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Tomorrow's Weather—A Little Warmer.

WEEK WAS A TRIUMPH FOR ASQUITH AND THE LIBERALS

T. P. O'Connor Comments on British Premier's Dublin Visit—Feared Tragedy Through Suffragettes—Opposition to the Insurance Act Rapidly Disappearing.

[Special to The Advertiser by T. P. O'Connor.]

London, July 20.—Premier Asquith's tremendous reception in Dublin overshadows all the other events of the week. Even the attempts to attack him by the suffragettes only serve to bring into greater relief the extraordinary enthusiasm of the welcome by Ireland, and would have been much worse if it had not been for the sleepless vigilance and great organizing genius of Joseph Devlin.

The enthusiasm of the gathering with the desire of the people to approach Asquith and shake his hand in an affectionate welcome exposed him and John Redmond to greater peril, as the police escorts were unable to protect adequately these precious lives.

If anything serious had happened a prompt lynching on the spot probably would have added another tragedy, for Ireland has no tolerance for viragoes.

A TRIUMPH.

But everything passed off without any hitch, except these two futile attempts, and everybody is relieved. The visit marks the culmination of a week's triumph for the future.

The crushing victory of the Liberals in the three-cornered fight in Hanley has given an extraordinary impetus to the home rule cause. The haunting danger of an unbroken succession of bad by-election defeats now is laid forever, and the course is clear for the passage of the bill by the end of November in the House of Commons, and a quicker and more certain passage the second and third time, if the House of Lords persists in the rejection of the bill.

ULSTER THREATS PALL.

Even the Ulster threats are beginning to pall, although the unscrupulous appeals to religious bigotry and civil war continue. The comparative quietude of the celebrations on the Twelfth of July was a hopeful signal, though two thousand workmen, Catholic and Liberal Protestants, are still excluded from working in the Belfast shipyards.

The Liberals now hope to follow the victory at Hanley by a similar victory at Crewe, where a second three-cornered fight still goes on.

THE INSURANCE ACT.

This week has seen also the beginning of the great new epoch brought about by the insurance act, and all signs point to the immediate and almost universal success of the measure.

A small labor dispute on the docks in Liverpool, which was hailed by the Unionists as a great defeat for the measure, collapsed after twenty-four hours, and the rebellious duchesses with their threats of passive resistance and the dismissal of the servants only aggravated and amused the masses of the people.

It is plain now that the high tide against the insurance bill has spent itself, and though the dispute with the doctors still is unsettled, the act promises to work smoothly. The success of this act will bring a great accession to the voting strength of the Liberal party when the benefits begin to flow.

SOME CROAKERS.

Some croakings from one or two of the prominent Radical journalists break the general harmony in the Liberal ranks. These chiefly are due to the alarmist reports as to further gigantic demands for millions by Winston Churchill for the navy. Some even went to the length of prophesying that Lloyd George's resignation was imminent, and that there were threats of a big Radical revolution. These apprehensions are grossly exaggerated, though all of the Liberals look with certain anxiety toward Winston Churchill's speech of the naval programme next Monday, but the present impression is that Churchill's demands, though showing renewed anxiety with regard to the latest increases in the German navy, will not make too great a strain on Lloyd George's loyalty to the ministry or the loyalty of the bulk of the Liberals to their party.

WIFE LEFT HER HUSBAND AND CAME TO CANADA

Woman Took Her Six Children and Fled From Old Land.

Inspector Sanders, of the Charity Organization Society, frequently meets with cases where women coming to this city from the old lands desert their wives, but this week he located a case where a woman took her six children and deserted her husband in England because he abused her.

"The man always leaves the children," said the inspector, "but the woman never leaves the child."

The woman in the case referred to has been in the city for some time and is doing her best to support her large family.

Mr. Sanders says that the number of cases of wife desertion coming to light in London and the district is growing to an alarming size.

BODY LASHED TO SPAR CLOSE TO LINER'S GRAVE

Remains May Have Been Those of Titanic Disaster Victim.

[Canadian Press.] Philadelphia, July 20.—The body of a man lashed to a spar, with his fingers grasping the ropes, was sighted floating in the ocean about seventeen miles from the scene of the Titanic disaster by the British steamship Hudson, which just arrived here. The body was unrecognizable.

In addition, the Hudson reported the presence of a great quantity of ice in the direct path of the northern steamship lines, and when the spar was sighted two large bergs were floating nearby.

WAS BREAD BUTTERED WITH RAT POISON?

Toronto Woman Charged With Attempting to Poison Three Children.

[Canadian Press.] Toronto, July 20.—Mrs. Alice Parkes, Glenwood avenue, North Toronto, was taken into custody last night on a charge of attempting to poison three children of Richard Whittaker with bread buttered with a widely advertised rat poison. The children refused to eat it and threw it to some chickens which died after partaking of it. Mr. Whittaker complained to Mayor Brown, who ordered the woman taken into custody.



EMPEROR OF JAPAN, Who Is Dying in His Palace at Tokio.

GIVEN TWENTY-ONE DAYS FOR STEALING A RIDE

Two Sports From the Windsor Races Are Delayed in Transit.

John Murphy and John Sowick, two men who claim to hail from Winnipeg, were caught riding a freight train on the C. P. R. between Windsor and this city Friday evening, and were taken into custody by Canadian Pacific Detective Joseph Holding. They appeared before Police Magistrate Judd this morning and explained that they were going from the Windsor races back to Quebec. The trip was delayed 21 days, however, in default of payment of \$10 fines.

John Brophy was convicted of drunkenness and vagrancy, and was treated to the same medicine.

William Austin, a young East Londoner who believes himself to be possessed of a degree of pugilistic skill, was taken into custody Friday night at the Queen's Park Hotel, charged with disorderly conduct. His companion, in trouble got away from the officer so the case was adjourned for a week. In the meantime Austin was released on \$50 bail.

The arrest was made by P. C. Albert Cox, a young Englishman who was sworn in as a policeman on Friday. While on his way to the station in the evening wearing his uniform, his attention was attracted to the Queen's Park Hotel, where he endeavored to take Austin and another man into custody. A row followed in which the second party got away, but Cox maintained a firm hold on Austin.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS. New York, July 20.—Arrived: Kaiser Franz Joseph I, from Naples; Principe di Piemonte, Naples. Liverpool, July 20.—Arrived: Cedric, from New York; Corsican, from Montreal.



HON. WILLIAM PATERSON, Former Minister of Customs, Who Is Seriously Ill at Ottawa.

MR. M'COY DIED 16 YEARS AGO

Story of Application for Relief Received in New York Grows Complicated.

MRS. M'COY EXPLAINS

Is of the Opinion That Her Mother-in-Law Wrote a Letter Which Bears Mrs. S. C. McCoy's Signature.

The publication of an article in The Advertiser Friday concerning what purported to be the application of Mrs. Samuel C. McCoy for a portion of the fund collected by the Titanic relief committee of New York City for the benefit of those who lost relatives in the great disaster, and of the death a few days ago of the applicant, developed an interesting phase today when it was learned that the lady's husband had never returned to visit Ireland, and that he died in this city sixteen years ago.

The matter was brought to the attention of the local authorities when inquiries were made by the secretary of the Titanic relief committee at New York City, concerning a letter signed Mrs. McCoy, of 7 Dean street, London, in which application was made for a share of the fund on the ground that her husband had perished when his vessel foundered. The passenger lists did not contain Y. T. McCoy's name, so it was decided to investigate before paying anything.

Mrs. McCoy's Explanation. An Advertiser reporter called on Friday at the home of Mrs. McCoy, jun., daughter-in-law of the old lady whose husband was supposed to have been drowned, and was told by Mrs. McCoy that her mother-in-law had died only Wednesday last in Port Huron. The Dean street lady explained that her father-in-law had gone to County Tyrone, Ireland, to visit, that he had written a letter home stating that he had reserved passage on the Titanic, and that his relatives were convinced that he had died on the ship, because nothing had since been heard of him.

Later a gentleman who had officiated as a pallbearer at the old gentleman's funeral at Woodland Cemetery sixteen years ago, shed further light on the circumstances of his demise. Mrs. McCoy was accordingly again interviewed by The Advertiser today, and stated that she had talked the matter over with her husband Friday night, and that she had discovered that her father-in-law had in reality died sixteen years ago. Mrs. McCoy today stated that she had heard her mother-in-law talk of making application for relief, but that she had paid no attention to her because of her advanced age.

Neither had Mrs. McCoy, sen., been in London for the past two years, said her daughter-in-law this morning. She was an invalid and could not write, but either got some person to write for her or wrote to her while using the London address, 7 Dean street, or else the message was sent by some stranger within the gates of London, for the correspondence bore a London postmark and a Canadian stamp.

Malice Is Alleged. Mrs. McCoy, of this city, had heard her mother-in-law talk of writing for some of the Titanic relief fund, she told The Advertiser today, but also entertains the opinion that some stranger wrote the letter, maliciously using her name and address.

This latter supposition is given greater credence by Mrs. McCoy, because she states that some time ago some person unknown to her wrote to her parents telling them that she was a widow, which, of course, was untrue.

GRAIN GROWERS GET MANITOBA ELEVATORS

Leased by the Roblin Government at Six Per Cent. on Investment.

[Canadian Press.] Winnipeg, July 20.—The Manitoba government grain elevators were today leased to the Grain Growers' Company at 6 per cent on the investment, following a conference of the cabinet and officials of the Grain Growers' Company.

Add Your Mite and Help Along the Work Of Protecting the Dumb Animals of This City

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, lately organized in London, appeals to all the citizens, and to those who live outside the city, and who take an interest in the cause, for funds to carry on the work. The aims and objects of this society are to protect and care for all dumb animals, and ennobling as these aims and objects are, they should appeal to everyone. To carry on this splendid work, an organized appeal goes forth to all—old and young, rich and poor—to donate their offering, large or small. Contributions may be left with Mr. R. E. Ruse, city passenger and ticket agent of the Grand Trunk Railway, corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, and acknowledgments will be made through the columns of The Advertiser.

MILLION DOLLAR CONFLAGRATION IN THE HEART OF VANCOUVER

Fire Which Starts in Shed Wipes Out Big Business Block and Guts Hotel and Apartment Building—Sleeping Guests Rescued With Great Difficulty.

[Canadian Press.] Vancouver, B. C., July 20.—Fire, starting in a shed behind No. 541 Main street, shortly before midnight, was raging fiercely at 2 o'clock. An entire business block has been destroyed, as well as the British Columbia Electric Railway car barns. The Royal George Hotel is in flames, and the Angeles apartments have been gutted. There have been no fatalities as yet reported. The damage is estimated at nearly one million dollars. It is expected outside assistance will be called in, for the flames are gaining strength. The following buildings have been destroyed: The Champion and White Paint and Hardware Company, 541 Main street.

LATER. Vancouver, B. C., July 20.—The Main street conflagration is now under control.

WILL SEARCH FOR MURDERER ON MUNCEY INDIAN RESERVE

Jack Bennett Bought Ticket to St. Thomas Yesterday and Is Supposed To Have Headed This Way—Not Seen on the Reserve So Far.

[Canadian Press.] Brantford, July 20.—Word was received from Detective Chapman and Constable Kerr, who have been on the trail of Jack Bennett, the Indian charged with the murder of Emily Arlone, that they had arrived at St. Thomas, where they hoped to get trace of Bennett last night. The fugitive has gone to the Muncy Reserve, and the officers are sure of effecting his capture Monday. He purchased a ticket yesterday from Hagersville to St. Thomas.

TAXES CUT BECAUSE OF FACT THAT STORES WERE BURNED

Court of Revision Makes Allowances as Result of Fire in November.

The court of revision met on Friday and dealt with a number of appeals against the payment of taxes in ward No. 2, the appeals chiefly arising out of the big fire on Dundas street in the business section in November last when several stores were burned down.

FUND FOR INJURED FIREMEN ESTABLISHED AT LAST BY CITY

Corporation Will Pay a Sum Equal to 6 Per Cent. of Salaries Yearly.

The bylaw which establishes a fund for aged and injured firemen has been finally passed and it is now in force. The city sets aside a sum each year equal to 6 per cent of the amount of the salaries of the fire brigade, but the men will continue to pay a premium of about \$100 per year for insurance policies to cover the men in case of sickness, accident or death.

SNOW IN MICHIGAN. Grand Rapids, Mich., July 20.—A dispatch from Carp Lake, 28 miles northeast of Petoskey, says that a light sprinkle of snow fell there last night. Crops were damaged by the cold.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—A LITTLE WARMER. Toronto, July 20.—8 a.m. previous to 7 a.m. Fine. Today—Winds, coming easterly; fine and cool today; showers tonight.

Sunday—A little warmer, with local showers or thunderstorms, but partly fair.

Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
LONDON	70.5	58	Clear
Victoria	70.5	58	Clear
Winnipeg	78	64	Cloudy
Port Arthur	76	62	Cloudy
Parry Sound	66	52	Cloudy
Toronto	70	46	Fair
Ottawa	66	46	Fair
Montreal	66	52	Fair
Quebec	64	48	Fair
Father Point	62	44	Cloudy

The depression mentioned yesterday is now over the Straits of Belle Isle, and another high area has come in over the Western Provinces.

LONDON STONEMASON KILLED WHEN GEARS ON DERRICK BROKE

Walter Toll So Badly Injured Yesterday Afternoon at the Molson's Bank Building That He Died Shortly After the Accident at Victoria Hospital.



R. A. SMITH, Prominent Toronto Financier, Who Was Killed in Auto Accident at Richmond Hill.

N. P. REPORT IS MOST DECEPTIVE

Ald. Richter Says This Is So If Hydro Commission's Reasoning Be Applied to It.

IS PREPARED TO FIGHT

Council May Do as It Pleases, Says Finance Minister, But He Still Believes He Is Right.

Ald. J. G. Richter left at 11 o'clock this morning for the Canadian West, and he will not return until September. His trip is a business one for the London Life.

Mr. Richter spoke freely of the report of the hydro-electric commission on street lighting, and he said he was anything but pleased with it. The report says that Ald. Richter is wrong, and that the sum of \$25,270 is not too much for lighting London streets for a year. Ald. Richter says \$25,000 only should be paid. "It is stated that I am wrong in my reasoning and deduction," said Ald. Richter. "How do they know? The commission sent a man here, who heard one side of the case only. He never saw anybody, so far as I am aware, other than the water commissioners. He heard what they had to say, and then he went away. We were given no chance to present our side of the case. What would be thought of a judge who would give his decision after hearing the case of one side only? The whole thing is absolutely ridiculous."

Give Each Side a Chance. "If the hydro-electric commission desired to be fair, it should have had an expert of its own to go into the matter, and allow us an expert to present our side of the case."

"The council can do as it pleases, of course, but for my part, I am still prepared to stand by my guns and prove that my reasoning on the street lighting contract is not only correct but eminently fair."

"And let me add, that although I have only been able to see in part the report of the hydro-electric commission on street lighting in London, I have found it to be grossly unfair in both reasoning and deduction. If the reasoning and deduction of the report be correct, then all I have to say is that house lighting and power in London are being sold at a loss by the water commissioners. If the reasoning of this one-sided report of the hydro-electric commission be applied to the report on the sale of Niagara powers of London, it will be found that the statement, as given to the citizens, is grossly deceptive."

When the street lighting contract comes up before the council, Ald. Asplund will move that it be laid over until September so that Ald. Richter may be able to go into the matter again.

CONDUCTOR FELL FROM HIS CAR

George A. Reid Had a Narrow Escape From Serious Injury.

George A. Reid, a street railway conductor, narrowly escaped serious injury on Friday evening while collecting fares on his car. The car is one of the small open ones running on the Ottawa line, and Reid was collecting fares on the running board at the side.

While the car was proceeding down Richmond street, between King and Dundas, his foot slipped and he fell heavily on the pavement. The car was not running at a rapid rate, but the force of the fall gave him a bad shaking up.

A couple of passengers on the back end jumped off and assisted him to his feet. Further than a few bruises he was not seriously injured, and he was able to proceed with his car.

This morning he was moved from the open car by the street railway officials to a closed one.

C. N. R. LAKE PLANS.

Toronto, July 20.—The Canadian Northern Railway has made an offer of \$50,000 for the Lewiston Hotel at Lewiston, N. Y. This is said to be an indication that they propose putting a line of steamers on the lake to compete with the Niagara Navigation Company.

INQUEST ORDERED FOR WEDNESDAY

Expert Will Examine Machine and Give Evidence at the Hearing Next Week.

Walter Toll, of 626 Elizabeth street, a stonemason employed by John Hayman & Sons, in the erection of the new Molsons Bank building on Dundas street, near the Market Lane, was struck on the head by the boom of a crane yesterday afternoon, and died half an hour later at Victoria Hospital. He never regained consciousness.

Mr. Toll, with several others, was at work on the front wall of the building, and was working at about the first story above the ground. Huge stones were being raised into position by means of an immense crane located on the third floor, when suddenly the gears, by means of which the derrick was raised, slipped, allowing the boom to fall. Had Toll been six inches out of his position he would have escaped, but the beam struck him squarely on the head.

The boom is a timber about eight inches square and about thirty feet long. It worked on a swivel base on the third story that permitted weights to be lifted and deposited on either side, and was attached to its centre by a substantial hinge, by means of which the outer end of the boom could be raised or lowered. A number of men were on the big cranks that turned the derrick up and down, when half of one of the gears cracked off, releasing the cogs and allowing the heavy boom to drop. Toll was directly in line, but others who stood immediately beside him escaped injury.

Rushed to the Hospital. The police ambulance was quickly summoned, and on order of Drs. J. D. Wilson and D. H. Hoger, the injured man was rushed to Victoria Hospital. Mr. John Hayman proceeded to that institution with the victim, while his son procured a taxicab and secured Mrs. Toll. She arrived too late, however, for his death occurred shortly after he reached the hospital.

Inquest Ordered. Coroner Dr. Ferguson was notified, and while it is admitted that death was purely accidental, the usual routine will be carried out. The jury empanelled viewed the remains at the undertaking parlors of Smith, Son & Clarke at noon today.

Ex-Ald. Fred G. Mitchell has been instructed by Coroner Dr. Ferguson and Crown Attorney McKillop to examine the machine, and he will be called upon at the inquest at the police station on Wednesday evening next to give expert testimony as to the exact cause of the fatality.

Mr. Toll, who was about 40 years of age, is survived by his mother, the widow of the late City Assessor Peter Toll; his wife, and family—Arthur, Frank, Emma and Eva; four sisters—Mrs. Charles Best, Miss Anna Toll, and Mrs. John Marsh, of Detroit, and Miss Norah Toll, of City Clerk Baker's office staff. Fred Toll, a C. P. R. conductor running out of this city, is a brother.

Funeral on Monday. The funeral is to be held on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when services will be conducted at his late residence by the officers of Union Lodge, 380, A. F. and A. M., and by Rev. R. W. Norwood, of the Crown Memorial Church. The cortege will proceed at 2:30 to Woodland Cemetery, where interment will be made. Immediately after the accident Mr. Hayman ordered his men to discontinue work, both on the Molsons' building and the new five-story Grand building, which he was erecting directly opposite the scene of the fatality.

FIVE MEN KILLED BY BURSTING PIPE

Fatal Accident on Italian Liner En Route for New York.

[Canadian Press.] New York, July 20.—Five men were killed, and several severely injured by the bursting of a steam pipe on the steamer Principe Di Piemonte, en route here from Naples, and due today, according to a wireless message received from Capt. Domenico Derrati, the royal Italian medical officer attached.

STREET WILL BE OPENED

Last of Property Owners on Weston Street Has Signed Up.

The last of the property owners interested having signed the agreement with the city for the opening up of Weston street, South London, the work will be gone ahead with at once. The city solicitor is now preparing the bylaw.