

THE WEATHER:
LOCAL SHOWERS TONIGHT;
COOLER ON SUNDAY.

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VOICE SATISFACTION OVER BRITAIN SURVEY

"Slim" Williams Being Brought Back from Kingston Today

BUSINESS MEN PLEASED WITH BRITAIN SURVEY

Say Its Value to City Will Depend On the Way Council Receives It.

CITY SHOULD ACT

Citizens Deplore Possibility of Report Being Used as a "Political Football."

The Brittain report, if accepted by the council, will prove of inestimable value to the city, local businessmen interviewed on the subject declared this morning.

Whether or not Londoners receive full value for money expended in this connection, however, depends entirely on the attitude of the mayor and aldermen. They are inclined to believe that the council should follow the recommendations of Dr. Horace Brittain and his staff to the letter, but if a "political football" is made of the document a large part of its worth will be dissipated.

Members of the chamber of commerce who subscribed to the chamber's fund for defraying one-half of the expense of the report expressed the opinion that their investment was a good one. The cost, which will amount to \$5,000, is considered by no means excessive, and one citizen thought the city would get many times that sum in value received.

Object to "Premature Criticism."
A. E. Silverwood, A. J. Mitchell, Major T. J. Murphy, Lieut.-Col. Walter J. Brown and others deplored the possibility of city aldermen attempting to make capital of the report by indulging in unnecessary criticism which, they believed, would create unjustifiable prejudice in the minds of the public. Only after a complete perusal of the document could a proper opinion as to its value be obtained.

A. J. Mitchell, manager of the Globe-Casket Company, declared that when citizens get the report complete they will realize that it is worth more to the city than dollars and cents.

"The survey of civic departments was made from an impartial standpoint," Mr. Mitchell said, "and the council will do well to accept it. I think it is one of the best investments London ever made."

Depends On How It is Handled.
A. E. Silverwood, president of Silverwood, Limited, said he had every confidence in Dr. Brittain and added:

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DRAKE WANTS CITY PUBLICITY AGENT

Would Have Office in City Hall, and Be Appointed by Council.

Ald. Gordon Drake feels today that the members of the city council, at some future date, should consider the establishment of a municipal publicity bureau, with offices in the city hall and a publicity agent, appointed by the council.

It is his contention that an adequate, reasonable salary should be paid for the position, and that the agent be allowed considerable leeway in order that he could open up direct negotiations with outside industrial firms who might be seeking location in London.

WARSAW FORT BLOWS UP, CAUSING GREAT DAMAGE

Associated Press Despatch.
Warsaw, Oct. 13.—The fourth fort of the Warsaw citadel, in which explosives were stored, blew up today, causing great damage in the city.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Today—Moderate to fresh south and west winds; mostly fair, with some local showers, chiefly tonight and for a part of Sunday.
Sunday—Somewhat cooler.

Temperatures.			
The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:			
Stations	High	Low	Weather.
Victoria	60	45	Clear
Calgary	60	34	Clear
Winnipeg	42	34	Fair
Fort Arthur	50	32	Cloudy
Parry Sound	70	50	Fair
Toronto	58	46	Foggy
Kingston	62	52	Fair
Ottawa	62	40	Foggy
Montreal	58	48	Clear
Quebec	62	44	Cloudy
Father Point	54	38	Fair
St. John	62	42	Foggy
Halifax	64	44	Fair

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:
Highest, 74; lowest, 41.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:
Highest, 73; lowest, 41.
Barometric Readings.
Friday—8 a.m., 29.41.
Today—8 a.m., 29.22.

Good Weather For 4th Game

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Oct. 13.—Fair weather greeted early comers at the Polo grounds today for the fourth game of the world's series. The day dawned hazy and warmer, with a forecast for cloudy and cooled weather in the offing for tomorrow.

MAYOR SUPPORTS FIREMEN'S UNION DESPITE EXPERT

Does Not Agree With This Phase of Dr. Brittain's Report.

WILL OPPOSE IT

Mayor Wenige expresses general satisfaction with the Brittain report, but does not agree today with all the recommendations.

"There are some mighty fine proposals in the report," he stated, "but of course there are recommendations that do not meet with my approval." "For instance," he was prompted, "Recommendations dealing with the firemen's union," replied his worship, "I would not sanction any proposal or support any resolution that would tend to prevent any of the firemen, or the captain and lieutenants from being members of their association." "I am strong for organizations which tend to better conditions generally. For instance, the fire chiefs have their association. That is perfectly legitimate and by their interchange of ideas they naturally gain much useful information. In this way the city benefits in the long run." "Why should not the firemen have their union, as I understand it, it is for the benefit of the city?" "The firemen are more liable to give service to the city than the police and the city derives the benefit." "I will certainly not support any union to bar the captains and lieutenants from a place in the union."

REMAINED A WEEK ON CHARGE OF THEFT

George Griffin Makes Efforts To Obtain Bail, Fixed at \$5,000.

George Griffin, London real estate agent who was arrested Friday afternoon by Detectives Down and Bolton on a charge of theft laid by Ellen Adelaide Shain of this city, appeared in police court this morning before Magistrate A. H. Graydon. He was remanded a week at the request of W. H. Henderson, his counsel, and was not asked to plead.

It is alleged that Griffin received some \$4,000 from Mrs. Shain who claims this amount was given the prisoner toward the purchase of a house for her. When she asked for the deed, she was told that the money had been used in the purchase of a farm by Griffin.

A technical charge of theft of \$700 was laid against Griffin by Mrs. Shain on advice of her attorney, John Macpherson.

Strenuous efforts are being made by Griffin to obtain bail fixed by the magistrate at \$5,000, with two sureties of \$2,500. Mrs. Ethel Stewart signified her willingness to go one surety and it is expected that another friend of the accused will come to his aid within 24 hours.

WHO WANTS TO BE THE LADY'S "OAT TICKET"?
Dejected and forlorn, a snappy old "dame" of bygone days appeared on the local market today with a "For Sale" sign painted on her side. Time was when she envied round with the best of them, but today she looked anything but stylish. Her form would not get her any position in the front row of a burlesque, or rather an equine show. She looked more like "Aspirin," the candidate of Mutt and Jeff in the big international horse race. Her she is. Who wants to be her "Daddy"?



EMPTY BOTTLES PROVIDE DIVERSION IN POLICE COURT

Isaac Goldstein Brings Assault Charge Against George Hier.

CASE IS DISMISSED

As a rule it is "full" bottles that bring people to police court, but entertainment provided for spectators at the Carling street court was varied today, when empty bottles which caused an alleged assault brought Isaac Goldstein, complainant, and George Hier, defendant, to the magistrate's notice. The case was finally dismissed.

The magistrate and spectators had some difficulty in following the flight of Mr. Goldstein's evidence, but managed to listen in on some of it. Mr. Goldstein stated he was a junk dealer by profession, and a week ago last Friday he tried to do business with Hier.

"He said he had some bottles to sell," said Goldstein. "What day?" asked the court. "Friday," repeated Goldstein. "I said I would buy them," continued witness, "and he wanted 15 cents a dozen. I told him 10 cents, and he said get out quick. I got out and get shovelled."

"What for?" asked the court. "Why, my golly, I afraid of him," declared Goldstein dramatically. "I afraid he kick me."

"Queer thing a man would do that," observed Mr. Graydon.

"Sure," came back the complainant, "if he never believe my hands raised to nobody. I not fight." "What happened after that?" questioned the bench.

Questioned by Hier, Goldstein denied using any bad language. "Well, you certainly tell lots of lies," opined Hier. "You said you would kill me with the shovel." "Did you left your hands to me?" demanded Goldstein. "A stranger come round your place, you would kill me."



BOARDS OF TRADE PLAN MEASURES FOR BETTERMENT

Members of United Association Endeavor To Improve Conditions.

WORK REVIEWED

Many measures making for the betterment of conditions in Western Ontario have been sponsored and promoted by the Western Ontario United Boards of Trade, members of that body declared at the meeting in the Chamber of Commerce yesterday.

The United Boards reviewed their work during the past five years and showed that among the most notable features of their activities they had dealt with the provincial high school, town planning, blue sky legislation, decentralization of the distribution of farm immigration from Toronto, and other measures which proved of benefit to the province.

G. H. Mathews, of Brantford, the president, made reference to the proposal of the Associated Boards of Trade regarding close affiliation with the United Boards. Mr. Mathews stated an amendment to the constitution opened the door for a united association with territorial representation.

It was decided to hold the annual meeting of the United Boards in St. Thomas Nov. 29 and 30. Resolutions to come before the meeting must be in the hands of Gordon Philip, the secretary by Nov. 1.

The suggestion that the association and United Boards come into closer association resulted in the appointment of a committee comprising Col. W. J. Brown, F. MacClure Sclanders and Secretary Philip.

It was announced that the yearly meeting of the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade would be held in Hamilton Nov. 15 and 16. The following officers attended the London meeting: G. H. Mathews, Brantford, president; J. L. Salter, Stratford; Frank Harding, St. Thomas; and F. MacClure Sclanders, Windsor.

Harmar, secretary of the St. Thomas Chamber of Commerce, and Secretary Gordon Philip.



GUARDS AT JAIL WON'T BE CALLED AS WITNESSES

Crown Makes This Decision in Regard to Prosecution of Sidney Murrell.

TRY WILLIAMS, TOO

Middlesex County prison guards will not be used as witnesses for the crown against Sidney Murrell, Melbourne bank bandit, who stands trial at the fall assizes Monday for the killing of Russell Campbell.

This assurance was given by the crown, because of the carrying out of an order to the letter respecting a close watch being kept on Murrell, J. M. Donahue, counsel for the prisoner objected to having interviews with his client within earshot of the guard. However, the coroner Byron Dawson insisted the special guard watch the prisoner's every move at all times, no matter who was in the cell with him.

As an assurance that the guard would not testify on the stand at the trial, the crown made a declaration to the effect that the guards would not be called.

Only two criminal cases, those of Sidney Murrell and Henry Jack (Slim) Williams, both charged with the killing of Campbell in connection with the robbery of the Home Bank branch at Melbourne on the morning of April 10, 1921, are on the docket.

It is expected the grand jury will not have to deal with these cases, and that they will be placed directly in the hands of a petit jury, true bills having been returned against both prisoners at the 1921 fall assizes.

Eleven civil cases, five jury and six non-jury are on the docket. Hon. Mr. Justice Wright will preside.

SIR ADAM BECK STATES TIES IN GOOD CONDITION
Not long since, Ald. P. J. Watt questioned the quality of ties purchased by the London & Port Stanley Railway Commission from the Chip-pawa Canal undertaking. Sir Adam Beck today reassures that the ties in question were of an excellent quality, and far superior to those in use on the Richmond street north trackage, just constructed.

BECK SAYS CITY WON'T HAVE SEVEN CENT FARE

Disputes View That Jump Will Follow City's Purchase of Street Car Service.

NO PRICE YET

Sir Adam Still Has Much To Do Before His Negotiations Are Finished.

Sir Adam Beck disputes the opinion of street railway authorities who predicted recently that a seven-cent fare would follow once the citizens purchased the lines and commenced rehabilitation.

The day of the seven-cent street railway fare throughout the country is not to stay, as claimed by certain eastern newspapers, reasons the member for London, who still believes that a five-cent fare would be possible, even after the purchase of the road.

Sir Adam is back on the firing line today after several weeks in the east, and to The Advertiser he furnished assurance that he had not completed his negotiations with the street railway corporation.

The member for London declines, however, to tender for publication at this juncture what he would consider as a fair and reasonable purchase price for the road, for obvious reasons—he does not desire to prejudice the city's interests in the deal. He considers no publicity of this nature desirable until negotiations have been terminated.

All Should Boost Buy.
"Everybody should get behind this purchase," Sir Adam stated. "All individual ratepayers and civic organizations should be asked to contribute to the cause. The case should be presented fairly and accurately, and incidentally I do not choose to get into any controversy over the matter with Mayor Wenige or anyone else. I could launch out into denunciations of him or others, or their opinions, but I do not consider that it would be in the best interests of the city to do so."

Touching upon the question of increased fares in London, as predicted by street railway authorities, in the event that the people did buy the road and authorize rehabilitation, Sir Adam referred to the Windsor situation, where the citizens enjoy what is practically a five-cent fare. A six-cent drop fare is in existence for transients, but 20 tickets are available for a dollar—a five-cent fare for regular patrons.

Sir Adam essayed the opinion that the street railway was a "good thing" for its shareholders, intimating that his opinion was based in no haste or desire to sell their holdings. "But we should offer a fair price and buy," he admonished.

Water Diversion.
The member for London is a man with many problems to face, and during his absence in the east he has continued his consideration of the question involving the rights of Chippawa to divert water from the great lakes for sanitary purposes.

This question is now claiming the earnest attention of five states, he relates, Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, New York and Pennsylvania, and much additional information in the form of reports, etc., is now in his possession.

"Just how much more power can be obtained from Niagara Falls?" Sir Adam was asked. "Just how much more water can be diverted there with any degree of safety?"

"That is an open question," replied the chairman of the hydro-electric power commission. "And it is a question which has been asked me frequently of late at Toronto and elsewhere."



MRS. SCHOFIELD OF BRANTFORD KILLED IN CRASH

Brantford Woman Meets Death in Highway Accident Near Hamilton.

HUSBAND INJURED

Canadian Press Despatch.
Hamilton, Oct. 13.—When the auto in which Rev. James and Mrs. Schofield, 29 Terrace Hill, Brantford, skidded and overturned on the Hamilton and Dundas highway about 8:30 this morning, Mrs. Schofield was instantly killed and Mr. Schofield is in the General Hospital here suffering from scalp wounds and other injuries.

There was a heavy fog this morning and the highway was very slippery, and it is thought that Mr. Schofield lost control of the car. The accident occurred near the Westdale Survey just outside the city limits.

Some linemen in the employ of the Bell Telephone Company, who were working near the scene of the fatality, went to the rescue of Mr. and Mrs. Schofield, but were unable to tell how the accident occurred.

When the linemen reached the scene they found Mrs. Schofield with her head pinned under a rear wheel and her husband's foot was caught in the steering gear which held him until he was released. Mrs. Schofield was dead when found and Mr. Schofield in a dazed condition. Later at the General Hospital it was reported that he was suffering from lacerations but his condition is not serious. They were going from Hamilton to Brantford when the accident occurred. Mr. Schofield is 53 years old and his wife about the same age. Mr. Schofield was formerly pastor at Bartonville Methodist Church.

No definite statement as to how the accident occurred has been obtained but it is thought the machine went off the roadway in the heavy fog and was ditched.

WILL SPEAK ON ECLIPSE.
Professor H. R. Kingston of the University of Western Ontario, will address the Rotary Club Monday noon in connection with his observations at Catalina during the recent eclipse of the sun.

Playograph Will Play At 2:00 o'Clock and 7:30

Today's World Series Game Will Be Repeated On Advertiser's Playograph At 7:30 For Those Who Miss Afternoon Performance At 2.

The realistic reproduction of the World's Series games on the Playograph in front of The Advertiser building, simultaneously with the actual game in New York, has proved so interesting to baseball fans that The Advertiser will give a double performance today, starting at 2 o'clock this afternoon and at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

At 2 o'clock, the Playograph will give the game exactly as it is being flashed from New York, play by play, on the telegraph wire direct from the grandstand to The Advertiser building.

At 7:30 this will be repeated with every detail identically the same. Special lighting arrangements will be ready and it will be possible for fans to bring along their copies of The Advertiser's green editions and follow each move of the game in print and on the miniature diamond.

The Advertiser will give no sporting news service on Sunday, and the office will be closed as usual until 6 o'clock Sunday evening.

WILL ARRIVE LATE TODAY WITH 'SLIM' WILLIAMS

Sheriff Graham Despatches Peputies to Kingston to Bring Back Prisoner.

JUDGE SIGNS ORDER

Court House Officials Keeping Exact Time of Arrival a Secret.

Armed with an order signed by J. C. Judd, two Middlesex County deputies set on their way from Kingston yesterday afternoon, to bring back to London the prisoner, Slim Williams, alias William Henry Vaughan, who is to stand trial with Sidney Ernest (Curly) Murrell at the fall assizes Monday for the killing of Russell Campbell of Melbourne. The shooting took place April 10, 1921, when the Murrell gang, including William Murrell, Sid Murrell, Slim Williams and Ernest James (Pat) Norton, robbed the Melbourne branch of the Home Bank. Campbell went to the rescue of the bank employees along with other villagers.

Wednesday, Crown Attorney J. C. Elliott made an affidavit to the effect that Williams had been committed for trial on the charge of murdering Campbell, and that a true bill had been returned against him by the grand jury at the fall assizes, which opened here Sept. 26, 1921.

Williams is at present serving a term for another offense, namely robbery with violence, to which he pleaded guilty. The deputies and their prisoner are expected to arrive in the city tonight. Court house officials are keeping the time of arrival a secret, explaining that although they do not fear any mishap such as might have occurred when the desperado, Sidney Murrell, was brought back from San Francisco, they nevertheless believed it to be in the interests of the proper administration of justice to keep the time of arrival to themselves.

The order for Williams' return was made by Judge Judd Thursday, following the presentation of the crown's affidavit.

TIMELY SHOWERS PUT OUT MINNESOTA FIRES

Associated Press Despatch.
St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 13.—Timely showers, which visited Northern Minnesota during the last 24 hours, relieved the forest and brush fire situation so that G. M. Conset, assistant state forester at Duluth, last night ordered the release of emergency fire-fighters beginning today, unless there is a serious change for the worse.

CHATHAM TOWNSHIP MAN LOSSES HEAVILY BY FIRE

Special to The Advertiser.
Wallaceburg, Oct. 13.—Fire, causing damage estimated at several thousand dollars, broke out shortly after 4 o'clock this morning on the farm of John Freer, lot 7, concession 4, Chatham Township. Mr. Freer's barn was completely destroyed, and his season's crop, four horses, farm implements and a cow were lost.

Fred George noticed the fire at 4:45 a.m. and at once telephoned Mr. Freer. It was impossible to check the blaze. The damage was partly covered by insurance.

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