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Tomorrow's Weather—Local Showers.

SIX NEW CARS FOR ST RAILWAY; COMPANY TO TALK NIAGARA POWER

Directors Decided To Do
All In Power to Meet
City's Demands.

NO CONTRACTS LET
FOR POWER HOUSE

Mayor Graham and Water Com-
missioners Highly Pleased
With Results.

At the meeting of the directors of the London Street Railway Company, held on Wednesday afternoon, it was decided to live up to the schedule demanded by the city. In order to do this, six new cars, of a type to be approved by the city engineer, will be purchased, and a rearrangement of certain switches will be made to allow the operation of these cars. Negotiations will be opened for the purchase of Niagara power from the city, and it was decided to hold back the tenders on the new power plant until this question has been disposed of.

Mr. H. A. Everett, of Cleveland, president of the company, was in attendance. Mr. P. W. D. Brodick, of Toronto, another director, was also present. Mr. T. H. Smallman, vice-president, presided, owing to the illness of Mr. Everett.

The session opened at 3 o'clock and finished shortly before 5 o'clock, when Mr. Everett left at once for his home in Cleveland.

The Row With the City.
The crisis that had arisen over the demands of the city, that the schedule be maintained, was the chief topic of discussion, and the directors unanimously decided that every effort possible would be made to live up to the agreement.

The question of the purchase of cars was first settled, and it was agreed to buy six.

The removal of a switch on Oxford street, near Hollinuth avenue, to Adelaide street on the Hamilton road, was decided, and this will be undertaken at once. It is thought that by doing this, eight cars can maintain a service every eight minutes, as demanded by the city on this line.

At the present time, this cannot be done, owing to the fact that there will be a congestion of cars, owing to the lack of switching accommodation.

Contracts Were Not Let.
There were many tenders received for the new power station to be built on Thames street, but it was decided in view of the request from the water commissioners to take no action until a conference was held regarding Niagara power, that the matter be allowed to lay over. It is expected that the two parties will get together shortly, and decide this important question.

Other minor matters were disposed of, and the meeting adjourned, to be called whenever the water commissioners have a proposition on Niagara power.

"We have decided to meet the city in every way," C. H. Ivey, solicitor for the company, informed The Advertiser. "We will order six new cars, of a type to be approved by the city engineer to be placed on the various routes. Some switches will be changed in order to give better service, and in every possible way we will endeavor to satisfy the city and the citizens."

Delay Was Requested.
"We did not award the contract for our new power building, owing to the fact that the water commissioners requested us to delay the matter, until a further proposition for Niagara Power were submitted. Out of courtesy, we decided to meet their request, and that matter will have to be settled later."

"I want to say further that it has always been the desire of the company to meet the city in every particular, and we will do our best to meet them at this time."

No mention, it was stated, was made as to the purchase of the road by the city. It has been known for some time that an option had been secured on the plant, etc., but it had been allowed to lapse. Nothing was done about the matter at this meeting, and it will be a question for the future to decide.

Mr. Pocock Interviewed.
Chairman Pocock, of the water commission, stated that he had seen President H. A. Everett regarding Niagara power.

"I would not say that we made a request of them to delay the awarding of a contract for their building," he stated. "However, it makes no difference, in what form it is put, we did see Mr. Everett, and endeavored to convince him that we had the best and cheapest power. We are anxious to sell to them, and I think they are anxious to purchase from us. We will be glad to get their custom, and we

TUG BOAT RUNS FOUL OF SUBMARINE MINE

Four Officers, Twelve Soldiers
and All of the Crew
Perished.

[Canadian Press.]
Constantinople, May 2.—A small tugboat, which was engaged in inspecting the channel buoys in the Dardanelles last night fouled a mine, and was blown to pieces. Four officers, twelve soldiers, and all the members of the crew of the tug perished.

MR. ISMAY SAILS LITTLE TO SAY

Worn Out By Titanic Loss and
Investigation Leaves For
England.

SMITH IS STILL PROBING

Hot on Trail of Mysterious Message He
Says Came From His Ship
Early on Monday.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, May 2.—J. Bruce Ismay, president of the International Mercantile Marine, sailed for his home in England today on the White Star liner Adriatic. Mr. Ismay said that he was worn out, and that there was nothing to add to his testimony regarding the Titanic disaster, that he gave before the Senate investigating committee.

The managing director of the White Star Line boarded the Adriatic a few minutes before she sailed at 12 o'clock, and went at once to his stateroom. At first he declined to say anything, but later had the following to say:

"I have given all the testimony in the Titanic case at Washington. I have given them all the information at my command. There is certainly nothing more to say. I have no ill-feeling against the American public, and think the Senate investigation was thorough. I am feeling very tired and wish to retire."

Before leaving the hotel with Vice-President P. A. S. Franklin, of the International Mercantile Marine, Mr. Ismay conferred with Mr. J. P. Morgan, jun., together with several directors of the company.

Millet Buried at Boston.
Boston, May 2.—A throng of men and women stood with heads uncovered in the train shed in the north station today when the caskets containing the bodies of three of the Titanic dead were taken from the Hall-tanx express. The body of Isador Straus, the New York millionaire merchant, was in a special car. The body was conveyed across the city to the south station, where it was placed on a New York train. No members of the Straus family were present.

The baggage car contained coffins in which the remains of Frank D. White, of Winchester and Boston. The body of Mr. Millet was removed to the chapel at Mt. Auburn Cemetery, where funeral services were held. A nephew of the artist, accompanied the remains from Halifax.

Smith Still Probing.
New York, May 2.—Senator William Alden Smith, of Michigan, chairman of the Senate committee investigating the Titanic disaster, announced today that he would hold no public hearing during the two days he will spend in New York, but expects to investigate chiefly the report that the Titanic disaster reached New York Monday morning, April 15.

The fact that the Titanic had sunk was announced Monday evening by J. A. S. Franklin, vice-president of the White Star Line, who has testified that he did not learn of the vessel's fate until a few minutes before the announcement was made.

"I am here to look up the question of two messages said to have been received Monday morning," said Senator Smith. "One of them is reported to have been received at the Marconi office, the other at the office of the Western Union for the White Star Line. I want especially to see the message said to have been received by the Marconi Company."

"Mind, I do not say that these messages were actually received. We have only the reports of their receipt, but as these have come officially before the committee's attention, we want to discredit or confirm them."

Operator Missing.
Senator Smith added that he expected during the day to see E. J. Dunn, the New York merchant, who testified recently before the committee that he had been informed by the son of a Western Union operator that a message was received in New York on Monday morning telling of the Titanic's fate.

"I also have the name of the operator whose son so informed Mr. Dunn," continued on Page Eleven.

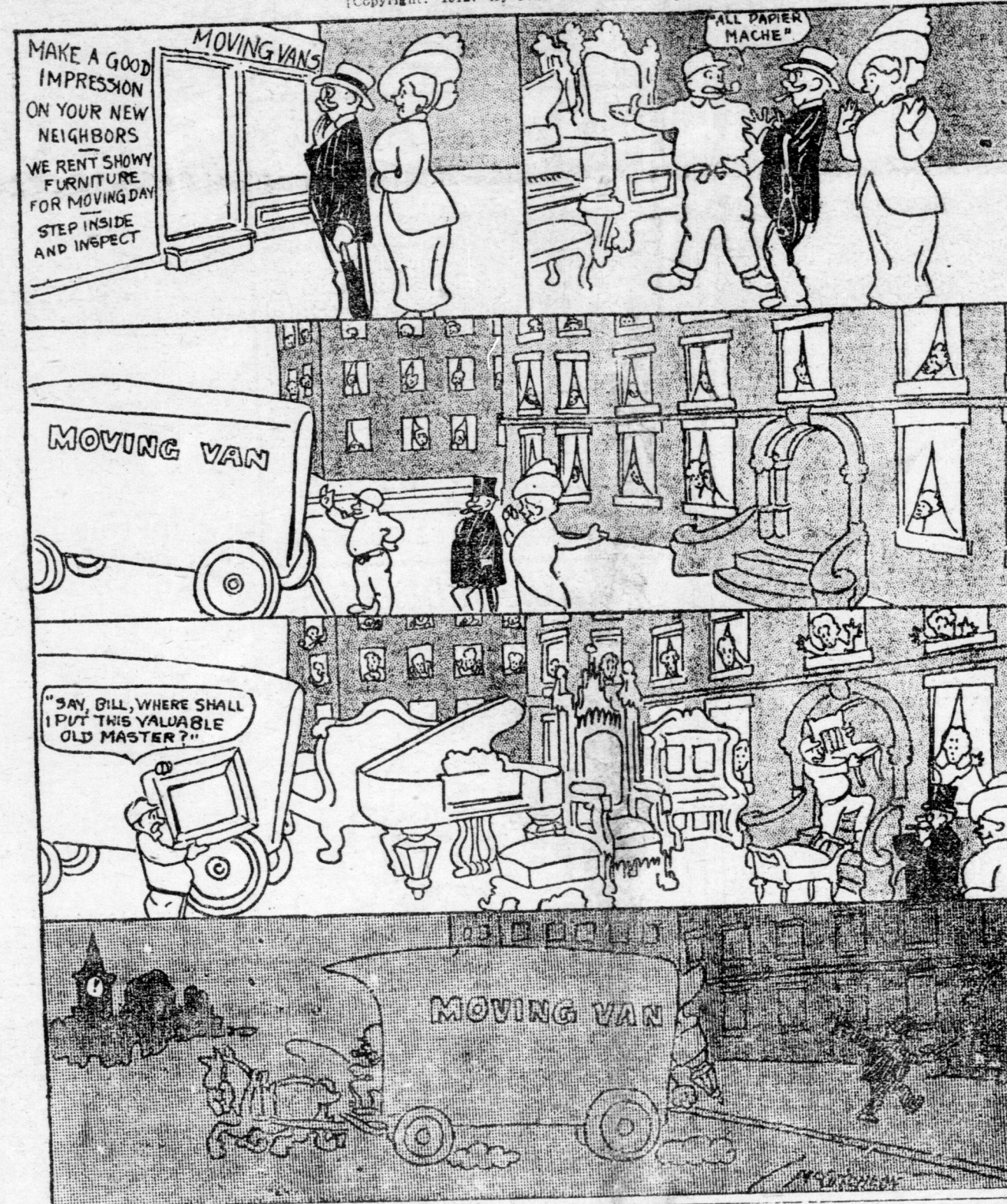
Mayor Is Pleased.
Mayor Graham, when informed of the action of the directors, expressed keen pleasure at the outcome.

"In brief, it simply means that the company intend to come to terms," he declared. "We demanded that they should carry out a proper schedule, and come to see the reasonableness of our position. There will be no trouble so long as they live up to their contract. They must do that, however."

HOW TO IMPRESS YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS.

By John T. McCutcheon.

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BRITISH PROBE OF DISASTER TO BE THOROUGH AND EXPERT

Huge Model of the Titanic Placed Before the Investigating
Commission, Which Includes Many Noted Nautical and
Legal Authorities of the United Kingdom.

[Canadian Press.]
London, May 2.—Lord Mersey, in his capacity as wreck commissioner, and five assessors, who will advise him in his questioning on the technicalities of nautical affairs, held this morning the first session of the board of trade inquiry into the loss of the White Star Line steamer Titanic.

In point of interest to the public, and the importance of its results upon the laws governing the Mercantile Marine, the investigation promises to overshadow all previous tribunals of a similar character. The scene was the armory of the Scottish Rifles, whose broad floor with two rows of galleries affords accommodation for several hundred persons. The spacious hall was chosen with a view to seating an expected rush of auditors, but when the inquiry opened no more than 100 spectators were present, and the majority of these were women.

The early proceedings were inaudible to the audience. As a model of the Titanic, a 20-foot model of the Titanic car (Continued on Page Eleven)

Model of Titanic.
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BIG BRITISH BATTLESHIP RAMMED BY A GERMAN SAILING SHIP

The Empress of India and a German Craft Crash Together Off
Spithead, and Great Hole Is Torn In Side of
the Fighting Ship.

[Canadian Press.]
London, May 2.—The British battleship Empress of India was in collision with a German sailing vessel early today at Spithead. The battleship received a gaping hole in her side above the main deck, while the merchantman lost headgear and foremast.

The Empress of India was in midchannel in tow of the cruiser Warrior at the time of the crash.

The Empress of India was launched in 1891, and is now classed as obsolete. It is kept in the special reserve for emergency use. It has a displacement of about 14,000 tons, and carries a formidable battery.

\$800 PER FOOT ON RICHMOND ST. THREE STORES CHANGE HANDS

Part of the Valuable Jeffery
Estate Was Disposed of
By Tender.

Mr. R. K. Cowan, acting for C. H. Ward & Co., jewelers, Richmond street, has purchased the stores at 384 and 386 Richmond street, occupied by Wray, the jeweler, and Pethicks, for the sum of \$27,000.

The above property formed part of the Jeffery estate, and was sold by tender.

CLOSE THING FOR ASQUITH GOVT.

[Canadian Press.]
London, May 2.—According to the Daily Telegraph, the Government narrowly escaped defeat in the House of Commons late last night.

To the astonishment of the members, Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George accepted a motion put by the Opposition to call upon the Government to insure the co-operation of the medical profession in the administration of the insurance act.

The question generally asked was: "What was the cause of this extraordinary action?"

The answer was not far to seek. It was to avert defeat. The Government was really a vote of censure on the ministry, and if it had been carried the Government must have inevitably resigned.

The Unionists were present in full strength, whereas the Ministerialists had not answered the call of their whip at all generously.

It was obvious that a division, if challenged, would have been a very near thing, and it was quite on the cards that the Government would be beaten.

ALLEGED BURGLARS TO BE TRIED BY JUDGE

It Is Said That Fairburn and
Murray Will Change Their
Request for a Jury.

It is understood that Peter Fairburn and John Murray, alias Murphy, the two men who were committed for trial by Squire Chittick a while ago in connection with the burglary of the Arva Roller Mills, and who afterwards elected trial by jury next June, will change their election tomorrow.

Arrangements had been made to take the men before Judge Macbeth to permit them to elect trial by the judge today, but a delay was necessitated, and they will be brought up tomorrow morning.

If they elect trial in accordance with present plans, the matter will be proceeded with within a few days.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—LOCAL SHOWERS.
Forecasts.
Toronto, May 2-3 a.m.

Today—Moderate east and southeast winds; generally fair.
Friday—Fresh southeast and south winds; local showers, but mostly fair, with a little higher temperature.

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

Station	High	Low	Weather
LONDON	64.5	34	Cloudy
Victoria	60	46	Fair
Calgary	58	34	Fair
Winnipeg	50	40	Cloudy
Port Arthur	58	34	Cloudy
Perry Sound	62	44	Fair
Quebec	58	44	Cloudy
Ottawa	58	44	Fair
Montreal	58	44	Cloudy
Quebec	58	44	Cloudy
Father Point	50	28	Clear

A depression covers the Western States, while pressure is comparatively high over the eastern half of the continent.

Rain has fallen fairly generally from Alberta to Lake Superior.

WATERLOO ST. SITE APPEARS OUT OF THE RUNNING NOW

A Number of Property Owners Refuse to Give Options and
City Hall Committee Are In Favor of Eccles Site
as the Best Obtainable.

"The Eccles property looks to be the only available site for the new city hall. Some of the owners of property at Waterloo and Dundas street will not give options, and as a result we cannot get the land we desire. The committee will meet within a few days, and in my judgment will select the Eccles site. If they do, work will be commenced at a very early date."

The above statement of a member of the city hall committee expresses the opinion of the majority of that body. While no meetings have been held, the members of the committee have had frequent conferences, with the result that they are pretty well agreed on the selection of this location. It is expected that by the next regular meeting about the middle of May, the Eccles property will be purchased and preparations made for the construction of the city hall.

Would Not Bond Property.
Mr. John Heenan endeavored to secure options on sufficient property for the hall on Waterloo and Dundas streets, but was unable to bond a number of houses and lots. Another gentleman deeply interested in the same locality also endeavored to secure the consent of the owners to sell, but was unable to do this. The aldermen worked other methods, but a few of the property owners refused to sell out.

Of course the council has the right to expropriate the land. This is always a lengthy, and generally an expensive proceeding, however, and the aldermen are not enamored of either the delay or the expense. They are determined to commence the construction of the building this summer, and will start work at a very early date.

"We will call a meeting soon, within a few days," said Ald. Coles, chairman of the city hall committee. "We have nothing definite to give out as yet."

Some objection is taken to the Eccles site from the fact that it is not on a car line, and would not be seen by visitors generally.

C. N. R. PLANS ARE CREATING MUCH SPECULATION IN LONDON

It Is Known That Company's Representatives Here Bonded Land
In This City—Ald. Spittal Says an Announcement of
Much Interest Will Be Forthcoming Shortly.

The activity of the Canadian Northern in Western Ontario, and particularly in London, is creating a great deal of interest, and a definite announcement of their plans is anticipated at any time.

The company are planning a far-reaching campaign to re-elect roads in this Province. Overtures were made some time ago for the purchase of the Grand Valley Railway, running from Brantford to Paris, with other branches.

It was also stated to The Advertiser that an effort was being made to purchase the railway from Ingersoll to Woodstock. This would give them a line from Hamilton to Paris, and a line from Woodstock to Ingersoll. The gaps in that line would be from Paris to Woodstock, a very short run, and from Ingersoll to London, also a short distance.

Engineers Are Working.
It is on this latter branch that the company's engineers are working. The land between the two cities is now being carefully gone over, and when a decision is reached as to the best possible route, the necessary property will be secured. The intention of the company is to come into the very centre of the wholesale and manufacturing portion of the city, and an entrance will be made somewhere in the southwestern portion of the city, and then across the western part, where it is expected that they will connect with the London and Northwestern Railway, running from London to Sarnia.

The lines would give the city excellent connection in the east and west. With the traction line to Port Stanley, and the possible lines to Aylmer, the south and eastern portions of Western Ontario feeding into the city will be well cared for.

Stratford to London.
The promotion of a line from Stratford to London is also considered one of the possibilities. The North Midland Company have a charter for a line, and the People's Railway Company have another. It is supposed that one or the other of these will be taken over by the C. N. R. The Midland people deny that they have disposed of their proposition, but they endeavor to finance it themselves.

"There will be something definite in a short time," said an electrical expert today to The Advertiser. "The gentlemen who are looking after the interests of the C. N. R. in London are bondholders property. Of course, their movements are somewhat shrouded in mystery, and they are loath to give their plans away. Nevertheless, there is something big in store. The announcement will be made in a short time."

"I know that there is something in the wind," said Ald. Spittal, chairman of the manufacturers' committee. "We shall know something of definite nature soon. It will be worth while when it does come."

BOSSSES DECIDE ON AN INCREASE FOR CARPENTERS OF LONDON

Boost of From 8 to 10 Per Cent
—Twenty Plasterers Go
Back to Work.

An increase of from 8 to 10 per cent in the wages of carpenters, to date from May 1, has been decided by the contractors in the city.

The men have not been notified of this, but they will be furnished this information today. This will mean that the carpenters will get from 30 to 32 cents an hour. The union demands 35 cents as the minimum.

"We have decided on this increase," a contractor informed The Advertiser. "You see, there are two organizations of men in the city, the old Amalgamated Union, and the later union recently organized. The majority of the big contractors employ the former, and they have decided to give the men the increase mentioned—from 8 to 10 per cent. That will date from May 1. We expect no trouble, as no one of the organizations controls the trade."

On the other hand, Mr. J. Gannon, president of the union, states that the men will insist on 35 cents an hour or there will be trouble.

Back to Work.
The ranks of the young plasterers were reduced today when about 20 of the men went back to work. The organization was not well handled, and the bosses declare that they were not worrying at all over the outlook. However, the strikers state that they will be all back at work on Friday, negotiations now being under way for a settlement.

MELBOURNE MAN IS CHARGED WITH REAL WILD WEST PRACTICES

George Cushman Made Entry
of Local Option Memorandum
in the Village.

George Cushman, of Melbourne, appeared before Squire Chittick yesterday, charged with assault and threatening to shoot Hugh Thurlow, also of Melbourne. The assault took place on Tuesday night.

The village of Melbourne has become a local option municipality, and the night in question was the last time that liquor could be sold there. Several of the residents of the place began to lay in a stock that would last them for some time. The accused was one of these, and became rather annoyed when he was refused any more refreshment by the bartender. In some manner he procured some liquor, but this did not improve the condition of his temper.

He and Thurlow became mixed up in an argument which gradually increased until blows were exchanged and Cushman was arrested. He was taken by an officer to the police station, where he was held, and immediately went home and armed himself with a revolver and knife. He then took his stand in front of the telephone station, and swore, it is alleged, that he would remain there until he had finished the career of Thurlow.

There were quite a number of people in the station, and about half-past 12

DAVENPORT DEAD

Famous American Cartoonist Succumbs to Pneumonia.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, May 2.—Homer Davenport, the cartoonist, died today. Davenport had been working on the Hearst newspapers in this city. He was 44 years old.

TRIBUTE TO BUTT.

Augusta, Ga., May 2.—President Taft and the city of Augusta paid tribute today to Major Archibald Butt, the president's personal aide, who was lost in the wreck of the Titanic.

Augusta was Major Butt's home, and for several hours today business was totally suspended and flags were at half mast while funeral services were conducted in a theatre.