

**LOCAL LIBERALS NOT ALARMED  
OVER THE COLLINS' CHARGES****Significant, They Say, That They Should Be Held Back  
Until Eve of Bye-Election—Collins' Record.**

Prominent London Liberals do not take seriously the charges made by Jeremiah Collins in the Toronto police court against John O'Gorman, formerly of this city, and they feel that when the case comes to trial it will be shown that the statements made by Collins regarding the London bye-election are without foundation.

It is quite significant, Liberals say, that although the election was held on June 13, 1905, the charge against O'Gorman was held back until the eve of the bye-elections in East Elgin and North Bruce, the object being, doubtless, to have an injurious effect on the Government candidates in those constituencies.

There is a good deal of indignation expressed at the idea of the case being sprung at a time when there would be no chance of getting at the truth of the matter before the bye-elections.

Collins has for many months been threatening to sue the Liberal organization for money which he claims to have spent in the election, but the managers of the Liberal party refused to pay any attention whatever to the matter. If Collins had any ground for action of any kind, they say, why did he not take it months ago, instead of waiting until the eve of polling?

**Two Arrests.**

Detectives Rider, Nickle and Eggleton, in accordance with warrants issued by the attorney-general of Ontario, Hon. Mr. Foy, this morning made two arrests in London in connection with the alleged corruption revelations regarding the Hyman-Gray election of 1905.

**SAD FATALITY  
AT PETROLEA****Mr. Archie Craig Struck by  
M. C. R. Train and  
Instantly Killed.**

Petrolea, Sept. 29.—Mr. Archie Craig, son of Canon Craig, of this town, and manager of the Molsons Bank at Dutton, was struck by express No. 27 and instantly killed last evening.

Mr. Craig was standing between the east and westbound tracks at the M. C. R. depot in conversation with Mr. Sifton, of Highgate, when the express struck him, hurling him a distance of 50 feet and killing him instantly.

Mr. Sifton made a desperate but unsuccessful effort to rescue Mr. Craig from danger, and in doing so narrowly escaped serious injury himself.

The coroner, Dr. G. W. Ling, and Drs. Cameron and McLachlan were immediately summoned and the body removed to B. J. Schultz's undertaking rooms, awaiting word from the relatives of the deceased at Petrolea.

Mr. Craig was one of the most prominent and highly respected residents of Dutton. He was formerly manager of the Molsons Bank at Highgate, but was transferred to Dutton about a year ago when the bank opened a branch there. His sudden death has cast a gloom over the village.

Mr. Craig was also well known and favorably known here in Petrolea, and his relatives will have the sympathy of the whole community in the great loss that they have sustained.

**MOBILE CITY A GREAT SUFFERER  
BY HURRICANE OF WEDNESDAY****Number of Dead in Vicinity of  
City 75—Property Loss  
Over \$4,000,000.**

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 29.—The number of dead in this city now numbers 75.

Mobile, Sept. 29.—Between 75 and 100 lives lost; fully two score vessels driven ashore or wrecked in various parts of the Gulf of Mexico; damage amounting to \$4,500,000 in the city of Mobile, and to several million at outside points, is the record of the storm which swept over Mobile on Wednesday and Wednesday night. No accurate estimate of the number of the casualties can be made yet, and it is doubtful if it will be made known for a week or more.

Grave apprehensions are being aroused in the situation in Gulfport, where it is thought many lives were lost. Reports from this point are meager.

It is declared by municipal officers that no lives were lost in Mobile, but all the deaths occurred in places within a radius of 50 miles of this place.

Fishing smacks and fishing boats were driven in great numbers on the shore and smashed.

The men taken into custody are George Ardy, of Brick street, and Wm. Serviss, of Wilson avenue, West London.

Both are charged with participation in the alleged bribing of West London voters.

The police stated that they had no more warrants to serve here, though they rather expected there would be more arrests before the day was past.

Collins has been known as a disgruntled Liberal for years, and local liberals declare that he attempted to blackmail them, and that they would not stand for it.

Collins' Record.

The record of the chief witness for the prosecution forms interesting reading.

Collins' chief claim to notoriety in the past has been his police court appearances, where he has been several times charged with wife-beating and assault occasioning bodily harm.

On April 30, 1902, he was charged with assaulting his wife.

On Sept. 2, 1902, a similar charge was laid against him.

May 29, 1904, he was charged with gambling and was fined \$20 and costs.

In the same year he was again charged with assaulting his wife, but the charge was withdrawn, the wife having patched up the trouble with him.

May 26, 1904, he was charged with a breach of the liquor license act, but the case could not be proven.

Sept. 22, 1904, he was again charged with assaulting his wife, but the latter withdrew the charge.

Jan. 9, 1905, he was charged by P. C. Smith with disorderly conduct, and was found guilty.

Know Nothing of It.

Mr. Daniel Wiley, of the custom house, was seen today, and he most emphatically denied any wrongdoing on his part in the bye-election of 1905.

Neither did he know anything of the wrongdoing alleged against others by Collins.

Mr. E. I. Sifton also denied in toto any connection with the alleged corrupt practices.

**TEAMSTERS MAY GO  
ON STRIKE AGAIN****Shedden Men Considering Latest  
Offer of Company of \$2 50  
Increase.**

There is again some uneasiness among the Shedden Company's teamsters in this city, and it was said today that a resumption of the strike is not an impossibility.

The two weeks given the company to decide the matter of an increase expired today, and the teamsters were notified that \$1 a month—an advance of \$2—was all that would be granted them.

This was not satisfactory to the men, and when the local foreman, Mr. Gray, was told that something better would have to be done, he undertook, on his own responsibility to secure an increase of \$2.

The teamsters are now considering whether they will accept this or strike for more.

CANADIAN NAMES IN LONDON.

London, Sept. 29.—The London County Council is introducing Canadian nomenclature in the renaming of the streets.

DIED IN CINCINNATI.

Ingersoll, Sept. 29.—Word has been received here of the death at Cincinnati, O., of Daniel Schell, a former resident of this town, at the advanced age of 92 years. The late Mr. Schell was for many years engaged in the mercantile business here, and was well known to the older residents.

**U. S. War Secretary Taft  
Takes Control of Cuba****Flag of Republic Still Floats—  
Terms of Proclamation  
Give Satisfaction.**

Havana, Sept. 29.—An American provisional government assumed possession of Cuba today when War Secretary Taft's proclamation declaring himself provisional governor of the island was formally issued.

The proclamation was published in the Official Gazette, and thousands of printed copies of the document were distributed in Havana and elsewhere.

The proclamation caused general satisfaction, especially on account of the moderate terms in which it was expressed. It states that the provisional government of Cuba is undertaken only on account of the necessities of the situation, and that the provisional government will be maintained purely for the purpose of restoring peace, order and public confidence until a government is established.

Good Intention.

No one appears inclined to doubt the good intentions of President Roosevelt and his representatives, and there is no apprehension of any serious trouble or resistance to the provisional government in any part of Cuba.

Governor Taft has not yet taken possession of the palace, but this is only because President Palma was not ready to vacate the official residence until Monday, and Mr. Taft desires to do whatever he can to suit Mr. Palma. No disturbance of any kind occurred last night. The business interests here are gratified at the change of government.

A striking feature of the provisional government is the fact that the Cuban flag has not been lowered. This establishes a precedent in provisional governments and protectorates. Governor Taft's proclamation was as follows:

The Proclamation.

"To the people of Cuba: The failure of Congress to act on the irrevocable resignation of the President of the Republic of Cuba, or to elect a successor, leaves the country without a government at a time when great disorder prevails, requires that pursuant

to the request of Mr. Palma, necessary steps be taken in the name and by the authority of the President of the United States to restore order and protect life and property in the island of Cuba and the islands and keys adjacent, and the establishing therein of a provisional government.

"The provisional government hereby established will be maintained only long enough to restore order, peace and public confidence by direction of and in the name of the President of the United States, and then to hold such meetings in which may be determined upon by those persons upon whom the permanent government of the republic should devolve."

A Cuban Government.

In so far as consistent with the nature of the provisional government established under the authority of the United States Government, this will be a Cuban government, conforming with the constitution of Cuba. The Cuban flag will be hoisted as usual over the government buildings of the island, all the executive departments and provisional and municipal governments, including that of the city of Havana, will continue to be administered as under the Cuban republic; the courts will continue to administer justice, and all the laws not in their nature inapplicable by reasons of the temporary and emergent character of the government will be in force.

A Last Resort.

"President Roosevelt has been most anxious to bring about peace under the constitutional government of Cuba, and he made every endeavor to avoid the present step. Longer delay, however, would be dangerous in view of the resignation of the cabinet.

"Until further notice the heads of all the departments of the central government will report to me for instructions, including General Alexander Rodriguez, in command of the rural guards and other regular government forces, and General Carlos Roloff, treasurer of Cuba. Until further notice the civil governors and alcaldes will also report to me for instructions.

I ask all citizens and residents of Cuba to assist me in the work of restoring order, tranquility and public confidence. (Signed) William H. Taft, secretary of war, United States, provisional governor of Cuba.

**AGED LADY RUN DOWN****Reckless Driving of Two Boys Results  
in Serious Accident.**

Mrs. McRoberts, of 480 St. James street, is suffering from serious injuries as the result of the reckless driving of a grocery wagon by two boys.

Mrs. McRoberts, who is over 75 years of age, was crossing St. James street, on Matland, when the boys came along at a furious pace. They shouted to her, but they did not give her time to reach a place of safety, and she was struck by the horse and run over.

The old lady's arm was broken and her hip was badly injured. Dr. Stevenson, her physician, says her case is quite serious.

The names of the boys in the wagon have been secured, and it is understood that prosecutions are to follow.

FIREMAN ANDERSON HURT

Badly Burned Under His Engine at  
Guelph Junction.

A Grand Trunk fireman named Anderson was badly burned while working under his locomotive at Guelph Junction this morning. He was removed to this city and taken to Victoria Hospital, where Dr. Drake attended to his injuries. He will recover. Anderson resides at 784 Grey street, city.

NO FAULT TO FIND

Engineer Reports on the Southwestern  
Traction Line.

Mr. R. J. Park, consulting engineer, Toronto, made a report on the railway and municipal board on the result of his inspection made at the request of the board, of the track and equipment of the Southwestern Traction Company's line from London to St. Thomas, a new electric line.

Mr. Park says that on the whole the system and equipment are high-class, and in safe condition for the handling of passengers and freight.

A few suggested improvements of a minor nature are embodied in the report, a copy of which has been forwarded to the head offices of the company at London, with the recommendation that the suggestions be carried out.

THE WEATHER

SUNDAY—GALES; COOLER.

The severe storm which was centered in the State of Mississippi last night has now reached Missouri. Its energy has diminished, but it still promises stormy weather in the lake region. The weather in Canada today has been nearly everywhere fine.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 14-40; Port Simpson, 40-50; Victoria, 42-52; Vancouver, 34-38; Edmonton, 34-56; Calgary, 34-54; Qu'Appelle, 34-56; Winnipeg, 50-60; Port Arthur, 33-64; Parry Sound, 42-70; Toronto, 42-58; Ottawa, 42-66; Montreal, 48-60; Quebec, 38-58; St. John, 50-60.

FOURCASTS.

Saturday, Sept. 29—3 a.m. Today—Strong winds and gales, east and south; rain.

Sunday—Rising winds and gales, shifting to northwest and north; becoming much cooler and clearing by evening.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. S. a. m. Weather.

Calgary. 39. 28. Cloudy.

Winnipeg. 34. 22. Clear.

Edmonton. 46. 44. Clear.

Port Arthur. 60. 58. Rain.

Toronto. 64. 58. Cloudy.

Ottawa. 60. 48. Cloudy.

Montreal. 52. 48. Cloudy.

Quebec. 46. 40. Cloudy.

Father Point. 46. 40. Cloudy.

WEATHER NOTES.

The tropical storm is now centered in Missouri. Its accompanying rain area has spread into Ontario, some very heavy rainfalls having occurred during the night. The winds have also increased to moderate gales in portions of the lake region. The outlook is stormy from the lakes to the Maritime Provinces.

FORMER LONDONER DEAD.

The death occurred in Toronto yesterday of Mr. Robert McMartin, a former well-known Londoner, and who was a brother of Mr. James McMartin, Mr. Duncan McMartin, of the local postoffice staff, and of the late Mr. John McMartin. The deceased was a resident of Toronto for the past fifteen years and was employed by the R. G. McLean Company, publishers. Interment will be in Toronto on Monday.

**BRIBERY CHARGE  
AGAINST LONDONER****Alleged to Have Been Practiced  
in London Elections.****JOHN O'GORMAN THE ACCUSED****A Warrant Issued on Information by  
Jerry Collins, Ex-Hotel-  
keeper.**

Toronto, Sept. 29.—John O'Gorman, of this city, formerly of London, was in the police court here this morning charged with attempted bribery in the London bye-election of June 13, 1905, rendered necessary by the appointment of Hon. C. S. Hyman as minister of public works. The warrant for O'Gorman was issued by Provincial Detective Rogers on information furnished by Jeremiah Collins, an ex-London hotelkeeper, the complaint reading as follows:

"That John O'Gorman, at present residing in the city of Toronto, with another and others to the said informant unknown, during and about the years 1904 and 1905, at the city of Toronto, in the county of York, in the province of Ontario, and at the city of London, in the county of Middlesex, in the said province, and at divers places in the same province, unlawfully and wilfully did conspire to give and promise to procure money for certain and divers voters in order to induce such voters to vote, to advance and pay and to cause to be advanced and paid money for the use of divers persons with the intent that such money should be expended in bribery and corrupt practices, to pay and cause to be paid money to divers persons in discharge of bribery and corrupt practices, to attempt to obtain at polling places information as to the candidate for whom voters voted, to communicate to divers persons information obtained at polling places at the elections of members of the Dominion Parliament and Ontario Legislature, hidden in the said years, contrary to the form of the statutes in such cases made and provided."

Collins the Chief Witness.

Collins was the principal witness today, and he was examined by E. A. Collins, Esq., counsel for the prosecution.

WORK ON TUNNEL  
IS NOW UNDER WAY

Windsor Firm Awarded Big Contract  
for Lumber.

Detroit, Sept. 29.—W. J. Pulling & Co., lumber merchants of Windsor, have been awarded the mammoth contract to supply all the lumber needed in the construction of the tunnel of the Michigan Central under the Detroit River.

This material, which comprises a variety of square and round timber, and two and three-inch plank, will probably run all the way from eight to ten million feet, one million of which, square timber and piling, is already being delivered.

Men are being hired for work on the Windsor side, and it is estimated that by Monday 125 men will be at work on the Windsor approach.

LONDON ELECTION CASE

Mr. George M. Reid Reports to Authorities at Toronto.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Sept. 29.—Mr. George M. Reid, of London, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the Collins charges, quietly walked into the police court this morning and asked that his case be taken up. He pleaded not guilty, and the hearing was adjourned until Monday.

Mr. Robinette objected to the indictment, claiming Mr. Reid could not be tried in Toronto, as he lived in London, and the alleged offense was committed there.

The magistrate overruled the objection, and said if it could not be proved that he committed any offense in Toronto, he could be committed for trial in London.

BROKE HIS NECK

Windsor Boy Killed by Falling from  
Lumber Wagon.

Windsor, Sept. 29.—Arnold Graves, 6 years old, was killed yesterday afternoon by falling from a lumber wagon. While returning from school he caught on the rear of a heavy truck, rode half a block, toppled off and died almost instantly from a broken neck.

STRANDED STEAMER RELEASED.

Sarnia, Sept. 29.—The Reid Wrecking Company's tug has succeeded in releasing the steamer Fritz from the head of Stag Island. The Fritz had about 3,000 tons of ore taken out before she could be floated.

SARNIA WANTS TEACHERS.

Sarnia, Sept. 29.—The Sarnia board of education are having trouble in securing teachers for the Collegiate Institute and public schools to fill vacancies caused by the resignations of several teachers. Unless teachers are secured in the near future some of the classes may have to be dismissed until the vacancies are filled.

**DISCREDITABLE MEANS USED  
TO GAIN PARTY ADVANTAGES****Toronto Globe Strictures on  
Belated London Election  
Charges.**

Toronto Globe: On the face of it, the investigating of a London election case before a Toronto police magistrate, the time selected for it, and the spectacular features of it, will suggest to the public the game of politics, not the administration of justice. Why alleged offenses of London election campaigns, about which such threats were made last year, should now be suddenly pressed to public notoriety, when the only evident occasion is a federal bye-election in East Elgin, may be understood by party politicians who know the kind of campaign that is being conducted in Elgin and the need there may be for more scandal arguments. But that does not explain why the Provincial Attorney-General's department should appear to lend itself to the exigencies of reckless politicians. The truth or the falseness of the story told in the police court cannot be ascertained until after the bye-election campaign is over. The effect which it is calculated to have on the public mind in that constituency cannot be met by any disproof which may subsequently be offered. That was doubtless the reason for the performance at the police court yesterday. And that may all be in accordance with the rules of the political game. But for the department of justice in this Province to connive at such a political dodge, or to allow party politicians to play fast and loose with the administration of justice, is an entirely different matter. And Mr. Robinette was justified in the protest he made against what seemed to him the prostitution of justice to the ends of party politics.

The electors of East Elgin will have too much respect for themselves and for what is just and right to come to any conclusion as to the merits of this election story or to allow it to prejudice their minds. The fair-minded man will resent the attempt to win party advantage by the discreditable means which this carefully-timed investigation suggests."

THIRD DEATH FROM  
THE GUELPH WRECK

Brakeman Andrews, of London,  
Succumbs to Injuries Re-  
ceived a Week Ago.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Guelph, Sept. 29.—Brakeman Frank Andrews, who was injured in the G. T. R. Guelph wreck on Saturday morning last, passed away at the General Hospital here at 2:30 this morning. His mother, Mrs. G. Andrews, Ottawa, together with his wife, and his sister, Mrs. F. E. Clarke, 897 Lorne avenue, London, were at his bedside when he died. They arrived here soon after the accident and have since been staying with Mr. J. T. Forberg, the local Grand Trunk agent, in whose home they have experienced every attention.

Deceased's father, Mr. George Andrews, who is employed in connection with the Government printing bureau at Ottawa, was not able to reach here until 12:30 today. The body is being sent to London this afternoon for interment, and will be accompanied by the friends here.

This makes the third death resulting from the accident. Engineer Farley, of Palmerston, was killed at his post, and Fireman Bright, of the freight, from Hamilton, afterwards succumbed to his injuries.

Engineer Reid, of the freight, the only surviving victim is progressing rapidly toward recovery at the General Hospital.

The same C. P. R. train which brought the father to Guelph from Ottawa today, also brought the body of Mrs. J. H. Waldman, who died from burns and other injuries received in the Wabash wreck at Danville, Ill. The husband remained at Danville with his children, two of whom are in a very critical condition. The third, a little son, is recovering.

SLANDER SUIT AT INGERSOLL.

Ingersoll, Sept. 29.—Col. Hegler, K.C., is counsel for Fred Dutton, baker and confectioner, in suits for \$1,000 each for slander, in which Stewart Crawford and J. Brooks are defendants. They were formerly employed as bakers in the plaintiff's shop, and it is alleged that they circulated false reports about the plaintiff's financial standing, which seriously affected his business.

THE WATER QUESTION.

President White introduced the subject as one of vital importance to the people, which it is well to discuss freely. He called on Mr. Moore for an explanation of the water commission submitted to the water commission on Wednesday night.

After going into the figures once again, Mr. Moore said that the separate fire-fighting scheme would have an advantage over lake schemes in that almost any pressure desired could be secured at the hydrants, so that fire could be fought at all times, with tremendous streams of water.

If the separate fire-fighting scheme was installed, the present spring water plant would have to be maintained at about the present cost—no less, anyway.

Mr. Moore also said that the supply of spring water is scarcely sufficient at present to supply the domestic needs of the city. To meter the city it would cost about \$200,000, as each meter is worth about \$15 or \$20, and there are the commissioners and assist them in

convincing the people of the fact that the water to be used in the motion, which was proposed by Philip Pocock, seconded by Ed Towe, was finally withdrawn, as some of the members stated that it looked like a reflection on the commission.

The speakers included Sir John Carling, Superintendent Moore (of the waterworks department), Chairman Darch, Commissioner Saunders, ex-Commissioner J. W. Pocock, ex-Ald. Stevely, A. B. Greer and others.

Among those present were: President White, ex-Ald. Samuel Stevely, Campbell Hecker, Sir John Carling, Commissioner Saunders, ex-Commissioner J. W. Pocock, U. A. Buchner, John Weld, T. A. Stevens, Philip Pocock, Thos. Bryan, W. D. G. Wright, A. A. Langford, Ald. Stevenson, W. W. Thompson, A. E. Welch, Superintendent Moore, J. I. A. Hunt, Dr. Tanton, V. S. C. W. Maguire, Capt. W. J. Reid, A. B. Greer, George B. Gerrard, Ed Towe, Mr. Arkell, and others.

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Favors Increasing Present Supply by Acquiring Water Available Near Springbank.

HE water commissioners of the city of London, having obtained expert evidence that a plentiful supply of spring water can be added to the present supply, therefore this board is of the opinion that the said commission should immediately take steps to collect the said waters, and that a vote of the people authorizing the necessary expenditures be taken before the 1st of January, 1907."

The board of trade met last night, and adopted the above resolution, which was moved by U. A. Buchner, seconded by A. E. Welch.

The vote was unanimous, it appearing to be the desire of the board to put it up to the commissioners to secure more water, Messrs. Saunders and Darch having stated that they had the figures of experts to show that there is plenty of water down the river to supply the city for many years if it is collected and brought to Springbank.

"If you have plenty of water and plenty of money, why do you not go ahead and get water, and not have the people with their tongues hanging out all summer?" Mr. A. B. Greer asked Commissioner Saunders.

The question was loudly applauded, and it appeared to express the feeling of the meeting.

Left To Commissioners.

An attempt was made to have a committee, composed of Sir John Carling, ex-Mayor Little, ex-Ald. Stevely and President White, of the board, act with the commissioners and assist them in