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SYNDICATE OF FIREBUGS.

THE MONTREAL GANG OPER[illegible] THROUGHOUT CANADA.

Chiefs of the Gang Posed as Wholesalers and Terrorized Customers Until They Yielded to Their Propositions For Crime—Those Arrested Will Go to the Grand Jury at Once.

Montreal, Sept. 9.—The eight merchants arrested on charges of arson were brought up in the Police Court this morning, but were not asked to plead. The Attorney-General gave orders that they be brought at once before the grand jury and this will be done to-morrow.

John Beiser, the leader of the band, for ten years has defied detection while planning arson conspiracies which will stand out conspicuously in annals of crime. Beiser and his confederates had nothing whatever to do with the Boyd, Gillies & Co. fire, but the repentant incendiary in that case not only confessed to his individual crime, but gave the Crown its first clue to the great firebug syndicate.

Worked All Over Canada.

Evidence already in possession of the Crown identifies the Beiser band with fifteen fires in Montreal alone within the last three years. These represent, it is confidently believed, only a small part of the crimes committed by the band in other Canadian cities westward from Quebec as far as Winnipeg.

The total loss to English and Canadian fire insurance companies mounts up into the millions, representing heavy losses for half a dozen leading companies, whose private detectives for years have been working unsuccessfully, to well-nigh fatal drain upon their surplus funds.

Mysterious fires began to attract general attention in 1885, and so abnormally heavy grew the insurance losses that the rates were advanced year after year until in this city, where the buildings are well made and where the fire department is well disciplined and well equipped, rates on certain risks were $1.17 on $100. The merchants of Montreal protested.

Saturday the Firebugs' Night.

It was universally recognized that these mysterious fires were a part of the operations of an organized gang. Nine out of every ten fires of mysterious origin were discovered at some time between Saturday night and Monday morning, when the premises devoted to business were presumably vacant. Investigation of the Boyd, Gillies & Co. fire threw the first light on the mystery. C. D. Hanson, chief adjuster of the Dominion Adjustment Bureau, took the initiative in the work of running down the conspiracy, and employed Silas H. Carpenter of the Canadian Secret Service Company as chief detective. M. J. F. Quinn, Q.C., was employed, and together the three men began operations two months ago. Little by little they accumulated the evidence against Beiser and his fellow conspirators.

The Band's Methods.

The method of the gang may be described briefly as follows: Beiser, Thomas and Davis were wholesalers in various lines, and would sell small merchants on liberal terms as to time. When under pressure of unsuccessful business a creditor would default in payment, the wholesaler would urge him to accept more stock and increase his insurance.

This was done in all of the 15 cases already discovered. The insurance amounted frequently to double the value of the goods. The Beiser gang, selecting their victim with great care, and making sure of his moral pliability, would secretly advise him to burn his store. If this advice was not accepted the crime was insisted upon under penalty of suit for indebtedness. With ruin staring him in the face, the unfortunate victim would consent to the arrangement, and on the Saturday night set for the fire would turn his store over to Beiser and his followers. The conspirators would then secretly remove the greater part of the stock and arrange the mechanism destined to create the fire.

An Incendiary Machine.

An ordinary alarm clock was invariably used for this purpose. Its back and sides were removed, the gong was taken off, and the metal sounding alarm was fitted with a glass bulb filled with sulphuric acid. It was then wound up, the alarm set for any hour at which the conspirators desired the fire, and the floor beneath was covered with chlorate of potash. When the alarm finally struck, the glass bulb was shattered, sulphuric acid mingled with the explosive salt, and the mischief was accomplished. Beiser and his confederates then invariably insisted that their victim should pay them not only the original bill, but also for the stock which had been secretly removed—in this way appropriating the bulk of the insurance money collected by the unfortunate. They invariably worked upon weak men, who kept quiet, fearing to be involved in the ruin certain to follow exposure.

The Firebug Syndicate Chief

John Beiser, the chief, has lived for the last twelve years in this city, in a suburb known as St. Lambert, and is supposed to be a man of large means. He is 55 years old, and if the authorities are correct a fugitive from justice in New York city. Victims of the conspiracy who have filed their confessions with the Queen's counsel say that Beiser was originally identified with a small but desperate band of firebugs who operated successfully for a year in New York city, and that when forced to flee to avoid arrest purchased the secret of the alarm clock method from his chief for $500. Adjuster Hanson and Counsellor Quinn quietly visited New York city in August and devoted an entire week to the task of accumulating evidence against the Beiser syndicate. Some of the unfortunate retailers lured into crime by these conspirators had left Montreal in terror and settled in New York. It was to reach these men and to obtain their confessions that the two Canadian officials made the trip.

Full immunity was pledged, but the dread of consequences was not to be overcome in a day or a week, and the two investigators returned to Montreal practically empty handed. Success crowned their subsequent efforts, however, sufficiently to positively identify the Beiser syndicate with a few, at least, of their crimes.

Counsellor Quinn Confirms the Report of the Firebug Conspiracy.

New York, Sept. 10.—Counsellor Quinn arrived in this city early yesterday morning, and registered at the Hotel Brunswick, where I found him later in the day. When confronted with the facts, as given above, Mr. Quinn reluctantly, but positively, confirmed every detail.

"It is true," said he, "that we have unearthed a mammoth conspiracy, which has been in operation at least ten years, and which has cost our insurance companies millions of dollars. I am not at liberty now to reveal all that I know of Beiser's identity or of the workings of his nefarious syndicate. All that I can say is that the conspiracy gridirons Canada, and that to-day's arrests are merely preliminary to a wholesale bagging of the guilty, if it can be accomplished. There can be no doubt but that in Beiser we have the organizer and leader."

As the conspirators are arrested their pictures will be taken and forwarded at once to Counsellor Quinn. He will submit them to Acting Chief Conlin, and every effort will be made to get at their records. The police of this city know none of the men by their present names, but the Canadian authorities are confident that both Beiser and Davis are fugitives from New York.

WILL [illegible] THE MYSTERY.

The Disappearance of Engineer Ivey at Collingwood to Be Investigated by the Attorney General's Department.

The Attorney-General's Department does not purpose allowing the apparent mysterious disappearance and equally unaccountable return at Collingwood of William Ivey, the G. T. R. engineer of this city, to go unfathomed, if its officers can get at the bottom of the case.

Detective Greer will leave for Collingwood in a day or two, and will devote several days in an attempt to ferret out the facts, with a view of deciding whether, as is generally supposed at Collingwood, Ivey wandered away while temporarily insane, or was kidnapped. Ivey is practically a well man to-day, having made rapid recovery. He still is unable to give any explanation of his disappearance.

DEMERS MURDER TRIAL.

Counsel For the Crown Outlines the Case Against the Accused.

Montreal, Sept. 9.—When the trial of Napoleon Demers for the murder of his wife on June 13 last began this morning in the Court of Queen's Bench, every available seat and inch of standing room was occupied. Mr. Justice Wurtele occupied the bench. Demers betrayed some nervousness at first, but soon regained his self-control. A mixed jury was sworn in, but not until 54 names had been called, both defence and prosecution taking advantage of the privilege of challenge. Forty witnesses were summoned for the Crown and forty-five for the defence. They answered their names and then had to withdraw.

Messrs. M. J. F. Quinn, Q.C., and Archambault, Q.C., Crown prosecutors, took up most of the day in addressing the jury, outlining the crime and the evidence against the accused. They told how the woman was found lying in her home, with her throat cut and her infant lying in the cradle wailing for food, and proceeded to state that they would show that the woman could not have committed suicide. Then it must be murder, and the jury would have to decide if anyone else but the husband had committed the deed. The Crown proposed to show that the woman was dead before he left the house in the morning to go to his work and to show that the stories he told about her preparing breakfast for him, bidding him good-bye, etc., were falsehoods, by means of witnesses. Demers said the milkman had not arrived at a quarter past 6, but they would show that two milkmen called before 6. The Crown contended that the woman was first struck on the head and then her throat cut, a pillow being used to prevent the splashing of the blood.

J. A. U. Beaudry, C.E., was the first witness, and produced a plan of the premises, which the jury afterwards visited.

News of a Wreck.

An incident of the Chippewa's trip from Niagara to Toronto yesterday was the cause of much excitement among the passengers and crew. A tightly-corked bottle of unusual appearance was noticed in the vessel's course, and so great was the curiosity evinced by those on board as to the contents of the mysterious flask that a boat was lowered and the cause of the excitement was brought on board, where the officers proceeded to open it. This was the message it contained: "Wreck of the conduit pipe! Citizens in danger!! Drink only East Kent Ale—It's perfectly pure."

An extraordinary demand for this celebrated ale has sprung up since the break in the conduit, but the Toronto agency is still able to supply all dealers.

Briar and Meerschaum below cost. Alive Bollard.

Allen Manufacturing Company use Wheeler & Wilson.

The Gurney Foundry Company.

The Gurney Foundry Company following the custom reserved by them for the past few years, have confined the display of their extensive line of Oxford goods during Exhibition to their showrooms, 500 King-street west, but not until 54 names had been called, both defence and prosecution taking advantage of the privilege of challenge. Forty witnesses were summoned for the Crown and forty-five for the defence. They answered their names and then had to withdraw.

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Special Rates to South Africa.

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Personal.

Mr. Foote of The Quebec Chronicle is in town.

Sir Charles and Lady Tupper dined with Rev. Mr. Jordan, Jarvis-street, last night. Lady Tupper and Mrs. Jordan are sisters.

Lady Thompson and family are expected to return to town to-day.

Mr. E. W. Thomson, formerly of this city and now of Boston, is spending his holidays in Ontario. He called on The World yesterday. His latest story will soon be published in a Canadian edition.

Mr. W. Bradford, representing Frederick Bond, who will appear at the Princess Theatre next week, is in the city making preparations for Mr. Bond's engagement.

A pleasing incident at the meeting of the Enniskillen L.O.L. 387, on Friday evening last, was the presentation by W. Bro. Cosble to his lodge of a large photograph, beautifully framed in oak of the district master and W. masters of the Centre District.

The Allan mail steamship Parisian, from Montreal for Liverpool, arrived out on Monday morning.

Gale Manufacturing Co use Wheeler & Wilson.

Fetherstonhaugh & Co., patent solicitors and experts. Bank Commerce Building, Toronto

Garland Manufacturing Company use Wheeler & Wilson.

For business envelopes, get samples and prices from Blight Bros, 65 Yonge-street.

Smoke Premier de Mundo cigar 5c, regular 10c Alive Bollard.

Procrastination.

If the maxim, "Never put off till to-morrow what you can do to-day," was more strictly observed, especially in matters of importance, the individual, as well as the community in which he resides, would be benefited thereby.

Every man should attend to the important matter of life insurance. That strong and successful company, the North American Life, offers very attractive plans of insurance, calculated to meet the wants of all classes of insurers.

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Alive Bollard's bargains all during Exhibition.

New Netherlands Consul-General.

Montreal, Sept. 9.—Charles D. W. Boissevain of the Alaska Feather and Down Company, 10 St. Sacrament-street, has been appointed Consul-General in Canada for the Netherlands to succeed Homer B. Dixon of Toronto, who has resigned.

The "Slater" $3 shoe can be purchased only at Guinane Bros.' stores, 214 Yonge and 89 King-st. west.

Turkish Bath and Bed $1—127-129 Yonge

LYING ABOUT OUR CHEESE

CANADIAN DAIRYMEN ACCUSED OF GROSS FRAUD.

Charged With Selling "Imitation" Cheese in the British Market—Prof. Robertson's Prompt and Emphatic Denial—Making Such Cheese in Canada is Prohibited Under Heavy Penalty.

Montreal, Sept. 9.—A Star special cable from London says:

Another scare has been raised in the hope of checking Canadian competition with the British farmer. The North British Agriculturist alleges on what it terms good authority that a considerable proportion of the so-called full milk cheese from Canada is really made from separated milk, fattened with oleomargerine, which is very difficult to detect. It urges that the Board of Agriculture make an expert inquiry and suggests that this explains why the Canadians are able to undersell the British farmers. They sell their cheese at forty shilings per hundredweight, or fourpence per pound.

The Times repeats the charge to-day with deep regret, and says it is nothing short of suicide to the Canadian trade.

I have been interviewed by leading shippers, who say at least the statement is a gross exaggeration, but still must do great harm unless promptly and officially denied. The largest London buyer of Canadian cheese says that any such fraud would not long escape them. He buys more Canadian cheese now than ever, and does not believe the charge. Other buyers confirm his statement.

Prof. Robertson's Emphatic Denial

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 9.—Prof. Robertson, Dairy Comissioner, is out with emphatic denial of the statement made by The London Agriculturist that Canadian cheese, now being sold in English markets, is made of skimmed milk fattened with oleomargarine.

Prof. Robertson says not a single box of this class of cheese is made in Canada, that under the Dairy Products Act of 1893 the manufacture of imitation cheese is prohibited under a heavy penalty, and moreover under an Act passed at the instance of George Taylor, M.P., the importation of oleomargarine into Canada is absolutely prohibited.

Prof. Robertson says that filled or imitation chees from the United States may have reached England, but it could not be confounded with Canadian, as all American cheese passing through the Dominion for export is branded at Montreal as "Product of United States."

GAS COMPANY LOSES.

Judgment Handed Out by Mr Justice Ferguson in the Suit Instituted by Mr J. T. Johnston.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Justice Ferguson handed down his judgment in the case of J. T. Johnston et al. v. Consumers' Gas Company. The judgment is a very lengthy and exhaustive one and goes fully into all the questions submitted to the court by the parties in the special case which was argued in May last. The judgment is to all intents and purposes for the plaintiffs' the defendants' demur being overruled with costs. The defendants are ordered to pay the costs of the action up to this time and a reference is directed to the Master-in-Ordinary to examine the accounts, and for this purpose the defendants' books are to be laid open. The question of subsequent costs and further directions are reserved until after the Master-in-Ordinary makes his report.

A very extensive examination of accounts is involved by this judgment, as it means a complete investigation into and checking of all the Gas Company's books since the Act passed by the Local Legislature in 1887, under which the company obtained power to increase its capital stock to $2,000,000.

John MacGregor is solicitor in the action for the plaintiffs, while the defendants are represented by S. H. Blake, Q.C., D'Alton McCarthy, Q.C. and William Mulock, Q.C. Although the city is not a party to the action, it is of course the largest gas consumer, and its interests were looked after by Christopher Robinson, Q.C.

HOW TO MAKE CHICKENS PAY

From Egg to Oven Valuable Information to Those Who Want to Make Pin Money

"The Care of the Chick from Six Weeks Old Onwards" is the second of the series on the subject of raising chickens in this month's Canadian Poultry Review, now on sale at John P. McKenna's Bookstore, 85 Yonge-street, Toronto; postpaid 12 cents. The papers were prepared and read before the Galt Poultry Asociation, and are now printed for the first time. The Bantam Department describes the Buff Cochin Bantam and several varieties of game bantams. A detailed account is given of the Poultry Farm at Guelph, directed by the Ontario Government. Several pages of notes and comments and correspondence go to make up a grand whole. Ideal Andalusians are depicted in the frontispiece.

Pure Spring Water.

W. A. Verner, 16 Spruce-street, manufacturer of Double Club Soda and Seltzer Waters, has made arrangements with the North Toronto waterworks for a supply of pure spring water every day. Mr. Verner has completed arrangements and is prepared to deliver daily to any address in the city. This water is now being used solely in his manufacturing business. Cylinders for soda fountains and syphons my specialty. Drop a postal. 246

ENGAGED FOR SIXTY YEARS.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Now Able to Enjoy Life—A Solemn Vow.

Sharon, Pa., Sept. 9.—James Ewing, aged 85, and Margaret Christy, aged 80, both of Crawford County, were married Friday. Sixty years ago to-day they became engaged, but made a solemn vow that not until they were well enough off to enjoy life would they marry. Ewing raised the mortgage on his farm on the wedding day.

Cigar trade wholesale, fine cigars at $15 per 1000. Alive Bollard.

If you want bright silver use Silver Cream.

RAN DOWN IN LONDON.

Anlowa Incendiary Captured at London the Less.

London, Ont., Sept. 9.—On the strength of a description from the police authorities of Clinton, Iowa, the authorities here have arrested a man named Stewart on a charge of arson. He will be held pending the arrival of an officer from Clinton. A reward was offered for his capture.

The T. Eaton Co. use Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines exclusively. See powerfable in their Queen-street window.

Floods Up to the Second Floors.

Webb City, Mo., Sept. 9.—Last night rain fell in floods for hours until many people took refuge on second floors. The streets were sheets of water. The damage is estimated to be from $40,000 to $75,000, and it may reach $100,000.

Paul Jones 10c cigars for 5c. Alive Bollard.

Diaz Garcia imported, 4 for 25c. Alive Bollard.

PATTERSON IN WINNIPEG.

The Soo Canal Has a Busy Day—A Note Kaiser Captured at Calgary.

Ottawa, Sept. 9.—According to telegrams received at the Department of Railways and Canals to-day, the new canal at Sault Ste. Marie has been successfully opened. On Saturday the excursion steamer Majestic, drawing 14 feet, and with a party of 750 on board, was the first vessel to pass through the lock. Supt. Boyd wired Mr. Schreiber, the Deputy Minister, that a continual stream of the largest-sized vessels has been passing through the canal during the whole of to-day. The gates and valves, which are operated entirely by electricity, worked splendidly. Electricity, as a motor power in this connection, is an entirely new thing, Canada being the first country to adopt it for canal purposes. Until beacon lights have been put up, vessels will not be allowed to pass through the lock at night. The channel, of course, is a new one for lake captains, and the Department desires to take every precaution for the safety of vessels. Mr. Anderson, chief engineer of the Marine Department, is at present at the Sault, locating points where the range lights will be placed. A gratifying message was received at the Department to-day from Mr. Wheeler, engineer in chief of the canal which is now being constructed on the Michigan side of the river. It read as follows; "Accept congratulations upon successful opening of your magnificent lock." Telegrams of congratulation were also received from Mr. Hugh Ryan and Mr. M. J. Haney.

Deputy Minister Schreiber to-night received the following from Superintendent Boyd of the Soo Canal, which was formally opened for traffic Monday: "Everything worked smoothly and satisfactorily, passed 41 vessels of 44,469 tons. All this was done between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Everybody pleased with quickness of despatch."

Lieut.-Governor Patterson Arrives.

A private message from Winnipeg says that Hon. J. C. Patterson received a cordial greeting there to-day on his arrival to assume the duties of Lieutenant-Governor. He was met at the station by the late Governor, Sir John Schultz, by members of the Provincial Government and by the Mayor and corporation. Lieut.-Governor Patterson declined the escort of Dragoons which had been tendered to him.

Archbishop Duhamel left for Quebec to-day to attend a session of the Provincial Educational Council.

Note Kaiser Caught at Calgary.

The Mounted Police at Calgary have arrested a young fellow named A. Bowen, who was wanted in Hull on a charge of raising Dominion notes. Bowen, when indicted, was allowed out on bail, but did not put in an appearance when the court met.

Insurance Prosecutions.

Insurance agents in this vicinity are on the jump just now. The latest prosecution is against George Skipworth, secretary of the Sons of England Benefit Society, for acting as an insurance agent in contravention of provincial regulations without having the necessary license. The Recorder reserved judgment till Thursday to consult several points of law which are involved.

The contemplated change in the Department of Agriculture, whereby Mr. Lowe will retire to be succeeded by Mr. H. H. Smith, has, it is said, been hung up until Sir Mackenzie Bowell's return. The hitch is in connection with the salary to be paid Smith.

Prof. Robertson leaves for Manitoba and the coast to-morrow.

WHILE CLEANING A REVOLVER.

The Weapon Was Discharged and Sanford Hills May Die

Carelessness in handling a loaded revolver was the cause of an accident yesterday afternoon that may cost Sankey Hills his life. Hills, who is 17 years of age and is a blacksmith's assistant, residing at 164 Munroe-street, was engaged in repairing a bent trigger on his revolver, and with the knowledge that the weapon was partly loaded foolishly neglected to remove the cartridges. He was under the impression that the chamber immediately under the trigger and in a line with the barrel was empty.

The weapon discharged, a ball entering the lower part of his abdomen. Dr. Cleland was called in and had the unfortunate lad removed in the ambulance to the General Hospital, where his injuries were attended to. He was resting quietly last night, and, although in a critical condition, the Hospital surgeons have hopes for his recovery.

Chicago and Return

On October 3rd, 4th and 5th ticket agents in Canada will sell round trip tickets to Chicago at the lowest rate ever made to the Windy City. Tickets must read via Detroit, Wabash Railway. All tickets are good to return up to October 21; solid through trains. Diagrams of sleepers now open. Full particulars from any R.R. agent or J. A. Richardson, Canadian Passenger Agent, northeast corner King and Yonge-streets, Toronto.

AFTER NEARLY HALF A CENTURY

A Lost Will Turns Up and a Law Suit Follows.

An interesting case in which a Toronto woman's heirs are the claimants will be tried at Kingston shortly. The heirs of one John Donnelly, who lived in the Township of Loborough, will claim a farm left by him as long ago as the year 1850. Donnelly, by his will, left the farm in question to his wife during her widowhood, and after her death the land was to go to her children. The widow appears to have dealt with the property a short time after the husband's death, and sold it. The farm, which consists of 50 acres, has changed hands several times since 1850, and once as lately as about the middle of August last. The heirs of Donnelly claim the property under the will of their father. It has never been proved or registered. The executors of the estate have long since died, and the will was lost until recently, when it was found in the possession of a son of one of the executors. It seems that while the young man was rummaging among old papers he came across the will, which sets aside the property for the heirs of Donnelly. The widow died some time ago and left no will. There are four grandchildren, who are claimants to the property under their mother, who resides in Toronto. The property in question is worth about $2000.

Stonewall Jackson 7 for 25c. Alive Bollard.

El Padre cigars 5c. Alive Bollard.

What a Detroit Physician Says of Sprudel.

One of the most prominent physicians in Detroit writes: "Those who regularly drink Sprudel Mineral Water from the celebrated Mount Clemens' Spring will keep their system in such condition that they need have little fear of contracting disease."

Sprudel is for sale at all first-class hotels and clubs at 5c per glass, or 10 cts per glass with California Tokay.

Sprudel, $1.70 per dozen quarts, or $6 per case 50 quart bottles if empties are returned. William Mara, 79 Yonge-street.

See the No. 9 and 12 Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines at 249 Yonge-st.

A. Bradshaw & Son use none but Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines.

PROMOTER KYLE'S ARREST

MAYOR CLAIMS TO HAVE A POCKETFUL OF WARRANTS,

But Will Delay Executing Them Until After Kyle's Examination on Saturday Next—Hints That One or More Aldermen May Be Taken Into Custody on a Charge of Accepting Bribes.

Councillors William Cole and O. W. Glasgow of Niagara Falls were in the city yesterday, presumably in connection with the arrest there on Saturday of Promoter William Kyle of this city, on a charge of attempted bribery. Mayor Hanan also sent a representative over here in connection with the same matter. The Mayor states that he has a pocketful of warrants awaiting execution, and that when Mr. Kyle comes up for examination on Saturday he will fire a bomb, the explosion of which may seriously injure one or more aldermen, who, he claims, listened to the tempter. Kyle, on the other hand, says the whole thing is a bubble, and his bondsmen, Dr. S. B. Eames, formerly of this city, and William Phemister, sr., evidently believe the same thing.

The Cause of the Trouble.

It appears that Kyle, acting for Buffalo and New York State capitalists, is endeavoring to secure permission from the council to construct a belt line from the station to the new bridge, to be erected opposite the Clifton House. This application is, of course, opposed by the owners of the present horse car line between Clifton and Drummondville, who have an unexpired exclusive franchise for 11 years yet for horse cars and do not wish a second franchise granted.

Councillors Ed. Davis, S. K. Binckley, W. Holman, F. Anderson, W. McFaul, William Cole and O. W. Glasgow support the application of Kyle, which is opposed by Councillors J. R. Peckham, F. W. Hill and T. McCarney. The failure of the majority to carry the franchise through, is explained by the fact that the Mayor is opposed to them, and has vetoed every resolution and bylaw passed, claiming that the granting of the franchise would at once involve the town in an interminable law suit.

Meantime the arrest of Kyle is the chief topic at the Falls, and wherever any crowds could be located there, and all kinds of rumors of bribery and corruption are rife.

80 PER CENT. FROM THE LAKE.

This is the Water Citizens Will Be Drinking Before the End of the Week—Rushing Repairs

The relaying of the conduit pipe is being rushed along with all possible haste. Two powerful sand pumps and a large gang of men are working day and night, and it is expected that the conduit will be submerged in a day or so. The break near the first manhole will be temporarily sleeved with cotton and rubber. Before the end of the week Engineer Keating expects to be able to supply us with water 80 to 90 per cent. of which will come from the lake.

As soon as the temporary repairs are made to the 5-foot conduit, the water will be pumped through the 3-foot conduit, while the one joint in the 4-foot conduit, near Hanlan's crib, will be repaired.

Huge puncheons containing North Toronto water were acceptably noticeable on many of the streets corners, also labelled with the signs "Drinking Water," and "Please, Don't Waste."

The watering carts continue their rounds and are watched for eagerly by the housewives. It is almost impossible for all the streets to be covered, and loud are the lamentations of the thirsty unfortunates who live on those thoroughfares.

Pure water will be delivered every morning to the Public schools. Superintendent Bishop is looking after the interests of the youngsters. The Street Commissioners have placed 6 of the 50 watering carts at the disposal of the School Board.

The recommendation of the Board of Works to submit the tunnel bylaw comes up before the Executive Committee and the City Council to-day.

Bell the Water Carts.

Many residents of localities north of Queen-street west, near Parkdale, complain that they have no notice when the carts distributing pure water make their rounds. Hundreds of people whose doors the carts pass twice a day have as yet had no opportunity of using the water, as they receive no intimation of the presence of the distributors. The use of bells would be a great convenience to citizens.

At North Toronto.

An extra engineer has been placed on duty at the North Toronto water works in view of the increased demand made upon the engine in pumping up the 100,000 gallons for the city. The time taken in supplying this amount runs in the neighborhood of 20 hours a day instead of 4 or 5 which met most of the town calls. The tank, which is 20 feet deep, has a capacity of 80,000 gallons and that of the pump is 1,000,000 gallons. The 40 carts doing the carrying trade are now drawing the water from the corner of Balliol-avenue and Yonge-street.

Fire at the Exhibition Grounds.

At 4.56 p.m. an alarm was rung in from box 194 for a blaze at 233 Johnson-avenue in a vacant house. Damage $20; uninsured.

Just as the last of the crowd was leaving the Exhibition grounds yesterday at 11.10 p.m. an alarm of fire was given, which naturally caused the greatest consternation. Some straw in Bette's dining hall had ignited, but fortunately no damage was done. So great was the alarm that many people who were already on the street cars going home returned to the grounds, concerned for the safety of friends who were on the grounds.

Smoke Alive Bollard's cool smoking mixture

Smoke Alive Bollard's special 5c cigar.

Cecil Rhodes Has Grip

London, Sept. 9.—The Right Hon. Cecil Rhodes, the Premier of the Cape Colony, although suffering with influenza, is able to attend to his official duties.

Ask for Dewar's Scotch whisky, as supplied to her Majesty, Queen Victoria. 246

An Early Morning Blaze.

A small blaze in Paterson's oil works, Front-street east, gave the firemen a run shortly before 2 o'clock this morning. Damage $15. Cause unknown.

Cigars—Arabella, Aberdeen, La Claro and Mino reduced to 5c, only during Exhibition. Alive Bollard.

Ceylon's New Governor.

London, Sept. 9.—Col. Sir J. West Ridgeway, Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Man, will succeed Sir Arthur Havelock as Governor of Ceylon, the latter having been promoted to the Governorship of Madras.

If you want bright silver use Silver Cream.

Turkish Bath, $1—127 and 129 Yonge-st.

CUT THE STRINGS, STOLE THE BAG

A Clever Pickpocket's Daring Robbery of a Visitor in a Crowded Thoroughfare.

Mrs. G. W. Ellis, visiting in the city from Niagara Falls South, Ont., while in front of Simpson's store in Yonge-street, about 12 o'clock yesterday, was robbed of a shopping bag and purse containing from $15 to $20. The theft was performed skilfully, for the bag containing the purse was at one moment hanging on the lady's arm, and when she looked down the next the strings had been cut and both articles had disappeared.

Claim He is a Professional.

At the Police Court yesterday Thomas Newten, whom the police claim to be a professional pickpocket and who had $1500 in his pocket at the time of his arrest, was committed for trial. Detective Harrison and Citizen John Williamson swore that they saw Newton attempt to pick several ladies' pockets during the Labor Day procession.

ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE TEST.

Sir Henry Tyler Interested in Swift Transit on Peruvian Roads.

Philadelphia, Sept. 9.—A representative from the Baldwin locomotive works with an expert electrician from the Westinghouse Co., together with Sir Henry Tyler, ex-president of the Grand Trunk Railway, will depart tomorrow for Peru, where it is said a test of the feasibility of the electric locomotive is to be made upon a railroad 15,000 feet above the sea level. Sir Henry Tyler has been in this city for several days in conference with members of the Baldwin firm, and it was decided last night to make the experiment.

Killed on a Crossing.

Mount Vernon, Sept. 9.—James Wise, aged 27, a well-known young man of Bronxville, N.Y., was struck and almost instantly killed this afternoon while crossing the tracks of the Harlem railroad in this city.

Two Killed by Collapse of a Pier.

London, Sept. 9.—A portion of a pier at Morecambe, Lancashire, collapsed to-day throwing a large crowd of persons into the water. Two were killed and a number injured.

Trolley Accident in Kingston.

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 9.—Patrick Keegan and wife of Loughboro, in a rig, were struck by an electric car. Mrs. Keegan had her left leg so badly mangled that amputation was necessary, and she may die. Mr. Keegan was stunned only.

The New Woolen Firm.

Messrs. John Muldrew & Co., wholesale woolen merchants, invite all visitors to the Exhibition to examine their fine new stock of dress goods, Nestor cloths, golf cloakings, costume cloths, etc., etc. Their great specialities are domestic woolens in both ladies' and gentlemen's goods. The new warehouse is 22 Front-street west.

Water Colors on Satin.

The J. E. Ellis Co., King-street east, show in their art room some fine water colors on satin. The paintings are excellent works of art and well worthy of a visit.

Safe as the Bank of England.

More than $5,500,000 are paid every year by life assurance companies in Canada to their policyholders. Why should not your family have a share of it in case you are taken from them? Why should you not have a share of it yourself in case you live? There is a way by which you can make provision for yourself as well as your family at the same time. How? By means of an unconditional accumulative endowment policy in the Confederation Life Association. Rates and full particulars on application.

Marble and Granite

Robert Powell, 336 Yonge-street, is giving up business and disposing of his large stock, marble and granite monuments, etc., at cost. Rare bargains are offered those looking for monuments, etc. Telephone 1627. 246

Local Jottings.

W. A. Murray & Co. have bought the dry goods stock of James Scott & Sons.

The wife of Rev. Michael Fawcett, Methodist minister, died last September, leaving an investment of $4500. She had made her husband and Mr. Emerson Coatsworth, M.P., the executors of her will. She gave $500 to her adopted daughter, Annie Aulf Fawcett, when she is 21; $500 are to be invested for the benefit of a cousin, Margaret Thompson of Hamilton, and the balance is given to other relatives.

Chief of Police Klippert of Berlin passed through the city yesterday en route to Kingston Penitentiary, having in charge John Crantlle, a young man who was recently sentenced to a term in prison for the burglary of the residence of a Berlin citizen.

The big store of R. Simpson was closed all yesterday afternoon, and the army of employes had an opportunity of attending the fair.

At a meeting of the Property Committee yesterday morning the Cobban Manufacturing Company were given an additional eight feet to the frontage of their property in Lake-street. This was done owing to inaccurate measurements made at the time of the lease of the property.

Arrangements have been made by the head master of the Toronto Church School to have all the water used at this school thoroughly boiled and filtered until the Medical Health Officer reports the city water fit for use.

Call at the Bungalow of the "Salada" Ceylon Tea Co. in the Main Building and get a cup of delicious "Salada."

Cook's Turkish Baths. 200-224 King west.

Beaver Plug is the old reliable gentleman's chew. Beware of cheap imitations.

Guinane Bros. are sole agents in this city for the "Slater" shoe.

Another Royal Wedding in Prospect.

Berlin, Sept. 9.—Princess Alexandra of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, third daughter of the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha (Duke of Edinburgh), was to-day formally betrothed to the hereditary Prince Ernest of Hohenlohe-Langenburg. Princess Alexandra is 17 years of age and Prince Ernest 32.

Tones up the stomach and digestive apparatus. Adams' Tutti Frutti. Sold by druggists' and confectioners. 5 cents. Refuse imitations.

Cook's Baths. Open all night. 204 King w.

Lakeview Hotel,

Corner of Winchester and Parliament-streets every accommodation for families visiting the city. Terms moderate. Cars from Union Station to the door. John H. Ayre, Manager. d

Billiards. Sutton's new tables, 130 King w

Sweetens the breath and banishes any odor which may be present. Adams Tutti Frutti Gum. 5 cents at druggists' and confectioners'.

BIRTHS.

MELHUISH—At 603 Yonge-street, on the 8th inst., the wife of G. J. Melhuish of a son, still-born.

MARRIAGES.

HEPBURN—SANDERSON—On Thursday evening, Sept. 5, at the home of the bride's father, 84 Bond-street, by the Rev. C. H. Short, Arnot Hepburn of Fifeshire, Scotland, to Lucy Merritt, eldest daughter of Stephen L. Sanderson.

DEATHS.

FLEMING—At her late residence, 148 Jarvis-street, on Monday, Sept. 9, at 1 o'clock, Mrs. Bridget Fleming, mother of Joseph and Bernard Churchill.

Funeral private.

SCULTHORP EXTRADITED.

A FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE RETURNS FOR TRIAL.

The Charge Against Him is Selling Steamboat Tickets and Appropriating the Proceeds, But He Claims That He Never Carried Away a Dollar Belonging to the Company.

After consulting with Crown Attorney Curry, a friend of the family, William J. Sculthorp of Port Hope yesterday returned voluntarily to Rochester with Sheriff Hannan of that city to answer to the charge of grand larceny, according to the indictment found against him by the grand jury.

The World some time since announced that Sculthorp's extradition would be asked. His father, a respectable resident of Port Hope, read the article, came to Toronto and consulted Mr. Curry as an old friend and legal adviser of the family and young Sculthorp's voluntary return was the result.

The Alleged Offence.

On July 4, 1893, W. J. Wilcox, who was at that time the owner of the steamboats Charlotte and Genesee, engaged Sculthorp to sell tickets at the pier at Ontario Beach. The boats plied between Rochester and Sea Breeze, and owing to the fact that it was a national holiday, carried large crowds all day. At the close of the day's work, according to the charge against him, Sculthorp decamped with the proceeds, amounting to about $1000.

Sculthorp, however, gives a different version of the charge, altogether. He admits that he received a large number of tickets to sell, but that another agent was also given tickets to dispose of in his territory. Thereupon he threw the tickets on the whar