

CINNAMON CHOSEN PRESIDENT RETAIL HARDWARE ASSOCIATION

Officers Selected for Year
at Meeting Held This
Morning.

TORONTO NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

Looks as Though Queen City
Will Win Out for the Con-
vention of 1911.

At the morning session of the Retail Hardware Dealers' Association convention, Mr. D. Cinnamon, of Lindsay, was elected president on the first ballot, over Mr. Russell C. Chown, Belleville, who becomes first vice-president.

The complete executive is as follows:
President—Mr. D. Cinnamon, Lindsay.
First Vice-President—Mr. R. C. Chown, Belleville.
Second Vice-President—Mr. M. S. Madole, Napanee.
Treasurer—Mr. John Cusler, Toronto, re-elected.
Secretary—Mr. Weston Wrigley, Toronto.

Executive—Messrs. J. W. Ecclestone, Bracebridge; Bell, of Beeton; Macpherson, Prescott; Bennett, Gananoque; Clark, Niagara Falls; Occomore, Guelph; Blackmore, St. Thomas; C. W. Conn, Tillsonburg; R. Adolph, Listowel.

The Vice-Presidency.
The nominating committee brought in a report last evening, naming Mr. Cinnamon and Mr. Chown for the presidency, the defeated candidate to become first vice-president. This order prevailed. Mr. Chown announced to his friends that he preferred to hide his time and the election of Mr. Cinnamon today was a mere matter of form.

When the ballot was announced there was great cheering, and the candidates were called on for speeches. Mr. Brocklebank introduced the newly-elected officers, and then the "bunch" enjoyed a singing festivity. (Continued on Page Eight.)

OXFORD WILL PAY \$1,500 TO BATTLER'S FAMILY

Death Was Caused by Collapse of a
County Bridge.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Woodstock, Feb. 10.—The committee appointed to inquire into the building accident which happened last fall on the town line, between Oxford and Waterloo, and by which a threshing engine went through the bridge causing the death of Isaac Battler, handed in its report to the Oxford County council, recommending that the bereaved family be paid \$1,500 in full of all claims against the council. This recommendation was adopted.

THE INSURANCE BILL

Representatives of Men Who Buy in
Canada Before Committee.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 10.—Representatives of the men who buy insurance in Canada began their session this morning. Mr. Amle Gouffier, representing people who insure with reciprocals, and speaking for other insurance buyers outside the New England mutuals, said that the insurance companies had condemned clause 129. He would also do so. They had said that such risk may be insured, and any loss incurred in such company, underwriter or persons do not, in Canada, solicit or advertise for insurance.

"Notwithstanding anything herein, any person may insure any property situated within Canada with any foreign unlicensed insurance company or underwriter, or with persons who reciprocally insure for protection only, and not for profit, and such risk may be insured, and any loss incurred in such company, underwriter or persons do not, in Canada, solicit or advertise for insurance."

The fact that an unlicensed insurer solicits or advertises in Canada for insurance shall not affect the validity of any insurance contract made with such unlicensed insurer, but shall subject him, his agent, representatives, inspectors or adjusters to the penalties provided for in section 70 of this act.

SEASON OF LENT IS INAUGURATED

Ash Wednesday Observed in R. C.
Church of London.

The season of Lent was inaugurated in the Catholic churches of the world yesterday, Ash Wednesday.

In the local churches the ashes of the palms, blessed on Palm Sunday, were placed on the foreheads of the congregation at the altar rail.

The season will conclude with Easter, and in the meantime all Catholics will abstain from some pleasure. The Lenten regulations provide for persons who are unable to keep the rules on account of hard work, youth or age.

At St. Peter's Cathedral last evening, Benediction was given, followed by a short instruction by Rev. Father Asward.

Devotions will be held each Wednesday and Friday evening during Lent. Lenten services were also held in the Anglican churches of the city yesterday.

CHARCOT BACK FROM SOUTH POLE HUNT

French Explorer, However, Re-
fuses to Talk of Results of
Expedition.

Buenos Ayres, Feb. 10.—The captain of the steamer Sud, which arrived at Punta Arenas today, reports that the Antarctic exploring steamer Pourquoi anchored at Port Gallant.

Dr. J. M. Charcot refused any information concerning the results of the French South Polar expedition.

THROWN FROM RIG SEIZED STREET CAR

Alex. McArthur, of Westminster,
Dragged Several Blocks.

MAN PAINFULLY HURT

Mr. McArthur's Pluck Alone Saved
Him From Death—Accident in
South London.

Mr. Alex. McArthur, who lives in Westminster Township, just south of the city, was painfully injured while driving home a few evenings ago, when his car upset near the Grand Trunk bridge on the Wharncliffe road and threw him out against a street car.

Mr. McArthur caught hold of the side of the car and it is stated, was dragged as far as Victor street before the car was stopped. He was taken to Dr. Cowan's office and his injuries were found to consist of a number of serious bruises, and a severe shaking up.

Mr. McArthur has been confined to his bed ever since the accident, but it is expected that he will be around again shortly.

THREE MONSTER ENGINES FOR GRAND TRUNK

Big Fellows Just Arrived Will
Be Run Between Toronto
and Sarnia.

Three of the monster new freight Moguls of the Grand Trunk arrived in the city yesterday, and have been placed on the service between Toronto and Sarnia, via London. The new engines are numbered 626, 627 and 628, and each will haul 80 cars at a speed of 30 miles an hour. They are of the consolidated type, and are supposed to be most economical on coal. The first of the new Mogul compounds of the 1,900 type went through from Toronto to Sarnia over the old main line this morning, making the trip in 100 minutes, a maximum hauling power. The engines are the first of a consignment of 50 that will be put on the middle division in the course of the next few weeks.

SEINE STILL RISING.

Paris, Feb. 10.—The River Seine has risen 71-2 inches in the 24 hours' ending at noon today. A further rise of 10 inches by tomorrow noon is predicted. At a cabinet meeting today Premier Briand expressed the opinion that all necessary measures of precaution had been begun and there was no occasion for uneasiness.

CITY ASKS INCREASED POWERS TO CURB THE SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Municipalities Wait on Premier and Ask for More Power to Deal
With Weight of Bread and Other Important Matters—
Mayor Beattie Home From a Trip to Toronto.

The city of London bill will be considered by the Ontario Government on Wednesday next.

At the same time the deputation from the Western University will be presented to Sir James Whitney, and they will ask for a substantial grant to the university.

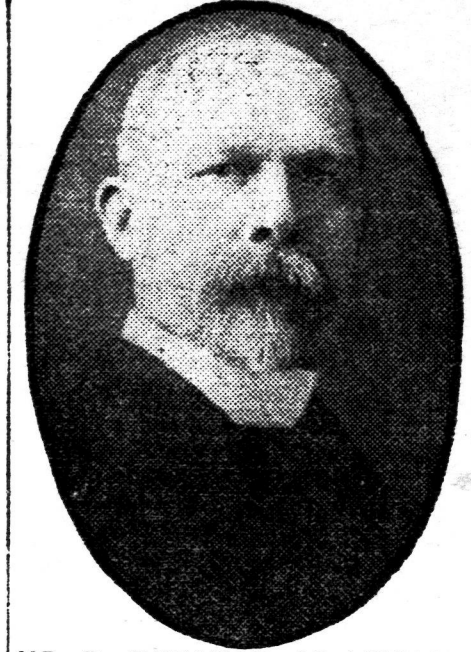
A meeting of the municipalities interested in septic tanks will be held on the following day.

Mayor Beattie has just returned from Toronto, where he completed the above-mentioned arrangements, and, incidentally, attended a meeting of the executive of the Union of Canadian Municipalities.

The executive interviewed the Government, suggesting many changes in the government of municipalities. They asked for more power, to regulate signs, weight of bread, and also power to deal with all mad-dog scares.

City of London Bill.

The city of London was, of course, more directly interested in the London bill, and the Western University. They were hoping to have an information regarding the city of London bill, the one deputation could serve both purposes. So we will all go to Toronto on Wednesday next. I do not anticipate any discussion on our request for power to modify the estimates of the board of education, if necessary, but I



MR. D. CINNAMON, OF LINDSAY,
A Very Popular Delegate, This Morning
Elected to the Presidency of the
Retail Hardware Association.

WRIT HAS BEEN ISSUED BECAUSE OF GASOLINE

A Peculiar Case in the County
Court Between Local
Parties.

A writ has been issued in the county court office by Frederick A. Fitzgerald, Albert E. Fitzgerald, Wilbur L. Fitzgerald against the Scott Manufacturing Company, of York street.

The plaintiffs have entered a claim against the defendants for an injunction to restrain them from negligently and unlawfully keeping a store of gasoline in excessive quantities in such a manner as to be a nuisance and a menace to the plaintiffs' lives and property. There is also a claim for \$150 for costs, and if this amount is paid within 10 days of the issuance of the writ, further action will be stayed.

The Scott factory is at the rear of the Fitzgerald residence on King street.

NO REPORT FROM CHIPMAN AS YET

City is Waiting to Hear More About
the Sewers.

No report from Engineer Willis Chipman on the sewer system of the city has been received as yet.

It was expected that the report would have been submitted long before this, but Mr. Chipman has been delayed in the work.

However, it will be along in a few days it is thought—in plenty of time to be considered at the next meeting of the council.

What the report will contain can only be guessed at, but it is certain to include a recommendation that a storm sewer system be installed to take care of the surface water, that is now being poured into the hygienic sewers.

BAGGAGE CAR WAS ON FIRE

Caught From a Stub—Firemen Had a
Run to G. T. R. Station.

The fire department had a run to the Grand Trunk station at 8 o'clock this morning. A baggage car had caught fire presumably from a cigar stub. The damage was slight.

SPRING WORK FOR THE MILITARY FORCES

The course of spring work for the military forces in this district is being prepared by Col. Hodgins, D. O. C., and will shortly be completed.

Col. Hodgins is the most active officer in the service, and one of his strong points is tactical manœuvres of all kinds, and military men are looking forward to a vigorous season's work.

Septic Tank Question.

"On Thursday we will consider the question of septic tanks. It will be remembered that the Cameron Company, of Chicago, filed a claim against us, as well as many other municipalities, last year, asking for royalty rights on septic tanks now in use, or in course of construction. After many meetings, we took the matter up with the Ontario Government. The whole question has been investigated by the Government, and a report will be presented on Thursday next.

The impression seemed to prevail that the Government would insist on a compromise, as there was some foundation for the claim of the company. It was also stated that an opinion had been presented, to the effect that the claim of the company was groundless. However, I am not prepared to state what will be the outcome, but on Thursday next we will go into the whole matter, and make a thorough investigation.

Grant for the Western.

"There was no other business transacted of vital interest to London. We are hopeful of obtaining a large grant for the Western. The university is worthy of support, and when the big deputation is presented to Sir James Whitney, I am certain he will agree with us and make us a grant."

The retail hardware convention banquet tonight in the Tecumseh House and will deliver an address.

JOKERS CALLED OUT BRIGADE POLICE AND FIREMEN ON SCENE

Delegates to the Convention Being Held in This City Sent in a
False Alarm—Patrol Wagon Full of Police Were on the
Job—Chief Aitken Says He Would Have Liked
to Have Carried the Joke Further.

There are some practical jokers among the delegates to the convention in the city, and they pulled one over the fire department and the police yesterday.

When the banquet of the Builders' Exchange had ended, and as the gentlemen were retiring, they were joined by some adventurous spirits. It is said, they proceeded to a certain hotel, where the majority of them were staying.

While the clerks were busy placing the men in the rooms, one of the reckless chaps picked up the telephone, and called out every bit of fire-fighting apparatus in the city, saying that there was a big fire at the hotel. To give a touch of realism to the affair, the ambulance was called.

It was loaded with five policemen, and they made great haste in getting to the scene of the alleged disaster. When they arrived, all was peaceful except for the subjects of the joke, the jokersmiths. The doors were opened, but when the chief of the fire department arrived inside all was quiet, except that a couple of stragglers who were waiting for food in the words of the poet, the rest of the gang "beat it."

Too Much Joke.

"You would have thought half the city was killed," said Fire Chief Aitken. "We had all the apparatus out, and the police ambulance was there also. If the policemen had arrived as early as we did we would have carried the joke by taking the bunch to the police station. It was a joke, but we did not appreciate it any too well."

A Real Run.

The fire brigade had a real run about 8:15 last evening. A lamp exploded in a room of the residence of Mrs. E. Lamond, 113 Colborne street. The fire ran along a partition, setting the roof ablaze. It was extinguished with a chemical. The loss will be about \$50.

Struck Another Rig.

Cavanaugh shouted for him to let go, which he finally did. Gathering speed with every step the horses dashed down toward the market, and in front of the Bank of British North America, on the market corner, they struck a grocery store belonging to William Wylie, of London Township.

The impact was so terrific that the horses were thrown into the air and turned a complete somersault before they alighted, falling directly on their backs. The sleigh to which they were attached was also thrown through the air and alighted on top of them, pinning them securely to the ground.

It was with great difficulty that they were extricated.

The horses were badly shaken, and the sleigh considerably damaged, but otherwise no serious results followed.

DOG MUZZLES ARE IN DEMAND PEOPLE PREPARING FOR SEIGE

Orders Are Pouring In From All Parts of the District—Some
Dealers Are Already Sold Out—"It's an Ill Wind
That Blows Nobody Good."

Local wholesale and retail hardware dealers report an unprecedented demand for muzzles due to the recent order of the authorities calling for the muzzling of dogs.

Orders for muzzles are pouring in from all parts of the district in which the Government order applies, and it will be some days before the demands of the trade can be met with, as in many instances only a small stock of muzzles has been carried.

Sold Out.

"We are completely sold out already," one dealer told The Advertiser, "and we have orders in now for hundreds of muzzles. Quite a few dealers are also ordering quantities of dog-chains and collars."

So far the instructions to inspectors to dispose of all dogs found running at large have not been received from headquarters. They are expected to arrive, however, at any time.



MR. F. BROCKLEBANK,
Retiring President of the Ontario Retail Hardware Dealers' Association.

FEET FROZEN WALKING WINNIPEG TO NORTH BAY

English Youth May Lose Both
Feet as Result of Exposure.

North Bay, Feb. 10.—George Nelson, 17 years old, is in the hospital here with both feet so badly frozen they will have to be amputated. Nelson, who came out from England four years ago, and worked for a time for a farmer near Ottawa, arrived here a few days ago from Winnipeg, having walked most of the way. He did not know what was wrong with his feet and hung about until gangrene set in. He is penniless and friendless.

Compass Whist Tonight.

An open-to-all game of compass whist will be played tonight at the Tecumseh Club rooms, at 8:30 sharp.

FIRST MOVE IN PROVINCE TOWARDS A PASTEUR INSTITUTE

Ontario Government Contributes Funds for Preliminaries Necessary
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This work is essential as a preliminary. All the appliances and materials necessary for the treatment of rabies must be in full working order before any quarters will be of any use, and as soon as this can be done, arrangements will be made for the apartments in one of the hospitals for patients who have been bitten by dogs, with a view to having more permanent quarters in the proposed new hospital on College street.

Muzzling Regulations.
Dr. Hodgkins, of the provincial board of health, who has been given charge of this matter, is sending out the regulations to be enforced by the county officers for the muzzling of all dogs.

A circular accompanying these states that when dogs have bitten people or go mad they should be captured alive, if possible, and the head severed and packed in ice and forwarded to Dr. Amory, provincial analyst, at Toronto. If the head can reach Toronto within 24 hours in warm weather or 48 hours in winter. The circular states that hydrophobia usually develops in a dog 18 hours after it is bitten by another mad dog, and the dog usually dies within a few days. The purpose of sending the head to the department in Toronto is to determine whether or not the dog had rabies.

TEAM OF HORSES ON WILD RUN END IN MIX-UP ON THE MARKET

Sensational Runaway of Animals Owned by Mr. Wm. Moyer, of
London Township—Became Frightened at an Auto-
mobile on Talbot Street Today.

One of the most sensational runaways seen in the city in many months occurred on the market square this morning shortly before noon.

Mr. Wm. Moyer, of London Township, the owner of the team, accompanied by Mr. Ed. Cavanaugh, had just delivered a load of hay at Mr. A. J. Clark's grocery, on Richmond street, and was returning along Talbot, when the horses became frightened at a passing automobile, near Albert, and reared violently to one side, the sleigh striking against a telephone pole.

This further frightened the animals, and they dashed to the other side of the road, striking another post, and overturning the rig, throwing both the driver and passenger to the ground.

Mr. Moyer still had the lines in his hands when he fell and held on gallantly, but the horses were travelling at a terrific speed and dragging him along with them.

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Water for the Dog

A London lady, a dog-lover, suggests that any people who are shouting the danger of rabies, could overcome a great deal of the trouble by keeping the animals supplied with drinking water during the winter season, when everything is frozen up.

Everything has been frozen hard for weeks now, and many "tramp" dogs are unable to get a drink.

This is enough to drive any animal mad, but the whole difficulty can be avoided by a little care.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—MILDER.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Feb. 10-8 a.m. decidedly West to north winds; fine and cold.

Friday—Easterly winds, rising temperatures and cloudy, with light snowfalls.

Stations. 8 a.m. M. Weather.

Calgary 26 -20 Fair
Edmonton 20 -20 Clear
Port Arthur 10 -20 Clear
Perry Sound 28 -11 Clear
Ottawa 38 8 Clear
Quebec 38 6 Snow
Montreal 32 14 Snow
Father Point 22 12 Snow
Minus (—) means below zero.

The Brunswick, and the western high, have moved eastward to Quebec, where it is milder again. There has been a heavy snowfall in Quebec, and a light fall over most of Ontario.

WEDNESDAY'S WEATHER.
Toronto, Feb. 9-3 p.m.—Light snows and a falling temperature marked the weather in Canada yesterday, except in Alberta, where it is milder again.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 22-37; Dawson, 20 below-11 below; Victoria, 28-48; Vancouver, 34-40; Edmonton, 6-30; Calgary, 4-32; Prince Albert, 18 below-5; Moosejaw, 4-15; Qu'Appelle, 2 below-4; Winnipeg, 22 below-10 below; Port Arthur, 4 below-10; Perry Sound, 6-28; Toronto, 22-38; Ottawa, 18-28; Montreal, 24-38; Quebec, 12-22; St. John, 4-20; Halifax, 4-20.

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AUSTRALIA LAUNCHES THE FIRST OF ITS OWN WARSHIP FLEET

The Torpedo Destroyer Parramatta Takes the Waters at Govan
Scotland, Being Cristered by Wife of the
British Premier.

London, Feb. 9.—The first unit of the Australian navy, I hope you Parramatta, God bless you! May you uphold the glorious traditions of the British navy in the dominions overseas.

The Parramatta is a torpedo boat destroyer of the first class, of river class, and registered 700 tons.

INQUEST NOT NECESSARY SAY THE AUTHORITIES

Death of Mrs. Eldridge on C. P.
R. Train Was Purely
Accidental.

The Toronto authorities decided that an inquest was unnecessary in the death of Mrs. M. L. Eldridge, who was found dead in one of the coaches of the C. P. R. Ottawa express when it arrived in Toronto yesterday morning.

Mrs. Copner, of 373 Central avenue, mother of Mrs. Eldridge, went down to Toronto last night, and will bring the remains to this city, where funeral arrangements will be made. Mr. Eldridge was notified of his wife's death, and is expected in the city this evening from Ottawa. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

GREAT CROWD WATCHES ARRIVAL OF ASQUITH

First Meeting of Cabinet at Downing
Street Cause of Much
Curiosity.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
London, Feb. 10.—The unusual interest attaching to today's meeting of the cabinet was evidenced by the crowd which thronged Downing street to watch the arrival of the ministers at the residence of Premier Asquith. It was necessary to summon a special squad of police to clear the approach to the house, but there was nothing in the nature of a demonstration indicating either of support or opposition to the Government.

The ministers attended in force including Herbert John Maudslowe, who today took leave of his colleagues preparatory to assuming his new post as Governor-General of United South Africa. Today's meeting was not prolonged greatly beyond the ordinary duration, the ministers dispersing after a two hours' conference.

The cabinet will meet tomorrow to complete the redistribution of the portfolios and to perfect the Government programme, following which it is stated that Premier Asquith will submit his proposals to the King at Brighton.

FIRE AT LANCASTER, PA.

Business Centre Suffers Damage of
Nearly Half a Million.

Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 10.—A fire which threatened the business centre of Lancaster today caused damage estimated at \$400,000. It started with an explosion, presumably of gunpowder in the hardware store of Reilly Bros. & Raub, and this establishment was destroyed, as were also several other stores and the lodge rooms of George H. Thomas, Post 205, G. A. R., the Regimental Officers and Knights of the Golden Eagles. Several employees of the hardware store were injured by the explosion, but none seriously.

TERRIFIC BLIZZARD HITS QUEBEC CITY

Levis Ferryboat Carried Far Out of
Her Course.

Quebec, Feb. 10.—A heavy snowstorm has been prevailing here for the past 24 hours, severely interfering with railway and ferry traffic. The ferry Polaris, attempting to cross from Levis last night was caught in the ice, and carried down the river as far as St. Joseph, Levis, where it stuck fast. The passengers, 23 in number, were taken off safely. The Polaris arrived back in port this morning none the worse for her experience.

MONTREAL TO HAVE POLICE COMMISSION

The Present Head of the Force Is
Slated for Dismissal.

Montreal, Feb. 10.—One of the first acts of the new civic management is expected to be the creation of a police commission, of which it is said Chief Detective Carpenter will be a member, with two judges the others. The likelihood of the police force being reformed at the head of police is remote, owing to the unfortunate position that all before the royal commission, as well as owing to the general weakness of his administration.