

**HIGH HONOR FOR
MR. F. J. DARCH**

Presented With the Grand Cross
of Merit by the Independent
Foresters.

DID MUCH FOR ORDER

And His Services Are Greatly Appreciated—Mr. Darch Made a Neat
Speech in Reply.

Mr. Fred J. Darch was presented with the grand cross of merit by the supreme chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, Hon. E. G. Stevenson at Chatham during the meeting of the Western Ontario branch of the I. O. F. at Chatham this week.

It is a magnificent gold medal on the back of which is inscribed the reason of the presentation, the recipient and the date. It is only awarded for distinguished services on behalf of Forestry.

Mr. Darch Praised.

In making the presentation, Mr. Stevenson referred at some length to the enthusiasm and zeal shown by Mr. Darch on behalf of the order and gave him credit for the advanced position it holds in this section of the country.

**MAJOR M'CRIMMON
WINS THE TRANSVAAL**

A London Shot Makes Fine
Showing at the Rockcliffe
Range.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—After the first round had been shot in the Governor-General's match, the shooting was very high. Pte. Bibby, Seventy-seventh, led in this stage and gets the silver medal, with 102 points.

Major McCrinion was fourteenth, with 98 points. The Gillespie challenge cup was won by the Tenth R. G. Co., Toronto, with the G. F. G. Co., Ottawa, second.

The Kirkpatrick was won by the Tenth R. G. Co., Ottawa, with the G. F. G. Co., Ottawa, second.

**PROTEST FRUITLESS
IN YACHT DUTY CASE**

Customs Claim Bought in the U.
S. for Use in Canadian
Waters.

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—The yachts which recently came under the eye of the Toronto customs officers and for which ten thousand dollars in duty was paid under protest are the Tekla, owned by John C. Eaton; the Oriole III, owned by George H. Goodwin, and the Zahra, owned by Amelius Jarvis. The boats were all bought in the United States and brought into Canada this spring. The said owners did not get a Canadian register but kept the boats under American flags. There is a clause in the customs act which allows touring yachts to come into Canada without payment of duty, providing they go back by October 1. It is understood that one of the yachts was entered as a tourist, and it is understood the other two sought permits at Toronto but were refused. The duty was collected on the ground that the boats were bought outright and for use in Canada. It is not thought that any protest will succeed. The value of the three yachts as appraised by the customs authorities is understood to be forty thousand dollars. Mr. Eaton's yacht, the Tekla, is the most valuable, being placed at twenty thousand dollars. The duty is twenty-five per cent.

**PREMIER CANNOT
VISIT THE WEST**

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier will not visit the west in the invitation of Alberta and Saskatchewan and go west this autumn to lay the corner stones of the capital buildings of the two new provinces. He will be engaged at Ottawa until the opening of the session preparing for that event.

THE LEGISLATURE

To Meet in January and Session Expected To Be Short One.

Toronto, Aug. 25.—Present indications are that the Ontario Legislature will be called to meet about the middle of January, and that six weeks will see all the business transacted. The fiscal year will close this year on Oct. 31. This will give the department time to have the public accounts and estimates ready in time to be laid on the table of the House the first week.

BROKEN CRANKPIN.

Sault Ste. Marie, Aug. 26.—The steamer Northern King, up Keweenaw, is reported at anchor at the lower Mud Lake with a broken crankpin. A tug will go to her assistance.

**MARJORIE DODD
WON THE PRIZE**

Prettiest Girl on the Ground at
Grocers' Picnic at Spring-
bank Yesterday.

5,000 PEOPLE AT OUTING

Very Entertaining Programme of
Sports Was Carried Out—Names

The grocers' picnic was a huge success! There were thousands of people at Springbank yesterday afternoon to enjoy the hospitality of the Retail Grocers' Association, and if they did not have a good time it was not the fault of the association.

Everything that would make fun for the crowd was introduced, and it certainly proved interesting. It is estimated that 5,000 people were on the ground in the afternoon. Every available car in the service was utilized on the Springbank line, and then it took several hours to move the crowd.

From 1 o'clock to 3, every seat was taken, and from that time until the crowds began to return at 6 o'clock the cars were fairly well filled.

Perhaps it was not hot down there, too. There was some breeze going but not enough to reduce the temperature to any extent.

However, all were so busy that they did not mind the atmosphere, and were happy in spite of the heat.

Interesting Features.

The programme of sports was very long, and contained some interesting features. The bun-eating contest, the boxing in barrels, the pillow fight, the committee's races, and the other "headline" acts attracted, and were most amusing.

The three-legged race, mixed couples attracted but two starters, and they finished in a dead heat.

There was a baseball match, too, between the grocers south of Dundas and the north side. For lack of a better word it was called a baseball match, but it really was worse than that. Today the demon athletes are filled with regrets and rheumatism, and solemnly aver that never again will they emulate Ty Cobb or any of the other geniuses who work for a living at the game.

Everything passed off most harmoniously, and there were no unpleasant features. The committee members kept everything moving, and restrained the crowd from breaking in upon the games.

It was a very pleasant afternoon's sport.

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**SELL TRACTION LINE
ON OCTOBER 20TH**

Date of Sale Fixed by Master-
in-Chancery Cowan

Today.

THE D. U. R. MAY BUY IT

Though It Still Looks as Though a
Company of Local Men Will
Take Over the
Southwestern.

The Southwestern Traction Company will be sold on Oct. 20.

An order was made this morning by Mr. R. K. Cowan, master in chancery, United Railways of Canada, that the company be sold to the London and Western Trusts Company.

No upset price was fixed today, but it will be decided between now and the date of sale. The particulars necessary for such a price are not obtainable at the present time.

Inquiries concerning the road, its possibilities, etc., continue to come in, and it is evident that a large number of companies are considering the purchase of the road.

Possible Purchasers.

A local syndicate will probably purchase it. They have sufficient funds back of them to take it over, provided the price asked is at all reasonable. It was rumored today that the Detroit United Railway would purchase the road. It was known definitely that a confidential man in the employ of the company has been in the city for the past day or so, ostensibly on a visit to relatives, but some stated with a view of looking over the proposition.

A Feeder Line.

It was also stated this morning that the D. U. R. was also considering the possibility of obtaining a feeder through Western Ontario to their Port Huron line.

Ald. Stewart, who is promoting the London and Northwestern Railroad, had no conference with the D. U. R. man relative to taking over that franchise.

"We are going ahead with our own work," said Ald. Stewart. "We are busy surveying the line at the present time."

It is possible that the company will consider the two roads, forming tapping roads for the western peninsula.

**AVIATOR LATHAM
BREAKS RECORD**

Betheny Aviation Field, Rheims, Aug. 26.—His second attempt this afternoon Hubert Latham, the French aviator, broke the world's record for time and distance.

A KINGSTON SUICIDE.

Kingston, Aug. 26.—William Smith, 60 years old, shot himself in the Colebrook Hotel this morning. He was found lying on the floor shortly after 7 o'clock unconscious, with the revolver with which the deed had been committed, lying beside him. He lingered until 9:45 o'clock, when he passed away. Smith had previously made threats of taking his life. He was a widower and a laboring man.



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**CANADA'S NAVY
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Certain Not To Be Behind the
Programme of Australia.

CRUISERS, DESTROYERS

Eventually Shipyards To Be Estab-
lished on Pacific and
Atlantic.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Aug. 26.—While the Canadian naval programme has not been decided upon yet and will not be until Hon. Mr. Brodeur and Sir Frederick Borden report the result of the Imperial defence conference, it is certain that Canada will not be behind the Australian programme of an armored cruiser, three other cruisers, six destroyers and a number of submarines.

The fleet will be built to meet the special needs of the Canadian situation, and for a number of years the orders for all Canadian vessels will be placed with British builders. Eventually an effort will be made to establish shipyards on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, which will be able to produce suitable craft, but Canada's navy will not be begun in Canadian yards.

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Beverly told of purchasing a cigar at 101 Yonge street.

"You had no meal there," asked Mr. Corley, the crown attorney.

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"And you were not a guest?"

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"Is it any greater wickedness for a restaurant proprietor to sell cigars to a man who comes in without buying a meal, than the point on which I would like your opinion," said Inspector Sheehy, who had instigated the prosecution.

"Then I dismiss the case," replied his worship.

"Well," remarked the inspector, "that ends the matter, as far as I am concerned. I certainly would make no effort to prosecute anyone else for that after the magistrate's decision."

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"If such a case were to be entered here," he was asked, "would you press the matter strongly?"

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Perth, Aug. 26.—A young man named David Smith, of Smith's Falls, in attempting to board a freight train here last night in some manner slipped or fell, and with a leg and arm badly crushed. He was taken to the hospital at Smith's Falls, where he died about 5 o'clock this morning.

RELIC OF WRECK.

Port Hope, Aug. 26.—While McMahon Bros. local fishermen were out on the lake yesterday afternoon, they found a floating spar supposed to be from the wreck of the four-year-old schooner "Hazel," which was waterlogged and floating small end up.

Bridge Plank Ablaze.

The fire department were called at night to the King street bridge, a plank to be from the fire, probably from a lighted cigar-end. It was quickly extinguished.

**LABOR MAN RETURNS
TO THE CHARGES**

Says That Factory Inspectors
Should Be Appointed by
Examination.

CHILDREN UNDER AGE

Certificates of Birth Can Be Easily
Secured From Great Britain.

Mr. W. R. Trotter, who addressed a meeting of labor men in St. George's Hall the other night, reiterates his statement that the present system of factory inspection needs remedying.

Mr. Harry Clark, the local inspector, has seen fit to differ with Mr. Trotter, but the latter is not dismayed. He says that appointments to inspectors should be made by competitive examination, and that the jobs should not be made into a sort of ward heeler's, as is now the case.

In England he points out that the civil servants are not turned out at every change of government. They secure their positions because they remain neutral in politics, and they are bound to be neutral, because they are well aware that a change of government is likely to occur at any time, and the man who is a heeler is weeded out.

Children Under Age.

As regards children in factories who are under age, Mr. Trotter says there is nothing in Mr. Clark's statement that when the children come from England it is impossible to get their correct ages.

Mr. Trotter points out that the system of registration in Great Britain is almost perfect, and that a certificate of birth can be secured for 60 cents. The onus of securing this should be on the parents whose child is suspected of being under age.

Mr. James Hussey, of the local trades council, stated to Mr. Trotter that he was not at the meeting on Tuesday night, and that he has nothing to say on the subject.

**TORONTO CASE DOES
NOT APPLY HERE**

Crown Attorney Speaks of the
Cigar Selling on Sunday
Judgment.

A PECULIAR SITUATION

Law Made for this Province Can Be
Twisted to Suit a Big City, It
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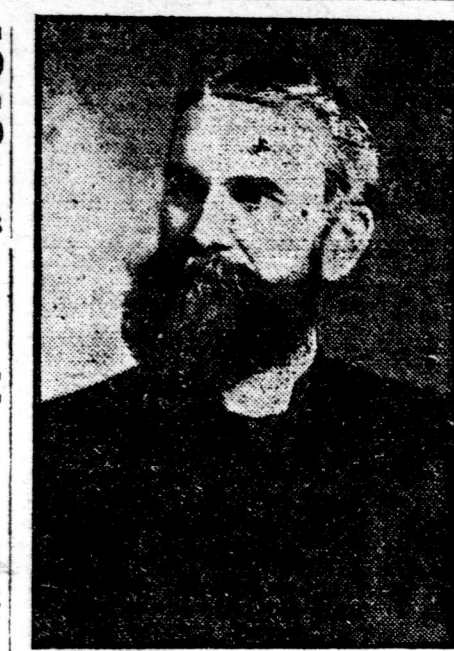
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THE RIGHT REV. DEAN DAVIS,
Of London, Yesterday Elected H. C.
R. of I. O. F. in Convention at
Chatham.

**MRS. JAMES BAKER
HAS DISAPPEARED**

Queer Tales She Told of Her
Huband Are Not Borne
Out by the Facts.

CANNOT BE LOCATED

Was Given Tickets to Wallaceburg for
Herself and Family — A
Peculiar Case.

Mrs. James Baker who appealed to the Charity Organization Society a week ago for relief, cannot be located.

It will be remembered that Mrs. Baker with three children appeared at the society's offices stating that owing to the bad habits of her husband in Wallaceburg, she was compelled to leave him, and come to London to put her children in a home and work out.

The society consulted with Inspector McCallum and Mayor Stevely, and it was considered the best plan to send them back to Wallaceburg.

Accordingly they were given tickets there over the Pere Marquette.

Since that time nothing has been heard from them, although the husband has been looking for them.

The Other Side.

Mrs. Baker sent a letter to the organization stating that the woman left him without cause or reason, and that he was anxious to have her come back if she would come.

He presented testimonials from Dr. Hay, the chief of police and others to the effect that he was an industrious citizen, and not the sort of man his wife claimed him to be.

This morning he telephoned the office asking if any trace of the woman had been found, but so far nothing has been heard of her.

Lived in Rodney.

"The woman formerly lived in Rodney," said Mr. McGuire, the acting inspector. "It is quite possible that she has gone there instead of going home. It is also possible that she might have gone to Chatham. I am at a loss to understand what has happened to her. She will be found in time."

"Mrs. Baker must be demented, as her husband receives a very good salary here. Although she told us far differently, we will endeavor to locate her."

**HAY SHIPPERS
SEEKING REBATE**

Say Their Shipments Were Classified
Illegally.

Montreal, Aug. 26.—A conference was held here today by a number of hay shippers, who are seeking to recover from the United States Government excess duties on hay which they have shipped across the line during the past four years. There are over 150 claimants, and the amount involved is in the neighborhood of \$250,000. The duties charged were 20 per cent. on the United States value of the hay, and the shippers are claiming a rebate of 10 per cent. on the 10 per cent. duty.

United States customs officials having classified the hay as a "manufactured article," instead of the 10 per cent. leviable on hay as annual product.

This precedent has won his case in the court of claims at Washington. With this precedent in his favor there will be a rush of claims from Canadian hay shippers.

**HOT WEATHER
AFFECTS PRESSURE**

When It Is Hot the People Use a
Great Deal of Water.

The water pressure in the evening continues to be low, and it is expected that it will remain so until the dry, hot spell is over.

The pressure today is about 55 and 60 at the central fire station.

The reservoir holds eleven feet of water, and it is cut off each evening to hold the supply.

At the present time, the plans are being considered, and contracts discussed.

It is not known what share the power committee will have to bear, but it is likely that it will be about 40 per cent. of the total cost.

Whole question on Monday night," said Ald. Stewart. "We want to know exactly what it is going to cost us."

MAYOR'S HOME AFIRE.

Hawkesbury, Aug. 26.—The residence of Mayor Quesnel, Main street, was partly destroyed by fire early this morning, the fire originating in the kitchen which was completely gutted, while the main part of the house was badly damaged by water and smoke. Loss partly covered by insurance.

**FINED FOR ENTERING
A BONDED CAR**

Lorne Stoneberg Was Allowed
To Go on Payment of Ten
Dollars to the Court.

BOYS FINED FOR BATHING

Appeared in Their Altogether and
Shocked the Community — Other
Cases Before P. M. Love.

There was a comparatively short budget at the police court this morning, and the delinquents were soon disposed of.

Lorne Stoneberg appeared on two charges, the first, that of trespassing on the Grand Trunk, was dismissed, but on the second, that of gaining access to a bonded car, he was found guilty and fined \$10 or one month in jail. As the money was forthcoming he was permitted to go.

A charge of trespassing against William Lyons was withdrawn.

A Family Row.

One of the perennial rows in the Beswick family, again landed George Beswick before the magistrate on the charge of being drunk and disorderly, and again, his wife, after being responsible for his arrest, arrived in the nick of time to plead for his release.

This little drama has been going on for such a length of time that it has begun to pall on the officials. Beswick is a constant though unwilling attendant at the local police court, and almost always on the same charge.

After reading him a severe lecture his worship decided to grant him bail to appear in a week's time, that he might consider what was best to do with him.

Other Cases.

Andrew Thompson was apprehended for being drunk. This time, however, he had complicated matters, by running down a small boy who was riding a bicycle, and injuring the wheel. Thompson promised to make good the damage, and he also was bailed for \$100, to appear in one week's time.

Five youngsters also appeared, charged with bathing in the river at prohibited hours. After they had listened to his worship's fatherly advice, however, they were filled with remorse, and promised faithfully never to do it again. Naturally such penitence was to be rewarded, and the children were all discharged.

**WORKMAN FELL FROM
SCAFFOLD AT HOSPITAL**

Accident to Mr. William Clark, of
156 Briscoe Street, on
Wednesday.

While working on a scaffold at the new smallpox hospital, now in the course of erection down the river yesterday, Mr. William Clark, of 156 Briscoe street, was thrown down the side of the scaffold, and sustained a broken rib and a severe fracture of another.

Mr. Clarke, in company with another workman, was working on the scaffold, when in some way the pole supporting it slipped, throwing one end of the support downward, and before the two men could catch hold of anything, they had rolled free and fallen to the ground. The one man escaped practically without injury, but Mr. Clarke landed on some hard substance and sustained a fracture of his ribs.

When taken to the hospital, Ferguson was called, and attended him, and Mr. Clark is at present doing well.

Mr. J. G. Pyeatt, superintendent of the Pere Marquette, of Detroit, accompanied by Mr. G. Dammert, chief engineer, W. Madden, bridge inspector, and F. C. Veir, were in the city on a tour of inspection of the system in Canada.

They made the trip in their automobile, a gasoline machine, capable of making fast time on the road.

So far as could be learned everything was found in first-class order, some minor improvements being all that was suggested.

Mayor Stevely had a conversation with Superintendent Pyeatt, but nothing of importance was discussed.

**P. M. OFFICIALS HERE
IN NATTY GASOLINE CAR**

Supt. Pyeatt and Others Were
in London on Trip of
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**CARPENTERS OUT
AT PRAIRIE CAPITAL**

Twelve Hundred Lay Down
Their Tools and Winnipeg
Buildings Tied Up.

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 25.—Twelve hundred carpenters laid down their tools and quit work this morning.

It looks like a long protracted fight and with the many big buildings in progress in Winnipeg at the present time it is a serious matter.

The men asked an increase in pay of 90 cents a day. Three firms surrendered, but building throughout the city is being handicapped, as this is the busiest time the city has known for years.

**POWER COMMITTEE MEET
ON MONDAY EVENING**

Cost of Council's Share of Power
Station Will Be Considered.

There will be a meeting of the power committee on Monday evening next, when the cost of the council's share of the power station, and pumping plant will be considered.

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