the pavilion and theatre. Now the water commissioners will do this work, charging the company $2 per night.

They will extend the present system considerably in addition. Lights will be placed on the wharf where the canoes and motor boats land at the pumping station, and throughout the park other lights will be placed.

"We intend to light the park properly," said Chairman Pocock. "It has not been lighted as it should have been in the past, and now that we have taken this over we will show the citizens something. We will get $2 a day from the street railway, and while that will not pay us for all the power we will use, nevertheless it will help considerably. We owe something to the citizens, and there will be no complaint if we light it as it should be."

ST. BASS FAVORITE FOR KING'S PLATE

Fifty-Second Contest Will Take Place at Woodbine This Morning.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, May 20.—The fifty-second contest for the royal guineas takes place at the Woodbine track this afternoon, and hundreds of thousands of people who take little or no interest in ordinary racing are eagerly awaiting the announcement of the winner. The event is the fifth on the card and will not be run till shortly after 4 o'clock. There is a fast track, and a very exciting finish is promised. St. Bass is still the favorite, but Powderman, the Valley Farm entry, has many friends, while Jane Shore, being a Seagram horse, is sure of plenty of backers.

SCARED THE SULTAN.

Constantinople, May 20.—During the Selamlik procession yesterday a party of boisterous Kurds rushed the Sultan's carriage to present a petition to the ruler. The Sultan was so badly frightened that he fainted.

The Kurds were arrested but liberated later, after they had explained their intentions.

SEVENTY YEARS OLD FELL THROUGH TRAP

Serious Accident to Mrs. Sinking, of 225 Wellington Street, This Morning.

LADY IS BADLY INJURED

Doctor Cannot Tell Yet Whether Lady Will Recover.

Mrs. Sinkins, a woman 70 years of age, and residing at 225 Wellington street, was very seriously injured this morning when she fell ten feet through an open trapdoor into the cellar. Her husband, who had been down in the cellar a few minutes before, left the door open.

Mrs. Sinkins had been washing the dishes and was carrying a big trayful into another room. The tray, it is thought, prevented her from seeing the open door, and she crashed through it to the cellar.

She was picked up and removed to Victoria Hospital in Smith, Son & Clarke's ambulance.

Dr. Drake, who was called, found that her hip had been fractured badly, and that she had received a very severe shaking up.

It is impossible to tell yet how the accident will result.

BIG CIRCUS WILL ARRIVE ON SUNDAY

The Route of the Parade Is Announced—Manager Mitchell Arrives.

THE ROUTE.

The circus will show on the south end of the Carling farm, Dundas street east. The parade will leave the grounds on Monday morning at 10 o'clock, and will march down Dundas to Adelaide, thence north to Queen's avenue, thence west to Talbot street, thence south to King street, thence to Wellington street, north on Wellington to Dundas, and back to the grounds.

Howe's big circus will reach here on Sunday morning, about 2 or 3 o'clock, over the Grand Trunk Railway, and will unload between Rectory and Egerton streets. There are 42 cars and enough animals to start a Noah's ark. Six hundred people are in the circus, and the costumes, imported from Europe, cost $15,000.

The enormous main tent is capable of accommodating 10,000 people, and is absolutely waterproof, so that no fear of weather need interfere with the enjoyment of the spectators.

In all there will be about 200 acts, comprising one of the longest circus performances on the road. A notable feature will be the Wyeno troupe of Japanese acrobats. According to newspaper criticisms these are about the best in the business. This is but one of the many features which makes the performance more interesting. Of course, the clowns will be there. There are scores and scores of them, with all the jokes and stunts that are required to keep something doing every minute.

The Performances.

Matinee, commencing at 2 o'clock; evening show at 8 o'clock. Doors open one hour earlier.

Mr. Will Mitchell, business manager of the Howe shows, is a son of Mr. Charles Mitchell, who at one time owned the Ottawa Free Press, and is a former London printer.

TRAVELLERS' PICNIC ON AUGUST 5TH

Place Where It Will Be Held Will Be Decided Later.

At a meeting of the Mutual Benefit Society of the Commercial Travellers' Association today, it was decided to hold the annual picnic on Saturday, Aug. 5, the place to be chosen later.

The promoters have introduced a novelty by asking for novel suggestions for the picnic. Anyone who proposes an idea which is accepted will win a prize of $5.

WANT CITY HALL FOR A TERMINAL

Radial Roads Would Very Much Like to Have It.

At the next meeting of the city council, a proposition will be made to turn the city hall into a terminal station for radial roads.

With the coming of the People's Railway, the extension of the London and Lake Erie Road, and other roads projected, there will be need of some central station where these lines can radiate from.

The proposition is to expend the money voted by the people, $75,000, in enlarging the city hall, providing room in this extension for the terminal station.

Facts and figures regarding the city hall, the land owned by the city, and the rest of it, are being secured, and will be submitted to the council at its next meeting, and they will be considered.

Ald. Eckert is very favorable to that idea, and it is expected that much support will be given the proposition in the council.

NEW RUSS NAVY.

St. Petersburg, May 20.—The Duma has authorized the expenditure of $150,000,000 for a reorganization of the fleet. The programme includes four Dreadnoughts and six submarines for the Black Sea and four Dreadnoughts for the Baltic, in addition to four battleships which will be launched in July. A small island at the mouth of the River Neva is to be transferred to the admiralty for a new dockyard.