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SHIPS IN COLLISION.
Nortfolk, Va., Feb. 12.—The British bark *Ellipse*, from Hong Kong to New York, arrived at Lynn Haven Roads early today, with foremast broken and headgear gone, following a collision off the Virginia Capes Sunday with the four-masted schooner *Prescott Palmer*, from Norfolk for Boston, coal laden. The schooner lost her foremast and bowsprit and was brought in by a revenue cutter sent to her assistance.

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

Help for the Widow.
Mr. Isaac Duns, 92 Horton street, has forwarded \$2 to The Advertiser to be given to the woman and 10-year-old daughter, whose pitiable case was related in these columns the other day. The money has been given to Inspector Sanders, who handed it over to the lady.

Excellent Recital.
Richard B. Harrison, the noted colored reader, delighted a fair-sized audience at the Auditorium last evening. Mr. Harrison is a reader of exceptional ability, and his rendering of Poe's "Raven" was greatly appreciated. His interpretation of the dialect poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar was excellent.

Last of Old Bridges.
This year will see many of the old bridges of the county of Middlesex replaced by new structures. With one exception all the wooden bridges in the county under county control have been condemned, and all will be replaced as soon as possible with steel and concrete structures. With the first of spring work will be commenced on several new steel bridges. Contracts will shortly be let for the building of a bridge over the Aux Sable River, north of Allis Craig. It will have a steel superstructure of 115 feet, with concrete abutments and floor. Two other bridges in the township of West Williams will also be built at an early date.

Aged Lady Hurt.
Mrs. Mary Cross, of 423 Park avenue, a lady of 55 years, slipped while boarding a car at the corner of Sydenham and Richmond streets last evening, breaking her left leg just above the ankle. It is said that the car was not moving at the time, but that Mrs. Cross slipped and fell in endeavoring to step on. She was removed to Victoria Hospital in the police ambulance.

A Presentation.
Mr. Ernest Sanders, of Hellenuth avenue, was presented with a past chief councillor's jewel by the members of London Council, No. 75, of the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends at the regular meeting held in the Moose Hall Monday evening. The presentation was made by Mr. John Tanton, who paid a warm tribute to the recipient of the jewel.

MORTALLY INJURED.
Sherbrooke, Que., Feb. 12.—Walter Everett, a wood ranger who boarded a car was mortally injured on Saturday afternoon. He was about to attend to a horse when it kicked him and then trampled on him.

The sale of the Lawson stock of Footwear will be continued this week as the repairing of the store is not yet completed. We can promise plenty of good bargains. *Johnston & Murray, 193 Dundas street.

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LONDON DRAMATIC CLUB

WILL TRY FOR PRIZE

Local Artists Decide To Enter the Earl Grey Competition at Ottawa.

The London Dramatic Club have entered the Governor-General's dramatic competition, to be held in Ottawa this year, and will present Oscar Wilde's great play, "The Importance of Being Earnest." The decision to enter was arrived at last evening, and the work of rehearsal will be commenced at once.

The play selected is one of the revivals of last year, and it scored a tremendous success both in England and the United States. It is particularly adapted to the abilities of the London Dramatic Club.

All the well-known players—H. Campbell Becher, Dr. E. Pardee Bucke, Miss Patti MacLaren, who two years ago won the Margaret Anglin medal for the best actress in the competition; Miss Mary Pudicombe, Miss Mary Love, Mrs. James Kerrigan, Mr. Charles Hunt—and others are available, and the London Dramatic Club will undoubtedly give as good an account of themselves as in former competitions.

"We have entered the competition," said Mr. H. Campbell Becher. "After considering the matter for some time we have decided to go to Ottawa. We have a large number of available players, and we are hopeful of making a good showing."

PICKED UP AT SEA.
New York, Feb. 12.—A wireless message received here today from the Commercial Cable Company's cable ship Mackay Bennett, reports that the vessel picked up at sea on Saturday afternoon was the three-masted schooner *Caledonia*. The schooner was encased in a coating of ice, and was adrift. The crew was rescued. Today while the Mackay Bennett was towing the schooner to port the latter capsized and broke apart.

The Mackay Bennett's position is now approximately 80 miles east of Halifax. She is bound for that port to land the *Caledonia*'s crew.

The *Caledonia* is a British schooner of 183 tons. She left Lunenburg, N. S., on Feb. 2, for New York. She has a crew of ten men.

HOME MISSIONS

SORELY NEEDED

Rev. J. S. Edmison Says They Mean the Future of Protestantism.

KNOX CHURCH BANQUET

Men of the Congregation Present in Large Numbers and Heard Enthusiastic Addresses Delivered.

A large number of men were present at the missionary banquet of Knox Presbyterian Church Monday night, and a thoroughly enthusiastic meeting followed, when addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. McGillivray, of Shanghai, China, and Rev. J. S. Edmison, of Toronto. The ladies of the church provided an excellent supper.

Rev. Mr. Edmison dwelt upon the need of increased attention to home missions, although recognizing the essentially great work of foreign missions. He pointed out that in the Western States there are 2,000 communities without a single branch of Christian churches, and that at times as many immigrants coming to America yearly as there are converts being made to Christianity in all headlands.

"We have too long taken it for granted," said Mr. Edmison, "that Canada is a Christian land. It will require vigilance even to hold what we have."

Home Missions Needed.
Rev. Mr. Edmison advocated tithing on the part of church members. Men willing to endure hardships were necessary, he declared, in the home mission field.

Future of Protestantism.
"Home missions, Protestant home missions," he continued, "mean the future of Protestantism, the salvation of Canada, and the destiny of our nation."

Dr. McGillivray observed that the success of home missions was fundamentally necessary for the success of foreign missions. He told of translating the history of Canada into Chinese, how his translation had been readily received by the natives, and how the example of nation-making offered by China to the greater part of themselves in an experiment in progressive government.

What Missions Mean.
"Mission work is more than pulling men out of the ditch," said Dr. McGillivray. "Bringing Christian influences to bear upon the very framework of society, and change the laws so that men will not find it so easy to fall into the ditch. Local opinion in Canada and the curtailment of the opium traffic in China, are steps towards filling up the ditch."

Dr. McGillivray dwelt upon the great revolution effected in the Chinese mind by the introduction of the telegraph, the railway, the Marconi-graph and the aeroplane. The bondage to antiquity has been broken. The Chinese have changed their government, they have changed their calendar, and they are going to change their religion. The Chinese calendar is no longer made up of lucky and unlucky days. The delay in the decision of the Chinese throne was permitted by the Chinese president in order that the Dowager Empress might have the satisfaction of choosing what her son would do for the great step. China will one day repay all that the western world may do for her today. She has cool enough to last the whole world two thousand years.

The Chinese Example.
That China may show the whole world how a successful democracy may be carried on, and thus furnish an example for the establishment of a republic, was a significant statement made by Dr. McGillivray. Nationalism is strongly entrenched in the Chinese Christian church.

Dr. McGillivray, in closing, advocated a campaign in Canada for the Chinese and other foreigners now in Canada.

Mr. Thomas Alexander and Mr. John Macpherson moved and seconded a vote of thanks to the speakers, Rev. Mr. Edmison and the ladies of the church for their parts in the success of the banquet. Knox church will raise \$1,200 toward the \$1,000,000 fund of the Canadian Christian Church.

Mr. Alexander pointed out the necessity for systematic effort in raising this amount.

Those Present.
Among those present: Thomas Alexander, J. R. Burns, Rev. Mr. Edmison, Alex. MacQueen, F. E. Osborn, C. M. Walker, E. L. Goodwin, D. J. Ferguson, Archibald McLeish, W. J. McLeod, J. Kennedy, A. Barr, Charles H. Mitchell, John D. Thos. Gray, W. C. Robertson, J. D. Hay, A. M. Miller, G. W. Ormsby, R. B. Pelton, Austin McLeish, John Ferguson, W. A. Reid, W. H. Weston, Charles W. Babington, John D. Hay, R. G. Bruce, A. C. Galbraith, Jos. Constable, J. A. McKellar, John McKegan, W. S. Davidson, J. W. McLeish, A. H. Scandrett, John Mac-

pherson, W. H. Martin, James G. Stuart, Lemuel D. Black, John M. Campbell, Hugh W. Walker, Harold D. Taylor, George O. McDonald, Fred H. Thompson, Ernest B. Campbell, John P. Henderson, Harmon E. Westland, A. C. Betterley.

G. T. R. FIREMAN STRUCK ON HEAD BY CARS

James Breen, of 805 Princess Avenue, Injured In Yards Monday Night.

James Breen, aged 22 years, a Grand Trunk fireman, was badly injured about the shoulders and head shortly before midnight Monday when he leaned out of his cab window and was struck by cars on the next track.

Breen was removed in the police ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital where he is under the care of Dr. H. A. Stevenson. His home is at 805 Princess avenue.

The engine, No. 2573, was at work on what is known as Fox's siding, near Colborne street, when Breen leaned from the cab window to watch the signals of the switchmen. As he did so he received his injuries. Engineer J. Luten and Yard Foreman Ogilvie were in charge.

A similar accident occurred on the same locomotive on the afternoon of Feb. 2, when Eugene Crockett, who was running with Breen and Ogilvie, leaned from the gangway and was struck by cars in East London. He was hurled to the ground and is still laid up.

A PLEASANT EVENING WITH CHARLES DICKENS

Artistic Readings Given By Prof. Bell-Smith In St. Andrew's Hall.

Professor S. M. Bell-Smith, now of Toronto, a former Londoner, who since leaving this city 25 years ago has enhanced his reputation as a litterateur as well as an artist, entertained a large audience to an evening with Charles Dickens in the lecture hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Monday night.

While Professor Bell-Smith paid a tribute to the famous author, the centenary of whose birth is now being celebrated, he devoted the greater part of his time to reciting little stories from the works of the inimitable Boz, and sketches from other works.

His first selection was the story of David Copperfield, particularly with reference to the lad's experiences in starting for school at 8 years of age.

The professor was perhaps at his best in recounting the tale of old Scrooge from the Christmas Carol. His fine dramatic work evoked the greatest applause, especially after the change was brought about by the ghost of Marley, who showed the error of his ways and taught him to join in the Christmas spirit.

Mr. Bell-Smith repeated the story of Horatio Sparkins, one of the best of the sketches by Boz.

Horatio, it will be remembered, was the young gentleman who created so much discussion at the "assemblies" or socials of Camberwell, his earnest and faithful manner, together with his exceptionally fine speech, attracting the attention of the young ladies, with whom he became instantly popular.

This fact was brought to the attention of the head of the Malderton family by his spouse, who also commented on the fact that Miss Teresa Malderton was still disengaged. Teresa could not be blamed for this, but the fact remained despite her persistence in displaying her general good nature toward all eligible gentlemen.

Mr. Malderton had been somewhat fortunate in his speculations, and as his finances accumulated, his wife and daughters cultivated a desire to "break into" a more exclusive set. It was therefore considered a good stroke of business to invite Horatio Sparkins to dinner.

Horatio graciously accepted and upon that memorable occasion spoke familiarly of many earls, dukes and lords, whom Miss Teresa at once decided were his intimate acquaintances.

The trapping of Mr. Sparkins having progressed so favorably, Mrs. Malderton, accompanied by her daughters, started on the following day by a most circuitous route, to a rather dismal-looking old establishment, where they were greeted by the proprietor. They requested the finest silks in the establishment and, to the usual routine about the store, Mr. Smith, the clerk, who was most familiar with that line, was called to attend to the requirements of the customers, being repaid by the proprietor, who informed him that he was never at hand when wanted.

Smith bounded lightly over the counter and presented himself to the ladies. Malderton collapsed, the young ladies screamed, and a scene such as the narrator did not care to dwell upon ensued. Horatio was discovered.

Professor Bell-Smith displayed his versatility in giving a dialogue of two costermongers, who were discussing the knighting of Sir Henry Irving, and famous actor. The costers were both regular theatregoers, and told his most interesting story to tell his companion of Irving and Terry, after having witnessed "The Merchant of Venice."

In concluding, he recited the story of "The Cuckoo of Calumet," one of Dr. Drummond's habitant narrations.

A vote of thanks to the professor was moved by Mr. T. H. Purdon, K.C., who expressed the appreciation of the audience.

A MISSIONARY LECTURE

"The Edge of the Arctic Circle" Dealt With by Rev. W. H. Barracough.

Rev. W. H. Barracough, B. A., of Sarnia, lectured in Wellington Street Methodist Church on Monday evening on "The Edge of the Arctic Circle." He described in an interesting and realistic manner the life of the Klondike miners and told of the work of the Methodist missionaries in the far north. Reviewing the early history of the Klondike rush, Rev. Mr. Barracough led up to the present conditions prevailing in the Yukon and in Dawson City. His lecture was well illustrated with colored views.

Tonight he will speak in the Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church on "The Siwash of British Columbia."

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TUNNEL TOWN NEWS

BOOSTING LAMBTONS' MANY ADVANTAGES

Enterprising Publicity Association Is Doing Great Work for the County.

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Dr. Fairbank's report was both interesting and instructive, and many of the suggestions contained therein were adopted by the association.

Will Report.
Much important business was transacted and standing committees were appointed to inquire into, and make reports on, the following industries in Lambton County: Dairying, the raising of sugar beets, fruit and vegetable production, and the raising of seed corn.

The object of this association is to interest the outside world in the agricultural and fruit-growing possibilities of the county, thereby insuring an increased population, a larger production, and an enhanced land value. Publicity booklets have been published and distributed throughout Canada, the United States and England. Advertisements in various magazines are also used. Ten thousand copies of the publicity booklets were purchased by the Ontario Government last year and distributed throughout Great Britain.

Heartily Supported.
The county council has given its hearty support and co-operation to the association, and has repeated its grant of a thousand dollars a year ago. The campaign conducted by this enterprising and progressive association has already begun to bear fruit, and it is expected that before another year has passed Lambton County will experience the biggest boom in its history.

A resolution was proposed and adopted to enlarge the scope of the association by changing it from the "Lambton County Publicity" to the "Lambton County Publicity and Improvement Association." The association will be incorporated in the next quarterly meeting of the executive committee.

SELECTING SITE FOR SARNIA WATERWORKS

Engineer and His Men Are Looking Over a Number of Places.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Feb. 12.—Acting under instructions from the fire and water committee, the town engineer and staff are making an investigation on the lake shore to try and select a suitable site for the location of a new waterworks.

It is desired, if possible, to secure a location possessing the natural advantages requisite for the establishment of a filtering basin, thereby insuring to the city a sanitary and uncontaminated water supply.

It is understood that so far the investigation has been satisfactory, but nothing definite can be ascertained until the work is concluded. In case the present scheme proves unsatisfactory the committee have other plans that may prove feasible.

LATE SILAS MILLS

Resident of Sarnia Township Was Buried There Today.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Feb. 12.—Silas Mills, aged 53, died in Sarnia Township yesterday. The funeral will take place from the family residence, lot 8, concession 1, Sarnia Township, on Tuesday today, and will be held at Burns' Church Cemetery.

DIED AT CORUNNA

Mrs. Mary Callum Was 86 Years of Age.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Feb. 12.—The funeral of Mrs. Mary Callum, wife of the late Donald Callum, was held from the family residence at Corunna today, and was largely attended. Interment was made at Froonfield Cemetery. Mrs. Callum was 86 years old.

WILL HEAR SHORTLY.

Sarnia, Feb. 12.—Mayor McGillibon, who recently returned from Ottawa, reports that the Government has taken up the harbor and wharves appropriation bill, and that the result will be known in a week or two.

NO WARRANT NEEDED ON SOME CHARGES

Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus Rejected by Montreal Judge.

[Canadian Press.]
Montreal, Feb. 12.—Judge Charbonneau has rejected the petition of Charles Girard for the issue of a writ of habeas corpus, in order to secure his release from custody at the hands of the local detectives.

The petitioner represented that a few days ago he had been taken into custody by members of Chief Detective Carpenter's staff, after instructions had been received from the Haliburton authorities. He claimed that the proceedings in connection with his arrest were illegal, inasmuch as the instructions received by the local officers were simply telegraphic. He contended that, even granting there was a warrant issued for his arrest in Haliburton, such warrant could not be executed in the province of Quebec, until it had been submitted to the scrutiny of a member of the local bench.

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