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PRICE TWO CENTS,

## PRISONERS IN TORONTO JAIL MAKE A SENSATIONAL ESCAPE

Seven of them, Headed by the Assaulter Rose, Pick a Lock, Bore a Hole Through Wall and Mounting the Outer Wall Get Clear Away.

Toronto, July 17.—Alex. Rose, H. Churchhill, W. Jones, J. Clark, J. Copeland, Ed Lee and Bob Snow, all prisoners in the city jail, made their escape this afternoon.

Rose is the young man guilty of a most vicious assault on a young lady. He was to have been examined as to his sanity. Jones and Clark were awaiting extradition papers, being wanted in Pennsylvania. Copeland and Lee are charged with theft, and Snow,

a boy, is charged with running away from the Industrial School.

The delivery was made through picking the lock of a door which opened upon a seldom used corridor. Once here, the prisoners broke a hole through the wall and by knotted bed sheets lowered themselves into the yard. From here they easily got away over the outer wall.

It was several hours before the escape was known, and all seven appear to have got clean away.

## COMPOSITE REG'T OFF FOR EAST SPLENDID PARADE OF SEVENTH

Rural Corps Leaves for Quebec Celebration and Make a Fine Appearance in March Through to Depot—Local Regiment Holds Final March-Out.

Headed by Sergeant Cockburn, of Wolsely Barracks, and the band of the Twenty-ninth Regiment of Berlin, the First Composite Rural Regiment, marched down Dundas street to Richmond, and from there to the Grand Trunk station last night, and left for Quebec promptly at 6 o'clock. The men made a fine appearance and marched steadily, and will, no doubt, reflect great credit upon themselves at Quebec. As far as there physical appearance goes they leave nothing to be desired. The Composite Regiment includes one company each from the Twenty-fourth, Chatham, Twenty-fifth, St. Thomas, Twenty-sixth, Strathroy, Twenty-seventh, Sarnia, Twenty-eighth, Stratford, Twenty-ninth, Berlin, Thirty-second, Goderich, and Thirty-third, Walkerton, Col. Mackenzie, of Sarnia, was in command.

The train was made up of nine cars including a Pullman for the officers, and was taken as far as Toronto by Engine No. 955, in charge of Engineer Radoway.

### Seventh's Last Parade.

The final parade of the Seventh Regiment before they leave for Quebec was held last night, and thousands of citizens thronged the streets. At many points along the line of march hearty applause was accorded the

men for their splendid marching and soldierlike appearance, and there is not the slightest doubt that London's soldiers will maintain the prestige they have won. The regiment was never in better shape, and each and every man is determined to do his best. The steadiness of the regiment was a feature that called forth the most favorable comment from those who witnessed the parade, and every company seemed to move as one man. The regiment will parade at the armories on Sunday morning at 7:30, and will leave at 8 o'clock sharp for the C. P. R. station, where it will entrain and leave for Quebec at 8:30.

The men will parade in bushies, sergeants and loggins and the officers in service caps and patrol jackets. Each man has been furnished with a kit bag, in which to take necessities. Each bag has a neat tag with the Seventh Arms on it, and a space for the soldier to write his name, address and company. All baggage must be at the armories tonight.

### Will Be 300 Strong.

The regiment will go considerably over 300 strong, the extra expense being paid out of the company funds. Both the bands will go at full strength, and if their performance last night is any index of what is to come, they will stand second to none at Quebec.

## Foster Springs Annual Scare Routed By the Finance Minister

Latter Shows No Danger of the Country Going to Ruin.

Ottawa, July 17.—Hon. George E. Foster, "the prophet of gloom," as Hon. W. S. Fielding described him, moved tonight a resolution embodying the Opposition's horrified amazement at the financial administration of the present Government. Every year since 1896 the Opposition has followed this course. Other gentlemen were their mouthpieces when, owing to circumstances over which the electorate

exercised control, Hon. Mr. Foster was not in the House. But the House here over half a century, dropped dead this morning. He had eaten his breakfast and complained of feeling a little dizzy. He got up from the table and immediately collapsed, being dead of heart failure before doctors arrived. He was formerly in the shoe business, and lived retired for many years. He leaves a wife and seven daughters.

### Acting as Mayor.

Ald. Greenleaf was acting mayor-to-day. Mayor Stovewy is still in Montreal and will be in Quebec for the centenary. Ald. Beattie, who was with His Worship in Montreal, will come home next week.

## Thieves Headed From Quebec Swarm All Over Montreal

Slick and Desperate Gangs Burglarizing Stores and Houses.

Montreal, July 18.—The extraordinary measures which were adopted to protect the Quebec tercentenary crowds from the number of crooks which would be sure to seize such an opportunity seems to have deterred many going, more particularly those who would be sure to be recognized by the sleuths of international fame who are there. This has been a bad thing for Montreal, as many of the crooks appear to have stopped here on

their journey and doing what they can in the meantime for a dishonest living. The police are aware that a slick gang of confidence men is working the city. So far the chief layout has been for a couple of men to enter small stores and while one secures the attention of the clerk or proprietor the other secures the cash in the till. Several merchants have suffered in that manner during the week. The police got the leader of a bad gang of night thieves whose plan is store-breaking. There was a lively fusillade of revolver shots in St. Antoine at 1 o'clock this morning when the police landed on a gang of five in a boot and shoe store. Four got away over sheds in the rear, but Joseph Quinlan was caught.

## Storm Plays Havoc in the Suburbs

Last night's storm played havoc in many of the farming districts surrounding London, especially near Thorndale, where the barn of Mr. Fred Belton, a cattle-buyer, was blown to the ground. The loss could not be learned.

In many other places small sheds were destroyed, and fields washed out. The wind played freaks with any number of windmills, and it is reported that three were blown down out near Granton.

Farmers from London Township report that there was little or no wind noticed there last night, but that considerable garden produce was destroyed by being washed out by the heavy rain. Considerable damage was done near Wyton Station, where the barn of Mr. Joseph Wheaton was blown over, and a number of cattle injured, and a cow belonging to Mrs. George Holland was struck by lightning and instantly killed.



DR. MERCHANT,  
Principal of the London Normal School, Who Has Been Appointed Chief Inspector of all the schools of the Province of Ontario.

## SIXTY DAYS FOR A FINE THIEF

Stole Money From Small Boy Intended To Free Latter's Father.

George Morris, the young man who stole \$10 from the little son of James Murphy recently, was sentenced to sixty days in jail by Magistrate Love this morning. Morris, it will be remembered, met the boy at the court-house. The boy had been given \$10 to pay his father's fine, and Morris said he would see that the fine was paid. He went up to the magistrate's office, and talked for a few minutes, and then came out and told the child that it was all right. It was not until some time after when Mr. Murphy did not come home that this mean trick was discovered. In sentencing Morris the magistrate told him he was one of the meanest thieves he had ever had to deal with.

William and Harry Ginsberg were charged with a breach of the public health act by Inspector McCallum. After hearing the evidence Magistrate Love gave the defendants until Tuesday to put their place in a sanitary condition.

Albert Power got drunk yesterday and would have been allowed to go on his way home, but for the fact that he insisted on using abusive language towards everybody he met. He was warned once by an officer and using insulting language was at once arrested. He was fined \$5.

Three wheelmen, for riding on the sidewalk, paid \$1 each.

One first-time drunk was too drunk to appear, and was remanded until Monday.

## RISES FROM TABLE AND DROPS DEAD

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Woodstock, July 18.—D. C. Richmond, an aged and highly respected resident of Woodstock, having lived here over half a century, dropped dead this morning. He had eaten his breakfast and complained of feeling a little dizzy. He got up from the table and immediately collapsed, being dead of heart failure before doctors arrived. He was formerly in the shoe business, and lived retired for many years. He leaves a wife and seven daughters.

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## THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOLER

FORECASTS.  
Toronto, July 18—8 a.m.  
Today—Winds becoming northerly; some local showers; mostly fair.  
Sunday—Fresh northerly winds; fair and cooler.

### Local Temperatures.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. yesterday were: Highest, 70°; lowest, 60.5°.

### TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Max.	Weather.
Calgary	54	50	58	Clear
Winnipeg	58	48	68	Clear
Port Arthur	56	54	64	Cloudy
Perry Sound	62	60	64	Cloudy
Toronto	66	62	68	Fair
Ottawa	64	56	68	Fair
Montreal	64	58	68	Cloudy
Quebec	66	56	68	Cloudy
Father Point	60	52	68	Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

### WEATHER NOTES.

The disturbance has moved eastward, and is now centered on the St. Lawrence Valley, and the barometer is likely to rise slowly over the great lakes.

The rainfall has been very heavy in Ontario, especially near Lake Ontario, where it has been very general, over an inch, and 3½ inches occurred at Kingston. The weather is now fine in the Western Provinces, with indications of higher temperature.

### YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:	Victoria, 48-72; Vancouver, 58-76; Kamloops, 58-84; Calgary, 50-71; Edmonton, 52-73; Prince Albert, 53-76; Qu'Appelle, 56-74; Winnipeg, 58-74; Port Arthur, 56-74; St. Mary's Sound, 56-81; Toronto, 60-70; Ottawa, 62-70; Montreal, 58-70; Quebec, 62-74; St. John, 52-66; Halifax, 50-76.
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## AN EXHIBITION RUN

The veteran firemen of London have been granted the use of Victoria Park for a benefit concert some night next week, and preparations are being made to make it one of the events of the season.

Chief Clark has consented to allow the fire department to turn out, and an exhibition run will be given by half a dozen pieces of apparatus in the vicinity of Victoria Park.

Any one who has seen the local brigade turn out will realize that an exhibition run will be a treat. The horses are amongst the fastest in Canada in use on fire brigades, and the men know how to drive them fearlessly and scientifically.

For driving a span of horses at a gallop when they are hauling a piece of apparatus weighing three tons is surely a science.

The chief's black horse, "Frank," the fastest and most intelligent fire horse in Canada, will be there too, and will show the people of London how he takes the chief to fires quicker and surer than an automobile could carry him.

## DR. MERCHANT GOES UP NOTCH MR. RADCLIFFE SUCCEEDS HIM

Former Is Made Chief Inspector of All Schools of the Province and Mr. Radcliffe Is Named Principal of London Normal School—Popular Appointments.

It is announced from Toronto that the Principal Merchant, of the London Normal School, has been appointed chief inspector of public and separate schools and inspector of normal schools, of Ontario, and that Mr. S. J. Radcliffe, formerly principal of the London Collegiate Institute, and for a year a vice-principal at the Normal here, has been named to succeed Dr. Merchant.

Dr. Merchant's duties will include the inspection of the seven normal schools, and the new model schools, and the supervision of the inspection of all the public and separate schools of the province.

Londoners are pleased to hear of the honors thus conferred upon two local men. Both have been residents of the city for many years, and have made names for themselves in the province by their educational work in London.

### Dr. Merchant.

Dr. Merchant was, until 1899, principal of the London Collegiate Institute, having succeeded the late Samuel Wood, as principal of the Collegiate Institution on Nov. 10, 1890.

He came to this city from Stratford, where he had been for some years principal of the Collegiate Institute, previous to which he had been a teacher in the Owen Sound High

School. He had also taught in the Port Dover and Ingersoll High Schools.

Dr. Merchant is an M. A., of Victoria University, and took his degree of Doctor of Pedagogy from Toronto University.

He is a man of rare accomplishments, a deep thinker, and a student of many subjects. No better qualified man is to be found in the province today for the position for which he has been chosen.

### Mr. Radcliffe.

Mr. S. J. Radcliffe is one of the most popular men who ever presided at the head of the London Collegiate. He was born in London Township, and after teaching in different places, was engaged in 1891 for the staff of the local Collegiate.

He is a B. A. of Toronto University, and secured his high school master's certificate in 1894. He taught in the public schools for two and one-half years and in the high school for nearly twenty years.

Last year he was singled out for principalship of one of the new normal schools, and he was given a year's training under Dr. Merchant.

Mr. Radcliffe will make a splendid successor for Dr. Merchant, and his many friends in this city will be very much pleased to hear of his appointment.

## Britons Increase Lead at Olympic Take Steeplechase From Americans

London, July 18.—Water-soaked tracks and the result of a tremendous downpour of rain during the night, and a dull and sunless sky, threatening another wet day, are what officials and competitors found at their arrival at the stadium this morning for the continuation of the Olympic games. A varied programme has been arranged to bring out the people for the first Saturday of the meet. The morning again is given over to archery and fencing, but for the afternoon the most attractive events are scheduled in the hope of drawing a crowd. These include the final in the 3,200 metres steeplechase, the final in the 200 metres breast-stroke swimming match, the throwing of the discus "at Athens," and the finals in the fancy diving, the 5,000 metres cycle race, the

tug-of-war, the 100 kilometres cycle race, and the five-mile flat race.

London, July 18.—The final in the 3,200 metres steeplechase was won this afternoon by Russell, United Kingdom, in 10 minutes 47 4-5 seconds. Robertson, United Kingdom, was second, and J. E. Else, New York A. C., third. The 200 metres breast-stroke swimming match was won by Holman, United Kingdom; Robinson, United Kingdom, second, and Hanson, Sweden, third. Time, 3 minutes and 9 1-5 seconds.

London, July 18.—The final in the 5,000 metres cycling event was won by Jones, United Kingdom, in 8 minutes 36 1-5 seconds. Achilles, France, was second, and Aeffray, France, third.

## Parliament to Prorogue on Monday

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, July 18.—The absence of the Governor-General and his deputy, the chief justice in Quebec, prevents Parliament proroguing today. As it is prorogation will be on Monday. The longest session in the history of Canada will then have been closed on its 236th day. The next longest session was in 1903, when 227 days elapsed between the speech from the throne and prorogation.

## General Osman Pasha Assassinated

Salonica, European Turkey, July 18.—Gen. Osman Pasha, commander of the Turkish forces at Monastir, was assassinated in the barracks at Monastir today by an officer connected with the Young Turkey movement.

The general sent out a notification only yesterday that amnesty would be granted to all Turkish officers who were compromised in the recent mutinous disorders in Macedonia.

## Cruelty to Animals Brought to Market

Constable Northgreaves, the newly-appointed humane officer, threw a small-sized bomb into the ranks of the market poultry dealers today when he took the names of at least ten of them for future reference, after warning the dealers that they must live up to the law in reference to packing poultry into crates.

Some of the dealers had their crates literally packed with chickens, and in several instances the crates stood three deep.

People buying poultry will also have to be more careful as to how they carry home their purchases in the future. It is alleged that many people buy a chicken and carry it around for an hour or more with its head down, and its feet tied.

Some of the dealers did not take instantly killed.

### MET INSTANT DEATH.

Ottawa, July 18.—Mrs. Lyons met instant death in the Cross Company's store this morning. The woman had gone up in the elevator to the fourth floor, and after the elevator had proceeded up half-way she opened the door from the elevator and stepped out. She fell under the elevator and dropped down the shaft, landing on the hydraulic tank at the bottom. She was instantly killed.

## MEETING FAVORS HIGH PRESSURE ASKS FOR VOTE OF PEOPLE



MR. S. J. RADCLIFFE,  
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## LOCAL INDUSTRIES BUSIER THAN EVER

Montreal, July 17.—London reports to Bradstreet's say all lines of business moving fairly well. The wholesale trade continues to show improvement, both for summer lines and for fall business. Excellent crop conditions are having due effect. Collections also show some improvement. Local industries are generally busier than they have been at any time this year.

### LEE SING'S STORY

Hamilton Chinaman Says Countrymen Made Him Appear As Thief.

Hamilton, July 18.—Thos. Lee Sing, a well known Chinaman, was arrested today on a charge of breaking into Lee Hing's laundry and stealing \$9 50. The prisoner claims he was enticed into the place by Chinamen who desired to have revenge on him because he gave evidence against them in a gambling case two years ago. He says they broke open their own till, put the money in his pocket tied him with a rope, and called the police. He will be tried on Tuesday.

### FOR BATHING IN PUBLIC

Three Boys Get a Fatherly Lecture—Need for Swimming Pond.

The need of public swimming pools was again made evident today when three youngsters appeared before Squire Chittick for bathing in a pond situated alongside of the Wharfcliffe road, near what is known as the Two-Mile House.

After receiving a fatherly lecture, the boys were allowed to go upon payment of the costs, amounting to a trifling \$2 each.

## A LARGE MARKET IN SPITE OF RAIN

Large Demand and High Prices for Fruit—Butter Easier.

The market today apparently did not suffer in attendance as a result of this morning's rains. Almost every available spot in the square was occupied by a wagon or a buggy, and the market to all appearances was as large as any that have been held here this summer.

A large demand kept the price of fruit up to the top notch, but butter, eggs, etc., were somewhat easier.

Vegetables sold readily, and the prices on these remained very firm. New potatoes were the only vegetables upon which a drop in price was noticed. They sold at \$1 40 to \$1 50 per bushel, according to size and quality.

### Light That Failed.

Complaint is made that the light in the archway of the Wortley road subway in South London is worn out, and that the lamp only sheds a glimmer at night. The Grand Trunk Railway, by its agreement with the city, must maintain the light in proper condition.

### A GIANT CROP.

Regina, Sask., July 17.—Second Vice-President Whyte, of the C. P. R., with his party of Winnipeg newspaper and grain men reached here yesterday from Moosejaw, in the course of their tour of inspection of western crops. Mr. Whyte stated that, well advised as his company is kept with regard to the western crop conditions, he was agreeably surprised at the prospects, and from what he had seen of the country in the course of his trip he had no hesitation in estimating this year's crop at 125,000,000 bushels. In the Souris district there was every indication that harvesting operations would commence in a fortnight's time, while he believed cutting would be fairly general throughout the West by Aug. 15.

## City Hall Gathering Was Against Filtration for London.

## ALL FAVORED SPRING WATER

Titus Scheme Declared to Be Too Costly—Sir John Carling for Spring Water.

"Moved by Robert McMordie, seconded by John Bowman, that whereas the city of London has outgrown its present waterworks system as a means of combating fire; as evidence the low pressure caused, not from a lack of water, but from the excessive and constant draught on the mains, it is imperative for fire protection to have a greater pressure: "It is therefore deemed expedient and in the interest of every citizen that greater force must be obtained wherewith to protect the city from any chance of a large conflagration.

"Be it therefore resolved by this public meeting, that the water commissioners prepare a bylaw to be submitted as soon as possible to raise the sum of \$200,000 for the installation of a high-pressure system for the commercial parts of the city, using river water from a pumping plant to be established at or near the forks of the Thames, in order that the whole of the river may be available for fire-fighting, street-watering and other commercial work, reserving Spring-bank water for domestic use, thus obtaining an inexhaustible supply, and the most modern method of fire prevention, and at the minimum of cost."

The above resolution was carried practically unanimously at a well-attended and thoroughly representative meeting of the citizens held last evening in the city hall to discuss London's water problem.

The resolution, as originally read proposed to submit the bylaw in January at the elections, but on motion of Mr. W. R. Colby and with the consent of the mover, it was changed and the water commissioners are asked to submit the bylaw and go ahead with the work as soon as possible.

### Favored High-Pressure.

All the speakers favored the high-pressure scheme. Ex-Commissioner Saunders also moved that a scheme for the purchase of Kilworth Springs at \$125,000, be submitted at once.

This motion was lost. It received only ten votes.

On the platform were Sir John Carling, Ex-Commissioner Saunders, Dr. H. A. Stevenson, Mr. McMordie and Mr. F. G. Rumball, ex-mayor.

Sir John Carling was present, and in his remarks showed that he has made a very close study of the water problem. Sir John was prevented by a very severe cold from making a lengthy speech, but later gave The Advertiser his views on the subject.

Ald. Armstrong, presided, and in opening the meeting, said it was doubtful if there would be any more talk of filtration.

Citizens had shown that they want nothing but spring water.

Ald. Armstrong favored strongly a high pressure system, and also thought the metre system was a good one. He said it might be advisable to communicate again with Mr. Titus of Brooklyn.

Ex-Ald. Dr. A. Stevenson said that after a close study of conditions in a number of cities, he was convinced that the high pressure system was the only thing. No matter how much water we have we must have more pressure for fire purposes. Toronto, with the whole lake at its back, is putting in a high pressure system.

The underwriters demand a proper fire pressure, and will not make any reduction until London installs one.

The speaker was strongly opposed to filtration in any form. As a medical man he would condemn it most strongly. If electric high pressure pumps were installed at the foot of Wellington street, an ample supply of water could be obtained, and by run (Continued on Page Six.)

### THE BAKER FUND.

The Baker fund now totals \$389 81, as follows:  
Previously acknowledged ..... \$380 66  
P. G. ..... 50  
X. Y. Z. .... 1 00  
A friend (Nora Eldridge) ..... 1 00  
Charles Leah ..... 6 00  
Mrs. J. A. .... 75  
Miss C. Small ..... 1 00  
Total ..... \$389 81