

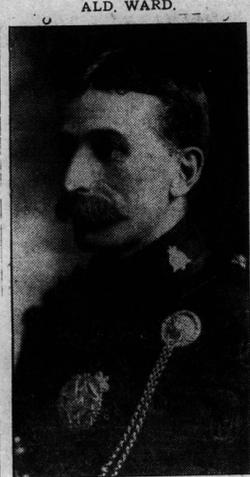
WORKS BOARD MADE A TOUR

Members Are Impressed With Great Amount of Building in City.

The members of the Board of Works made their annual round of inspection through the city yesterday. The party consisted of Mayor Spence, Overseer Howie, Engineer Jones, and Ald. Sutch Calbeck and Ward.

Considerable time was spent in West Brantford. The city yards were first visited. It was practically decided that the old poultry sheds in Agricultural Park, now used by the Board of Works for storage purposes be torn down and re-erected in the city yards. The buildings were given the city by the Parks Board. The lands involved in the Hewitt dyke proposition were inspected, and the matter carefully looked into. It is stated that the board cannot see its way clear to recommend the accept-

ance of the proposal in its present form. Holmedale, Terrace Hill, Wards Three and Four and Five were visited in turn. Rawdon street will be treated with broken stone or gravel from end to end, if not all this year, a goodly portion of it. The complete job will cost about \$3,000. The Glanville avenue sewer matter



ALD. WARD. Who conducted the annual tour of the Board of Works yesterday.

This is a street running off Murray street, thickly settled without sewer accommodation, owing to there being no outlet. It is likely a way out of the difficulty will be reached. The work of the year in addition will include a

number of new walks, storm and sanitary sewers and the putting down of a certain amount of pavement. The members of the board were struck with the amount of building in evidence in all parts of the city, and the air of prosperity that seemed everywhere prevalent.

IMMENSE EARNINGS OF CANADIAN PACIFIC

The earnings on our Canadian railways during 1913 amounted broadly to \$200,000,000. These figures include all the subsidiary lines, and other affiliations of whatever nature; but the figures are remarkable. Thirty years ago the C. P. R. which now shows gross annual earnings of \$140,000,000, could hardly buy axle grease. Its 25,000,000 acres of land were worthless. The land now sells at the rate of from \$5 to \$35 per acre. That worthless land in its totality represents a cash value of nearly \$350,000,000. The lands still to be sold will realize \$200,000,000. The commissioner, which the London paper of Lord Northcliffe's called Answers sent out to investigate conditions in the Dominion, regrets in one of his letters that the C. P. R. should have sold its land—any part of it—to speculators in the early days. The company regrets that policy today itself; but at the moment there did not seem any alternative. The people could not be coaxed at the time to settle in the wilderness; and the company needed money; and the big parcels were parted with—parcels which in their unoccupied state are the wonder of the incoming settler, who has to go further back while the splendid lands lie idle close to the railway. Of course, not an acre is sold now except to the genuine settler, but the point of value is that in the course of a comparatively few years, our Canadian railways, which began in feebleness and doubt, without great faith in the future and mack-ed-at by critics, can show the enormous earnings, in a twelvemonth, of \$200,000,000.

Saturday Specials

- 3 Cans of Corn for.....25c
- 3 Cans of Peas for.....25c
- 3 Cans of Tomatoes for.....25c

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Cor Market and West Sts. Phone 864

FINAL CALL TO THE ROBERTS & VAN-LANE FIRE SALE

To-morrow night at 11 o'clock, the curtain will be dropped on the biggest sale we have ever conducted. FOR THE CLOSING DAY—

TO-MORROW

we are making extraordinary quotations in order to make it a record day for us. Spring Footwear will be included in to-morrow's sale prices.

Ladies' Department

- Ladies' Tan Calf Button Oxfords, this season's goods and made to sell at \$3.00 per pair. To-morrow's price..... **\$1.98**
- Ladies' Dongola Kid Oxfords, blucher cut, patent toe caps, Cuban heels, \$2.25 value. To-morrow..... **\$1.48**
- Ladies' White Canvas High Button Shoes, 14 buttons, military heel, \$3.00 value. To-morrow..... **\$1.98**
- Ladies' Tan Calf High Shoes, either button or lace, \$4.00 value. To-morrow..... **\$2.98**
- Ladies' Gun Metal Pumps, with or without ankle straps, 1914 models, \$3.00 value. To-morrow..... **\$1.98**
- Ladies' Dongola Kid House Shoes, all solid leather, with rubber heel, \$1.50 value. To-morrow..... **93c**

Men's Department

- Nine pair of Men's Tan Calf Button Oxfords, with cloth tops, \$5.00 value, slightly soiled by water. Half price to-morrow while they last..... **\$2.50**
- Men's Walking Shoes, made of good strong black Canadian leather, with solid leather soles and insoles. Regular \$2.25 value. To-morrow..... **\$1.68**
- Men's Box Calf Shoes, strictly up-to-date in every respect, \$2.75 value. To-morrow..... **\$1.98**
- Young Men's Gun Metal High Shoes, 1914 models, \$3.50 value. To-morrow..... **\$2.48**

Children's Department

- Children's Dongola Kid High Shoes, sizes from 3 to 10½. Regular \$1.35 value. Sale price..... **88c**
 - Misses' Dongola Kid High Shoes, blucher cut, patent toe caps, sizes 11 to 2. \$1.75 value. To-morrow..... **\$1.18**
 - Boys' School Shoes, made of good strong serviceable leather that will resist all kinds of hard knocks, sizes 11 to 13..... **98c**
- We will also place on sale a big assortment of Boys', Girls', Misses', Youths' and Children's Pumps and Oxfords, at prices which they are not manufactured for.

REMEMBER TO-MORROW is your last opportunity to take advantage of these sale prices, as on Monday everything goes back to the regular selling price!

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Our Plumbing and Heating you will find to be in the same class with the above mentioned articles, which are without a doubt the best in their lines. We would be pleased to demonstrate at your home or in our showroom any of these articles. Come in and look over our stock of Electric Fixtures and Appliances.

GUELPH PAPER WAXES SARCASTIC

Resignation of Chief Finch Has Brought About Unique Situation.

The Mercury of Guelph where Fire Chief Leslie Finch recently resigned, in disgust, has the following on the situation, which has been developed. The city council is advertising for a new fire chief to take charge of the Guelph Fire Department. The Council should be quite fair with any man who may apply for the position. They should tell him that they expect him to make bricks without straw. He should be informed that he will be coming to a city that has practically no fire alarm system, that has fire trucks that should have been replaced years ago, harness and equipment that is out of date, and a hall that is not large enough to accommodate the equipment the department already possesses.

The new chief should also be made aware of the fact that he is coming to a city which covers a large amount of ground, in which are many steep hills, hard to climb. He ought to know that if he had his men and apparatus at a fire in one quarter of the city, he could not answer a call in another part, because he has not the men, the horses or the equipment to do so. By all means be fair, so that the new man will not be able to turn around and accuse the Guelph authorities of not fully stating the case to him before he decided to take the position. In addition to these conditions, he should also be made aware of the fact that there are in Guelph lots of men who know more about fire fighting, the method of attacking a blaze, and the general management of the men

in the department, than any fire chief who has ever existed. By all means acquaint the applicants with all the facts. Half the truth is a dangerous thing.

Sir Edward Approves War

[By Special Wire to the Courier] PARIS, April 24—Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, on several occasions during his visit to Paris with King George and Queen Mary, in the course of private conversations said he believed the United States was undertaking a work in Mexico of which thoughtful opinion in Europe approved. Nothing has been disclosed of the conversation between Premier Doumergue and Sir Edward Grey upon the international situation.

Military Notes

Last evening the sergeants of the Dufferin Rifles were at home to their lady friends, and a most enjoyable evening was spent, progressive euchre songs, recitations, etc. were indulged in, the winners being 1st prize Mrs. J. D. Forgie; 2nd prize, Mrs. G. Crouch. After a dainty lunch being served, the party broke up and the National Anthem bringing a successful annual event to a close.

FREE DEMONSTRATION

Free demonstration of McLaren's Jelly powders, custards, etc., at Mr. Patterson's two stores all this week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, at branch store, Spring street; Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the main store, William street.

The Canadian Fraternal Association commenced its annual convention and discussed group insurance.

CIVIC RELIEF WORK BAD WATER IS WORST ENEMY OF THE ARMY

Will be Brought to a Close Gradually—Instructions Are Issued.

A movement is on foot whereby the relief given to foreigners and the needy will be reduced to the least possible minimum consistent with the necessity of the various cases. Mr. Stander has been lately sending as many of his people as possible upon farms and in this manner has got a number employed, but still there remains a large number of foreigners still out of work. This morning Mr. Stander received the following letter from Mr. Frank Cockshutt, chairman of the city relief committee:

Brantford, April 23, 1914
Mr. L. Stander, City.
Dear Sir—At a meeting of the City Relief Committee held this day, it was decided that you be instructed to reduce the assistance given to the foreigners as much as may be possible without causing suffering and to advise the men who are still out of work to seek employment either in the country or in other towns. Can you however still authorized to continue giving assistance in cases which specially call for it, no one should suffer from hunger, and in cases where there is sickness or families, visitation and such assistance as may be necessary in the meantime may be continued.

The intention is to gradually, and as soon as may be convenient, bring the work of relief to a close. I am, Yours Truly,
FRANK COCKSHUTT,
Chairman City Relief Committee.

Fears were generally expressed in officials in Washington that war with Mexico was inevitable. Troops were ordered to reinforce the United States fleet at Vera Cruz.

First News Section

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR

MUCH

NAVY LOST TAKING VERA CRUZ IN ENTIRE

Seventeen Dead Ray of Hope Turned Neutral While With.

[By Special Wire to The Courier]

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The complete restoration of the Vera Cruz, the safe exodus of Charge O'Shaughnessy and his from Mexico city, and a train carrying reinforcements of ploughing swiftly through seas, President Wilson and his advisers to-day were on the alert to counter move by Huerta, and a development of any political attitude by Carranza, the constitutional chief. The sporadic outbreaks in Nuevo Laredo where even Federalists fired across the Rio Grande and drew a pelting of bullets, the American border patrol and reported arrest of several American officers at Vera Cruz, and the fact that Carranza's army was not reported to have been ordered to remain neutral was contained in reports received by Carranza of a telegram sent by Carranza to the United States intended to draw its forces from Vera Cruz as soon as a reparations treaty with Carranza had been obtained. A ray of hope that the constitutionalists would remain neutral was contained in reports received by Carranza of a telegram sent by Carranza to the United States intended to draw its forces from Vera Cruz as soon as a reparations treaty with Carranza had been obtained. A ray of hope that the constitutionalists would remain neutral was contained in reports received by Carranza of a telegram sent by Carranza to the United States intended to draw its forces from Vera Cruz as soon as a reparations treaty with Carranza had been obtained.

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A. W. DONLY SENDS WORD OF SAFETY IN MEXICO

Brother in Simcoe Told to Worry—Others From Ontario in Mex.

[By Special Wire to The Courier] SIMCOE, April 25.—H. B. T. of the Simcoe Reformer, last night received a cable from his brother A. W. Donly, now in Mexico as follows: "All well; don't worry. A. W. Donly was until recently Canadian Commissioner in Mexico and is the oldest foreign official having resided in the capital for 25 years."

In recent letters he intimates he intended coming home soon so far no word has been received to when he will leave. Among other residents of the town now in Mexico are A. D. Donly and his wife, formerly Miss Donly of Courtland. Mr. Donly is manager of the largest publishing house in Mexico City. Mr. Battersby, formerly of Dover, is also in Mexico. From letters received in the few weeks, it is indicated that American intervention would be welcome as the quickest and way of ending the troubles have been rendering the country Mount Vesuvius and Etna reported to be very active and fear is evinced by the inhabitants.