

NEW TECHNICAL SCHOOL ROOMS RECOMMENDED

Advisory Committee Plans
Wing To Accommodate
150 More Pupils.

URGENT NEED CLAIMED

Motion of Trustee Rowe Is
Passed and Sent to Board
of Education.

The first meeting of the Advisory Vocational Committee of Board of Education was held in the Technical School Monday evening, at which Principal H. B. Beal submitted his report for the month of January, together with the proposal for building the auditorium which was left out of the original building at the time of erection on account of the lack of funds. The addition to be added to the school includes a gymnasium and two class rooms above it which will be situated in the center of the present building so that three of the walls of the new part consisting of retaining walls already standing. It is felt that physical training and auditorium accommodation is urgently needed for the 580 full-time students at present in attendance at the technical school. The most pressing need, however, is for class room accommodation. The present day at attendance for the entire class room accommodation and several other rooms which have been taken for that purpose. If more class room is not provided before next fall, it is feared that from one hundred to one hundred and fifty students will have to be refused admission.

A motion from Trustee Rowe to approve of the proposal, was passed and sent to the board of education for sanction, these in turn to be sent to the department of education.

As the unit is to be erected for technical school purposes, one-half of the cost of the building and equipment will be paid for by government grant.

A letter of thanks and appreciation will be sent by the secretary to all those who donated prizes and scholarships for the commercial department.

It was also decided to make more room in the machine shop by moving the forges to another room now used as a store room.

The matter of fees was taken up and it was decided that the fees should be uniform throughout the school for the evening classes, these fees to be returned to any student attending 90 per cent of the classes.

Seek Athletic Grounds.

A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the securing of suitable athletic grounds with the Western Fair Board. Another committee was appointed to consider methods of securing scholarships for the school.

The advisability of moving a cluster of three poles in front of the school was discussed and a committee was appointed to approach the various companies with a view to removing two of them and attaching all the wires to one.

RURAL BRANCH TO MEET SATURDAY

Agricultural Members of
Chamber of Commerce
Active.

Although but a week old, the farmers' branch of the London Chamber of Commerce is evidently determined that its proposed activities shall not die an early death. A special meeting of the executive committee has been set for Saturday next at noon, at which will attend all members who at the initial gathering raised certain suggestions for work to be undertaken by the new body. Prominent among these subjects is the burning question of "farm help."

Among the speakers of the afternoon will be Lieut.-Col. W. J. Brown of the Western University. It is quite likely also that city members of the chamber will attend as was proposed at the inaugural meeting.

IN AID OF THE War Memorial Children's Hospital fund of the Chesley Avenue Mothers Club, Mrs. Dowell, 94 Chesley avenue, is holding a benefit tea at her home from 2:30 to 5 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon.

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Flowers in Store Window Remind Them of Sunny Italy

IN front of a local florist's window, Tuesday morning, an Italian and his wife, very evidently just out from their native land of warmth and flowers, experienced their first thrill of delight since arriving in this cold and snowy country. Madam the wife was clutching her gaze upon the spring her lace headpiece with ecstasy as she gazed upon the spring flowers temptingly displayed wide his black eyes as he saw the dollar mark in a prominent position, which gently conveyed to him the meaning that flowers were not here as in Italy, to be had for the asking.

WRITES TO DEFEND SUBURBAN RATES

W. H. Cooper Opposes Ash-
plant's View of Fixed
Assessments.

W. H. Cooper, 74 Adelaide street, Chelsea Green, which is in the annexed district of the city, brands Ald H. B. Ashplant's effort to change the taxes collected on the industries in the annex area as "an injustice" and as "immoral." He has written a strong letter to the city protesting against any interference with the working of the agreement and points to the attitude of previous councils on the matter.

Mr. Cooper's letter reads: "Re annexed district and taxes: 'You are very busy. I will cross corners.'"

"Ald. Ashplant in Ex-Mayor Stevenson's term of office brought this matter up. I headed a deputation on behalf of the householders and protested against breaking a solemn agreement and treating as a scrap of paper, this agreement."

"A largely attended meeting of the council recognizing the injustice and immorality of Ald. Ashplant's proposal, threw it out almost unanimously, only the mover and seconder voting for it."

"I am not asked to speak for the industries in the said district, but let it be remembered that inducements are offered in most of our cities to industries and that the industries in this annexed district are paying a lot of money to men who reside and pay the taxes in the city proper and are indirectly helping the city."

2 ORGANIZATIONS REPUDIATE FIELDS

Write City Denying Relief
Worker Held Their
Credentials.

When A. Fields presented to the finance committee of the city council, the details on his charges against Relief Inspector McCallum, which charges were found not proven, he mentioned two big city organizations as being associated with him. These associations now repudiate him.

The social service council was mentioned as having thrice condemned Mr. McCallum. Fields says that he was connected with the Adelaide Baptist Church and worked in conjunction with it.

Rev. T. D. McCullough of the social service council has written to the city declaring that his attention has been called to the fact "that a person named Fields used the name of our organization and myself as endorsing his program."

After stating that he differed with Mr. McCallum in some things, Mr. McCullough continues: "We had no relations with this Mr. Fields. We have given him no authority to use the name of the social service council or myself and we do not endorse his program in any way. I only met him a few minutes when he was making his complaint in my office and know nothing of his standing, credentials or integrity."

Rev. G. A. Leichter, Adelaide street Baptist Church wrote that he noticed that Mr. Fields had made statements in regard his relations to a department of the Adelaide street Baptist Church as a church worker.

"Please be advised that Mr. Fields in no way represents any department of this church save that he attends the service of the church more or less regularly."

"He is not a regular member of the church and is qualified in no sense to speak respecting the policies of the church."

HAVE LAND AVAILABLE FOR EAST END SCHOOL

While a deputation of East London residents is expected at the regular session of the board of education Tuesday afternoon, to plead for a small public school west of Potteryburg, it develops that should the trustees see fit to accede to their request, they have a suitable tract of land available. The necessary options have been secured upon property that it is believed would be desirable for school purposes.

TOWNSHIP SUES CONTRACTOR IN BRIDGE DISPUTE

Council of Stephen Alleges
Joseph Lawson Ignored
Specifications.

SEEKS \$1,000 DAMAGES

Witness Testifies That
Cement of Inferior Quality
Was Used.

The action of the township of Stephen, Huron County, against Joseph Lawson, contractor, for \$1,000, for alleged breach of contract in building a bridge in 1915, opposite lot 22, on the fourth and fifth concessions of the township, is being heard before Chief Justice R. M. Meredith at the court house.

Wm. R. Elliott, former reeve of the township, stated that in 1915 some of the cement work on the abutments had started to break away. He saw Mr. Lawson at a council meeting and had told him the concrete work on the bridge was not holding up. When he asked Lawson to make repairs, the latter had refused to do so unless he was paid for the job.

Cross-examined by J. M. McEvoy, K. C. for the defence, Mr. Elliott stated that he had paid several visits to the job while it was in progress. Edward Tribner, who has since died, was appointed overseer of the job. Witness did not think that Tribner knew much about cement work. Tribner was appointed because he was the only man that could be found for the job at the time, as men were very scarce. The members of the council agreed to the appointment. The gravel used came from Tribner's pit. Witness had never asked the inspector whether the work was properly done, nor had any other members of the council, so far as he knew.

On looking over the contract, the judge declared that it didn't even provide that the work should be done in a workmanlike manner. "You apparently take all the responsibility yourself," he declared addressing Mr. Elliott.

Councillor Speaks.

Alexander Neeb was a member of the township council in 1915. When Mr. Elliott asked Mr. Lawson of the contract had been completed according to specifications, Mr. Lawson had answered in the affirmative, witness declared. The cement work was peeling away in 1916. Last spring it was found necessary to do some repair work as more material was dropping away from the abutments. The concrete in the east wing which should have measured 12 1/2 feet, was only 7 1/2 feet, Mr. Neeb stated.

Cross examined, Mr. Neeb said he had been to see the bridge twice, when it was under construction. David Webb, deputy reeve, has had experience in building roads and bridges. The bridge in question had no footings to the wings of the abutments. He had examined the concrete work and found it was not good.

Alexander Foster of Zurich was a cement contractor and had repaired the bridge, he said.

Clarence Holtzman had worked on the job for Lawson, but could not give any evidence that the court considered material.

Henry Schink worked one day on the job. He thought there was something wrong about the way the depth of the abutment was arrived at.

Claims Cement Unfit.

Frank Tribner declared that the cement used was not fit to put in when he was examined by J. C. Elliott, K. C. counsel for the plaintiff, but under cross-examination by Mr. McEvoy, he changed his mind.

The cement used was wet and chunky, witness stated, some pieces half the size of a cement bag being thrown into the mixer. Large chunks were thrown into the abutment. He did not think they would do any harm.

Cross examined, Mr. Tribner said he had helped with the mixer one day and had poked his pieces of cement through a hole. He did not think this was wrong to do at the time.

George Elber had dug to the south east corner of his south abutment and had shovelled his spade under the cement. The bottom was about 12 feet underground.

John Hays, a member of the council, 1921, examined the bridge last year. He had tapped the cement with a shovel and it had fallen away.

Court was then adjourned till 2:20 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

CITY COUNCIL PASSES WATERWORKS BYLAW

As predicted by Mayor Wilson, the necessary bylaw authorizing the expenditure of \$250,000 for waterworks and electrical expenditures in 1922 has passed the city council with little or no difficulty.

Manager Buchanan of the public utilities commission expressed every satisfaction Tuesday morning with the result and points out that but little now remains to be accomplished. The necessary documents will be forwarded to the Ontario railway and municipal board for approval which it has already been intimated will be granted forthwith. The manager reports that official sanction has already reached London from the hydro-electric power commission, Toronto.

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SCOTTISH RITE MASONS HOLD REUNION FEB. 13

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Expected To Attend For
Initiation.

ARRANGE SOCIAL EVENTS

Degrees To Be Conferred
During Three Days of
Next Week.

During Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week the annual reunion of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons will be held in London. Several hundred Masons and their wives from all over the district surrounding London will be in the city to attend.

On Wednesday and Thursday the London Lodge of Perfection will put on the ritual work, extending to the fourteenth degree. Thursday, London Sovereign Chapter Rose Croix will have charge of the program. Several social functions have been arranged to provide entertainment for the Masons and their wives during the three days of the reunion.

This is one of the greater events of the year in Masonic circles, and brings many of the members of that fraternal organization together in London from St. Thomas, Stratford, Woodstock, Ingersoll and other places.

Over one hundred candidates for the degrees are expected to attend for initiation.

The three days' proceedings are scheduled as follows:

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, the candidates will report at 5:30 p.m., and at 7:30 p.m. to 12 noon, the 11th degree will be put on; 8:15, the 5th; at 9:30 the 6th; at 10:15 the 7th.

A luncheon will follow the degree work.

Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 9:00 a.m., the 8th degree will be conferred; at 10 a.m. the 10th; at 11 a.m. the 4th; at 12 noon, the 12th. During the interval between the morning and afternoon gatherings a luncheon will be served.

In the afternoon at 2 p.m., the 13th degree will be put on, and at 3:30 the 14th.

Wednesday evening an "At Home" will be held at 8:30. Thursday, Feb. 16, the remaining degrees to the 18th will be conferred by the Rose Croix Chapter.

PAARDEBERG BALL TO BE HELD FEB. 27

Commemoration of Defeat of
General Cronje To Be
Revived.

For years prior to the great war the one great social event of the season in London, the old Paardeberg ball, commemorating the downfall of General Cronje, is to be revived this year.

As probably the only resident civilian in the city who participated with Company B. of the Royal Canadian in the South African engagements which finally culminated in the capture of General Cronje, Charles H. Scott is taking an active part in the undertaking.

All invitations will be sent out under his personal supervision, for the grand ball on the evening of Paardeberg day, February 27, the same to be under the patronage of Brig.-Gen. H. A. Panet, commander of No. 1 military district.

It is the intention that the proceeds from this event will be placed in a city bank to be ultimately used to purchase necessities and comforts for returned veterans in the various hospitals in the district.

In the course of arrangements it developed that the hall selected for the gathering had already been rented for the same evening by the members of the Forest City Club. Mr. Scott explains that the latter body has considerably waived their prior claim for the night and will hold their event on February 28.

Lieut.-Col. C. M. R. Graham has kindly expressed his willingness to co-operate in the preparation of the list of guests.

HAMILTON STORE BURNS WITH LOSS OF \$60,000

Hamilton, Feb. 7.—The three-story department store of Morris Levy, Ottawa and Argyle streets, in the extreme east end of the city, was gutted this morning by fire, with a loss of \$60,000. The fire was discovered at about 2 o'clock by a policeman, who said there was a tremendous explosion, after which flames burst through the roof.

Nothing more than a baby buggy is necessary to alleviate a case of particular distress which came to the attention of the local Salvation Army headquarters, Tuesday morning.

The father of a family of little ones has been unable to obtain work for some months.

The mother has been informed by a physician that she is susceptible to a serious illness unless she can get out into the air for a long period each day, her health will be greatly impaired. However, the mother has a tiny baby to care for and unless the local headquarters, 1358,

Will Proceed With Cottam Case Wednesday

NEGOTIATIONS in progress last week for the settlement of the Cottam all-munity action, have been abandoned according to G. N. Weeks, solicitor for John Cottam.

Chief Justice Meredith requested that everything possible be done to settle the case out of court and ordered that it be put at the bottom of the list, so that every possible chance be given for a settlement to be arrived at.

Mr. Weeks gave it as his opinion Tuesday afternoon that the case would be proceeded with on Wednesday at the court house, although he could not say that the information was absolutely definite.

The chief justice stated last week that he would hear the Cottam case on Wednesday of this week.

BOARD EXPECTED TO SETTLE DISPUTE

Alderman Ashton Confident
Differences Will Be
Adjusted.

That a board of conciliation will be arranged before March 2 to settle the differences between the London street railway and its employees, is the opinion of Ald. John Ashton, prominently identified with the men's union.

Although the company at the first of the year announced that a reduction of the wages an hour would become effective Feb. 1, Ald. Ashton fails to see how such action can be accomplished at the time set.

"I can't see how they can do it," he explains, "and still be acting in accord with the wage disputes act which calls for an action of conciliation before such action."

Ald. Ashton expresses the belief that the necessary action will be taken at an early date. "There is sufficient time between now and the end of the month," he points out.

Obituaries

JOHN R. CAMPBELL.
Word was received in this city by Mrs. S. Wilson, of 216 Richmond street, that her youngest brother, John R. Campbell, of Winnipeg, had died in that city early Tuesday morning.

Mrs. James Anderson of Wellington street, this city, is also a sister.

Mr. Campbell was formerly a resident of Forest, Ont. In Winnipeg Mr. Campbell was credit manager of the Winnipeg Tribune. He was 43 years old.

MRS. MARY THOMPSON.
The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Thompson, who died in Victoria Hospital Saturday, was held from her residence, 24 Dundas street, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment was made at the Webster Cemetery.

Mrs. Thompson was a well-known resident of East London, having resided there many years. She was the daughter of the late William Belton. Her husband, James H. Thompson, predeceased her in 1908. She is survived by one daughter, Helen Thompson. Mrs. Thompson was an active worker in the Centennial Methodist Church.

SETTLEMENT IN TAXI CASE MADE

Charge Withdrawn Against
Driver by Former
Employer.

A settlement to the satisfaction of all parties was made in the Delbert Rae case in police court Tuesday. Rae was charged with theft by R. Hopkins of the Hop-Taxi firm. Rae had been employed by Mr. Hopkins, and was given notice that his services were no longer required.

According to Mr. Hopkins, he should have worked until Sunday morning instead of leaving Saturday night. Rae had in his possession \$40.00 belonging to Mr. Hopkins, and as he did not return late Saturday night, Mr. Hopkins had a warrant sworn out for his arrest. Rae was not arrested, but did hear that the police were looking for him.

He reported to them Sunday afternoon, and was then placed under arrest. Crown Attorney J. B. McKillop, K.C., did not press for a conviction. The parties concerned adjourned to the clerk's office, where a settlement of the money that was due both parties was made.

Salvation Army Wants Baby Buggy For Needy City Mother

she can take baby with her each day, it will be impossible for her to get out.

Unfortunately the family is not in a position to procure a conveyance by means of which mother and child may enjoy the boon of fresh air for a couple of hours every day.

The Salvation Army, believing that it is in the power of many citizens to relieve this situation, has issued a request that any one who could let the mother have a baby buggy, which will mean so much to both her health and that of the child, would phone the local headquarters, 1358,

JAS. JOHNSTON FINED \$200 FOR SELLING LIQUOR

Londoner Mulcted On Charge
of Supplying Drinks to
Stratford Men.

THREE IMPLICATED

William Burke Declares He
Was "Rolled" of \$170 After
Leaving Some House.

James Johnston was fined \$200 and costs or three months in jail by Deputy Magistrate P. H. Bartlett in police court Tuesday on a charge of selling liquor.

The charge of selling liquor was first preferred against William Hunter of 165 Horton street. He was dismissed by Deputy Magistrate Bartlett when he appeared to answer the charge, but Leonard Berry and James Johnston were arrested on a similar charge.

Judgment was reserved for one week in the Berry case.

Arnold Prior, who was also charged with selling liquor as a result of the arrest of his companions, had his case adjourned until Wednesday. The evidence of William P. Burke and Eldred Lillow was taken so that they could go home.

Albert M. Judd, who acted for the defence, caused a stir in the courtroom when he asked Lillow if he had been charged with drinking liquor in a place other than a private dwelling, and stated that he intended laying information against him for doing so.

Mr. Judd made a similar statement when examining Burke.

Evidence taken from Wm. Burke and Eldred Lillow Monday proved interesting.

Stratford Pair Implicated.

Wm. Burke and Eldred Lillow of Stratford came to London last Wednesday for a "time," and apparently they had it with a little more thrown in for good measure. Burke claims that he was "rolled" for \$170 after leaving some house in a taxi-cab.

Burke and Lillow both stated that they had gone to a house on Horton street, somewhere near Richmond, and paid 50 cents each for drinks of some kind that might have been whiskey. It was "awful" stuff they said. They were taken there by a man named Ison. A colored man whom they identified in court as James Johnston had sold Burke the alleged liquor, Lillow stating that his friend had flashed a \$100 bill while in the house. He did not see Burke pay Johnston.

Mr. Hunter Not In.
Mr. Hunter declared that he had been away from home all afternoon, and that the house was locked up. He had never even seen the pair from Stratford. Hunter was represented by Mr. E. Henderson.

L. Berry pleaded not guilty to the charge of selling liquor to the Stratford men. Burke said that they had taken to Berry's home on Wellington street in quest of liquor, being taken there by Johnston. The same afternoon, Berry had served drinks at 50 cents each, witness stated.

Berry denied this statement, and his evidence was substantiated by Johnston.

They had gone to a taxi driver, said he had gone to the house, which he had seen in the morning, and had done so.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO DR. CL. T. CAMPBELL

City Council Passes Resolution of Sympathy to Family.

A resolution of sympathy to the relatives of Dr. Cl. T. Campbell was passed at a Monday night meeting of the city council. A tribute to the memory of Dr. Campbell was paid in the following resolution:

Moved by G. B. Drake, seconded by H. J. Childs: "Whereas the death of Clarence T. Campbell, M.D., on the 22nd day of February, has removed from London one of its greatest citizens."

"Cl. T. Campbell, M.D., filled a very important place in the affairs of the city, occupying at different times the position of mayor, alderman, chairman and member of the board of education, post office inspector, grand juror of the order of Oddfellows, president of the historical society and lecturer at the Normal school, making many years of public service."

"Dr. Cl. T. Campbell was a fine type of gentleman, courteous, affable, exceptionally skilled in council procedure and the best informed on the history of the city of London, his keen interest, his great ability and his readiness to assist on any efforts for the good government of London, made his wide experience and knowledge sought and appreciated to a marked degree."

"His decease has caused sincere sorrow in the hearts of our people. His record of service is truly a memorial of a great and valued citizen and the deepest sympathy is expressed on every hand with his sorrowing relatives."

"Be it resolved that the council of the corporation of the city of London spread upon its minutes this brief statement of his many excellent qualities and his services to the city of London and this expression of the deep sympathy of the members of the council with his sorrowing wife and daughter."

"And further that the clerk be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of his family."

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MY heart leaps up when I behold
A rainbow in the sky,
So was it when my life began,
So is it now I am a man,
So be it when I shall grow old,
Or let me die.

—William Wordsworth.

TOMORROW'S DOINGS.

WEDNESDAY.—Father and son banquet held at Y.M.C.A.

MONDAY, FEB. 13, the members of the King's Own Club and the Outlook Mission Band of St. Andrew's Church will entertain their mothers at a Valentine tea and social in the church.

G. N. WEEKES has issued a county court writ on behalf of the Car Owners' Garage against Mark Harris of Buffalo, for \$225.25, claiming that this amount was procured from the plaintiff by fraud.

DR. ALFRED GRANT will give an address on "Boy Development" at the Father and Son banquet in St. Andrew's Church, Thursday, Feb. 16. Supper will be served at 6:30 by the Ladies' Aid and will be followed by Dr. Grant's speech, a musical program and motion pictures.

DR. PIDGEON, of Toronto, will be the speaker at the annual meeting of the Western Ontario Bible Society to be held in St. Andrew's Church, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Dr. Pidgeon is a forceful speaker and the work of which he will speak is so great in magnitude and importance that it keeps 1,000 men and women fully engaged in it.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON at 4:30 o'clock, the request of the Ministerial Alliance that there be no dancing in connection with the opening of the new collegiate institute, will go before the board of education. Canon Sage, Rev. N. S. McKee, Rev. M. Kelly, Rev. A. E. Thompson and Rev. McIntosh form a committee appointed to present the request.

MEMBERS OF ST. ANDREW'S church demonstrated a most interesting meeting at the Young People's Rally in Knox Church, St. Thomas, Tuesday afternoon. A large number from various Presbyterian congregations throughout the city left on the L. and P.S.R. at 1:20 to attend the rally. A special car also left at 5:20 for those who were unable to attend the evening session only.

AN ILLUSTRATED ASTRONOMICAL lecture will be given at Western University, St. George street, Friday evening when Dr. H. R. King will address the local Astronomical society on the "Starry Heavens." The lecture will be non-technical and will be illustrated with lantern slides. Invitations to become members of the society are being extended to those interested in astronomy. Lectures to be given monthly during the winter and spring months.

"WHY TRAVEL around all day on a cabbage leaf?" will be the subject of an address given by Dr. Healey of Detroit at the anniversary service of the Epworth League of Centennial Methodist Church, Monday, Feb. 13. The anniversary celebration will include both morning and evening services on Sunday, Feb. 12, when there will be special music for the occasion. Dr. Healey will officiate at the evening service, and the Rev. A. E. Thompson at the morning service.

WOOLWORTH'S REPORT
INCREASED EARNINGS
New York, Feb. 7.—The F. W. Woolworth