

THE RAILWAY COMMISSION WILL HOLD SESSION IN LONDON WITHIN THE NEXT MONTH

Judge Mabey and Party Are Now in Strathroy—
Work of Investigating Track Elevation in
London Will Shortly Be Taken Up—Session
Took Place in Galt Yesterday—Londoner
Has Interview.

The Dominion railway commission will sit in London within the next month, and will then take up the question of level crossings in this city.

At the present time they are looking into level crossings throughout the western portion of Ontario, and are hearing many cases. London's problem of track elevation is one of great importance, and from what can be learned, they are going to devote quite a little time to the settlement of the case.

No announcement has been made definitely as to when the commission will sit in London, but it was intimated that it would certainly be within the next month.

A SESSION IN GALT.

There was a session of the commission in Galt yesterday, presided over by Judge Mabey, and Mr. J. M. McEvoy and other Londoners had a discussion regarding the local situation.

"No announcement was made as to the exact date when the commission would sit in London, but it will be within the next month," said Mr. McEvoy. "They have some other matters to clear up, and then they will come here. There will be a session in less than a month's time, I fancy."

Judge Mabey and Mr. James Mills, of the Dominion railway commission, passed through London in a private car, on their way to Strathroy, today, where they will investigate the level crossings of that town.

ACCIDENTS AT STRATHROY.

There have been many accidents at these crossings, a number of persons having been killed during the last few years. Two main streets into Strathroy cross the Grand Trunk tracks, and at the present time there is no protection.

The latest fatality at the crossing was when Mr. Jacob Cutler, the county constable, was killed.

This incident was the cause of the investigation, and it is certain that some order will be made relative to the protection of these crossings.

The commission are also dealing with the request of the West Williams telephone line to cross certain other lines, and the railway tracks, in that town. On the completion of the sitting the commissioners will go to Windsor and will hear certain cases in that city.

WATERWAYS TREATY APPROVED WITH U. S. SENATE RIDER

United States Government Meets Objections of Canadian Government in Regard to the Soo Waters and Agreement Will Now Be Ratified.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 24.—Canada has decided to approve of the waterways treaty with the United States Senate rider. This rider provides for the control of international waters for power, irrigation and navigation.

The original treaty was approved by Canada, but in the course of its passage through the American Senate a rider was put on providing that existing rights of riparian owners on the St. Marys River at the Soo, in either country, should not be interfered with. Canada declined to accept this rider and the treaty was not adopted. To meet the objections of this country the United States has bought all of the land on the American side of the St. Marys River and has satisfied Canada that her rights will be safeguarded.

Conditions of Treaty.

Canada will therefore become a party to the treaty. The treaty limits the amount of water to be taken from the Niagara, on the American side, to 25,000 feet per second, and on the Canadian side to 20,000 cubic feet. It provides that each country shall have the right to half the water of the Milk and St. Marys rivers crossing the line between Montana and Saskatchewan. It provides for the free use of international waters, the canals and Lake Michigan, for the vessels of both countries. It provides that the water of a stream crossing the international boundary cannot be diverted until sanctioned by an international permanent commission of six, for which the treaty provides for the ratification of the treaty is expected to be made within a short time.

REPORTS ON MANY BRANCHES OF WORK

The Woman's Home Missionary Society Resumed in Sessions This Morning.

WORK IS PROGRESSIVE

Statements From Different Secretaries Are Very Satisfactory—Some Facts and Figures.

This morning's session of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in St. Andrew's Church was opened with a devotional service led by Mrs. William Strong, of Hamilton, following which the reports of various officers were received.

In reporting for the auxiliaries and mission bands, Mrs. J. A. Macdonald, of Toronto, stated that the total number of auxiliaries, mission bands and affiliated societies added during the year was 103. Last year an increase of 133 was reported. That included the three Presbyteries in Saskatchewan with 31 auxiliaries that joined forces with the W. H. M. S., but had been organized and doing home mission work for years. Taking this into consideration, we have a larger gain of auxiliaries where none had previously existed.

Last year 342 auxiliaries were reported as belonging to the Women's Home Missionary Society. Of these 16 have disbanded or have not reported for two years. With the addition of 103 new ones, there are 429 auxiliaries connected with the general society at the present time, the number having doubled during the last two years.

Of the new auxiliaries, 49 are in Ontario, 26 in Manitoba, 9 in Saskatchewan, 13 in Alberta, and 5 in British Columbia. They are distributed in Presbyteries as follows:

In Ontario—Barrie 4, Brockville 1, Guelph 1, Hamilton 9, Kingston 10, Lanark 2, Lindsay 1, London 4, Ottawa 1, Orangeville 2, Peterboro 5, Sarnia 3, Toronto 8, Whitby 2.

SMALL BOYS WANDERED AWAY FROM THEIR HOMES

Two Unexpected Guests at the Carling Street Station Today.

The men at the police station entertained two unexpected guests for some time this morning in the shape of two small boys who had wandered from their homes. One little chap, about three years old, had wandered away from his home in the north end and got lost. He was found by a policeman wandering about and was taken to the station, where he had no idea of his whereabouts. The other little fellow was about the same age, but he couldn't see any fun in the police station at all and did nothing but scream for his mother all the time he was at the station. His mother, a West London lady, finally turned up and took him home.

MINISTER FIELDING GOES TO WASHINGTON

Finance Minister Leaves Today to Attend Conference Over the Tariff.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Ont., March 24.—Hon. W. S. Fielding will leave for Washington this afternoon for another conference with President Taft, relative to a solution of the present tariff situation. It is expected that a conference will be followed by the announcement of satisfactory arrangements between the two countries, whereby Canada will get the American minimum tariff in return for a few minor concessions asked for by the United States, and be followed by a larger measure of reciprocity in trade between the two countries.

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RECORD BUSINESS ON THE RAILWAYS

Easter Crowds Are on the Move and All Lines Are on the Jump.

EXTRA CARS REQUIRED

Incoming Crowds Are Said To Be Much Larger Than the Outgoing Crowd.

The railroads are doing a record-breaking business for Easter, and the stations this morning were crowded, as they only are at fair time. All the through Grand Trunk expresses ran in two sections, and each of the sections carried more cars than usual. Extra coaches were also put on all the trains running on the branch lines, and all were crowded long before the trains reached their destinations.

Railwaymen report that thousands of people will spend the holiday in the city, and that the incoming crowd is considerably greater than the outgoing.

The week has been a busy one for railroads, as in addition to the regular heavy business, numerous specials were run in connection with the "Ben Hur" show.

BRANTFORD MAN IS FOND OF GOOD TIME

Allowed to Go by Police Yesterday But Is Gathered in Again.

Daniel Sullivan, who was allowed to go by Acting Magistrate Beattie yesterday morning on condition that he go to Brantford at once, failed to leave the city, and last night was gathered in for being drunk. He begged hard to be allowed to go this morning, stating that he was on his way to a job in Brantford.

Promises No Good.

"You promised me to go yesterday, and did not," said the magistrate. "You must learn that this court is not to be trifled with. I will fine you \$2 or ten days."

Sullivan will not reach Brantford for at least ten days, as he had spent all his money on drink, and must remain in the city as Governor Carter's guest. A chauffeur who drove his car without any lights or proper numbers was fined \$5.

Damaged a Rig.
Wm. Taylor, a young fellow, who came from the country last night, and hired a livery rig from Mr. Robert Hueston, and damaged it to the extent of \$5, promised to pay all costs if he were let go.

The court agreed to this, as he was a first-timer and a charge of being drunk and disorderly was withdrawn.

LONG SERVICE MEDAL FOR SERGT. GALBRAITH

A Gallant Soldier Rewarded—Presentation Made by Major McCrimmon.

Sergeant Archie Galbraith, of G Company of the Seventh Regiment, was presented with a long-service medal by Major McCrimmon yesterday. Galbraith is the only man in the city who is at present a member of the Seventh, who has been in the regiment when it went to the Northwest to serve in the Riel rebellion.

There are a number of other men who served through the rebellion, but they are not now members of the regiment. Sergeant Galbraith has served continuously for 24 years, and is at the present time caretaker of the rifle ranges. He is a splendid shot and takes the greatest interest in rifle shooting.

SIX MONTHS IS JAIL FOR EX-LONDON MAN

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Chatham, March 24.—T. F. Holme, alias Walters, of Toronto and London, convicted a week ago of misappropriating subscription funds of the Toronto Saturday Night in Chatham, was this morning sentenced to six months in Central Prison by Magistrate Houston.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FAIR.

Forecasts.

Today—Fresh to strong southwesterly winds; fine and warmer.

Friday—Westerly winds, warm day, turning cooler by night; local showers.

6 a.m. Weather Reports.

	Max.	Min.	Wind
London	48	32	Fair
Victoria	52	38	Fair
Calgary	48	38	Fair
Winnipeg	42	32	Sleet
Port Arthur	42	32	Fair
Perry Sound	44	34	Fair
Toronto	46	34	Fair
Ottawa	42	32	Fair
Montreal	38	28	Fair
Quebec	32	22	Cloudy
Father Point	30	20	Clear

Wednesday's Weather.

The extensive low area of Tuesday began yesterday to move eastward, followed by cold weather. Fine weather prevailed throughout Canada yesterday.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
London	32	57
Victoria	38	63
Calgary	32	57
Winnipeg	26	51
Port Arthur	28	53
Perry Sound	30	55
Toronto	32	57
Ottawa	28	53
Montreal	24	49
Quebec	18	43
St. John	12	37
Halifax	8	33



MR. AND MRS. JAMES BURROWS.

The golden wedding anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. James Burrows was celebrated at their home, 10 Teresa street, South London, on Monday evening. All the children and grandchildren, excepting one grandson in Saskatchewan, were present. The children being, Mrs. John Baker, of Westminster Township; Mrs. A. T. Kelly, of Granton; Mrs. J. Warner Hunt, of Dorchester; Dr. P. J. Burrows, of Seaford; and Eli Burrows, of Westminster. Rev. A. K. Birks and some friends were also present. During the whole of the half century Mr. and Mrs. Burrows have lived in London and its vicinity, and during the latter ten years the former has been manager of the Western Real Estate Exchange, Limited. Many of their friends tendered them congratulations, and their family left with them a gold-mounted cane and an umbrella, with a bouquet of fifty carnations, as a memento of the somewhat unique event.

MILITIA CAMP IN LONDON AGAIN GODERICH FAILED TO SECURE IT

Dispatch From Ottawa States That Annual Training of Western Troops Will Take Place Here in June—Local Military Men Are Well Pleased With the Announcement.

A dispatch to The Advertiser from Ottawa announces that the annual training camps for the militia will open in London on Monday, June 13, and at Niagara on June 14.

Each camp will last 12 days. At headquarters here it was stated that no information had as yet been received regarding the date of the opening of camp or of the number of regiments that will be under canvas on Carling's Heights.

It is believed, however, that the usual regiments will be here.

Goderich Failed.
It is known that the greatest effort was made in certain quarters this year to have the camp go to Goderich, but it is understood that because the stores are all here and the transportation of them to and from Goderich involves such a great expense, and also because London was generally favored by the Mayor Beattie and Col. Hodgins.

TRUSTEE TURNBULL AGREES TO THE HOSPITAL CHANGE

It Looks To Be an Assured Fact That New Rule Regarding Poor Patients Will Be Put Into Force—Local Physician Speaks of the Situation.

There is no doubt that the bylaws of the hospital trust will be amended according to the opinions of Mr. J. C. Judd, K. C., and Mr. S. S. Seargent. A conference has been held with Mr. T. C. Turnbull, the county representative, and it is understood that he is favorable to the change.

"That being the case, there is no doubt of the fact that the revision will be made," said Mr. Judd.

The Medical School officials claim that they have stayed out of this fight, and have had nothing whatever, directly, or indirectly, to do with the question.

"We have not interfered in the affair at all," said one medical man. "We have sat still and made no comments. We are not certain as to the government's taken any stand on the question, but it would not be surprising. There is a principle involved, and it is this—the Government will not aid a university or faculty of the university unless the city will do something on the same line."

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SOME SHOW FOR THE DOGS ONE ORDER IS QUALIFIED

Canines May Be Shipped From One Place to Another Within the Proscribed District But Not Out of It—Express Companies Have Been Notified.

The express companies and railroads have received notice from headquarters that they can carry dogs now from one place to another within the district in which the Government order is in force.

They are still prohibited from taking dogs out of the 35 counties which the order covers.

It is expected that it will be some time yet before the order will be rescinded.

In the meantime numerous dogs shows all over the country which were to have been held during the next few weeks have been compelled to cancel their dates temporarily.

At the morning session of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, the board of managers, in committee, appointed the following officers for the ensuing year:

Honorary President—Lady Mortimer-Clark.

President—Mrs. John Somerville.

Honorary Vice-Presidents—Mrs. H. M. Parsons, Toronto; Lady Taylor, Hamilton; Mrs. A. L. McFadyen, Dunbarton.

First Vice-President—Mrs. William Cochran.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. J. H. Thom.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. M. P. Talling.

Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. K. Cockburn.

Fifth Vice-President—Mrs. John Davidson.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. M. Kipp.

Associate Secretary—Miss Claire McColl.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Donald Macdonald.

Treasurer—Miss Helen Macdonald.

Organization, Auxiliary and Mission Band Secretary—Mrs. J. A. Macdonald.

Supply Secretary—Mrs. George Anderson.

Stereopticon Lecture Secretary—Miss Hopkirk.

Editors of Pioneer—Mrs. C. P. Smith and Mrs. D. Strachan.

Publication Secretary—Miss B. Barker.

ALLEGED WHITE LEAD THIEF WAS NABBED BY DETECTIVE

Christopher Hagner Taken Into Custody by Detective Thomas Nickle, and It Is Alleged That the Prisoner Has Admitted His Guilt—Arraigned in Court Today.

Christopher Hagner, claiming to be a German decorator, and to have come to London two days ago from Ohio, was arrested down town last night by Detective Thomas Nickle on a charge of obtaining 400 pounds of white lead from the hardware firms of Cowan & Co., and J. Young, on Tuesday.

At the time of his arrest, Hagner was dressed in clothes of the very latest cut, and his general appearance was that of a flashy sport. He gives his age as 25 years.

The detectives state that yesterday morning, Hagner was going about dressed as an Italian laborer. This is believed to have been a disguise.

It Leaked Out.
Had it not been for the coincidence of the two hardware men mentioning the matter of the lead order to each other, the plan to swindle them out of the goods would have worked to perfection, as apparently whoever ordered

the lead expected that nothing would be heard of the matter until the month's accounts were rendered to Lewis Bros., in whose name the goods were obtained.

Mr. Alex. H. Purdom, of the Purdom Hardware Company, stated to The Advertiser today that on Tuesday afternoon an order was telephoned in to his firm asking that 300 pounds of white lead be sent at once to 599 King street. The name of a local firm of painters was given. The order fortunately was not filled at once, and so the firm was saved quite a loss.

Tracing the Goods.

The detectives have learned that the paint that was left in the shed in the rear of the house at 498 King street was removed in an express wagon, which the man borrowed from a boy. It is alleged that it was removed from 498 King street to 599 King street, and from there to a house on Colborne street.

Where the lead is now is not known, but it is expected that it will be located some time today.

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MARCH IS MAKING A RECORD FOR BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

Total for the Month Thus Far Is \$114,765—Total for the Year Thus Far Is About \$200,000—A Good Season for Building Is Prophesied.

March is going to set a record for building permits. Already permits to the value of \$114,765 have been issued by City Engineer Graydon, and the end is not yet.

This is over \$30,000 more than the first two months of the year, and brings the total well up to \$200,000 for the first three months of the year.

Some rather large jobs have been let, among them being \$50,000 for Geo. White & Son, \$10,000 for Hobbs Manufacturing Company, and \$13,500 for the residence of Mr. R. D. McDonald, on Waterloo street.

"There is going to be a good season for building," said City Architect Nut-

All of the drama of William Tell shooting the apple off the head of his son, had a slightly different sequel, as produced yesterday in a shooting gallery in this city, from the original in Switzerland in the long ago. In the affair yesterday D. H. Bunce, a local marksman, declared he could shoot the ashes off a cigarette held between the lips of Harry Lucken, whose home is in Montreal, Que.

Lucken agreed to the trial and stood under the electric lamps near the target. Bunce fired, but the bullet did not touch the cigarette. Instead, it passed through Lucken's lips. The wounded man was taken to the city hospital. He will recover.

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