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A SQUARE DEAL CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED BY COURIER

First Campaign of its Kind Ever Conducted in Ontario. Pay for what You Get is Courier Motto.

On page six of this issue there will be found the opening announcement of a competition conducted by the Courier Printing Company, Limited.

It can very well be termed "A Square Deal Campaign."

In contests of a like nature conducted by other papers, there have been a FEW winners and MANY disappointed ones.

The last-named have worked their heads off, only to find that the outcome has been of benefit to the paper and worth not one cent to themselves.

The Courier does not believe in that kind of thing, and so, for the first time in Canada, it has planned a scheme whereby everybody who enters will get paid for what they accomplish.

The man, woman or child who brings in even one new subscription will be paid a liberal cash percentage for it.

It is not a money-grabbing project, but a plan to increase circulation and give fair—yes, generous—pay to all who enter.

In addition to \$2,000 in cash, there will be \$350 worth of special prizes to those who rank highest with regard to the number of coupons.

No such fair proposal has ever before been offered by any other paper in the Dominion.

It may be mentioned that some thousands of dollars have recently been expended on the enlargement of the office plant, including the addition of the latest model of the celebrated Linotype machine, of which a battery of four is now possessed.

The editorial and reportorial staffs have been strengthened; there is a Woman's Department, presided over by a society editor; the number of general hands has been largely increased; the paper has been enlarged, and will be made still bigger; a special sporting page has been instituted, and in general there has been all-round improvement.

With the opening of the contest a new story will also be started.

Subscribers will not only obtain splendid value in the paper itself, but those who take part in the boosting will, as before, receive liberal pay in cash.

There cannot, in other words, be a loser.

Get in on "THE SQUARE DEAL CAMPAIGN."

Will Cataract Drop Electric Lighting Rates In Brantford this Year?

Brantfordites will be interested in the following despatch from Hamilton:—The Cataract Power Company has announced a reduction of 25 per cent. in its commercial lighting rates in announcing the cut the company has made the following statement: "The justice to customers who have been with us for years we have decided to reduce the rate for commercial purposes aggregating 25 per cent. under our former rates, as an inducement for them to stay with us. Our commercial rates were as low as we could stand. There was certainly not a 25 per cent. margin of profit. The fact that we have now reduced our former rates by 25 per cent. means that we will supply commercial lighting power at less than cost.—We will lose money, but we prefer to stick to our old customers."

Manager Duncan of the Western Counties Company, when asked if the cut in rates would go into effect in Brantford, replied that it would not.

It is learned from other sources, however, that it is only a matter of time before similar action by the Cataract interests is taken in this city, in view of the fact that the same competition, Hydro-Electric, will exist here as in the Ambitious City.

Between the Flags.

"Mickey" Jons may again be seen in a Tecumseh uniform this summer.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE BRANTFORD

Saturday, March 29—First time at popular prices. Frank O. Miller offers the mirth-provoking German farce, "THE GIRL FROM TOKIO." One year at the Court Theatre, Berlin, Germany. English version by Frank Tannehill, Jr., and Geo. W. Barnum. A rollicking, roistering fun-maker, screamingly funny, absolutely clean, presented by a capable company of metropolitan players. Prices: 14 rows, \$1; 8 rows, 75c; balcony, 50c; 75c and 50c. Seats Thursday.

Five Nights, Commencing Monday—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, with special matinees Wednesday and Saturday—Ernie Marks and his big company of vaudeville and dramatic stars, in new and high-class repertoire. Monday—"Tempest and Sunshine." Tuesday—"A Hero of the Hills." Wednesday (Matinee)—"Pop Love and Honor"; Night, to be announced later. Friday—"Ishmael." Saturday, Matinee—"Happy Hooligan's Troubles." Saturday Night—"The Elopement." This is the first visit of Mr. Ernie Marks and Miss Kitty Marks to Brantford in years, so don't think you have seen this attraction before, for you haven't. Prices: 10, 20, 30c; Matinee, 10, 20c. Seats Saturday. See the high-class specialties between the acts.

Thursday, April 3—Verba and Luescher present a gala musical event, "THE ROSE MAID," the opera which enjoyed two seasons at the Globe Theatre, New York, through its captivating music, delicious comedy, tasteful settings and gorgeous gowns, and was proclaimed by all who witnessed this operetta of fun and fashion as prettier than its sister opera, "The Spring Maid." Company of 75, with special orchestra. Two cardinals scenery. The Kute Kudies and the Rosebud Garden of Girls. Each girl a fashion plate. Prices: 14 rows, \$1.50; 8 rows, \$1; balcony, 75c; balcony, \$1 and 75c; gallery, 50c and 25c. Seats Tuesday.

Gladys Meredith, Principal In Case Against Police

The picture reproduced herewith is that of Gladys Meredith, the Holmedale girl who is the principal figure of interest in the action which is at present slated for hearing at the spring assizes in this city before Chancellor Boyd. An application, however, is being made for a change of venue of the trial. Miss Meredith, who, it is claimed, was wrongfully arrested by the Brantford police, is a 19-year-old girl, who came from her home in Lancashire, England, to Canada a short time ago. She is at present employed in the Slingsby mill in the Holmedale. Her widowed mother, with four children, sailed on Good Friday for St. John's, and is expected in the city any day to rejoin her daughter. The defendants in the trial are the two officers alleged to have made the arrest (Detective Chapman and Constable Boylan), also Chief Slemm and the Coroner, E. C. Ashton. The plaintiff's claim is for \$10,000 damages, and unusual interest in Brantford in view of the fact that indignation has been expressed in the form of unlawful disturbances against the police department.



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GRAND RIVER FLOODS WERE DISCUSSED AT GALT

Speakers of Meeting Say That Draining of Swamps is Responsible for Them—Prevention is Debated—No Brantford Representatives Present.

GALT, March 29.—The following thought that the height of water had been reached by the Grand River, declared that the flood this year was from eighteen inches to two feet higher than in 1912.

Mayor Scott, of Galt, said that if immediate action were not taken conditions may be repeated in towns and cities on the Grand such as have occurred in Ohio. He believed the Government was afraid of tackling the question of flood prevention because of setting a precedent but stated that this matter should be taken up by a commission, just as the Hydro-Electric system was inaugurated. Opinion was unanimous on the need of an investigation by a commission. A committee was appointed to get data preparatory to a strong delegation being sent to Toronto to interview the Government.

The president of the association, J. P. Jaffray, of Galt, was in the chair. Delegates were present from as far north as Elora and south to Danville. W. H. Breithaupt, C.E. of Berlin, said the increased flow of the river in recent years was due to the draining by the Government of Luther and Melancton swamps at the head of the stream, and for this reason the Government should be held responsible. A year ago it was the terrible nature of the floods.

Safe and Sound.

Word was received in the city last night from Mr. John R. Mann, son of Mr. John Mann, city, that all the members of his family were safe and sound at Wolfe Creek Towers, Ohio. Apparently Mr. Mann and family were forced to Dayton City on account of the terrible nature of the floods.

SITUATION BRIGHTENS UP IN FLOOD STRICKEN DISTRICTS SAY TO-DAYS DISPATCHES

Word From Dayton To-Day Says That Relief is Being Distributed But That Effects of Flood are Still Very Severely Felt—Number of Dead Will not aggregate as Large as at First Believed.

(Canadian Press Despatch)

DAYTON, Ohio, March 29.—Dayton awoke this morning wondering of the latest estimate of the number of its dead as the result of the flood was accurate. With 28 bodies recovered and with nearly every section explored by life saving crews and newspapermen, early estimates of tremendous loss of life had been cut to 150 to 200.

After a meeting of seven-eighths of the undertakers of Dayton last evening it was announced that a consensus of opinion at the meeting was that 800 were dead. These men said they based their estimates merely upon general conditions and Dayton citizens to-day renewed efforts to ascertain if their reckoning was correct.

As most of the hemmed in sufferers had been provided with food yesterday no effort was made to work in the flooded area last night, but with the coming of dawn large rescue parties were out to succor the sufferers and recover the dead.

Not knowing yet how great is her loss in number of lives, Dayton already faces a serious situation. The sewerage, water, gas and wire communication systems have been destroyed. Thousands of dead animals are lying about the streets. Two

fertilizer firms began to-day to gather these animals.

Water is being served from private plants of the Soldiers' Home and being served from sprinkling wagons. The relief committee has sent out an urgent appeal to people not to dump refuse in the streets, but to dig cesspools where possible. The sewerage system cannot be used for weeks, and it will be necessary to do without gas for some time. Considering the number of persons affected by the flood, there has been comparatively little sickness, the cold weather being responsible for this to a great extent. The cold weather has caused great suffering among those heat, but in the end it has proved a blessing. Efforts were made to-day to clear away the debris in sections where the flood water had run off and it was feared bodies might be found in these masses of wreckage.

With well organized crews doing this work, others took food to persons still marooned in Riverdale and North Dayton. It was believed, however, that by nightfall most of these people could get out, so rapidly was the water receding.

Train loads of food came from several directions to-day. Train com-

munication being established with the north several relief trains came in bearing a varied assortment of needed materials.

Cincinnati in Danger.

CINCINNATI, O., March 29.—With the Ohio River covering the entire lower section of this city and with refugees coming in by hundreds, Cincinnati this morning faces a situation that will require the combined efforts of all of its relief and civic organizations to cope with. Every hotel in this city is crowded to its capacity, and freight street car has been pressed into service, removing families from the flood area. The river reached the stage of 65.9 feet at daybreak and was rising at a rate of 1-1/2 tenths of a foot an hour. More than sixty city blocks are under water, average depth being from one foot to ten feet.

Suffering, however, has been at a minimum owing to warning sent out early that a stage of 70 feet probably would be reached before the waters began to recede.

The city was practically cut off from traffic communication with Covington, Ky., early last evening when the approach to the suspension bridge

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Police Matters Are Still Great Source of Discussion in Council

An interesting report will be presented at the City Council meeting on Monday by City Clerk Leonard. The report deals with emoluments received by the police for work outside of their regular routine. As one alderman expressed it, this morning, "One member of the force is paid nearly \$500 by the city. He is the king pin of them all." City Clerk

Leonard carefully guarded his report to-day from the scrutiny of the press. He stated that he was unable to find out all the payments the police received outside of their pay. The report it is understood deals with the collection of poll tax, which it was thought, some time ago could be more effectively accomplished with police assistance.

At any rate it was the feeling of

the committee yesterday that poll tax collection last year came decidedly too high. Some of the aldermen just couldn't make the account jibe with what would be considered in their view good business. Accordingly, an interesting discussion is promised on Monday night and police matters are apparently not dead yet at the council hall forum as a prolific source of argument.

A Change Assessment Department will Be Re-organized, That's All.

The assessment department will be reorganized as to secure greater efficiency, but there will be no new men taken on. This announcement came from an authoritative source this morning, as a result of the meeting of the finance committee yesterday. At present Mr. Harry Oldham is in charge of the department, and the re-organization, as announced, probably means a change in the head of the department.

HEATHERS IN GREAT SHAPE

Meeting of the Bowlers Held in Coreuil Chamber Last Night.

A most enthusiastic meeting of Bowlers was held last evening at the City Council Chambers when the shareholders and playing members of the Heather Bowling Club, Limited, met for the annual meeting of the club. Satisfactory reports of progress in all departments were made. The Directors reported that the new green would be ready for play on schedule time and that the old club house, which was removed from the Dalhousie St. grounds would be entirely remodelled. When this is done the Heather Club will have one of the most handsome club buildings in Ontario.

In view of the painstaking efforts of the Directors and Officers throughout the past year, a vote of thanks was tendered them for their services, and as a further mark of appreciation the whole of last year's Board were re-elected by acclamation. The Directors elected were: Messrs. E. C. Tench, W. Lahey, B. J. Wade, Dr. James, Dr. Gamble and D. G. Husband.

The members of the various committees were elected as follows:—Ground Committee, J. S. Howie, H. B. Crouch, I. Simpson and F. Read. Match Committee—L. Newsome, H. B. Beckett, A. N. Pennehat and B. Caspell. Reception Committee—J. S. Pilling, D. G. Husband, I. F. Van Lane and Dr. Gamble. Membership Committee—Dr. James, J. W. Shep-erson, J. I. Miller and J. A. Ogilvie.

A communication was read from the Pastime Bowling Club with reference to the Brantford Clubs uniting in holding a joint tournament on Labor Day. Messrs. Whiteack, Coates and Read were elected a Committee to meet with the Pastime Bowling Club and see if arrangements could be made for holding a tournament as suggested.

Mr. D. G. Husband was elected representative of the Club to the Ontario Association, Mr. F. E. Tobias to the Western Ontario Bowling Association and Mr. E. C. Tench to the International Association of Buffalo.

The Directors reported that over 25 applications for membership had been received so far this year, and that prospects for a successful season were never brighter.

At a subsequent meeting of the Dir-

Optimistic

A Winnipeg despatch says: If the expectations of J. Bruce Walker, Dominion Immigration Commissioner, are realized, nearly 200,000 United States people will make their homes in Western Canada this year, an increase of nearly 50,000 over last year's high record. Mr. Walker, as his annual custom about this time, this morning gave out his anticipations for the prospects of immigration from the south. He thinks, after most careful inquiry at all Canadian agencies operating there, that the increase will be 20 or 25 per cent. over that of 1912. Last year there were practically 150,000 American immigrants, and this year with the increase should see the 200,000 mark approximated. From not a single state is decrease in immigration expected, and from many states, such as North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Nebraska and the sunny south records are expected.

Absolute quiet predominated in the sanctum sanctorum of the police court this morning. This is the first day in weeks that such a thing has occurred, but to-day there was not even a drunk.

Directors Mr. E. C. Tench was re-elected President, Mr. W. Lahey Vice-President and Treasurer, and Mr. A. M. Harley, Secretary.

THE PROBS

(Canadian Press Despatch)

TORONTO, March 29.—Fair weather prevails throughout Canada, and milder conditions are setting in over Ontario. In the West the weather has been fair and quite mild.

FORECASTS

Southwesterly winds; fair and milder to-day and on Sunday.

What The Wind Did In The State Of Indiana



Wreckage of boarding-house at Terre Haute, Ind., in which ten people were caught. Two were killed. About 250 houses were wrecked.

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