THREE CENTS.

E BANK OFFICIALS WILL GET SPEEDY

London Dealers See No Possibility To Cut Coal Price

PLEA OF HOME BANK HEADS FOR TRIAL **GRANTED BY JUDGE**

Chicago financier, is one of the United

States' unofficial representatives on

Gerald Pearson States Ap-

proximately \$86,000 Will

Be Distributed.

AFFIDAVITS FILED

this morning. It is estimated that

\$400,000 is held by Home Bank sav-

ing holders here, making the amount likely to be advanced about \$100,000

Mr. Pearson believes, however, that all will not take advantage of the

25 per cent dividend, and the total to be paid out, therefore, is some-

what less than that to which the de

positors are entitled to in the ag-

All savings holders who have filed affidavits testifying to the individual amounts held in the Home Bank may

receive the 25 per cent advance. Thes

market branch of the Bank of Mont-

Mr. Pearson emphasized the ne-cessity for depositors to secure iden-

tification before applying for the dividend. The majority are well-

known to bank officials, and for them

identification will not be essential, but those whom the bank do not know

must establish their identity before the advance is made. It is estimated

that 35 per cent of the depositors have already proven their claims. The Bank of Montreal will handle

the dividend payments in London, Komoka and Thorndale.

The work of meeting the depositors

claims will begin Saturday morning when the local bank opens, and will

continue until 8:30 Saturday night

An augmented staff has been em-ployed to furnish the best possible service. The second big day will be

Monday, when it is probable that the bank will not close its doors until 6:30

SHOULD BE ADVISED

Ald. McKay Voices Oponion on

City Pavement "Testing"

Matter.

Ald, Frank McKay, member of the

oard of works, holds an opinion

similar with that of Ald. Hayden, re-

garding the "testing" of city pave-

"I think that the members of the committee should have been fully acquainted with the work," he stated, "it would certainly not have done any harm, although I doubt if there would have been any change in procedure even if the engineer had reported to us."

ients during 1923.

AGREES ALDERMEN

real with names, amounts, etc.

Justice Middleton Issues Order Transferring Case to County Court.

DISPENSES WITH JURY

Secretary to President of Institution Met Death Shortly After Arrest.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 20 .- Mr. Justice Midfleton this morning granted a manfatory order, transferring the prosetution of the ten directors and offi-cials of the Home Bank of Canada from the assizes to the county judge's priminal court. This means trial without a jury.

His lordship remarks that the right of a defendant to trial by jury has cently been strongly asserted in ngland by the court of appeal. In s opinion, the right of the crown mand, and the obligations submit to trial by jury hould be on the same high footing out his only duty is to interpret the acts of parliament as they stand and to grant to the defendants the right parliament in its wisdom

wen there.
The defendants were arrested in eptember as a result of an investii'ito the suspension of the in August and the case in police court before Magic es. After several adjournssizes, D. L. McCarthy, K. C., I counsel for the crown, for-requesting that the trial on es of conspiracy and of making returns under the bank act be ted to the January assizes. hrough their counsel strongly d this move and made deter-attempts to have their cases before a county judge without, finally making application to a stice Middleton for a mandacompelling a county judge to a speedy trial.

and officials charged H. J. Daly, president; R. P. ease See Page 14 Column 4.

VENILE COURT JUDGE SALARY NOT SETTLED

Problem for 1924 Council Will Be to Decide Action.

Another knotty problem awating the consideration of the 1924 city councillors involves the question of proposed remuneration for Rev. Quinten Warner, judge of the local gregate. uvenile court. In his tentative estimates of the

plated expenditures for 1924 the judge has set his salary at \$100 per month. During the pats eight affidavits first go to the liquidators months (in fact since the court was at Toronto, who have furnished the established) his services to the city ave been free gratis.

Wenige always maintained throughout the campaign for the court that it would be possible to secure a capable man to act without secure a capable man to act without remuneration and during the decent municipal campaign he made it quite clear that no money would be ex-pended for that purpose in 1924, with

Just what attitude the aldermen will take is problemtical and it will be recalled that Ald. Judd, chairman and the state of the state o of the finance committee, warned in the council prior to the establishment he court, that the institution uid mean a much bigger expen-ure annually, then they imagined

THE WEATHER

Moderate southwest and south winds; cloudy and mild today and Friday, with occasional showers

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Weather Notes.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations. High. Low. Weather. Victoria 44 36 Fair Calgary 38 10 Clear Winnipeg 42 24 Fair Winnipeg 42 24 Fair Port Arthur 40 34 Cloudy Parry Sound. 44 36 Rain Toronto 50 41 Cloudy 50 ngston 44 Ottawa 28 Montreal 26 uebec 18 ather Point.... 10

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last-night were: Highest, 52; lowest, 24.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 45; lowest, 41.

Barometric Readings.

Wednesday—8 p.m.—29.49.

Today—8 a.m.—29.35.

Lieut.-Col. Edwin Seaborn Tells of Work Carried Out in Europe.

WORKED IN PARIS

Improvement in Method Artificial Respiration Believed Completed.

Two epochal medical discoveries were made by Lieut.-Col. Edwin Sea-born, M.D., in the course of his year's experiments in European laboratories.
The Advertiser learned today. Dr.
Seaborn, who just returned from
London and Paris, is the co-discoverer of a new method of artificial respiration which, medical journals claim, will save thousands of lives. His most effective work, however, is the development of a process by which it is expected that the prob-lem dealing with the prevention of sterility will be permanently solved worked on the physiology of repro-duction for many months together. By the end of their experiments they instrated that a certain cyc had demonstrated that a certain cycle of changes take place in the pituitary, supra-renals, thyroid and ovarian glands in animals and human beings. This is the first time in history that

This is the first time in history that the comparative physiology between animals and man regarding these parts has ever been elucidated.

The result of these experiments, according to British medical magazines, will ultimately mean that sterility can be prevented and that redrowning, asphyxlation, etc., will be much more simple and effective.

The method of artificial respiration was illustrated in London, Eng., with the assistance of Prof. Donald-The method of artificial respiration was illustrated in London, Eng., with the assistance of Prof. Donaidson. Dr. Seaborn showed that the amount of air introduced into the lungs by this new method is several times greater than any other system yet devised. A full description of the method has been published in British medical journals. Gerald Pearson, manager of the

market branch of the Bank of Mont-British medical journals.

Dr. Seaborn's and Professo Champ's investigations into reproduc proximately \$86,000 would be distive physiology were the first of their kind ever made. A complete illustration and explanation of the experiments will be available for London physicians when copies of the issue in which they were published are received because the second of the seco tributed to Home Bank denositors of London commencing Saturday next. Mr. Pearson received full instructions regarding to payment of the 25 per cent dividend to local depositors

GENERAL SIR JOHN MAXWELL

ARREARS TO BE CLEARED

While the city has to all intents

and purposes seized the Ruggles

Motor Company for \$600 arrears in

taxes, Mayor Wenige stated today

that this amount would likely be met soon without any difficulty. "It is a small sum." he pointed out.

EXPECT LOCAL LABORITES

TO RE-ARRANGE MEETINGS

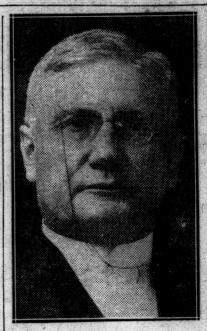
In readiness for the next federa

neetings. It is proposed that these

mbers of the local La-

former British commander-in-ch in Egypt, is visiting America.

EXPECTS RUGGLES TAX



LAID TO REST TODAY. Judge Dickson of Goderich, whos meral was held this afterno the Huron county town. Judge Dickson died suddenly in the Go court Monday afternoon.

W. E. Saunders States Most of Them Have Migrated

FEW FLOWERS UP

"It's always fine weather when good fellows get together," is apparently the motto of the birdies in the

They migrate according to food con time to affect the food supply. I don't think this fall is any differen as far as bird life is concerned from most of the other winters whether cold or mild. I see in a Winnig Please See Page 14, Column 3.

Canadian Bandit Ryan Declares

Career of Crime Does

Not Pay.

GRIEVES OVER PAL

Sees Prospect of Spending Rest

of Life Behind Prison

Special to The Advertiser.

the sold, gray walls of Kingston," said "Red" Ryan, Canadian bank bandit, in an interview yesterday. "He said 'We can't be too sure about

ADANAC CLUB PLANS

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY

The Adanac Club met last night.

nd after making up their constitu-

"Reds" Christmas Message

Warns All To Go Straight,

Finds Crime Doesn't Pay

Government Officials Deny Aggression Report as Claimed

by Tchitcherin. "WATCHFUL WAITING"

Tribesmen Will Be Given Chance to Bring Murderers to Justice.

London, Dec. 20 .- There is no fresh news with regard to the position of affairs in Afghanistan, nor is it known for the moment where the Afghan forces are. The troops imediately engaged in the direction of Jalalabad number 1,100, together with artillery and transport. The situation is not viewed with alarm in official quarters. In fact, a more hopeful view prevails now than has been the view prevails now than has been the case recently, and the position at present is one of "wait and see." Whether the Afghans' latest efforts to bring to justice the murderers of British officers will result in anything or not, it is hoped the Afghans will do what is expected of them in the matter, and what they indeed have promised to do. If not, it may be necessary to decide what further pressure may be needed there.

necessary to decide what further pressure may be needed there.

There is no question at all of any aggressive British action, although the British will employ such means as they have at hand if moderate and just demands are not complied with. There is no truth whatever in a statement attributed to Tchitcherin, the soviet foreign minister, that the soviet foreign minister, that Great Britain has threatned war with Afghanistan and has demanded that Afghanistan break off diplomatic re-lations with Russia.

ANCIENT "WILLS"

Officials Decide to Purchase Ten New Typewriters-Cost \$50.

After 15 years service, ten type writers at the Technical Schol are to be replaced by new ones. And the new ones will cost pogrd but \$40 each.

The old ones were purchased 15 years ago for \$50 apiece, and have given good service during that per-iod. It was felt, however, that new ones would better serve the purpose now, rather than pay for repairs to the ancient machines.

Tenders were called and a local company offered to accept the old ones, pluss \$400 for ten new type-writers. The new machines ordinarily sell at \$150 each, therefore the board is paying at the outside \$90 each, this being the original cost of the old machines, plus \$40. But owing to changed conditions the present price of the ones to be descarded is \$110.

WHISKEY OUSTED Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 20.-"My buddy, Arthur Brown, and I were talking last week about how nice it

would be to spend Christmas outside Demand for Christmas Cheer "Doubling Back" This

it, because the coppers may get us before then. It was just a few days ago we had this talk. Today he is lying on a marble slab at the morgue and I am in jail, maybe for life.

"Right here I want to say it doesn't the information that there is more the information that there is more pay. Brown paid the price and I'm paying mine every day I spend in a cell. It's better to go straight and not have the coppers hounding you. Cur experience should be a lesson to demand for good Christmas beer this year than there is for whiskey.

Year than there is for whiskey.

"Last year they wanted the 'hard stu,' and this year it is just the opposite," declared one man who is said to keep tabs on "who's who" in Whiskeyville.

"Crocks" are a little cheaper, and Canadian whiskey may be purchased for \$5 each in quantity. "Scotch" is a little more expensive, and runs from \$7 to \$10, according to quality.

"We got to be careful," warned the bootleg expert. "They are after us pretty hard, and we gotta watch our step. The business is riskier than it ever was, but we hope to be able to supply most of our customers. We supply most of our customers. We want to see that they have a merry Christmas, without getting fined ourselves."

and after making up their constitution, drew up the following program
for January: Jan. 2, "Talk on Association Work," E. J. Jenkins; Jan. 9,
supper meeting, "Talk on Banking,"
J. E. Magee; Jan. 16, "Talk on Sporting Goods," R. M. Briscoe; Jan. 23,
"Talk on Books," Richard Crouch;
Jan. 30, "Talk on Life Insurance," E.
E. Reid.



WHERE LONDON MAY EXPAND. London's greater expansion east and southeast is for the immediate future, and this shows the 50-acre subdivision south of the river and west of the L. & P. S. tracks which the members of the Town Planning Commission yesterday recommended to the city council of 1924 for official sanction. This property is owned by the Service Motor Company, and it is proposed to cut this property into building lots and sell seven acres to the city for playground purposes. The consummation of the deal will mean, eventually, the city engineer states, a bridge across the river at Maitland

GREAT ACTOR ATTACKS TREATMENT OF WRITERS

John Martin Harvey Declares Plays Not Given Proper Chance.

ARRIVES IN LONDON

Keenly Interested in Plans for Christmas Plays at Grand Tonight.

No one can come in contact with Sir John Martin Harvey and speak with him for a few minutes on any phase of his art, without feeling the intense passion of the man for every good thing on the stage, and for every thing that adds to the legitimate art of presenting the thoughts of a playwright to the audience of the actor. Arriving in London this morning from Toronto, accompanied by his company, an English company by the way, one that has earned its lader's compliments often, and whose banner compliments often, and whose panner he upholds so attenuously in his con-versation, Sir John gives one a first impression of two outstanding things, England—for the actor is essentially

English, and—the theatre which comes only second to the other.

A man of middle height, slim, and dressed in a black and white checked tweed suit, wearing a raglan overcoat of the same pattern only with larger have become so popular in the "Tight Little Isle" since the war, and with his eyes shadowed by the rather proad brim of a black velour, he migh be easily dismissed by the casual ob-server with the word debounair. Speak with him, however, on his stage life, on his art, on the power and beauty of Shakespeare, or on the phsycology of any of the characters he has made famous, and there arises the insistance of the enthusiast and the lover of an art. In fierce denunciation of every hindrance to un-trammelled art and to all intrusion of the personal element for the egotisti cal purpose of drawing undue atten-tion from the play to the acter, he declares for a freer stage.

Play as Written. With a vigorous tapping of the silver-headed stick on the floor he will say with emphasis, "It's sacrilige for an actor to arrange any play so that the story of the author is twisted to give him an opportunity to fea-ture his own abilities. Why in our production of Hamlet, the whole secret of the success of the play, as I think, is due to the fact that we Please See Page 4, Column 6.

Officials Undecided Whether to Send Man to Identify Lorenzo Farley.

pect, Lorenzo D. Farley, who bears a striking resemblance to "Pat" Norton, wanted here on a charge of murder and robbery.

In conversation with The Advertiser this afternoon, Assistant Commissioner A. Cuddy of the provincial police stated the attorney-general's department had not come to a decision as yet in the matter.



SIR JOHN MARTIN HARVEY, two plays at the Grand Theatre.

of the same pattern only with larger checks, carrying one of those silver-mounted ash walking sticks which have become so popular in the "Tight"

Proprietor States Little Shop is Now in Destitute Circumstances.

MANY VISIT PLACE

Because the Poor People's Store at 175 Horton street has supplied the destitute of London with fuel, food and clothing for six years without profit, it is now on the point of failure. Alfred G. Curtis, who started the store which was organized for the benefit of the poor in London said today that his little shop was "head over heels in debt," and might

be forced to close down. The Poor People's Store has been receiving donations from citizens for years. Last summer they bought loads of wood and coal and distributed it among the destitute of the city. As a result they are without fuel themselves, and unless some one fuel themselves, and unless some one offers help those who conduct the tiny business will be compelled to close up and seek some other line of employment where they can keep

Curtis said his store wo probably do a better business if a second-hand dealer's license could be procured. But the shop has not sufficient money to buy a license, which would cost \$20. Everything that comes in in the way of donations is immediately sent out to help the poor citizens of London.

Last year the store was burned to the ground, but a new location was speedily obtained. The building which contains the store is a combination clothing shop and boarding house. It is estimated that 7,000 visits have been made to the store house. It is estimated that 1,000 visits have been made to the store by poor persons wishing to procure food and clothing this year.

Local Dealers Express Opinion That Nothing Yet War-

rants Reduction. EFFECTS OF WEATHER

Small Consumers Are Ones to Benefit From Mild Tempera-

tures in December. Rumors of an expected drop in he price of anthracite coal taking place within the next week locally are

entirely unfounded, said William Martin of the William Martin Coal Company this morning. "Because Windsor and other cities have reported a slight reduction in the price of coal, that in no way

would affect the price in London," said Mr. Martin. "I see little possibility of a reduction here."

Mr. Martin pointed out that the mild weather London has been experiencing lately has little or nothing to do with a falling off in the sale of anthracite coal in the city. Mr. Martin's opinion is that despite the mild weather, people in the city have burned practically as much coal during the past month as in the same month of former years.

Small Consumers Benefit. "Generally up to this time of year, little coal is burned in furnaces any-way," said Mr. Martin, "The heavy The small consumers are the only people benefiting by the mild weather. and there has not yet been any neces

sity to use a baseburner. They rely on their ranges to heat their houses, and to an appreciable extent they are saving on coal.
"There was, of course, a tremendous amount of coal sold during the summer and naturally there is not now a brisk demand, but we are

a reduction in the price."

According to D. H. Gillies, the mild weather has little effect on the sale of hardwood either. As much wood for fuel has been sold this month as the corresponding month of last year, and Mr. Gillies sees little possibility of there being a reduction n price.

Wood Consumption Increases. "An interesting fact was given by Mr. Gillies this morning, when he pointed out that people are using pointed out that people are using more wood now than ten years ago. His firm, last year, sold five times as much wood to Londoners as on previous years. "Several years ago, when there was a scarcity of coal, people commenced to burn wood, using it in grate fires and in lighting the furnace," Mr. Gillies said, "They became accustomed to it, and learned that it was practically no more expensive than coal."

pensive than coal."

Mr. Gillies expects to lay in this year a much greater supply of wood than in former years. Already his gangs are commencing to cut wood in Arkona and Aylmer districts for

Watch For

Santa Claus is coming to London on Friday to be ready for the Children's Party in the Winter Garden Saturday morn-

On Friday afternoon, eight copies of The Evening Advertiser will contain Santa Claus' signature in red pencil. They will be distributed among the thousands of copies going to London homes.

Any little girl or boy who brings one of these signed copies to The Advertiser office Saturday morning will be introduced to Santa Claus and will ride with him to the party at the Winter Gar-

Santa