PRICE TWO CENTS.

Reorganization Will Be Made Following Federal Authorities Recommendations.

CONSTANTLY ASSAILED

Financial Men Say That Task Undertaken Will Not Be Difficult.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 20. - The information from Washington that the American Telephone and Telegraph Company has agreed to give up its interests in the Western Union, and to effect a reorganization to conform with the recommendations of the federal authorities, was no surprise to financial men, though unexpected at this time.

The telegraph and telephone combination has been under almost continuous attack since it was effected in 1909 through the purchase of the large Gould, Sage and Morosini holdings of Western Union stock by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, in which the various Bell Telephone inerests have been consolidated.

Constantly Assailed. Ever since that time the telephone combination has been under investigation by the department of justice. It has been constantly assailed by Clarence MacKay, because of the dis Company was placed in, through its alleged lack of the telephone facilities of its rival, the Western Union.

Independent telephone interests finding it arduous to compete with Bell companies, because runk lines of the combination were losed to them, complained bitterly. embers of Congress from time time have proposed investigations, or urged the department of justice to act on general principles. Continued on Page Two.

Few Deaths Reported as Result A London employee of the Grand Trunk this week received a letter of Existing Conditions-Immigrant Children Suffer.

The mild weather of the past few weeks has been favorable to babies. comparatively few child deaths have been reported, and the death rate of ing the past few days. No member older people has been proportionally of the brotherhood would state just

A physician made the statement to to date. The Advertiser that the majority of child deaths are among the children of the immigrants. "I have noticed Extra Men Join that the majority of deaths of children are among those of immigrant parents," he said. "I do not wish to insinuate that these children are not as rugged as the Canadian-born youngster, because that is not the case. In fact the child of the foreigner seems more rugged, and can endure more than the young child of he American continent.

"The cause of these deaths are the long sea voyage and other hardships that are trying on a grown person, and of course affect babies. The constant change and the cramped quarters that are experienced in many of the immigrant ships are not condusive to health. This will apply locally to almost the same extent as in a coast town," he concluded.

PAID \$400,000 FOR PAINTING BY TITIAN

Art Treasure Bought in England by Rich Cincinnati Woman.

[Canadian Press.] New York, Dec. 20. — A Titian with a notable history, one of the finest of the master's paintings, has been pur-chased by Mrs. Thomas J. Emery, of Cincinnati, from Sir Hugh Lane, the famous British collector, and sent to Mrs. Emery's home in Cincinnati, it was learned last night. The price paid ls given as \$400,000.

The painting is a portrait of the young son of Charles V. of Spain, afterwards Philip II. Titian kept the original until his death. It was for a time in the Padua palace collection, and later found its way to Munich, and then to London, so that although it was painted in 1550 it has had only four owners. Negotiations for its sale were begun in London only two months ago, and it arrived here reently on the steamer France.

INION MEN PLAN TO BOYCOTT BANK

[Canadian Press.] Berlin, Dec. 20 .- The labor unions of Germany decided today to withdraw their deposit amounting to \$5,000,000 from a leading bank which had dis-

charged one of its members.

The bank fleclined to reinstate the man at the request of the labor unions, tration. and also rejused to give acceptable guarantees that its employees should have the right of association.

The desired guarantees were obtained by the labor unions from other banks, than s to the use of the effective weapon given them by the large funds they bere able to deposit. re able to deposit.

Court of Regision Upheld. — Judgment was hanged down Friday afternoon by Judg Talot Maceth in the case of the VcClary Manufacturing Company vs. he city, in which the company applied against the court of revision confirming the assessment by he city assessment department of is property in Chelsea Green. Judgment was in favor of the city and the assessment stands, although it he probable that the decision will be appealed.

will be dispensed by the Salvation Army on Christmas morning, and while the pots are figuratively boiling on the street corner, the good sisters of the League of Mercy are boiling real puddings and making real Christmas cake and preparing other Christmas delicacies for the well-filled dinner baskets that will be given to poor families.

The army men with the concertinas or the cornets don't need to appeal very strongly. No real self-respecting individual has the courage to pass one of those pots without either dropping in his contribution or registering a resolve to put in something before Christmas Day.

NO HOLIDAY

One Thousand Londoners Will Work on Christmas Day.

The Christmas season means rush and hurry for many wage-earners, though most of them get respite in the joys of Christmas Day at home. But in the big cities an increasing number of toilers never get a chance to enjoy this "once a year" holiday.

A rough estimate shows that in London this year nearly 1,000 people will toil on Christmas Day perhaps harder than usual. They are made up thus: relegraph operators and messen-

Employees of theatres125 Firemen Telephone girls and men 25 Postmen and helpers Newspapers

Restaurants

Will Make an Effort To Secure Change of Venue When Case Comes Up.

FRIENDS SUBSCRIBING

advantage the Postal Telegraph Cable Railroad Employees, Both Here and in Kansas, Giving

> That an effort may be made to have the trial of Thomas Riley, now occupying a cell in the county jail on a charge of murder, held in some city town other than London was the information given to The Advertiser

> this morning as authentic. Local railwaymen, who are interested in the prisoner's behalf, have received a number of communications from the latter's former railroad brothers asking "if those in charge here thought public sentiment would play a part in the case if it would not be possible to have the trial in some

> rom a friend in Kansas City to the effect that a subscription would be taken up on all the roads in Missouri for Riley, and would be forwarded here before Jan. 1.

The subscription taken up in Lon don, Sarnia, Toronto and Niagara Falls has been greatly enlarged durhow much money has been collected

Fourteen Are Added to Handle the Christmas Rush.

The 1913 Christmas mail rush at the London postoffice is on now in real earnest every train and stage

Will Fit Up Accommodation bringing in extra bags of mail to be sorted by the members of the local

Fourteen extra men have been added to the permanent staff. These men will be retained from 11 to 14 days after Christmas if the quantity of mail matter sent through the office demands

office will be larger than that of 1912 local authorities state it would be im-

How the Pots Boil!

Reporter Says Concertina Plays Out of Tune When "V"s Are Dropped In.

"Keep the pot a-biling." This is the cheery greeting that half a dozen Army men and women stationed at the prinipal street corners with the timeonored Salvation Army pot hung on a tripod with a sprig of holly or mistletoe garnishing it, are extending to the passersby today.

If you peek into the pot when you drop your dime or two-bits or whatever you give through the hole in the Central Prison at Windsor on Friday glass cover, you will see pennies that the newsboys on the corner dropped found guilty of having stolen silverin, a nickel that a poor woman, who ware, valued at \$75, from the home of will have but a meagre and very plain a prominent citizen. He pawned the Christmas herself, contributed, quite loot in Detroit, where he was appreant that the stout, good-natured gentle-

man with the fur coat and gauntlets Oct. 24 last, by Detective Nickle on donated along with an apologetic joke. the charge of stealing a suitcase filled man with the fur coat and gauntlets In some of the pots there may even with clothes from the store of T. be a fiver, but fivers are fortunately Fox, 383 Clarence street. He rare, for the good army folks get so found guilty, and was sentenced to excited when the fivers drop in that one month in jail. they play the concertina out of tune the imminent danger of driving SARNIA REGIMENT the traffic officer into nervous pros-

No you will find that the pennies. nickels, dimes, two-bits and four-bits are by far the most numerous, although the pots don't really feel respectable unless they have a green-

back to properly flavor the stew. Two hundred more Christmas dinners will be dispensed by the Salvation Army

Couple Had Only Been Reconciled Recently After a Long Separation.

ASKED NO EXPLANATION

Murderer Is a Polish Nobleman and Member of German

Parliament.

[Canadian Press.]

Graetz, Germany, Dec. 20. - Count Mattheas Mielynski, a Polish nobleman and member of the German Im. perial Parliament, shot and killed his wife and his nephew during latt night inder tragic circumstances

The count, who is residing near here at Castle Dakowymokrz, one of his many country homes, heard sounds n the night which he thought were caused by thieves who had entered he castle. He seized a rifle and made a search, during which he found his wife and her nephew together in her

Shot Both Dead. Without a word of warning or asking for an explanation Count Mielzynski shot both of them dead. A woman companion of the counters was the only witness of the affair,

and she also was seriously wounded by one of the bullets. This morning the count notified the public prosecutor of the tragedy. The count, who is forty-four years old, was married on Sept. 15, 1896, to Countess Felicia Von Polck-Potocka, who was born in 1875. For some years the couple were separated, but

became reconciled a short time ago.

Member of Parliament,

Count Mielzynski has been a member of the imperial parliament since 1903. He was one of the Polish aristocrats who dined with the Emperor during his visit here on Aug. 27, when his majesty came to

on Aug. 27, when his majesty came to dedicate the new city hall and the chapel in Posen Castle.

On that occasion the function was boyectted by the Polish population as a protest against the Prussion Government polity of Germanization of the Polish provinces. inces. The count's carriage was stoned and its inmates drenched with water while they were on the way to the castle.

Sub-Postoffices Will Receive Mail

In an effort to prevent con-gestion of the heavy Christmas mails at the main branch of the postoffice, Dr. P. MacDonald, postmaster, announced today that all sub-postoffices, of which a number are situated throughout the city, will receive all classes of mail, including parcels, etc. These will be weighed and information pertaining to rates and routes will be fur-

Postoffice Staff GITY CLERK PREPARES FOR "SUFFRAGETTES

For Them-Many Inquiries From Women.

City Clerk Samuel Baker is making extensive preparations for the municipal fiscal year nominations on Monday, and it is whis-

not voters, are taking a great interest in the coming contests, and Mr. Baker states that his office has been fairly deluged with inquiries from members of the so-called gentler sex thirsting for information as to whether or not their names are on the voters' list. "This year," said Mr. Eaker to The Adver-tiser today, "we have had 40 inquiries from women on these matters to one in any previous year."

MAN ARRESTED HERE SENTENCED IN WIDSOR

Thos. King Gets Year in Central Prison for Theft.

Thomas King, alias E. W. Piker, was sentenced to nine months in the by Magistrate Leggatt. King was

BEING REORGANIZED

Regular Drills and Church Parades Thomas Price Was Overcome While

[Special to The Advertiser.] Sarnia, Dec. 20.—The local regiment, the Twenty-seventh, is being reorgan-

MR. AND MRS. JOHN DREW RECTOR REGARDS WERE WED 50 YEARS AGO

Former Londoners Were Guests at Big Celebration in the West.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Winnipeg, Dec. 20 .- The golden anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John Drew, of Snowflake, Man., was celebrated at the home of their son, J. F. Drew, Winnipeg, today. The guests of honor were presented with golden remembrances in commemoration of their golden wedding.

Mr. Drew was born in Devonshire, England, in 1842 and came to Canada with his parents in 1848. His parents died of cholera within 24 hours after reaching London, Ont., and the family of orphans was left to battle its way in this country among strangers.

Mr. Drew entered in as apprentice to a cabinet maker in 1860, at Exeter, Ont.,

and was in business as furniture dealer and undertaker on his own account in he same place from 1864 to 1882. He moved to Manitoba in 1882, and has been in that business and farming in the vicinity of Snowflake ever since.

Mrs. Drew was born at London, Ont.,
March 30, 1842, and was raised at Exeter, Ont. John Drew and Miss Martha Am Bissett were married in Exeter on Dec 18. 1863.

Eleven children were born, but all died except two, J. F. Drew Winnipeg, and Mrs. J. M. Stewart, of Mayville, N. D. Mr. and Mrs. John Drew are 72 and 71 years respectively, and are hale and hearty and enjoying life.

Agricultural Exports East Led All Others for Month November.

FISHERIES FLOURISHING



minis er of our one, bat fissued the monthly trade statement for Canada. showing a substantial increase in the total trade. For November the total was \$111,459,000, compared with \$106. 072,000 for the corresponding month For the eight months of the present fiscal year ended Nov. 30 the aggregate trade was \$777,424,000, as against \$713,614,000 in the same months of 1912.

Domestic agricultural products exported in November last totalled \$33 .-417,000 as against \$24,175,000 for the corresponding month of 1912.

Exports Decrease.

Exports of domestic animals and their products for Nevember last were \$7,795,000; for the corresponding month of 1912.

bers present, and only three of this number opposed the indorsation, but after some discussion it was decided not to indorse candidates for any of the municipal offices, although the feeling was strong for Ald. Richter. of 1912 these exports were \$4,939,000. The exports of manufactures for November also show a substantial and healthy increase. They were: Domestic manufactures, \$4,801,000 as against \$3,830,000 for November, 1912. There is also a substantial increase in the exports of the products of the mines, fisheries and forests

Agriculture Leads.

For the eight months of the present fiscal year, ending November last, the exports of agricultural produce easily take the lead. During this period domestic agricultural exports were \$142,338,000; for the corresponding eight months of the lead. the corresponding eight months of the last fiscal year domestic agricultural exports these hotels conferred with repre-were \$96,394,000.

matter that will go through the London office will be larger than that of 1912 local authorities state it would be impossible to say.

In mominations on Monday, and it is whispered around the city hall that, in view of the announced intentions of the local suffragettes to turn out in large numbers for the proceedings, Mr. Baker will have the council chamber fitted up with have the council chamber fitted up with mirrors for the accommodation of the ladies.

The women voters, and many who are not voters, are taking a great interest in the coming contests, and Mr. Baker sponding eight months of 1912, and their produce were \$33,824,000, compared with \$33,949,000 for the corresponding period of 1912. The fisheries were not voters, are taking a great interest in the coming contests, and Mr. Baker sponding eight months of 1912, and their produce were \$33,824,000, compared with \$33,949,000 for the corresponding period of 1912. The fisheries were not voters, are taking a great interest in the coming contests, and Mr. Baker sponding eight months of 1912, and their produce were \$33,824,000, compared with \$33,949,000 for the corresponding period of 1912. The fisheries were not voters, are taking a great interest in the coming contests, and Mr. Baker will have the council chamber fitted up with mirrors for the accommodation of the ladies. sponding eight months of 1912.

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Imports for November last exclusive of coin and bullion, were \$50,202,000, made up as follows: Dutiable goods, \$32,338,000; free goods \$17,863,000. For the corresponding month of 1912 the imports were: Dutiable goods, \$38,471,000; free goods, \$20,846,000, making a total of \$59,318,000.

The imports for the eight months end-The imports for the eight months ending Nov. 30 last were: Dutiable goods. 4.635,000; free goods \$146,111,000, making a total of \$440,746,000. For the corresponding eight months of 1912 the imports of dutiable goods were \$293,319,-999, and of free goods, \$152,231,000, making a total of \$445,550,000.

FAKE DETECTIVE WAS GIVEN NINE MONTHS

Used Badge and Collected Ten Dollars From Englishmen. [Canadian Press.]

St. Catharines, Dec. 20. — John H. McIntyre, who posed as a private detective, using a fake badge, in an effort to get two Englishmen, Thomas and Fred Whitehead, into the United hours preceding 8 p. States after they had been turned back Highest, 35; lowest, 15. at the border, was sentenced to nine months in the Central Prison. McIntyre got ten dollars from the men to pay car fare with and forgot to give them the change.

DIED ON STREET

on Way to Work.

[Special to The Advertiser.] ffi Hamilton, Dec. 20.—Thomas Price, aged 60, was found lying dead, by a Parry Sound. 38 couple of small children, on Euclid avenue early today. His watch and Ottawa 46 be formed at Point Edward, and the \$25 was in his pockets. The body was Montreal found near the hospital.

An investigation surrounding the death of Price indicate that he was a victim of heart disease. He left his home to go to his work at the Canada Serew Company, and it is supposed that he was suddenly selzed with il: ness and was trying to get to the city Dominion at present, but the outlook is hospital.

Rev. Robert W. Norwood Says They Will Increase Church Attendance.

Declares That if Other Cities Can, London Can-Diversity of Opinion,

Diversity of opinion exists among ocal clergymen as to the relative advanages and disadvantages of the proposed project to have Sunday street cars in this city. The Advertiser secured the following views this morning:

Rev. W. J. Knox, First Presbyterian Church-If the citizens decided that they want Sunday cars, all well and good, but a guarantee should be given by the street railway company that all workmen engaged on the Sabbath will have one day in every seven off. Such privilege should not be left to the discretion of the employing company, it should be made compulsory.

Rev. Robert W. Norwood, Cronyn Memorial Church—I am very much in favor of Sunday street cars. I don't think it is fair that a wealthy man should use his motor car or carriage on Sunday and the poor man be forced to walk. I also think Sunday cars would increase Sabbath worship, as many churchgoers develop into absentees, if for no other reason, than that they live for no other reason, than that they live too far from their respective churches. When I was in Montreal I know our church would have gone behind, almost fatally, had it not been for the Sunday cars, which enabled the parishioners to attend. Opposition to the project has come from some quarters, and it was based on the fact that men would have to work on the Sabhath. In my opinion to work on the Sabbath. In my opinion that is a very poor argument. Ministers have to work on the Sabbath, and I look upon Sunday cars as a blessing. If Mont-real Toronto and Hamilton can have Sunday cars, London should too, Canon George B. Sage, of St. George's Anglican Church—I have nothing to say on the matter at present.

Rev. J. G. Stuart, of Knox Church—I would rather not discuss the question

Vote 27 to 3 to Support Him in Mayoralty Race.

At a meeting of the Real Estate Association on Friday night, a resolution was submitted by Hugh Douglass and George Churchill to indorse Ald. J. G. Richter for the 1914 mayoralty. There were 30 members present, and only three of this num-

STRIKE IS OVER

Cleveland Waiters and Cooks Are All Back at Work.

[Canadian Press.] Cleveland, Dec. 20.-The strike of waiters, cooks, bartenders, and other employees, which has prevailed in three local hotels since last Monday came to an end last night so far as two of the hotels, the Hollenden and Colonial, are concerned. Managers of sentatives of the strikers last evening and effected a compromise agreement

The strikers were granted better working conditions a working week of six days, and a raise of \$2.50 a month. They had asked to be raised 5 above their pay of \$30 per month. Recognition of the union was waived.

Following announcement of the compromise, the strikers immediately eturned to work.

KING BUYS YACHT

Duke of Bedford Sells "Sapphire" To Grecian Monarch. Conadian Press.1

York, Dec. 20. - A London cable to the Herald says: The Duke of Bedford has sold the original steam yacht Sapphire, of 1,-023 tons, built 20 years ago, by the Hendersons, of Glasgow, to the King of Greece. She is outfitting at Southampton, prior to leaving for Athens.

THE WEATHER.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Highest, 29; lowest, 24.
The official temperatures for the 24 preceding 8 p.m. Friday were:

TOMORROW-COLDER, WITH SNOW. Forecasts, Toronto, Dec. 20-8 a.m. Today-Rain or sleet toward evening or at night, turning to snow. Sunday—Strong winds, mostly west and northwest; colder, with snow.

Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Victoria Calgary 30 Clear Toronto 38

Weather Notes.

Depressions are developing over Ontario and in the Mississippi Valley, while moderate cold wave covers Manitoba. Fair weather prevails generally over the

NATURAL GAS CASE WAS SORE

Company's Solicitor Will Try to Have Old Supply Turned On.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Brantford, Dec. 20.-An enlargement until Tuesday next was granted to the defendants in the charge laid in the police court here today by M. H. O. Dr. Pearson against the Brantford Gas CITY SHOULD HAVE THEM endangering the public health, by having sulphureted hydrogen gas turned into the local mains. E. Sweet, solicitor for the company,

> was done, on his promise to do all that he could to have the old supply turned on again, Magistrate Livingston, in answer to Solicitor Sweet's plea that the gas was for coking only, stated that it was nonsensical on the part of the company to expect that the people were going to throw out their gas fixtures

asked that the case be enlarged, which

at a moment's notice and go with candles until they could get electric wiring put in the house.

CHRISTMAS Merchants Estimate Shows That City Has a Very Sweet Tooth.

REPRESENT \$5,000

Average Fifty Cents Per Home For City's 10,000 Houses.

That London has a very sweet tooth is borne out in the fact, that for candies, nuts, etc., alone, it annually spends at Christmas time the sum of almost \$4,500. At first glance such figures appear

staggering, but they were car ully compiled by various local dealers and the demand for such articles, claim the sum is not exaggerated.

Eight thousand pounds of raisins

are purchased in this city on an average every year. Many families do without them, others buy three and five pounds. Figured at 20 cents per pound this article alone means an expenditure of \$1,600. Two thousand dozens of oranges at an average of 20 cents a dozen makes

a sum of \$400. Five thousands pounds of candy at an average of 25 cents a pound comes to \$1,250, while 7,000 pounds of nuts at an average of 15 cents a pound is 31.050.

A summary of the above figures is:

 Raising
 \$1,600

 Oranges
 400

 Candy
 1,250

 250
 250

 Nuts1,050 A conservative estimate of the amount of money spent for toys each Christmas is placed at \$5.000. A well-known merchant who vouchsafed the figures, said there were 10 000 homes in this city,

of children, an average of 50 cents was spent by each household for toys for season's expenditures for toys, notwithstarding the alleged financial depression, would equal the sums similarly spent in

and that while a great many were minus

former years. USE WHOLE ARMY AGAINST REBELS

President Huerta Urges That United Action Be Taken.

Mexico City, Dec. 20. — Explaining the necessity of utilizing the entire army in its campaign against the rebels, President Huerta sent a circular yesterday to all the state governments instructing them to proceed immediately in the organization of thousand men each. It is clearly stated that the expenses of the equipment and maintenance of these organizations must come from the merchants whose interests it is supposed will protect. The governors are informed that the organization must be perfected before the end of the month. Reports from the north to the war department say that a batle is in progress at Concepcion Deloro, a short distance southwest of Saltillo. No de-

tans have been received. TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

Wrigley Company Secures One Restraining Local Company Using Similar Box.

An interim injunction restraining the Maple Leaf Gum Company of this city from selling its product in the card-board boxes which they have formerly used until Jan. 12, was issued by Justice Kelly at a sitting of the high court this morning. The company will be allowed however, to sell gum in the accustomed wrapper, the injunction applying only to

the boxes. A rermanent injunction against both box and wrappers is being sought by the Wrigley Gum Company at the Januar, assizes, the plaintiffs alleging an infringe ments of its patent. It was represented in court this morning by George Gibbons, of Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons, 27d the defendants, Messrs, Percy and Short, Henry E. Short and Mrs. Susie Hueghan, were represented by T. W. Scandrett and P. H. Bartlett.

M O P Officials Here. - Walter tached to his visit her.

London Lady in Paris Says City Would Be Mad To Adopt It at Present.

HAS TO KEEP ALL WINDOWS OPEN

Purified Article First Used in

Paris Was Altogether Satisfactory. ANOTHER OPINION

FROM WALKERVILLE Professional Man Would Not Use Natural If It Was Possible To Secure Artificial.

Letters received by citizens with relatives in Paris and Walkerville, where the natural gas from Tilbury is used, do not make out a good case for the fluid.

The daughter of a prominent Londoner writes from Paris as follows: "You struck on a very sore subject when you asked about natural gas. Up until last Friday noon we had splendid gas for both lighting and heating. It had tremendous heat and I never used my oven with both burners turned full, and the light is a steady white light, and it also warms the room. It never blackened the silver or hurt plants, and I didn't find that it stained the ceiling any more than any other gas, but since Friday the company have turned on the new gas, which comes from Leamington or Tilbury, and is used in Walkerville and Chatham. It is horrible, unpurified stuff. The is horrible, unpurified stuff. whole of Paris is up in arms it. The smell makes you feel sick, hurts your throat, and causes dizzi-ness, and already big blotches are coming on my silver. I have the kitchen window open almost all the time I work there. I heard today two of the stores had to have their furnaces changed, the gas taken out,

and people haven't used their grates since this gas was turned on. Would Pay More.
"It is just a shame, so if the London gas is from the same well don't think of using it. It is much cheaper, 40 cents or 45 cents a thousand, and 5 cents cheaper when over 8,000 feet are used, but it is so strongsmelling I would rather pay more, and have artificial, any day."

Another letter from the same lady

"London would be doing a mad thing if it gets this gas. My throat is sore most of the time, and all the people here who can have it taken out are doing so. It really awful." The letter from Walkerville is writ-

ten by a well-known professional man and is as follows:

"I will now endeavor to reply to your questions regarding natural gas as fully as I can. as I can.
"To begin with, the distance from Tilbury to London is not greater—if it is as great-as from Tilbury here. As you know, the same field has sup-plied Windsor and Walkerville for the last few years. Last year we had no trouble from breaks in the main, nor were we bothered with low pressure. and the winter before we were only bothered three times, twice due to

breaks in the main and once on ac-

"As far as the field itself is con-cerned, it doubtless will be very much shortened if the gas is carried to London, St. Thomas and Woodstock, as, I understand, is contemplated. The actual time that the gas will hold out no one is able positively to say.

"Regarding house lighting it is possible to light the house with natural gas, provided purifiers are used. These the local company install at their own cost, but I understand the company in London intend to charge for them, which charge will be in the neighborhood of \$10 to \$12 apiece. There is a very had odor from the gas, even with the smallest leak, and the chances are pretty good that there will be many leaks throughout the entire system in London, as the majority of pipes have been installed for such a long time. The pressure used with artificial gas is in the neighborhood of three ounces, while the pressure with natural gas is

Musc Change Stoves.

"The stove made for manufactured gas can be used with natural gas, but it has to be changed to a certain extent. This change will cost in the neighborhood of \$6 a stove.

"Our rates here are 30 cents net for domestic use, while the manufacturers have a sliding scale of 12 to 15 cents, according to the amount of consump-"Personally we would never have in

stalled natural gas in the house if we had been able to continue with artificial gas. The natural gas tarnishes silver very rapidly, and increases work in this respect all over the house. The people who favor natural gas are of the poorer class who cannot afford to pay for the artificial gas, and the manufeturers, who can secure natural gas at a very much cheaper rate than coal

TRAFFIC IS BRISK

Officers at the Tunnel Are Being Kept Very Busy.
[Special to The Advertiser.]

H. Flynn, of Detroit, superintendent of traffic through the tunnel this year is motive power and construction for the Michigan Central Railroad, was in seasons. The customs and immigra-London on Thursday. Mr. Flynn was tion officers are working overtime in engaged in one of his frequent inspec- keeping things straight. Many of the tion trips over the company's lines, passengers are booked through to and no particular significance was atwinter.