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SOLUTION OF CITY'S WATER PROBLEM IS LAID BEFORE THE BOARD OF TRADE

Col. Little Proposes High Pressure River Water Plant for Fire and Industrial Speaker Sullivan Presents Hon. Purposes-Present Supply To Be Retained for Domestic Purposes—The Question of Cost.

The board of trade last night listened to a very interesting proposal put forward by Col. J. W. Little, an ex-mayor of London, and for many years a member of the water commission, for the solving of the water problem. In brief, the colonel would retain the present Springbank supply for drinking purposes, and he would install a high pressure river water plant, which would furnish the business district with ample protection from fire, and would also supply water for industrial purposes. A part of the cost of the plant would be levied upon the people who would reap the most benefit, and the remainder would be paid for out of

the earnings of the commission. Col. Little came out strongly against the Komoka scheme, declaring that he does not believe there is sufficient water down the river to warrant the large expenditure which has been advocated by the present commission in the past, and which it is likely will be again put forward.

Water Commissioner Saunders was present, and once again reiterated his faith in the Komoka scheme as being the best for the city.

Commissioner Speaks.

Mr. Saunders was first called upor by President White. He said he came not as the advocate of any one scheme but to give all information he possessed in regard to all schemes before never wavered in his conviction that Two London Men Injured, But James Belbeck's Excuses for the city. Personally he said he had spring water is the best for London. Of the Titus scheme he said he had figured that compared with the Komoka scheme it would be very costly. The river scheme, he said possessa

one sole virtue-cheapness. It is claimed that river water would said the facts do not bear this out, street, were for ten minutes buried behowever, and he declared that in the meath a pile of sand and shoring at winter the river is mainly composed of the corner of Dundas and Wellington spring water. He did not think it streets at 2:20 this afternoon. would be any better for industrial pur-

poses than the present supply. He disputed the statement that river Conechy, of 346 Talbot street. water would be as palatable as spring to believe that in passing through miles of pipes river water will become which fell upon them. cool and palatable, and yet it is true Under the foundation of the asphalt that Springbank water at times becomes somewhat warm in the summer though it passes through about four

miles of mains coming to the city. River Water Disadvantages.

Mr. Saunders declared that the city would suffer a good many disadvant- sand fell in upon them. ages if the river system was adopted A shout of alarm went up, and the a sixteen-year-old girl, and shortly for domestic purposes. London has a workmen scrambled out of the ditch, afterward proposed marriage to her. good deal of prestige all over the coun- with the exception of Van Conkoghnet, The girl asked time to consider the try through its excellent water supply. McConechy, and another man whose Many people come to London simply name could not be learned. because of its water. There can be no question that filtered water in the waist, but the other two were comsummer will be less palatable than pletely buried. spring water. If the Komoka scheme was adopted it would continue the to work to relieve their comrades, but inquiries in reference to the matter and

He denied that the commissioners intend taking any water from Crow ing, both workmen were taken from cepted his offer of marriage. Creek. It is the water that is now flowing into that creek that will be used, and it will be taken underground. Consequently, the attack on the Komoka scheme made because of the Crow Creek supposition is without founda-

tion to the Titus scheme was the matter of cost. It was originally said it It is thought that the shaking of the would stand the city \$375,000 but this street cars is responsible for the cave- "I don't remember taking an affilater asked for mains to connect with to be used by the contractor in the ed me whether I was married before the city system; nor \$90,000 for a reser- future. vior, nor \$45,000 for extra city mains which will be required. In all there was only about \$90,000 between the Komoka and the Titus schemes, but the Komoka scheme, if adopted, will save the city about \$10,000 in operating expenses a year, and he thought the \$90,000 extra would be well invested if it could earn this amount annually.

question very important, and he declared that there is not a little uneasiness amongst the people caused, no doubt, by the many different plans which have been laid before them. He referred to his time on the water commission, and paid a tribute to Mr. Wm. Jones, with whom he had sat for five damage sustained by the plaintiff in years, and whom he characterized as the famous case of Saunby vs. the one of the best water commissioners water commissioners of London, has the city ever had.

In eight or nine places he had been, while away on a holiday recently, Col.

Little said, the water supply was

Vester scarcely fit to wash in. This made London, and he set to work to formuhim think seriously of the problem in late some plan to solve the difficulty offering Mr. Saunby the sum of \$1,000 and to preserve the city's present ex-

cellent domestic supply. He declared that he did not come be fore the meeting to pose as an expert, or to attempt to lay before the meeting a scheme which was original. He came simply with a scheme which appealed (Continued on Page Five.)

SBARRETTI NOT RETURNING.

Rome, April 19.-It is reported that Mgr. Sbarretti, the apostolic delegate to Canada, who is now here, will not is not yet ended. return to Ottawa, owing to family readitch, and it is not improbable that a

FOUR CHILDREN BURNED. Charlotte, N. C., April 19. - Four children of Mrs. W. H. McDade at Henristta, Rutherford County, were burned to death last night in their dwelling. Mother and father were fatally burned in efforts to rescue the

How Does the Weather Suit You?

Beautiful weather this-for those who do not like the warm

But the majority of Londoners would much sooner see the mercury hovering around the 75 or 80 degree mark.

The same may be said of the farmers. Just think of it-April 20, and 51/2 degrees of frost being

Such was the case at the local observatory at an early hour The lowest point reached during the 24 hours ended 8 p.m. yesterday was 28 above zero, or four degrees of frost, and today

the mercury decided to go a notch or two lower. Hence, before daybreak 26.05 above zero was shown, or 11/2 degrees frost more than yesterday.

At 8 o'clock this morning the registration was 32 above, or Compared with a year ago the weather today is very much

colder. On April 20, 1906, the lowest point registered at the local observatory was 37.05 above zero, while the highest was 65

BIGAMIST DOWN SEWER CAVED IN FOR FOUR YEARS LABORERS BURIED

Not Seriously, on Dundas Street Work.

Two men employed on the new sewer

Neither was seriously hurt, though water. Mr. Maury wanted the people they were almost suffocated, and were sore through the great weight of sand the second wife, and also from the erect and maintain three institutions checked. The native quarter of the

> payement, red sand is found in large quantities, and it is very treacherous.

trench.

All the men on the job instantly set

present high standard of the water the sand filled in as quickly as it was found that no man by the name of

At last, with the aid of much plank-

Van Conkoghnet was the last to be relieved, and he was black in the face Macbeth today. when pulled to the surface. He main-

Col. Little. Col. Little said he thought the water uestion very important, and he de-Saunby Case-Plaintiff Wants \$40,000.

The taking of evidence to prove the been concluded, and it rests with the water commissioners to put in their

Yesterday, Mr. T. G. Meredith, solicitor for the commissioners, attempt-

The offer was not considered. Mr. Ivey, solicitor for the plaintiff, claims that he has proven damages to the extent of \$40,000, and that this sum will be necessary to settle the case. The city, or course, decided to continue the fight, rather than agree to pay that sum.

The city, or rather, the water commission, has thus far paid many thousands of dollars of costs, and the fight It is hinted that on the question

great deal more litigation is in sight.

damages the city will fight to the last

SIE	MENS ARRIVE	
April 19.	Reported at.	From.
Moltke	New York	Naple
La Provence	LiverpoolBoulogne	Havr
Baltic	Liverpool	New Yor
Ryndam	Boulogne	New Yor
La Touraine	Havre	New York
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Breaking Law Had No Effect On Judge Macbeth.

James Belbeck, of Exeter, who renot be as hard as spring water. He which is being put down on Dundas cently pleaded guilty to the charge of bigamy, appeared before Judge Mac- berculosis hospital was passed: "Rebeth this morning and was sentenced solved, that the rapid increase of con-The names of the men are A. Van tiary. Mr. E. W. Scatcherd appeared try, and that an evil of such magnitude Conkoghnet, of this city, and R. Mc- on behalf of the prisoner and made an can only be adequately dealt with by he produced letters from the parents of cital Covernment should be requested to appeal for leniency, in support of which first Mrs. Belbeck.

About eight months ago Belbeck became acquainted with a family named At the time of the cave-in about Harris, who resided a half a mile from twenty men were working in the London, and went to their home to board under the name of John Bell. Without a moment's warning, the Although he is 53 years of age, Belbeck became enamored of Ada Harris matter and held him off for a while. One day she received a visit from Mrs. The third man was caught to his Belbeck, the prisoner's first wife, who informed her that she was the wife of Miss Harris' intended husband. The girl's parents then made a few casual John Bell had been married in this city in years. Miss Harris eventually ac-

"Did you tell the girl that you were not a married man?" asked Judge new, permanent department of the col-"No, sir, she dldi.'t ask me out and

tained that he was not badly hurt, and out, your honor," replied the accused. Dr. Becher, who examined him and "When you took your affidavit in Mr. Saunders said his main object McConechy, found that neither had procuring a license for the second to hold imperial conferences every four marriage, did you not?" continued his years, the new department dealing with Pittsburg says when Mrs. William ances, and \$260,000 as further payment

or not. I lied to the minister who of imperial defense, will be also conThis is the first time the countess has Intercolonial Railway on capital achad lots of time to go from Mrs. Permarried us, though, and told him that stituted and include representatives of been in Pittsburg since she left here count. For the Trent Canal \$700,000 kins' residence to Woodward avenue,

I had never been married." Belbeck, who is all of six feet in neight, arose slowly from his chair and said: "Your honor, I am an illiterate man and can neither read or write, and I did not know anything about the

Judge Macbeth, however, could not

SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP

Everton Captures From Sheffield Before 100,000 Onlookers.

London, April 20.-Before 100,000 spectators, Everton today captured the soccer football championship, by defeating Sheffield. The winners scored two games to the holders' one, after a terrific struggle.

BRITISH DESTROYER LOST

Sinks Off Island of Malta' One of Crew Being Drowned.

Valetta, Island of Malta, April 20.-While maneuvering during a night attack outside the Grand Harbor late Father Point yesterday the British torpedo-boat destroyer Ariel collided with the break-water, and sank. One man was drowned. The Ardiel lies in deep drowned. The Ardiel lies in deep hours previous. water, and it is expected that she will be a total loss.

WEST OXFORD SUED. Woodstock, April 19 .- Acting on be-Woodstock, April 19.—Acting on behalf of the estate of the late Archibald Pow, the police constable who died as a result of shock after running into an excavation on the Beachville read, a writ has been issued against the township of West Oxford for \$5,000 damselses.

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather is fine throughout the Dominion, from Quebec to the Pacific coast, with a good prospect of much higher temperature in the Western Provinces and a gradual improvement in Ontario and Quebec.

Detroit, April 19.—Forecast for Lower and Upper Michigan: Saturday and Sunday—Fair; light variable winds.

RESIGNATION READ IN THE COMMONS

Mr. Hyman's Resignation This Morning.

[Special to The Advertiser.] tion of Hon. C. S. Hyman as member

The resignation was duly witnessed. and in accordance with the statute.

GIMBEL LIKELY TO DIE

May Never Appear to Answer Charges in New York Police Court.

New York, April 20 .- When the case of Benedict Gimbel, the Philadelphia merchant, in which he is charged with assault called in the Tombs court today, Mr. Gimbel's attorney, Daniel O'Rielly, informed the magistrate that Mr. Gimbel had injured himself so severely that he was not able to be present. Mr. O'Rielly said he had seen his client in the hospital 'ast night, and that the doctor in charge then assured him that there was little chance for Mr. Gimbel's recovery. May 4 was then fixed upon as a new date for his ex-

PROVINCE SHOULD ACT

Real Estaters Think It Should Erect Three Tuberculosis Hospitals.

The Real Estate Association met last night and discussed the proposed issue of debentures for a north end fire hall, and for the proposed tuberculosis hosnital No action was taken, but many of the members declared they are opposed to any debenture issue which is not put to a vote of the people.

The following resolution re the tusumption is a growing menace to the The National Quarter of Iloilo, in the future health and welfare of the councial Government should be requested to started by an earthquake, has been throughout the Province for the treat-city was destroyed. The property loss

PREMIERS CREATE NEW DEPARTMENT

Handle Matters of General Interest.

London, April 20.-The colonial con- but little damage.

ference at today's session unanimously agreed to support the creation of retariate, to deal with matters of general imperial interest, and also decided "I don't remember taking an affi-davit," replied Belbeck. "Nobody askall the self-governing colonies.

OTTAWA OLD BOYS.

New York, April 20 .- Natives of Ottawa, Canada. all over the country are detail men to guard the Thaw resireceiving letters from the committee dence and keep away cranks. girls reunion in the Dominion city next fortune of Mrs. William Thaw into cash will, it is stated, begin next Monday. Practically every piece of proptee is making an effort to gather home all the sons and daughters of Ottawa all the sons and daughters of Ottawa into a fund for bail for Harry K. who have wandered to other places. This reunion will be a great feature of the semi-centennial civic pubilee.

THE WEATHER. TOMORROW-FINE. FORECASTS.

Toronto, April 20—8 a.m. Today—Fresh westerly and northwester ly winds; fine.
Sunday—Westerly winds; fine, with little higher temperature.

Stations. 8 a.m. Port Arthur... Parry Sound. Clear

TEMPERATURES.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The readings at the local observatory yesterday were: Highest, 44°; lowest, ?8° above.

WEATHER NOTES

HEALTH BOARD WILL NOT ALLOW COMMISSIONERS TO IGNORE THEM

MR. ROSS' DAUGHTER WEDDED AT TORONTO

Married at Old St. Andrew's Church to Mr. Leslie Wilson.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, April 20.-The marriage took Ross to Mr. Leslie Wilson, in old St. ate high-pressure river water scheme Andrew's Church. Prof. Torrington in London.

SMALL HOUSE AT THE PROROGATION

on a boy and attempted bribery, was Lieutenant-Governor Assents to Bills and the Legislature Closes.

> [Special to The Advertiser.] mony usual on such occasions, but At the meeting of the board of trade which characterized the opening.

Legislature during the present session. The Throne Speech. The following is the speech from the

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of Legislative Assembly: In relieving you from the arduous Continued on page eight.

EARTHQUAKE AND FIRE

MAKE 10,000 HOMELESS

Philippines.

is estimated at \$100,000, gold. The touched, it being saved by the military laid before the House today. the homeless being housed in schools year.

earthquakes. The shocks, while the most severe tral Experimental Farm, \$15,000.

Her Pittsburg Home.

questions arising at intervals between Thaw reached her Pittsburg home yes- for stores taken over at Halifax and were summoned. With her is her The largest item in railways is \$1,daughter, the Countess of Yarmouth, 775,000 to buy rolling stock for the rival of Mrs. Thaw, a representative wa, and French River waterways, \$48,- back for the 11 o'clock train. of the family yesterday requested 000.

Thaw.

WOMAN POISONED MEDICINE BLAMED

Patent Sample Left at Door Nearly Resulted in Death of West Londoner.

Mrs. James Bone, of Saunby street, has been dangerously ill at her home for several days past, but she is now

The cause of Mrs. Bone's illness is

out of danger.

No Water To Be Turned Into

Chairman Darch, of the water com- DID PRISONER BUY POISON ? mission, was not in a position this morning to make a positive statement regarding the proposition of ex-Mayor place this afternoon of Miss Mable Little for the installation of a separ- Walkerville Witness Says She Inquires

City Mains Unless Fit for

Domestic Purposes.

presided at the organ. The bride was He stated, however, that he and Mr. given away by her father, Senator G. Saunders have figured carefully along W. Ross. She was gowned in lace over the lines indicated by Mr. Little for ivory sation and wore a rope of pearls, the supplying of water to liverymen, the gift of the groom. Miss Trixle hotels, manufacturers, etc., and yet the Phillips assisted the bride, while Mur- commissioners and Mr. Moore had not ray Wilson, brother of the groom, was been able to figure out a saving greater than about 500,000 gallons of Spring-

> bank water per day. Mr. Darch said he would have no people when the mail vote is taken.

scheme might save 100,000 gallons dally than testify on the witness-stand. but, considering the amount of water saved the cost would be too great. Mayor Judd declined to make any statement on the subject until he has looked into it fully.

the board of health because the former have not consulted the latter in rewith an absence of the special aspect last night, Mr. Hunt asked Mr. Saunpresent, and still fewer visitors. The syndicate or the water which it is pro-126 bills which have been passed by the

company. water commissioners say, or how much hotel.

they spend on it. Dr. English says that if the commisseveral thousand dollars on it, and the case will go to Toronto over Sun-

then have to abandon it. THE SUPPLEMENTARIES

li g Ten Millions of Dollars. Ottawa, April 19.-The supplement-

and constabulary. Several hundred Civil service employes come in for and constabulary. Several hundred houses were destroyed, and \$,000 to some substantial increases. The trans-

and other buildings. The province and | Enforcement of the meat and canned left to do some shopping and take th the city will provide food for the refu- food act, \$75,000; cold storage ware- train home.

tion. Dispatches from points in sev- \$100,000 to pay duties on ordnance, would go crazy if he knew it was in eral provinces report severe shocks, ammunition, clothing, stores, etc., \$100. the house. 000 for military properties; \$100,000 for clothing; \$138,000 for stores; \$108,-

THAW'S MOTHER COLLAPSES 000 additional for the Dominion arsenal: \$2,000 to pay for ammunition for

Superintendent of Police McQuaid to Superintendent of Police McQuaid to Military buildings (new gymnasium), wanting her to get an order for the \$6,000; new stores buildings, \$8,000 (re-

vote).

Other items are: For lighthouse and a steamer for Georgian Bay, \$150,000;

carriers in new cities, \$60,000. Port Bruce \$1,000.

FAMOUS EDITOR DEAD

Globe, Passes Away at London.

London, April 20 .- Sir George Arm- suffered from the frost to the same exstrong, proprietor of the London Globe, tent as it has in this vicinity. Most The cause of Mrs. Bone's illness is died at his residence in London this localities report that the wheat crop supposed to have been a sample pack- afternoon. He was born in 1836. Captain promised to be exceedingly large, but age of a patent medicine. The package Sir George Carlyon Hughes Arm- it is feared that it will fall far below was left at the door of the Bone home, strong, in addition to being the sole the mark. and Mrs. Bone took a dose of it, ac- proprietor of the Globe, was part proprictor of The People and the Sun, of cording to the directions on the wrap- London. He was born at Lucknow, India, and entered the British Indian her recovery, but she is now considered pension. The captain joined the staff were valued at about \$2,000, partly Mrs. Bone exhibited every symptom became its proprietor and editor.

SURPRISE COMING IN CAYUGA CASE

Crown Calling Witness With Sensational Evidence.

As to Strychnine for Rat Kilting

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Hamilton, April 20.-The crown's case in the Perkins murder trial will not be closed today, despite the fact that all the witnesses it has subpoenaed have been examined. As a result of the information supplied last objection to allowing the scheme proposed by Mr. Little to go before the another witness, who will fortify the crown's case, will be called. The evi-Mr. Saunders said he would like to dence, it is said, will be of a sensahave the matter referred to Mr. Moore tional nature, although the man who for a report before any action is taken is expected to tell the story has deon the ballot. He thinks Col. Little's clared that he will go to jail rather

Prisoner May Testify.

It is said to have been practically settled that Mrs. Mattie Perkins will take the stand on her own behalf. The There appears to be trouble brewing idea of calling Thomas McDonald, who defense, it is said, has abandoned the between the water commissioners and was expected to be one of the star witnesses in the case. Toronto, April 20.—The Legislature gard to the quality of water they are prosecutor would like to see him testiwas prorogued today with all the cere-securing to turn into the city mains. about the signed statement, which he declared Detective Greer forced from ders if the commissioners have any analyses made of the water which it There was but a handful of members is proposed to buy from the McGregor ably her husband. Court will adjourn the modern and still fewer visitors. The

The jurors, who have been prac-Mr. Saunders replied in the negative. tically prisoners since the trial began, Chairman English, of the board of will be locked up over tomorrow, alhealth, stated to The Advertiser today though permitted to attend church in that his board will simply see that no water that is unfit to drink is pumped into the mains, no matter what the long walk and have their second church in a body if they can decide on a place of worship. They will also take a

E. F. B. Johnston, chief counsel for sioners had had an analysis made of the defense, is beginning to feel the the water of the Redmond pond they strain of the long day and night seswould not have gone ahead and wasted sions. Judge Mabee and the council in

Inquired About Strychnine.

The first witness this morning was Mrs. George Carter, of Walkerville, Who swore that Mrs Perkins band was very ill and had two attending him. The day the prisoner left for home she inquired if Mrs. Carter could tell her where to get strychbusiness section of the city was un- ary estimates, totaling \$10,941,558, were nine to poison rats with. Mrs. Carter said a doctor could give an order, but she refused to let her daughter go to 10,000 natives made homeless. Adequate relief measures have been taken, lators will hereafter receive \$2,000 per might purchase the poison in Detroit by signing her name. The prisoner

gees, and no unusual suffering is houses, \$50,000; additional for exhibi- In July, when Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, Branch of Colonial Office to sees, and no unusual suffering is nouses, 400,000; for the construction of visited Walkerville, the dead man construction of visited Walkerville, the dead man construction of visited walkerville. an electric railway track at the Cen- plained of his stomach. Referring lagain to the October visit she swore experienced in fifteen years, were not For the militia the further sum of Mrs. Perkins asked her not to say anyviolent enough to cause much destruc- \$911,453 is asked. The items include think about the strychnine, as Henry

Questioned by Mr. Johnston, Mrs. Carter said that so great was Perkins' the British artillery team in the comsufferings from his stomach that ha onial office, with an independent sec- Gives Way Under Strain Upon Reaching petition; \$20,000 to provide gratutities had remarked that if it was not for to N. C. O. and men of the ordnance cide." Reluctantly she admitted that stores discharged on account of the age limit; \$80,000 to repay the British on the suicide story, but she replied she would tell all she knew. The officer was Provincial Detective Mahoney, of

> The crown endeavored to show by cross-examination that Mrs. Perkins immediately after her wedding, four years ago. In anticipation of the ar-Lillian Carter corroborated

> > mother's story about Mrs. Perkins

CROPS WILL BE SHY

Cold Weather, Following Warm Spell of March, Does Damage.

The dry, cold weather of the last toward survey steamer for the Pacific few weeks has been very hard on the Coast, \$53,000; towards an Ice-break- wheat throughout this part of Ontario, ing steamer for Northumberland and in some cases, where the prospects Straits, \$150,000; to make scientific of a bumper crop looked bright in the tests of Canadian coal, \$18,000; to pro- spring, it has almost been destroyed. vide for the appointment of letter- The warm weather in March caused the wheat to grow rapidly, and within Public buildings at Parkhill get \$5,- a few days, the fields were green. But 000; St. Marys, \$11,000; Wingham, \$3,- the frost returned, without either rain 000. For harbors: Port Burwell gets or snow, and soon the tops of the grain \$40,000; Port Stanley, \$10,000, and were withered in some cases so badly that it is feared that it has been killed, Clover is said to have suffered greatly from the cold. Like the wheat, it commenced to grow with the warm weather in March, and had just Sir George Armstrong, Proprietor of reached its tender stage when the cold

> Reports from various parts of Western Ontario state that the wheat has

FIRE AT LUCAN.

weather returned and damaged it.

Lucan, April 19 .- A fire occurred in Shortly after, she was taken ill, and army in 1855, serving throughout the the sawmill of Mr. Ben Langford, just her condition became serious. For a Indian mutiny. He was severely west of the town, on Friday morntime Dr. Drake, her physician, doubted wounded near Delhi and retired on a ing. The buildings and machinery of the Globe in 1872 and subsequently covered by insurance. Much sympathy is felt for the owner, Mr. Langford,