

FOUND MURDERED IN CELLAR
SLEEPING NEGRO BY HER SIDEMrs. Peak, a Perth County Farmer's Wife,
Foully Slain.ATROCIOUS CRIME
NEAR STRATFORDDuring Absence of Men Woman
Is Choked to Death—
Negro Arrested.

(By Our Own Man.)
Stratford, Sept. 30.—What will undoubtedly prove to be the most atrocious murder ever perpetrated in Perth county, was discovered this afternoon shortly after 4 o'clock, when John and George Peak, well-known young farmers, living at lot 11, concession 1, of Downey, returned home and found their mother, Mrs. Mary Ann Peak, dead in the cellar. The Peak household is situated two miles north of Stratford, at the point where the Mitchell and Stratford roads cross, and the young men had left it about 1 o'clock in the afternoon to do some work in adjoining fields. Their mother was all right then.

Found Mother Murdered.
Shortly after 4 o'clock George Peak came into the house to get a jug of cider, and, going to the cellar, was surprised to find a negro sleeping there. In the uncertain light he saw another form lying near, which at the moment he took to be another negro. Withdrawing from the cellar as quickly and quietly as possible, he hurried to his brother, and together they went back. Going into the cellar, the young men were horrified to discover that the object lying near the negro was the dead body of their mother. Leaving their brother John on guard over the sleeping man, George Peak made all speed across the road to a neighbor's, Albert McIntosh, who together with some others, came over at once. Young Peak drove to Stratford to get Police Chief McCarthy.

The party entered the cellar with a light, and saw that Mrs. Peak was lying face downward in a pool of blood. A Dash for Liberty.

The noise and light awakened the negro, who made a dash for the stairs and attempted to escape, but the men threw themselves upon him and held him, while Robert Fuller secured a heavy rope. The negro was bound securely, and during the operation, kept crying, "I didn't do it, I didn't do it." When for a time he pretended to be drunk, and quieted down, but later he broke out again, and tried to get those around to listen while he told a story to the effect that he had been carried into the cellar and robbed of \$15.

Blood on His Hands.
The negro's face and hands were spotted with blood, and in many places his coat was also stained with it. Upon examination, Chief McCarthy found that Mrs. Peak's face was covered with blood, and there were marks about the throat that would indicate that she had been choked to death. The negro continued to deny that he had had anything to do with it.

Ordered Out of Town.

Chief of Police McCarthy at once recognized him as a man who had given the name of Frank Rogmond, and had been loitering about the city the night before. Upon appearing in the court yesterday morning, Rogmond had been given two hours to get out of town. Shortly after he had left the police station one of the police officers discovered that a blue coat belonging to him had been stolen, and Chief McCarthy identified the coat the prisoner wore as the missing garment. While in Stratford Rogmond had declared he was a fortune teller. At the time of his arrest he was wearing a large straw hat, such as farmers use in the fields, the blue coat he had stolen, blue trousers and long leggings. He appears to be about 32 years old. Chief McCarthy took him at once to Stratford, where he was placed in jail. The affair caused the greatest excitement for miles around, and hundreds gathered around the jail to try and get a glimpse of the prisoner.

SETTLEMENT DENIED.
Montreal, Sept. 30.—A story from the west that the western section of the strikers would go back to work first, leaving the eastern sections to follow suit later on, is denied here today by Mr. James Somerville, a prominent official in the strike.

EXPLODING LAMP
CAUSES DEATH

(Special to The Advertiser.)
Chatham, Oct. 1.—Mrs. Geo. Jordan, aged 28 years, wife of a farmer near McKay's Corners, died as the result of burns received in her home when a lamp exploded yesterday.

She was nearly roasted alive, almost all of her clothes being burned from her body. A husband and child survive.

ALLEGED SMUGGLERS

Also Arrested on a Charge of Stealing a Boat.

Sandwich, Ont., Oct. 1.—While awaiting a hearing on a charge of smuggling fowl into the United States at Grosse Ile, John Carr, Ernest Markin and John Renaud, of Sandwich, were charged by the police near here on the charge of stealing the boat, which, it is alleged, they used in smuggling, and after a hearing before Magistrate McGee in Amherstburg were brought here to await transportation to Toronto, to serve a six months' term in the Central Prison. They were to have appeared before United States Commissioner Davidson at Detroit on the 9th inst., to answer the smuggling charge, but are quite unlikely to do so now.

BRITISH REVENUES DECLINE

The Year Will Result in Deficit of \$25,000,000.

London, Sept. 30.—Further evidence of the depression in British commerce and finance is given by the revenue returns from April 1 to Sept. 30. The receipts for that period were £4,481,000 less than during the corresponding period last year. All items, except two, show a decline. It is figured that the year will result in a deficit of nearly £5,000,000.

RECORD GRAIN MOVEMENT

231 Cars Received at Port Arthur in One Day Over C. N. R.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 30.—The greatest grain movement so far this year was accomplished on the Canadian Northern Railway today, when 231 cars of wheat were received at Port Arthur. The chief officials of the line who are closely watching the work of moving the great crops down to the lake ports, are highly gratified at the way in which the task is being done. One hundred and ninety-four cars were yesterday turned over to the elevators.



ALD. ANDREW GREENLEES,
Who Will Resign and Will Be Appointed Assistant Treasurer of London.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FINE AND COOL.

FORECASTS.

Today—Fresh west to northwest winds; fair and cool; light local frosts tonight.

Friday—Fine and cool.

Local Temperatures.

High. Low.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.

Calgary. 54. 44. Fair.

Winnipeg. 54. 44. Fair.

Port Arthur. 50. 38. Clear.

Perry Sound. 48. 42. Cloudy.

Toronto. 48. 44. Clear.

Ottawa. 56. 50. Fair.

Montreal. 52. 52. Rain.

Quebec. 52. 46. Cloudy.

Father John. 52. 38. Cloudy.

The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The depression mentioned yesterday is now deepening in the Ottawa Valley. It has caused showers from the Georgian Bay region to Quebec, and local snow in the Lake Superior district.

In the West the weather has been fine, and for the most part cool.

September's Rainfall.

The rainfall for September, 1908, was 1.47 inches, which is very much lighter than for the same month the year previous, when 4.23 inches fell.

September's Temperature.

The highest temperature for the month was 82.50, on the 25th day, while the lowest was 22.50, on the 26th day.



MRS. PEAKE
Who Was Found Murdered in the Cellar of Her Home Near Stratford.

PETER POMPAS WAS
FINED BY MAGISTRATE

For Selling Ice Cream for Consumption in Store, He Having No License.

Peter Pompas, a Greek restaurant-keeper, charged with breaking the provisions of the Lord's Day act by selling ice cream on Sunday, and also with keeping a restaurant without a license, appeared before Magistrate Love this morning and was found guilty on each charge.

For keeping a restaurant without a license Magistrate Love imposed a fine of \$2, and for selling ice cream on Sunday for consumption in his store, without having a license, Mr. Pompas was also fined \$2. This is not the test case, the evidence in which was heard yesterday, although a large crowd of Greeks gathered to hear the verdict.

TO SIR MORTIMER CLARK

A Testimonial To Mark His Retirement From Government House

Toronto, Sept. 30.—A movement is on foot to specially mark the retirement of Sir Mortimer Clark from the lieutenant-governorship of Ontario by presenting him and Lady Clark with a fitting testimonial. A committee of prominent men has been appointed to further the movement, and Mr. E. B. Osler, M. P., has been asked to accept the position as treasurer of the fund to be raised. Letters have already been sent to a number of citizens.

COOK JURY DISAGREE

Find Him Not Guilty on One of the Charges.

Toronto, Oct. 1.—"Gentlemen of the jury, have you agreed upon your verdict?" asked the three sessions clerk at 11 o'clock last night when the twelve holding the liberty of Dr. W. R. Cook, charged with using instruments and drugs on Mabel Arnold, in an attempt to procure an abortion, reported: "We find," said the foreman in a hesitating voice, "the prisoner not guilty on the first count—that of using instruments—but we are hopelessly disagreed on the second, and I have no hopes to offer that we will agree."

"You're discharged," was the terse comment of Judge Winchester, and then, turning to the prisoner, he said: "You may be called upon during the session, and maybe not till the next. You can see to your bail."

Dr. Cook left the courtroom, where he has spent so many anxious hours, with his solicitor, W. D. Earnsey.

The foreman said that eleven had stood solidly for acquittal on the second charge. The jury retired at 5:20.

At 10 o'clock they could be distinctly heard from outside the door wrangling over the verdict. A few minutes later they filed into their seats.

The foreman had commenced to say that he didn't think there was any chance of their agreeing when a hot discussion arose between two of the jurors. "Make it not guilty," said one. The other shook his head very emphatically. "Give us another fifteen minutes," broke in another confidently, "and we will get a verdict all right."

They were out the extra hour.

DEATH BY DYNAMITE

Premature Explosion Causes Death of a Man Near Kingston.

Kingston, Sept. 30.—An explosion of dynamite near Westbrook today caused the death of Harry Smith and seriously injured his brother from Cleveland, Ohio. The men were engaged in blasting when the dynamite prematurely exploded. Harry Smith, aged 35, received the full force of the charge, dying almost instantly. His brother escaped with his life. His arm was so badly shattered, however, that he had to be brought to the Kingston General Hospital to have it amputated. Both were married men.

Board of Works Tonight.

The board of works will meet tonight. There is little business to be transacted. The opening of Dufferin avenue east will probably come up again. It is understood that the deeds for the property for the street have been executed, and the work will proceed at once.

THE COCKBURN CONCERT

Arrangements have been completed for the Cockburn benefit concert to be held in the Armories on Friday evening. A very great deal of interest is being shown in the event, and from present indications there will be an immense crowd in attendance.

The entertainment itself will be excellent. Three extra numbers have been provided. Gillman, who is at Bennett's this week, will put on a number; Hanson, of Fields and Hanson, will play selections on several instruments, and Nicol, an entertainer of more than ordinary ability, will also give a number.

This, added to the programme already arranged for, should make it one of exceptional merit.

A handsome souvenir programme will be sold at the concert. It will contain a full cut of Sgt. Cockburn. A bevy of fourteen young ladies from the Daughters of the Empire will sell them.

Mrs. Kingsmill, who has worked indefatigably for the concert, was authority for the statement that the concert would be a great success, as a great deal of interest was being taken in the benefit.

She acknowledges the following donations: A. E. Cooper, \$20; Major Abbott and officers of First Hussars, \$5; officers of Seventh Regiment, \$20; W. M. Spencer, \$5; "H" Company Seventh Regiment, \$5; Geo. Henry, photographer, two large photos; John Ferguson & Sons, \$5; Dryden-Baker Company, \$5; City Transportation Company, \$5.

DEAN MAHONEY FOR BISHOP
OF THE LONDON DIOCESE

Dispatch From Berlin Says That Archbishop McEvay So Referred to Him in a Speech at St. Jerome's College on Wednesday.

(Special to The Advertiser.)
Berlin, Oct. 1.—It is pleasing to note that Rev. Dean Mahoney, president of the St. Jerome's Alumni Association, now of St. Mary's Cathedral, Hamilton, will shortly be appointed to the Bishopric of London as successor to Archbishop McEvay, now of Toronto. During the dedication ceremonies at St. Jerome's College yesterday His Grace referred to Dean Mahoney, who acted as chairman, as his successor, and predicted a bright future and higher things for this young priest.

It would appear that an error has been made in the interpretation of the archbishop's words. It is a well-known fact that when Rev. Father McEvay was made Bishop of London he was rector of St. Mary's Cathedral in Hamilton, and that Dean Mahoney was his successor in that position. It was to the fact and not to his successor as Bishop of London that His Grace is said to have referred. However, The Advertiser correspondent insists that Archbishop McEvay did refer to Dean Mahoney as his successor in London.

The dean still occupies his position Continued on Page Eight.

London to Honor Dan McEwen

Greatest Canadian Reinsman

A Procession Around the City and Banquet in the Evening.

"Arrangements are being rapidly completed for the reception to Dan McEwen, the great Canadian reinsman, when he returns from his annual trip down the Grand Circuit.

The date has not yet been settled, as it depends entirely on Mr. McEwen's engagements with The Eel. It is certain that the grey ghost will pace at Lexington in a couple of weeks, so the reception will not be held for some time. Mr. Geo. G. McCormick is in correspondence with McEwen, and the date will be settled shortly.

Dan McEwen will bring The Eel to London, and will be accompanied by Mr. Frank Entrieken, of Tavistock, owner of the pacing wonder.

A procession around the city will be made, headed by the Seventh Regiment Band. In the evening a banquet will be held at which many of the prominent horsemen in Canada will be present.

The Eel and Dan McEwen have advertised London very extensively on the American continent this year, and the reception will do him honor.

HOW LIBERALS HELPED FARMER

AGRICULTURE MINISTER'S STORY

Hon. Sydney Fisher at Blenheim Points Out to Large Gathering of Electors Splendid Achievements of the Liberal Government.

Blenheim, Ont., Sept. 29.—Rain and bad roads could not lessen the ardor of the reception accorded Hon. Sydney Fisher, minister of agriculture, when he spoke in the town hall here this afternoon.

Mr. Fisher, though he spoke at wide divergent points the day before, had a lot of unused ammunition left.

Mr. Fisher, in opening, said that last year, when called upon to speak in Chatham, on the hog question, hog products were abnormally low, and it was thought by some farmers that the then new hog and beef inspection act was at fault. He returned to Ottawa resolved to remedy any possible fault.

"The difficulty was not so great as represented," said Mr. Fisher, "because the number of carcasses of hogs being shipped from this district is small in comparison with the number of live hogs, and we are able to temporarily meet the difficulty by another system of inspection, which had the same object in view, that of guaranteeing our products abroad." (Cheers.)

"During the twelve years of Liberal rule we exported 1,244,000,000 pounds of bacon, while during the twelve years of Tory rule preceding only 207,000,000 pounds were exported, or less than one-sixth of what has been done by the Liberal party. I don't claim credit for that, but it happened during our rule. During the twelve years of Liberal rule \$135,000,000 worth of bacon has been exported, while in the preceding Tory rule only \$18,000,000 was exported."

The New Regulations.

The minister said that it was consequently not so great as represented.

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Three Names Will Go to the Council
For Position of Chief of Firemen

No. 3 Committee Would Not Recommend Mr. John Aitken For Appointment.

Contrary to expectations No. 3 committee did not recommend the appointment last night, but sent the names of three men to the council in order that they should select the man to succeed the late Chief Clark. The three names are those of Assistant Chief Aitken, F. M. Wetmore, of the Woodstock brigade, and Robert Wilson, of the Hamilton department.

When the question of appointment came up Ald. Armstrong moved that Assistant Chief Aitken be appointed as chief on probation for two months. This, he thought, would be the best course to adopt. He was not convinced that Mr. Aitken was a good disciplinarian, and if appointed for the probationary term, he would be able to demonstrate his worth. At the end of that time if he did not live up to expectations, his position as assistant chief would still be open for him, whereas, if he were appointed outright, and did not make good, he would have to be dismissed, as it would be impossible to return Mr. John Case to his old position after once appointing him assistant.

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FARMER SLUGGED AND ROBBED
A DARING ROBBERY IN LONDON

Isaac Wheeler, of Lyndoch, Near This City, Brutally Beaten by a "Come On" Man—Victim Cannot Give a Good Description of Assailant—Hardly Knows Where Deed Was Done.

Isaac Wheeler, an aged farmer of Lyndoch is in Victoria Hospital in a very serious condition as a result of a daring holdup and robbery that was committed late last night.

Mr. Wheeler is a farmer and had spent the day in Delhi visiting friends. He returned on the Pere Marquette train, which arrived somewhat late, and got out at the Grand Trunk station.

Being a stranger in the city and not knowing the streets, Mr. Wheeler hesitated a minute looking around, when a middle aged man walked up to him and said:

"Come on with me a couple of blocks. I'll take you down town."

Mr. Wheeler followed and does not know where he was taken except that the streets were not very well lighted.

Suddenly he remembers the man saying,

"Oh, look at that light," and as he turned to look back was struck a

heavy blow on the head, which rendered him senseless.

How long he lay on the sidewalk he does not know, but when Mr. Wheeler recovered he found that \$7.85, which he had in his pockets, was missing.

In a dazed condition he wandered about the streets and finally made his way into a hotel.

The proprietor called the police, who, after hearing Mr. Wheeler's story, sent him at once to Victoria Hospital.

Physician Called.

Dr. Seaborn attended him, and found him suffering from a very severe cut on the back of the head, and from many bruises about the face.

Mr. Wheeler today can hardly see, and it is evident that he was beaten brutally about the face and head.

He is 67 years old and is suffering very severely from shock.

It is impossible to say yet how serious the injury to his head may prove.

The police have been working all day on the case.

ALD. GREENLEES WILL RESIGN
EX-ALD. COOPER WILL MOVE IN

Former Is To Be Appointed Assistant City Treasurer at Meeting of Council on Monday Night—Old-Time Fourth Warden, Who Was Defeated Last Year, Again Bobs Up.

The position of practically the whole council of assistant city treasurer will be filled at the meeting of the council on Monday night.

Ald. Greenlees will resign his place as alderman, and it is understood that ex-Ald. Cooper will move in.

It is understood that ex-Ald. Cooper if he is in the council will oppose the appointment of Ald. Greenlees. In this connection it is understood that his son will be an applicant for the place.

The appointment of Ald. Greenlees to the place meets with general approval. He has been a conscientious member of the council, in which he has served for many years now.

There are several other applicants for the place, but it is said that Ald. Greenlees has the indorsement of practically the whole council.

This will bring ex-Ald. Cooper in line for the place. He is thirteen years on the list, and as such can claim the seat. That he will do so is beyond question, as Mr. Cooper has had his eye on the place ever since he was defeated.

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