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HE ABHORRED GAMBLING

Held Most Important Position on the Directorate of Great Many Large Corporations.

Toronto, Jan. 16 .-- Hon. George A. Cox died at his home on Sherbourne street at 5:15 a.m. today. The senator had been for some days in a semiconscious state. The day before yesterday he recovered consciousness sufficiently to recognize the members o his family, who were gathered about him, then he relapsed into uncon sciousness and slept away.

Last night he became restless, and his physicians, Doctors Davidson, Anderson and Goldsmith were called. Recognizing the serious turn of the patient's condition, they remained attendance, doing what they could, till the end came.

The whole family was gathered ta the bedside at the moment of dissolution. There were present Mrs. Cox and the senator's two sons, E. W. and H. C. Cox, with their wives, and the senator's daughters, Mrs. A. E. Ames and Mrs. A. L. Davis. A. E. Ames was also present

The death of Senator George A. Cox this morning removes the most active and influential financial magnates in the Province of Ontario, and one of the outstanding financial giants of the Dominion of Canada. It is a difficult matter to estimate his wealth, owing to the vast number and complex char acter of the industries and the monetary institutions in which he was interested. His estate has been said to be anywhere from ten to eighteen mil-

FIRST BIG DEAL.

He was one of the incorporators of the \$15,000,000 Transcontinental Railway Company, and might have been its president had he so desired. His first big financial deal was carried out when he was 38. This was in 1878. At this time the Midland Railway was in financial difficulties, and, at the request erick Sutherland, the two convicted counstraighten matters out. He was associated with Senator Jaffray in the flotation of the company's bonds on the London market, and this was accomplished successfully after encountering feit coins. They received the same senconsiderable opposition. In five years Mr. Cox had amalgamated the road with others, and the steel was relaid throughout. The whole road was put in first-class shape, so that it was possible to turn it over to the Grand Trunk Railway at a large profit to the Midland shareholders ABHORRED GAMBLING.

Though a list of the companies with which Senator Cox has been associated would read like a blue book of the ed would read like a blue book of the industrial and financial interests of the country, he has never bought a share sentence. He declared that the counterof stock on a margin. He has always feiting cases had been the first criminal abhorred gambling of any kind, having offence he had ever been connected with an old-fashioned Methodist con-

(Continued on page 11.) C.T.R. MEN PASSING

EYE AND EAR TESTS Special Inspector Here To Examine

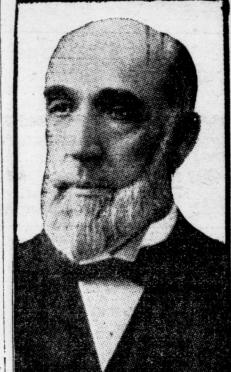
Middle Division Employees.

The Grand Trunk Railway system has sent a special car from Montreal former today learned that a man answerto London equipped with an outfit for an eye and ear test of all the trainmen running on the middle division.

A number of the men were tested A number of the men were tested the prisoners will be taken to Kingtoday, and successfully passed the extendary of the men were tested the prisoners will be taken to Kingtoday. amination. Men will be examined each day until all on the middle division have undergone the test.

J. Lavelie, a former passenger conductor running out of London and ashes from the volcano Asama-Yama,

Financial Giant Dies in Toronto in His 74th Year



SENATOR GEORGE A. COX.

Magistrate Judd Passes Judgment On Convicted Coiners, Today.

SENTENCES CONCURRENT

Slmilar Punishment Meted Out on Both Counts of Making and Passing Spurious Coin.

Two years and six months in the Kingston Penitentiary was the sentence Magistrate J. C. Judd meted out this morning to Valentine Phillips and Fredof the creditors, he undertook to terfeiters, arrested here a week ago Monday.

> The prisoners were charged with two offences,-making and passing countertence on each count but the two sentences will run concurrently. In passing sentence the Magistrate

said: 'I have come to the conclusion that neither of you young men were members you were both led astray by the foolish idea that you could make easy money to be too hard on prisoners, but the public must be protected.' Thanks Magistrate

entiary he would endeavour to make

Sutherland had little to say. He admit ted that it was the second time he had been arrested and expressed the hope that it would be the last. The prisoners were nervous and hag-gard loking as sentence was passed.

May Be Arrested Again
When Phillips ends his term for the
present charge he may, on leaving Kingston, be rearrested. The London detectives have been in communication with the London, England, authorities, and the ing Phillip's discription was wanted by the authorities across the water. Phillips when questioned strenuously denied the charge and stated that this was the first ime he had ever been arrested.

VOLCANO STILL ACTIVE. [Canadian Pres.]

Nikko, Island of Hondo, Japan, Jan. 16 .- All the mountains are coated with

Toronto, has charge of the ear, and is which is now active. Frequent earthmeting in the capacity of inspector. quake rumblings are heard. WOMEN PURSUED BY IN THE NORTH PART

"Who Are You Chasing?" Asked One-"I'm Chasing You," Was Reply-Then Former Fled to Nearby House-

That debased type of humanity known as Jack, the Hugger, is abroad in the northern section of the city. Several cases have come to light wherein women have been pursued, but fortunately, not attacked by this strange person.

Followed After Visit.

On Tuesday night, a well-known lady was returning to her home after calling at the residence of Chief Police Williams. She noticed strange man behind her and when he followed her to a letter box, she turned around with the exclamation,

Who are you following?" He Slunk Away. With the reply, "You!" he started to the women. remove his overcoat, and then the lady A St. Jos broke into a run, with the man followfrg her. She turned into the entrance doorbell. The man did not venture further, and when the owner of the house appeared, slunk away into the darkness. This happened about 10 o'clock at night.

Has Crooked Nose. The lady describes the man as being plexioned, and wore gauntlet gloves,

trimmed with fringe. to The Advertiser today.

Another lady was also pursued by a man a week or so ago, and another wo- that is going down town. Your petitthe city, had a similar terrifying experience. In all the cases reported, however, it was fortunate that the man did not succeed in getting his hands on

A St. Joseph's Hospital nurse was also accosted by a man a night or two necessity of securing an improved previously, and took refuge with a service in the north end. of a friend's house, with the stran r in luit pursuit, and hastily rang the was later accompanied to the hospital tion would be given consideration

GREISOCH ARRIVES ARDUOUS VOYAGE

Young Jew, Detained at Halifax, Comes Safely to the City.

GREAT TRIP TO FREEDOM

A Youth Who Faced Death in Russia Tells of His Experi nce.

young Benjamin Greisoch, who was tion officials at Halifax because of thorities for army desertion, stepped from the 11.28 Grand Trunk train his brother and two friends who awaited his coming here. He carried in his hand a curious looking Russian small wicker trunk and was hurried across the station platform to his brother's waiting sleigh and driven at once to his brother's home at 93 Maitland street, where a plump roasted fowl and other festive fare awaited is coming.

Safe it would be to say that few arrivals to London, have looked with more delight at the historic and dilapdated Grand Trunk station Greisoch as he crossed the platform.
Brother Met All Trains.

Harry Grace met all the trains from he east Thursday and was overjoyed this morning to be reunited with his

norning that he was well treated by the project was discussed. Hailfax immigration officials and received all the letters sent him by his brother. He was detained two weeks and two to do the work by departmental labor Blase, slow-thrilling native Canadians,

could hardly appreciate the feelings o the youthful refugee when he arrived in London. When he crossed the Russian boundary into Germany he thought he was free. Freedom was nearer still to him when he embarked on Tunisian at Antwerp for Canada Visions of Death.

But then at Halifax there came back W. N. Ashplant for the past few days, to him visions of Russian prisons, Rus- and the borings of the different secsian military barracks reeking with filth tions are being taken preliminary drear, hopeless picture of life-long exise in Siberia, perhaps courtmartial and death by shooting for desertion. At 123t his freedom was assured Glad Reunion Dinner,

Down at Harry Grace's home on Maitand street, his little children expectantof an organized gang and I believe that ly, joyously, awaited the coming of their ncle from Russia. Mrs Greiscoon was busy preparing the glad reunion dinner passing counterfeit pieces. I don't want Friends and relatives were invited and this afternoon young Greisoch is telling the story of his life in the Russian army his escape and subsequent adventures, as thousands of other refugees from Russian tyranny have told their stories on of hope and opportunity and freedom, at least of freedom and opportunity in the eves of the Russian refugee.

NORTH ENDERS ASK RAILWAY SERVICE

Desire Restoration of the Oxford Belt Line-Send Petition to Controllers.

A deputation of north end residents neaded by Dr. J. E. Hodgins, waited on the board of control this morning, and asked for an improved street ear service in the William and Cheapside streets district. A petition, along these lines, signed by 478 esidents, was presented.
The petition asked for the restora-

tion of the Oxford belt line, which the people in the district affected had prior to Dec. 1 last, by William and Cheapside streets. A place to cross at the corner of William and Cheapside

streets was also asked. "Your petitioners are concerned," read the petition, "only with the service on William and Cheapside strets. The present plan has been fully demenstrated and found to be totally inadequate, and of little value to the residents in the north end. The majority of the workmen, who formerly took the belt line car, are now compelled to walk to Oxford street and take the car there, as they cannot depend on the William and Cheapside service. young, and having a crooked nose. He The Ottaway cars, as they run, was of middling height and dark com- at the present time, are held up by one of the five street railway cross ings on nearly every trip, which "I would certainly know the man if I makes it impossible for them to mainwere to see him again," said the lady tain a service. The majority of the residents living in the north end, only use the car going the one way and man, living in the northern section of ioners suggest the return of the Oxford belt line around these streets which will give approximately a seven and a half minute service on Oxford, William and Cheapside.'

> Dr. Hodgins addressed the committee at some length and urged the

when the controllers reach the discussion of street railway matters, and incidentally mentioned that the company was using fifteen cars too few.
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Counterfeiters Who Will Be Inmates of Kingston Penitentiary for the Next Two Years and a Half



VALENTINE PHILLIPS.

FREDERICK SUTHERLAND.

Storm Sewers Will Give Work To Unemployed

Colborne St. End of System to Be Commenced Early in February.

It is likely that work on the Colborne street section of the proposed Toronto, the engineer in charge of the work, had a brief conference with the Young Greisoch told the Advertiser this board of control this morning, and the The Colborne street end of the work has been estimated to cost \$34,700, and the idea is

Mr. Chipman assured the controllers that providing the necessary material could be secured, the work could be gone on without delay, and would give employment to practically all the men who could be secured. This will go a long way towards solving the unemployed situation.

Mr. Chipman and his two assistants, Engineers McGregor and Smith, have been in conference with City Engineer and vermin, day-long hours of drill, the to going ahead with the completion of

CREW LOST OFF BRITISH COAST

arriving in America, the new continent "A-7" Failed to Come Up With the Others After Manoeuvres.

[Canadian Press.]

Plymouth, Eng., Jan. 16 .- The Britsh submarine "A-7" foundered off here oday, and the authorities say there is little hope of her crew of 6 officers and men being saved.

The submarine was engaged exercises in the Sound with a number of her sister vessels and she failed to come to the surface with the other poats when the manoeuvres were rought to an end.

The "A-7" is one of a class of nine boats numbered "A-5" to "A-13." She was built in 1904 and measured 150 feet in length. Her submerged lisplacement was 204 tons. Her engines developed an indicated horsepower of 600, giving her a surface speed of 16 knots and a submerged speed of nine knots. She lies at the bottom of Cawsand

Bay on the western shore of Plymouth Two other vessels of exactly the

same type have met with disaster, the "A-5" at Queenstown in 1905 with a loss of four lives and the "A-8" at Plymouth in 1906 with a death list of fifteen.

The British navy has also lost a number of other submarines within

ALIVE AT 5 O'CLOCK.
[Canadian Press.]

Plymouth, Jan. 16 .- At five o'clock this afternoon, all the crew of the British submarine "A-7" which stuck on the bottom of Plymouth Sound during manoeuvres today were still The parent ship Onyx sucalive. ceeded in getting into communication with them at that hour.

Chicago, Ills., Jan. 16.-Alex. Mac Conachie, London, Ont., was yesterday standing on State street, when a stranger came along and engaged him conversation. The stranger was en route to North Side and Mac-Conachie said he would like to go along. In front of the Holy Name Cathedral, they met a third man, who exhibited a thick roll of yellow bills. Montreal "Let's get that easy money," whispered MacConachie's new friend. The three began to match coins and when was over MacConachie was shy \$65 and \$450 in checks.

The name does not appear in the

JAMES MURRAY IS

Becomes Head of East Middlesex the evidence, the presiding judge feet that Nickles had not been a pas-Agricultural Society for 1914.

The East Middlesex Agricultural Society held their annual meeting in the County buildings today and re-elected their entire menced about Feb. 1, providing that the necessary pipe and other materials can be secured. Willis Chipman, of Toronto, the engineer in charge of the coming year as follows: President, Jas. Murray; vice-presidents, Wm. Moore, Edward Douglas; directors: (Westminster) Dr. G. A. Routlege, Col. R. McBurcay, and the coming year as follows: President, Jas. M. Murray; vice-presidents, Wm. Moore, Edward Douglas; directors: (Westminster) Dr. G. A. Routlege, Col. R. McEwen; London Township, W. H. K. Talbot, M. Dickie and R. Oke: Dorchester: Jas. Crocket and D. McIntyre; Nissouri: T. H. Wheaton, and Geo. Sutherland; London West: Wm. and Geo. Sutherland; London West: Wm. Moore. Directors to Western Fair: Jas. Murray, W. Moore. E. Douglas, Dr. G. A. Routlege, Col. McEwen and R. Oke. Representatives to Western Fair: W. H. K. Talbot, J. H. Wheaton and D. McIntyre. Auditors, Dr. A. R. Routlege, and H. Togor.

Wheaton, secretary, and Richard Oke, The financial statement showed \$310.80

receipts and \$150 disbursements. A motion was carried to ask the Dominion Government to divide the \$50,000 which is annually alloted to some one fair in the Dominion, among the leading fairs of the Dominion. The two representatives to the Fairs Association at Toronto are M.

'SAFETY FIRST' LECTURES

gether to Hear Addresses on Exercise of Proper Care.

London Men Will Be Called To-

London Grand Trunk Railway officials have received notice from the head office in Montreal that the first of a series of "Safety first" meetings will be held in this city within the course of a week It is the intention of the road to bring

all its men running on the middle division out of London to these meetings. The idea is to show the workers the great advantages to the road and themselves in being careful in the handling of passengers and themselves.
Chicago employees of the Grand Trunk had their inaugural "Safety first" meeting Thursday night when over 500 men listened to railway experts speak on the

great need of employees exercising every The programmes have been arranged in the Montreal office of the Grand Trunk and similar meetings will be held at all divisional points.

MAIL AND EMPIRE SUED

News and Its Editor Allege Libel In Allegation. [Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Jan. 16 .- Action for unstated damges for libel has been entered at Osgoode Hall by Sir John Willison and the News against the Mail and Empire. The alleged libel consisted of an allegation as to the authorship of a dispatch ten days ago, announcing the death of Sir James Whitney.

THE WEATHER.



LOCAL TEMPERATURES The following were lowest temperatures and complaining of injuries to his recorded in London for the 12 hours preceding 8 a.m. tohours previous to p.m. Thursday were: Highest, 35; lowest

SATURDAY - STRONG NORTHWEST WINDS AND MILDER. Forecast.

Southerly winds, cloudy and mild, light

enow falls chiefly at night. London, Jan. 16, 1914 .--Weather High Stations. Cloudy Victoria Calgary ... Port Arthur ... Parry Sound .. Quebec Father Point ..

Weather Notes. A disturbance which was centred in the Western provinces yesterday is now pass-Detectives obtained descriptions of ing eastward across the Great Lakes the swindlers and arrested Michael The weather has become much milder Jordan, who was identified as one of between Ontario and the Maritime provinces, but there are now some indications of a cold wave coming in -northward of Manitoba,

OF FAKED ST. RY. ACCIDENT

In Assize Court This Morning Chief Justice Dismisses Nickle's Damage Suit Against Street Railway and Grand Trunk.

FINDS THAT HE WAS NOT ON CAR

Advertiser's Account of Fake, Published Last August, Beginning of Fiasco's Expose.

An investigation set on foot by a Thinking he was seriously injured. vertiser of August 15th, resulted in the action of William Charles Nickles against the London Street Railway being dismissed with costs by Chief Justice Falconbridge at the assize

ourt this morning. Nickles claimed \$5,000 damages for niuries received while a passenger on the car which collided with Grand Trunk freight train at the Dundas street interswitching line on found that the plaintiff was not a passenger on the car in question, and consequently could not have received the injuries he claimed to have received. He dismissed the action with

costs. Spettigue's Story Similar. The story told on the witness stand y Frank Spettigue, a dairyman livng in Westminster Township, was exactly in line with the story published in the Advertiser to the effect hat Nickles was not a passenger on the car, but drove to the scene he wreck in a buggy with him. Arriving there, he jumped from the buggy, and disappeared, and Spettigue heard no more of him until he learned that he was in the hospital suffering from injuries supposed to have been received in the wreck. He could not quite reconcile the facts in the case, and commented upon the pe-

culiar circumstances to several friends.
Word coming to The Advertiser that there was peculiar circumstances in Nickles' alleged injuries, a reporter investigated the affair. He interviewed Spettigue, and heard his story, afterwards going to Nickles and telling him his story that he had boarded the car going east at Eva street, and was injured in the crash. He explained the ing eastward instead of west, in the direction of his home, by saying that he had become confused in the directions.

Created Sensation. The result of the reporter's findings was published exclusively in The Advertiser of Aug. 15, and created a big sensation. An investigation was promptly set on foot by the London Street Railway Company, and the result of this morning's trial fally vindicated The Advertiser and Frank Spet-

On the witness-stand yesterday, Nickles stuck to his story about board-

ing the car at Eva street, just before the crash occurred. Was Returning With Spettigue. Frank Spettigue swore that Nickles was returning with him in a buggy from the farm of Charles Talbot, nine miles east of the city, and did not arrive at the scene of the accident until

several minutes after it occurred. C. H. Ivey, counsel for the street railway company, called witness after witness from among the passengers on the car, who swore that no passenger boarded the car at Eva street that night, or at any point between scene of the accident and the fair

grounds Not Passenger, Says Conductor. John Cooper, conductor on the illfated car, swore positively that no passenger got on at Eva street that night. He would certainly know if anybody did, and he was positive that nobody boarded the car from the time it left the fair grounds loop until it collided

with the train. Peter Adams, one of the passengers who stood in the aisle of the ctr, near the door, also swore that nobody could enter the car without brushing past him, and he saw no passenger get on from the time the car left Egerton

Wilfrid Neely, who was a passenger on the back of the car, also bore out this testimony. He saw no one get on the car and was positive the plaintiff was not a passenger.

Found In Ditch. P. C. Edgar Fowler told of finding the highest and the Nickles groaning in the ditch and

back long after all the other injured

story published in the London Ad- he summoned the ambulance nad had him removed to Victoria Hospital where he remained nine days, apparently suffering great pain P. C. Malcolm McCrae bore out the

testimony of P. C. Fowler in regard to the finding of the supposedly injured man. Reporter On Stand. Thomas E. Walsh, reporter for The

Advertiser, was the last witness called for the defence. He related the circumstances attending his investigation the night of July 24. After hearing of the stories in circulation to the efsenger on the car. He told of his interview with Frank

Spettigue and also with Nickles, both of which interviews were published the same day. Cross-examination by the plaintiff's counsel, J. M. McEvov, failed to shake his testimony. The defence called Charles Talbot, Oscar Cornish, William Talbot and

William England, all acquaintances of Nickles, to testify that up to the time of the accident he had been an ablebodied man, above the average strength. Ran For Street Car. Counsel for the plaintiff stated that there was no doubt that he was suffering from a weak back, but C. H. a moment later, drew from the

plaintiff an admission that he had only this morning jumped from a moving street car on Dundas street, and ran for some distance over to the sidewalk. This was at variance with his actions in the courtroom, where he appeared have difficulty in moving about.

Recalled to the witness stand, this morning, Nickles denied the story ld what was being said. Nickles stuck to by Spettigue absolutely, contending that his own testimony was the truth. Counsel for the plaintiff, then addressed the bench. the fact that all of the witnesses

Denies Spettigue's Story.

Nickles was not there, as an unique circumstance. Memories were not usually good. "From m · o"n Falconbridge replied, "I find that events leading up to photograph themselves indelibly upon the memory. I find nothing out of

were positive in stating that no pas-

sengers got on the car and that

the ordinary in the testimony of these In dismissing the case Justice Falconbridge stated that while there were features which were hard to explain, no court would uphold him. in accepting the uncorroborated evidence of the plaintiff as against the preponderance of evidence adduced by the defence. "The action is dismiss-

G.T.R. Case On This Afternoon. Nickles also sue the Grand Trunk, and evidence in that branch of the



had been cared for in a nearby house. SAYS LONDON SHOULD SPEND The official temperatures for the 12 \$400,000 ON SCHOOL SYSTEM

Chairmon of Board of Education Building Committee Declares That Amount Is Necessary to Put Schools In Proper Shape.

That between three and four hundred thousand dollars should be spent on London's education system, is the opinion of Trustee L. H. Martyn, chairman of No. 2 committee of the board of education. Trustee Martyn does not think that it is possible to raise all of the amount this year but is confident that a not less than the sum mentioned will be necessary to put the schools in proper shape and provide the additional accommodation that is necessary.

Trustee Martyn's committee held its first meeting on Thursday afternoon and to the trustees to, but no action was taken. The board has been offered the property for the sum of \$24,000, but some of the trustees are opposed to the purchase on the grounds that the location is not all that is desirable and that the building cannot be easily converted into a schoolhouse.

The need of a new Princess Ave. school a modern building at Grand Ave. and new school at Riv Ave. The trustees dividual is perties.

first meeting on Thursday afternoon and without actually bringing anything to a head, discussed various phases of the local school problem, and the best ways and means of meeting it. In practically every school in London there exists a condition of crowding that is a handical that the school in the sc to good results. The trustees feel relief must be given.

The proposed purchase of the M mick property on Grand Ave. was re The trustees feel th