ENGINEER ALLEGES DECEIT PRACTICED IN L. P. S. RETURNS

City's Investment Before Electrification Concealed.

$900,000 ONLY IS SHOWN

Sir Adam Beck Receives Letter Which Says He "Sweetens" Government Report.

Toronto newspapers have received a copy of a letter sent to Sir Adam Beck by "A Canadian Engineer," in which the latter declares that deceit has been practiced in making the returns of the London and Port Stanley Railway to the Government, an attempt being made to make it appear that only $900,000 had been invested, whereas a much larger amount is represented through the city's previous investment. The fact that right-of-way and many other facilities cost nothing is pointed out by the engineer. The letter is as follows:

Toronto, May 17.

Sir Adam Beck,
Hydro-Electric Commission,
Toronto.

Dear Sir,—The railway statistics recently issued by the Dominion Government containing the sworn statements of the different railways as to their financial condition and operating results given for the London and Port Stanley Railway a funded debt in bonds of $900,000, but include no return of either miscellaneous obligations or outstanding stock. The impression intended to be conveyed to the public is that these bonds are the sole debt of the railway, and with no stock subscription or Government aid, represent its cost, to the interest and sinking fund on which the net traffic returns are in part applicable.

Covers Last Cost.

As a fact, however, this large item of $900,000 only covers the cost of electrification of the railway, the new cars and the 19 miles of additional sidings and turnouts, and the return ignored the very large original cost of the permanent way, the entries into the cities, the terminals, docks, etc., previously represented for years in these annual statistical returns as covered by the items $1,332,854 of bonds and $537,158 of actual stock subscribed. A nominal rental of $20,000 is said by you to have been arranged, but this would afford only 1 1-10th per cent interest on this debt as against the high rates originally paid and now prevailing.

In order to induce the people of Ontario to believe that all future lines constructed by the commission will be profitable, this railway, the first to be constructed under the auspices of the Hydro-Electric Commission, has been publicly announced by the commission as meeting the interest on its bonds and other charges, and having a surplus in addition, when, as a matter of fact, the large annual interest and sinking fund of the original cost are ignored.

Under Another Heading.

Evidently to appease the conscience of the Hydro-Electric Commission, which appears to take special care over this railway's affairs, and at the same time to further blind the people of Ontario, this long-standing item of $1,332,854 of bonds on the road, appears in another part of the same Government Blue Book, under the head of aid to steam railways where the public is not expected to look for information about electric railways, and is now called "loans from municipalities," whilst the share subscription "of municipalities" is given as $414,000. Is this straightforward dealing with the public?

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Premier, the Hon. Mr. Lucas, Mr. Rowell and others as the facts ought to be known. Yours truly,

(Signed) "A CANADIAN ENGINEER."

VICTORIA NURSES GRADUATE SOON

Twenty-seven nurses of Victoria Hospital will receive their diplomas at the graduation exercises to be held in the Normal School on June 6. Ten of these are Londoners. Names of the medalists have not yet been given out.

Those who will receive their diplomas are:

Dorothy May Yarwood Baldwin, Paris.
Della Birrell, City.
Jennie Ida Loft, Ilderton.
Lillian M. Gertrude George, Lucan
Mabel Lavinia Nodwell, Grand Valley.
Janet Isabel Webb, St. Helens.
Bessie Flemming Baty, City.
Eva Gertrude Vining, Belton.
Ruth Isabel Meek, City.
Georgina Margaret Sangster, Thorndale.
Cassandra Ethel Renwick, Hamilton.
Ellen Margaret McNabb, Barrie.
Catherine McDonald Thomson, Thamesford.
Ethel Bobier, Ridgetown.
Emily Braund, City.
Marjorie May Fox, City.
Kathryn Gordon Cameron Strathroy.
Nettie Rutherford, Ayr.
Edna May Basketts, City.
Isabella Jane Wyatt, City.
Laura Bessie Stephenson, City.
Beatrice Ada Dufton, Union.
Annice Bartliff, Clinton.
Neva Marguerite Snell, City.
Frances Lillian Florence McKerman, City.
Helen Barbara Armstrong, Stratford.
Marjory Tait, City.

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CITY BREVITIES

GARDEN PARTY POSTPONED.—The garden party to have been given by the Lorne Avenue Mothers' Club has been postponed owing to the rain.

IN ST. ANGELA'S COLLEGE.—Miss Katherine Trudell, Grade 8, and Miss Bernadette Murphy, Grade 7, were the winners of the Women's Canadian Club prizes for patriotic essays in the recent competition. These prizes were presented at the interesting celebration of Empire Day this forenoon by Mrs. McCallum.

TO AID SOLDIERS.—On Victoria Day the London Hunt Club will hold a golf handicap on the club links, and the total receipts will be turned over to the Returned Soldiers' fund. The prizes, "British Honor" golf balls, are being donated by the club's "pro," H. W. Eve. All members of the club are being notified, with the request that every member, whether a golfer or not, will contribute the entrance fee of $1 to this cause. Luncheon will be served on Victoria Day at 1 p.m.

PUPILS' RECITAL.—A most successful recital was given by the piano pupils of Miss Claris, at her home, 343 Maitland street on Tuesday evening. The following pupils appeared on the program: Master Jimmie Burns, Maxwell Hawless, and Wilber Keenleyside, Misses Freda Ford, Winona Nash, Florence Johnson, Florence Wilkinson, Helen Walton, Mildred Keenleyside, Birdie Spettigue, Mildred Goldie, Alice Carley, and Lily Payne. The pupils were assisted by Miss Marjorie Lyons, whose vocal selections were enthusiastically received by the audience. The accompaniments were artistically rendered by Miss Lily Payne.

CANADIANS COME TO FRONT IN LAST RECRUITING RUSH

Majority of Recent Recruits Are Native-Born.

MANY UNDER 18 YEARS

Large Number of Latest Arrivals Come From Sarnia.

Canadians are coming forward and offering their services to their country in greater numbers than formerly, according to Major Irvine, officer commanding the recruiting depot at the armories, who informed The Advertiser today that it was apparent that the young men who one would naturally expect would enlist are applying for enlistment in the various units stationed here, and that they are mostly Canadians by birth.

Some Are Under 18.

"Monday and Tuesday were very busy days," said Major Irvine, "but so far today there has not been such a rush of men coming in. Most of the men applying are young men, and many of them have not yet reached their eighteenth year. Most of the men who applied on Monday were from London, but yesterday they were rather evenly divided among the other places in the district."

When asked what difference the announcement that recruiting for the Canadian defence force was to be discontinued would have on recruiting, he stated that he had had no official notification of it as yet. It is not expected, however, that it will make any appreciable difference, as nearly all the men offering themselves want to go overseas, and few enlist in the C. D. F.

Most Are Canadians.

On Tuesday, nine Londoners applied for examination, and in addition sixteen from Sarnia, two from Chatham, and four from St. Thomas, applied. Of the 33 men who passed through the depot on Tuesday, all were Canadians except the following representatives of other nations: Two from the United States, four from England, and one each from Ireland, Scotland, Russia and India.

The London men who applied for examination were: F. Chippewa, W. H. Elliott, R. A. Wright, W. McCausland, J. H. Van Slyke, B. Murray, W. J. Billington, L. F. Ashton, A. J. Griffith.

Other men who passed through the mobilization centre on Tuesday were: T. A. Freeman, D. D. Lawrence and G. J. Considine, A. E. Milliken, C. H. Lewis, G. N. Boomer, F. Mahen, F. E. Nelson, A. G. Campbell, F. W. Hollands, M. L. Miller, N. Deak, G. D. K. Cameron, J. N. Hall, H. J. McMahon and W. J. Boyd, Sarnia; G. E. Kelley and A. T. Cole, Chatham; A. Wittenshaw, R. W. Bareham, H. H. Evans, and J. K. Walker, St. Thomas.

CHAIRMAN GARTSHORE SAVES CITY LARGE SUM

Induces Company to Overhaul Hospital Steam System.

A letter was received by the hospital trust at its meeting yesterday from the Canadian H. W. Johns-Manville Company with reference to repairs for the underground steam conduit system. It stated that the firm was assuming the responsibility without prejudice, as it considered the responsibility a moral and not a legal one. Work will be commenced as soon as weather conditions permit, which will likely be some time in June, when the necessity for heating the hospital will be at a minimum.

The matter was taken up with the company by Col. Gartshore, and as a result of his efforts the city will be saved from $5,000 to $6,000.

A communication from Fraser & Moore notified the board that $5,000 had been willed to the hospital by the late Mrs. Eliza Shore. This bequest was announced in The Advertiser some time ago. It will likely be devoted to the equipment fund.

Several applications for positions on the house surgeons' staff were received and were referred to the house committee with power to make the necessary appointments.

The superintendent's report for April showed that 83 male and 143 female adult patients were admitted during the month of April, as well as 82 children, making a total of 308, compared to 291 in April, 1916. Ninety-five male and 145 female patients were discharged, as well as 96 children, a total of 336. In April, 1916, 308 pattients were discharged. There were 13 deaths and 21 births. On April 30, 217 patients were receiving treatment; 154 patients received treatment in the free dispensary. The cash receipts were $6,249.77. Accounts to the amount of $14,756.77 were passed.

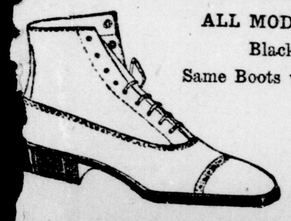
Those present were W. M. Gartshore, J. W. Laidlaw, S. Screaton, E. C. Mitchell and Supt. T. H. Heard.

PERSONAL MENTION

S. E. Weir, who has been in the law offices of Ivey & Ivey for some months past, left for Toronto today to continue his studies in the offices of Carley, Wilkie & Duff, prior to attending Osgoode Hall.

Cecil McRoberts, Granton, formerly a city patrolman, but for the past year owner of the Granton grist and saw mill, is in the city today.

MEN'S GOODYEAR WELT BOOTS



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EMPIRE DAY CELEBRATIONS IN THE SCHOOLS OF LONDON

A greater enthusiasm for the Empire and renewed determination to "Never Let the Old Flag Fall" has been aroused in the school children of London as a result of the inspiring Empire Day celebrations in the schools and the demonstration which has taken place in connection with the inspection of the public school cadets, gallant future defenders of their country.

The presentation of the Women's Canadian Club prizes for patriotic essays was in the case of each school an important feature of the festivities.

In several, prominent speakers delivered addresses, none receiving a more genuinely hearty welcome than Rev. Dr. Hall, senior chaplain of the British navy, who not only left behind him in each school visited the memory of his genial personality, and a whole store of information, but a coveted Nelson shield as well, fashioned from the copper of Nelson's flagship, the Victory.

Some Classes Assembled.

While each room had its own special celebration in a number of the schools, others, fortunate enough to possess large auditoriums, had successful union entertainments.

The first visit of the day of Capt. (Rev. Dr.) Hall was paid to St. George's School, where the pupils were especially interested in his coming owing to the fact that they have contributed $122 for sailors' relief work. Dr. Hall not only presented a Nelson shield, but "caned" the principal, Mr. Wyatt, as well, with a cane mounted with copper from the Victory.

The meeting addressed was of the seventh and two eighth grades, the other rooms holding their own entertainments. Rev. James MacKay of New St. James' Presbyterian Church addressed two or three of the grades. The usual plan of celebrating outdoors and raising the flag was abandoned at Alexandra School owing to the wet weather. Instead, the pupils and staff assembled in the rotunda at 10 o'clock when a patriotic program was given, of which the outstanding features were an address by Dr. Hall and the presentation of essay prizes.

Each Given a Shield.

Dr. Hall spoke at the Lord Roberts School at 11 o'clock, and at the Ryerson School at 1:30, in each case presenting a shield.

The whole day in Ryerson School was devoted to lesson on the Empire and Canada, with four special periods.

The day opened with a union patriotic devotional service led by Principal MacQueen, and including with the ceremony of saluting the flag. Immediately after recess, the pupils again met in the assembly hall. After the chorus, "O Canada," Principal MacQueen gave a short address on "Our Land and Its People." The address from Dr. Hall marked the celebration at 1:30 o'clock, and the day was brought to a close by still another special program from 2:45 o'clock till 4, during which Mr. MacQueen spoke on "The Fathers of Confederation," and the patriotic essay prizes were presented.

Speaks at Chesley Avenue.

Rev. A. C. Bingham of Egerton Street Baptist Church gave an appropriate address at the gathering held in the Chesley Avenue assembly room at 2 o'clock. Choruses, recitations and drills enlivened the program. Rev. Dr. Sage of St. George's Church, West London, and Rev. James MacKay of New St. James' Presbyterian Church spoke in several of the classrooms in the Empress Avenue School, each room having its individual celebration. Rev. Dr. McCrae and Lieut. MacQueen, who has charge of the men's department of the Government Employment Bureau, recently established here, addressed the pupils of the Lorne Avenue School.

Rev. Mr. Wright of the St. Paul's Presbyterian Church was the Empire Day speaker at the Riverview School, all the pupils gathering in the attractive kindergarten room.

In the Tecumseh and Simcoe Street schools, where the Normal students were receiving the final instruction before examinations, the patriotic entertainments took place in the individual rooms in the forenoon.

The pupils of the Victoria School in the afternoon enjoyed a treat in an address by Rev. R. W. Norwood on the subject of "Confederation."

Secretary McElheran of the board of education addressed the pupils of the Empress Avenue School at the Empire Day celebration today.

In Separate Schools.

In the separate schools, attractive programs of songs, recitations, etc., were given by the pupils, much interest being taken in the presentation of the patriotic essay prizes by representatives of the Women's Canadian Club.

Owing to the fact that examinations are in progress, no outside speaker was invited for the Empire Day celebration in the Park School. The principal, Miss Zimmman, read an address of G. S. Campbell, president of the National Service Commission, on "Service," and also an article on "The Empire."

The Women's Canadian Club patriotic essay prizes were presented by Mrs. Travers and Mrs. Baker.

Presentation of the Women's Canadian Club essay prizes took place in the forenoon in Mrs. Harrison's School, by Mrs. Harley Brown and Mrs. Wismer.

CHILDREN IN MANY PARTS OF EMPIRE WRITE TO PUPILS OF TALBOT STREET SCHOOL

Little Child in Nicasia, Cyprus, Was Prisoner of Turks and Saw Many Armenian Massacres — Gibraltar Life Is Described.

The annual custom of Miss Macklin's class, Talbot Street School, is to celebrate Empire day by reading greetings sent to the pupils from their far-off fellow Britons, in reply to letters written them the preceding February. This year the pupils received many Empire day greetings from the various parts of the British Empire. All are intensely interesting and breathe a spirit of great admiration for the gallant Canadian boys, as well as deep loyalty to the glorious Union Jack. Extracts have been taken from some of the letters. One to Etta Porter from the Cyprus Islands is most interesting, and reads as follows:

Dear Etta:

I am writing in reply to your letter sent to the director of any English-speaking public school. I am a girl of 14 and Cyprus is not my real home. Before the war I lived with my family in Beyrout, a place on the coast of Syria. When war broke out, my father and older brother were interned as civilian prisoners of war. Some months later, my mother and I were taken as prisoners to the interior of Turkey. We saw some of the awful Armenian massacres. Then we were sent out of the country and came to Cyprus, as my younger brother, aged 12, was here at school.

Largest Town in Cyprus.

Nicosia is the largest town in Cyprus and it is perfectly round with ramparts and battlements and a moat surrounding it. The population is about 16,000, I think. The houses inside the ramparts are mostly lighted by electric light, but those outside where most of the English people live, are not. This school is outside and is situated in a nice open space. The playing field is large enough to allow five separate games of football to be played at once. The director is Canon Newham, who received your letter and gave it to me to answer. I don't do regular lessons with the boys but do special subjects with Mr. Jeffreys, the head master. There are a lot of small boys from Egypt who are boarders and who spend their holidays in the school.

From Orkney Islands.

In another letter from the Orkney Islands is this paragraph: "I spend my holidays every summer at a place within two miles of where Kitchener was drowned. We have some pieces of wood from the raft on which the few survivors of the Hampshire, Kitchener's ship, came ashore. I would send you a picture of the scene of the tragedy but the censor would likely send back the letter. We often see ships here damaged by German mines." A correspondent from Hull says: "I think that it is very patriotic of you to try to obtain news of the mother country. It shows that you are true Britons. We admire all the heroes of our colonies who have responded to their country's call and some at such great sacrifice. Do you know of any wounded lonely Canadian soldier in Hull? Because, if so, we should be pleased to visit him. I have seen a German zeppelin and it is a very thrilling sight. Our aeroplanes and airships often come over Hull, and I have seen one loop-the-loop."

Newry Sends 1,000.

From Newry, Ireland, comes another message: "Your letter has fallen into my hands. I am very pleased to think that, though so far away, the British loyalty prevails. Newry is a town in population about 12,000. We have given about 1,000 out of that 12,000 to be used for the downfall of German barbarism." "P.S.—Down with German cowardice and treason. Up with British courage and honor."

Mary Daniel from Aberdeen, writes: "The famous Gordon Highlanders claim Aberdeen as their home, as the founder, the Duchess of Gordon, raised them some years ago by offering a kiss to every man that joined. Since then they have fictured with distinction in every battle of importance, as you will have read in the history books. My grandfather, who is an old Seaforth Highlander, takes a great interest in Red Cross work in connection with the Night Rest, which is a temporary erection for soldiers, especially Canadians, Australians and New Zealanders who having lost their train connection can have a night's rest and breakfast free of charge. There were 1,399 soldiers there, who benefited by it last week, amongst whom was a Canadian lad of 17 years. In whom we were very interested owing to his youth.

"My father joined the colors last July and is now in Mesopotamia. I have also an uncle in France who has been there since the outbreak of the war."

A Lad of Gibraltar.

Robert Norton-Amor of Gibraltar tells some interesting facts about that fortress. "According to the last census (taken in April, 1911), the population of Gibraltar amounts to some 25,000, of which over 5,000 are military and about 500 naval. No foreigner is allowed to live in Gibraltar without a permit, issued by the chief of police and British subjects, not born on the rock must also receive permission to reside there. Gibraltar is governed by governor (Lieut.-Gen. Sir Robert Miles) who represents the king. As Gibraltar is a crown colony, we have no parliament as you have in Canada, nor do we send a member to the English parliament.

"We have no railway as far as Gibraltar, but a half-hour's run in a paddle steamer across the bay to Algeciras, leaves you at the southern end of the Spanish railway. People traveling by sea to England (and most of them do) have the choice of several big lines, despite the submarines."

A small boy writing from Auckland, New Zealand, spends much time in describing his city, but into it creeps that sentence which appears in some form or other in almost all of the letters: "New Zealand has sent many men to fight in France and out of these a great many were from Auckland and from our school."

GOOD CHANCE FOR LIFE

Edward Welbourn of 1068 Dundas street, who was run over by an auto delivery wagon yesterday afternoon, recovered consciousness early today in Victoria Hospital. Every hope is held out for his recovery, and this afternoon he is reported to be progressing favorably.

SEVERAL CHANGES IN G. T. R. TIMETABLE

A new timetable will go into effect on the G. T. R. on Sunday morning next at 12:01 o'clock.

The only effect locally will be in the change in times of arrivals and departures of three passenger trains.

No. 8, from Chicago to New York, now arriving here at 12:24 a.m., departing at 12:29 a.m., will leave at 12:34 a.m.

No. 15, from Hamilton, due at 8:05 p.m., will leave at 8:25 p.m.

No. 7, for Chicago, now leaving at 5:05 a.m., will leave at 5:30 o'clock instead.

Passengers for Goderich going via Huron and Bruce will have over one hour less to wait at Clinton for morning and afternoon trains.

RUMANIAN PREMIER TO HELP PEASANTS

Jassy, Rumania, via London, May 23.—Premier Bratiano has announced to the Chamber of Deputies that the Government requests Parliament to insert in the Rumanian constitution the principles of universal suffrage and expropriation in favor of the peasants. The Government is considering the Jewish question.

LORD ELGIN CHAPTER SECURED $480 BY APPEAL TO FRIENDS

Lord Elgin Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire obtained $480 as a result of their appeal made to friends of the order for support in the work of furnishing comforts to the soldiers of Canada at the front. The sum realized the expectations of the officers of the chapter, and they are most grateful to the contributors who will enable them to continue the splendid work in which they are engaged. They have already prepared thousands of pairs of socks, hospital supplies and other comforts.

RUSS RADICALS ASK ADLER ESCAPE DEATH

Petrograd, via London, May 23.—The executive committee of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates has decided to telegraph the International Socialist Bureau and the Socialist organizations of all countries, especially the Socialist party of Austria, urging the utmost efforts to prevent the execution of Dr. Friedrich Adler, the assassin of Premier Sturgkh of Austria. The committee describes Dr. Adler as the champion of the liberty of all peoples and of the idea of universal peace.

TEA and COFFEE DRINKERS FIND RELIEF WHEN THEY CHANGE to INSTANT POSTUM

EARL SCANDRETT PROVED HEROISM IN SAVING CHILD

Young Londoner Will Be Given Medal Today.

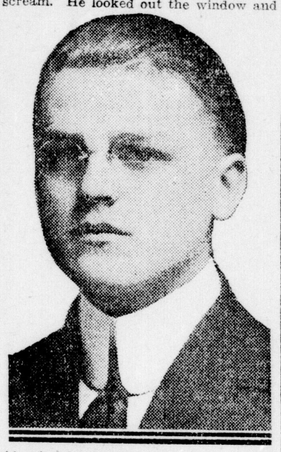
PLUNGED INTO THE RIVER

Dove Under Ice of Thames in Order To Rescue Willie Woodley.

Because of the heroism he displayed on Monday, February 28, 1916, when he plunged under the ice of the south branch of the River Thames and groped for 6-year-old Willie Woodley, saving the boy's life, Earl Scandrett, of 968 Princess avenue, is today being presented with the Royal Humane Society medal at the Empire Day celebration.

Displayed Real Pluck.

Mr. Scandrett was working at the east end plant of the McClary Manufacturing Company when he heard a scream. He looked out the window and



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EARL SCANDRETT.

saw that young Woodley had fallen into the river at the space under the Chelsea Green bridge, where the water was clear. The young man jumped through the window and raced down the bank. When he arrived the child had disappeared, and as he did not come to the surface young Scandrett concluded that he had been carried under the ice by the swift current. Without hesitation he dove into the water, reaching for the boy until he found his body. He fought his way back through the ice, and the boy was soon restored to his home, where he recovered. Mr. Scandrett was severely chilled, but suffered no serious effects.

Brought to Attention.

The account published in The Advertiser the day following the plucky act came to the attention of several who investigated and secured the medal, which is the highest award for brave acts of rescue given in the Empire.

Hector Noble, whose brave work in rescuing boys from drowning at the "clay banks," have been recounted, will also receive the medal.

MRS. BEDDOME DIES AS RESULT OF BLOW FROM AUTOMOBILE

Esteemed Lady Never Regained Consciousness.

NO INQUEST TO BE HELD

Coroner Decides That Tragedy Was Purely Accidental.

After being unconscious since Sunday evening, when she was struck by a motor car at Wellington street and Dufferin avenue, Mrs. Helen Beddome, wife of A. H. Beddome, former manager of the Bank of Montreal, died at St. Joseph's Hospital at 6.15 o'clock this morning. She was struck down as she and her husband were returning from a walk in Victoria Park.

Mrs. Beddome suffered a concussion of the brain in the distressing accident and did not rally. Her husband was struck at the same time, but was not seriously injured. Immediately after the accident, the unfortunate lady was removed to the hospital.

Mrs. Beddome came to the city many years ago from Fredericton, N. B., when her husband was appointed manager of the bank. For many years they resided at the bank chambers, later moving to Hayman Court. Besides Mr. Beddome, one daughter, Mrs. Toller of Ottawa, survives. The latter has been with her mother since the accident. Mrs. Beddome was greatly esteemed, and was prominent in many of London woman's club activities.

Coroner Maclaren, after inquiring into the circumstances in connection with the accident, decided that he would not hold an inquest. The husband and daughter regarded the sad occurrence as an accident and did not wish that any action be taken.

FOG LIFTED AND SIX IN PARTY ARE KILLED BY HUNS

Sapper Tierney Met Death With Five Comrades.

According to word just received here, Sapper William Tierney and five comrades, including the lieutenant in charge of the party, met death together. They had gone out to run a sap in a dense fog in the early morning. The wind blew the fog aside, and German searchlights revealed the six workers. A heavy fire was concentrated on the party, and not a man came back. Pte. Tierney was one of the most popular young men London has sent to the front. His father, John Tierney, of Windsor, formerly of London, is quite ill. A brother, Jento Tierney, also resides in Windsor. Mrs. George Smart of 913 Waterloo street, this city, is an aunt.

FOUR DUTCH VILLAGES SWEPT BY FLAMES

Amsterdam, via London, May 23.—A fire which started in a peat bog in the Province of Drenthe has swept over four villages and is still burning. A number of people have been burned to death, and more than one hundred houses destroyed. A spark from a dredging machine is believed to have started the conflagration.

The Dutch Province of Drenthe borders on Prussia, and is mainly devoted to the livestock industry.

POSTPONED!

OWING TO THE RAINY WEATHER YESTERDAY THE GIANT CLOTHING COMPANY OF 120 DUNDAS STREET WERE COMPELLED TO POSTPONE THE THROWING AWAY OF THE $100 WORTH OF MERCHANDISE ORDERS FROM THE ROOF OF THEIR STORE UNTIL FRIDAY, MAY 25, AT 2 O'CLOCK SHARP, RAIN OR SHINE. WATCH THEIR AD IN TOMORROW'S PAPER FOR EXTRA SPECIALS.

WORDY WAR ENDS IN RECONCILIATION OF THESE WOMEN

Something Started Awful War Between Neighbors.

BOY KICKED IN THE JAW

Then Whole Families Appear To Have Been Involved in Assault Case.

Words flowed like a mountain stream at flood time in police court this morning in the hearing of the case of Mrs. Ada Porter, 19 Oak street, who was charged with assaulting Mrs. Laura Mudge, 16 Oak street. After hearing the evidence of both, which was of a conflicting character, Mrs. Porter was convicted of the offence. She was allowed to go on suspended sentence. The dialogue between the women during the taking of evidence was characterized by the profuse use of personalities.

Mrs. Mudge testified that the defendant, Mrs. Porter, had blackened her eye, scratched her neck, pulled her hair, bruised her face and called her vile names.

Nice Line of Repartee.

"You struck me first," interrupted Mrs. Porter during the giving of complainant's testimony.

"I didn't," replied Mrs. Mudge. "You lie."

"So do you."

At this point both started to cry, the complainant saying they had been bosom friends until the "tell-tale letter" was received by the complainant that started the row.

Solomon-like in his judgment, the magistrate suggested that both forgive and forget and become friends again. Both women expressed a willingness, and no penalty was imposed in view of the fact that a reconciliation would soon follow.

Wife Sabel, 235 Clarence street, was charged on two counts of assault, first of having assaulted Bennie Matthews and second of assaulting Mrs. Eva Matthews, who conducts a confectionery store near the corner of Horton and Clarence street. Mrs. Sarah Sabel was charged with her husband on the second count.

Fined on Both Counts.

After hearing the evidence which required over an hour to take, Magistrate Graydon convicted Sabel on the first count of assaulting Bennie Matthews and he and his wife on the second charge. Sabel was fined $7 and costs and his wife $2 and costs or in default of payment each will spend 10 days in jail. Bennie Matthews, son of Mrs. Eva Matthews, testified that Sabel had kicked him in the jaw as he was over in another person's yard retrieving a baseball. He was on the fence when Sabel ordered him off and then Sabel kicked him on the jaw. Sabel, apparently, has some reach.

Four other boys who were playing baseball on the street corroborated the testimony of the Matthews boy. Sabel went into the witness box and swore he did not kick or lay a hand on the Matthews boy. He claimed the boy was in his yard and not on the neighbor's property as claimed. The Matthews boy, he testified, struck his chin on the fence as he was getting over it.

Assaulted by the Fence.

Mrs. Sabel corroborated her husband's testimony and said that the Matthews boy had a black eye on the fence while climbing over. In the second charge laid by Mrs. Eva Matthews she testified that Mrs. Sabel had shoved her and that Sabel had slapped her.

Cross-examined by W. G. R. Bartram, counsel for Sabel, witness was asked if she had anything in her hand when she went over to Sabel's house.

"No, I did not, but wish I did have," replied witness.

The statements of two girls, both under 12 years of age, were taken to corroborate the evidence given by Mrs. Matthews.

Mrs. Sabel called to the stand again claimed Mrs. Matthews came over to her house with a rock in her hand. Sabel repeated his wife's testimony and said he had put Mrs. Matthews out of his house but had used no unnecessary force in doing so.

CHEESE MEN ASK DAIRY CHIEF TO ASSIST IN SALE

Unsatisfactory conditions of the cheese market were discussed at the meeting of the London Dairymen's Exchange held on Saturday last, and following the discussion the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, that owing to the present unsatisfactory state of the cheese market, and the growing seriousness of the situation as the season advances, this association requests J. A. Ruddick, Canadian Dairy Commissioner, to take immediate action to facilitate the sale and shipment of cheese, and that the secretary communicate with the following members of parliament, requesting them to impress upon the commissioner the necessity for prompt and effective action in the matter: S. F. Glass, Duncan Ross, George Elliott, David Marshall, Donald Sutherland and E. W. Nesbitt.

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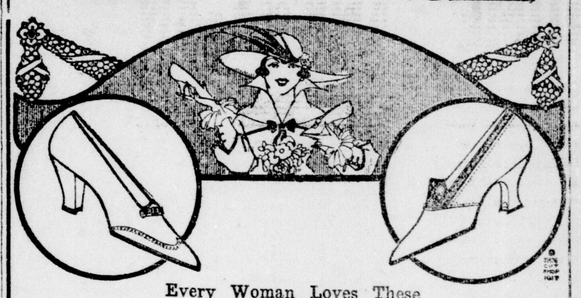

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