

FOUND FATHER AFTER YEARS STRANGE TALE FROM NEW YORK CONCERNING DORCHESTER MAN

August Linde Tells of Losing His Parent in Russia and of Finding Him in Town Ten Miles From London After a Hunt Almost Around World.

New York, Aug. 27.—The World today says: August Linde, cashier of the Athens Hotel, has found his father after a search that lasted years, and extended half-way around the world.

The father was a merchant in the Russian province of Volynsk in the year 1886.

The father left home that year in search of fortune in the new world, when August was two years old, and traces of him became lost.

When August was 16 he set out to realize a day dream of a home in which his father was restored to the chief place, a dream that became a haunting passion.

Went to Australia.

His first travels took him into Australia, where he went from town to town, asking every postmaster and every official of the elder Linde. Then he went through Germany from place to place. His mother in the meantime, with her little girl, had sought a new home in New York. After searching Germany, young August searched Scotland in vain.

The lad sailed from Glasgow to New York to join his mother, who had landed in 1893, and was continuing to search for her husband. There came hard times for the little boy. He sold papers in the streets of New York, picked up what scanty pennies he could find, and spent what he made buying postage stamps to write to every postmaster of every capital city in the United States. The letters came back with the same monotonous information: "No such Linde was recorded in the city directory."

Came to Canada.

Eight years ago the boy turned his attention to the Dominion of Canada. He wrote to the Postmaster-General,

and his letter brought the reply that had been delivered to a man named Linde, and an address was sent to this address the lad wrote. No answer ever came, and the younger was on the verge of suicide. He debated the question of life and death with the seriousness of the very young.

Hope won the battle, the boy struggled along, and had become comfortably situated when, last October, he learned that his father was at Dorchester. On a letter to that address found the man for whom August had searched for years.

Meanwhile the mother had died. Her daughter had married a Brooklyn man. As a result of correspondence between the son and the father, August went to Dorchester. He returned Sunday.

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LONDON STUDENTS

In the list of scholarships in the University of Toronto matriculation examinations the names of two London young people occur. They are: Mr. S. Adams, son of Mr. Frank Adams, the advertising manager of The Advertiser, who carried off the Edward Blake scholarship in moderns, and Miss E. M. Boyle, who took second place in the Edward Blake scholarship in mathematics.

BOARD OF WORKS ARE PLAYING FOX

Refuse to Meddle With Questions Which Look Like Trouble Makers.

HORTON ST. AND DRAYS

Both Matters Sent Over for Next Year's Council to Wrestle With—Meeting Held Last Night.

The board of works at the regular meeting last night, rather interesting problems for next year's council to decide.

One was the petition for a cement curb and gutter on Bridgeport street and the other was the proposed removal of the draymen from York street.

When the Horton street matter was brought up, Ald. Saunders asked if there had been any tenders received for removing the sidewalk. Secretary Wright informed the board that no tenders had been received.

"We might better lay a new walk there in any event," said Ald. Saunders. "We have not any money for that work this year."

"I move that we refer the matter to next year's council," said Ald. Cooper. The board agreed to this. It means that no curb and gutter will be laid on the street this year, consequently the question of double-tracking the street is still open for discussion. Had the curbing been laid where the petitioners requested there would be no possible chance of building a double-track there.

The Dray Stand

The draymen's problem was next taken up.

City Engineer Graydon was asked if he had found a suitable place to remove them to, and he declared that Bathurst and Clarence streets would be the proper place.

"That's no good," declared Ald. Cooper. "I move that the matter be referred to next year's council. We cannot find a suitable place to put these men. I doubt that we will have a proper place until the new station is built."

This was done.

Poles Remain.

The petition of Mr. J. Fritz Beck, W. G. Murray and others to have the poles removed from the street was filed. Manager Beard, of the Bell Telephone Company, in a communication, stated that it was impossible to get along without the poles on the street, but that they would use as few as possible.

The communication from Mr. S. F. Griffith, on behalf of the Spruce Company, complaining about the removal of a tree in front of her residence on Dundas street, was filed. City Engineer Graydon reported that the tree was on the street, and that the late Mr. Pearce had a perfect right to remove it. He further reported that the tree was improved rather than damaged by its removal.

Areaway Asked.

The Dominion asked for the privilege of building areaways under the sidewalk at the corner of Richmond and Dundas streets. The request was granted by the city engineer to supervise the work.

A deputation from Wortley road, composed of Messrs. R. B. Pelton, John Duncan, E. H. Dunn, J. E. Mowatt and J. Slingham, appeared before the board and urged, owing to the low price of cement and labor, that their company, Graydon promised that it would be done if at all possible.

Sufficiently Signed.

The petition for a curb and gutter on Wellington street, between Oxford and Piccadilly streets, was sufficiently signed and will take the usual course.

Those present were Ald. Gerry chairman, Ald. Saunders, Ald. Cooper, City Engineer Graydon and Secretary Wright.

TWO HUNDRED QUIT

McKees Rocks Strikebreakers Declare That They Were Cruelly Treated.

Pittsburgh, Aug. 27.—Imported men numbering 200 quit work today at the Pressed Steel Car Company, McKees Rocks, and in a body marched to the bank of the Ohio River, where they camped until the company has paid them for their work. After getting the money due them it is their intention, it is said, to return to their homes in various eastern and western cities.

These men claim there are only 300 workmen left in the plant, and that all of them will leave the mill by tomorrow morning. The men alleged they were given poor food, subjected to cruel treatment, and that they were forced to work when they wanted to quit.

Pleaded Not Guilty.

John Powers appeared before Judge Elliott today, charged by E. A. Moore, house of Dorchester, with the theft of a hat and other small articles. Powers pleaded not guilty and will be tried before a judge next Wednesday.

MR. W. S. CALVERT,

M. P. for West Middlesex, who is prominently mentioned for the position of Transcontinental Railway Commissioner, Made Vacant by the Death of Mr. Robert Reid.

MR. BOWKER IS COMING TO LONDON

Will Succeed Mr. A. J. Nixon as Asst. Supt. of G. T. R. Here.

MLARDY FOR STRATFORD

Is Now a G. T. R. Wabash Official at St. Thomas—Railway Changes of the Western District.

As announced in The Advertiser, some time ago, Trainmaster Bowker, of Stratford, has been named to succeed Mr. A. J. Nixon, assistant superintendent of the G. T. R. in this city.

The announcement was made semi-officially this morning, and is regarded as authoritative.

Mr. J. A. Melardy, for some years trainmaster of the G. T. R. Wabash at St. Thomas, will succeed Mr. Bowker in Stratford. He is a well-known official, and is popular.

It is reported that Mr. C. Forrester, chief train dispatcher, will go to St. Thomas as trainmaster there.

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SHIRLEY INQUEST WAS ADJOURNED

Several Witnesses Examined Last Night by Coroner MacLaren at the Police Station.

VICTIM COUPLING CARS

When He Was Run Over—Brakeman Pritchett Tells How the Mishap Occurred—Evidence Heard.

The inquest into the death of the late Howard Shirley, who was killed a week ago Thursday night in the east end yards of the Grand Trunk Railway, while engaged in coupling cars, opened last night before Coroner MacLaren.

The evidence went to show that while it was not the duty of the men who were coupling the cars to couple the cars, yet it was a very common occurrence for them to do so, but there was no rule forbidding them to do this work. Doing it, one witness said, placed them in imminent danger.

After five witnesses had been heard at the hour was growing late, it was decided to postpone the further hearing till Monday night, Aug. 30.

Shirley's Mate.

Archibald Pritchett, brakeman, was the first witness called. He stated that he saw the late Howard Shirley when he was injured last Thursday.

"I was taking seal numbers on the north side, and he was coupling up the cars," said Mr. Pritchett. "The deceased was killed while at this work about five minutes after we started."

Q.—There would be no shunting south of where you were working? A.—No.

Q.—You began working at the Adelaide street end and you were going eastward? A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you notice any engine ringing a bell or making any noise? A.—No, sir.

Q.—Did you hear any engine before the accident occurred? A.—No, sir.

Q.—How far was the deceased from you when the accident occurred? A.—About two feet.

Q.—What indication did you have that an accident had occurred? A.—When they ran into us.

Q.—When the cars were struck wouldn't you hear the noise of the coupling? (Continued on Page Three.)

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WALTER C. BARNETT NOT SO WELL TO DAY

Condition of Victim of Waterloo Street Wreck Is Very Serious.

The condition of Mr. W. C. Barnett, whose legs were cut off in the wreck in the Grand Trunk yards on Monday night, is not so well today. He spent a restless night, and the outlook is not so favorable.

Baggageman Colonel Feely had a good night's rest, and is improving rapidly.

Willing to Pay the City of London \$20,000 a Year for the L. and P. S. R.

SOME ALDERMEN WERE APPROACHED

But As Yet Little Has Leaked Out of the Negotiations—The Situation to Date.

There have been negotiations, it has been learned, for the purchase of the city, or at least part of that body, and the Pere Marquette Railway, regarding the extension of the lease of the London and Port Stanley Railway to that company.

The details of the terms have not leaked out, but it is certain that the company are willing to pay \$20,000 per annum, for the privilege of operating the road for twenty years.

They are anxious to give a lump sum for the lease, doing away with the percentage system, as is now in vogue. The present lease calls for \$10,000 a year lease, and a percentage of the earnings over a certain figure.

How It Worked Out.

This amounted to about \$6,750 in 1907, last year it dropped to \$3,500, giving the city a net revenue of \$16,500 in 1907 and \$13,500 last year.

Of course, 1908 was an abnormal year, and it is expected that this year the city will receive \$15,000 at least from the London and Port Stanley, if not more.

The lease will expire in 1914, so that it has practically four years more to run.

Twenty-Four Years' Extension.

The company want a 20-year extension and will pay \$20,000 for the remaining period of the present lease, making it tantamount to a 24 years' extension. (Continued on Page Nine.)

THE HORSE BOLTED DOWN THE TRACKS

Young Lady Has Thrilling Experience With a