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Louis Brown, Wealthy Business Man, Committed Suicide on Saturday.

TOOK CARBOLIC ACID

Two Bottles Found Beside Body in Room Over Store on Queen Street.

Because he lost \$30,000 on a Yonge street real estate venture, Louis Brown, 598 Huron street, wealthy tailor, with stores at 255 and 410 west Queen street, ended his life in a room over the latter store Saturday afternoon by drinking two vials of carbolic acid. The body was only discovered Sunday afternoon.

Brown was well known to Toronto business men. He is estimated to be worth over half a million, and has never before been known to speculate in real estate before. The family of the dead man informed the police that he suspected his intent and had taken him to New York to take his mind off his financial reverses, and also had consulted physicians.

At 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon he left his home, saying he intended making a flying trip to the States. The relative who was anxious however, and an enquiry from the ticket agent at the Union Station revealed the fact that Brown had not purchased the ticket Saturday. Sunday their search for the man was fruitless, but a brother-in-law, the locked door in the store and broke in the locked door No. 410 West Queen street, where he found the man's body on the floor. Two empty bottles which had contained carbolic acid were found beside the body.

INSANE BOARDER COMMITTED SUICIDE AFTER BEATING WOMAN WITH HAMMER.

Mrs. Annie Percival Severely Wounded While Preparing Noon-Day Meal.

After beating Mrs. Annie Percival, 80 Arundel avenue, over the head five or six times with a hammer and nearly killing her, the boarder, Robert Boal, made his way to Taylor's dam on the Don River and, breaking a hole in the ice, drowned himself. His body was found about 5.30 p.m. by County Constable Brown.

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A petition for a stop at Lambton avenue will be submitted to the transportation committee of the Mount Toronto Suburban Railway Co. It is stated by Dr. W. E. B. that it is in Lambton Avenue and contiguous streets in the district, and that the petition is signed by over 200 ratepayers who are in favor of a stop at Lambton Avenue. The petition is being taken to the board of directors of the railway company at Lambton Avenue, because of the needs of the grade at that point, but, states Dr. B., because the hill has since been cut down.

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Sixth Party to Mobilize at Local Headquarters is Drilling Hard.

ARRANGE FOR PARADE

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SSELBORNE SCORES THE PRESS BUREAU

Bad News Slurred Over and Favorable Despatches Exaggerated.

"FOOLISH OPTIMISM"

Alleges Facts Are Withheld—Slackness of People May Prolong War.

Special Cable to The Toronto World. LONDON, March 7.—Lord Selborne, in a letter to The Times, in his "Foolish Optimism," protests that the Press Bureau "consistently slurs over bad news and exaggerates good news." Frequently, lately, he has seen a roll of casualties of a battalion in Flanders and Belgium as they held 400 men, or even to half the battalion. These casualties took place in February, January, or December, but who can recollect that at the time he received any impression of such loss by the news published?

"The fact is that these casualties have usually occurred when we have lost a trench or line of trenches, or after this had happened we were probably told that the trench which had been lost had been brilliantly recaptured, but we had never been told previously that we had lost the trench and were never told at the time when the loss of the trench and its recapture had cost us.

Germans Held Their Own. "The naked facts of the situation are that notwithstanding the magnificent courage of the soldiers of the allied armies, the Germans are holding their own nearly the same ground in France and Belgium as they held four months ago, and that the German army, together with the splendid endurance of the Russian army, is no doubt causing the inconvenience of the German people, who are no more likely to be starved into early submission.

"My own belief is that at the very best there are many months of very hard fighting before we have reached the point where the German army is in a position to be starved into early submission. The German army is in a position to be starved into early submission. The German army is in a position to be starved into early submission.

BROKE HIS LEG

A Bradley, peddler, Tomdorden, received a broken leg at noon on Saturday when he was struck by a motor car driven by Samuel Graham, 1008 Yonge street, opposite 450 Wilton avenue. The motor car was owned by A. R. Clark, tanner, 613 Eastern avenue.

County Orange Lodge of West York

The members of above lodge will meet in St. James' Hall, corner of Pacific and Dundas streets at 8 p.m. sharp Tuesday, the 9th inst., to attend the funeral of the W. Bro. George Syme, St. F.C.M.

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At the Labor Temple Saturday afternoon, President James Scott of the Street Railwaymen's Union enrolled a batch of new members to the union.

STAFF MUSICIANS START SERVICES

Special evangelical services were commenced Saturday afternoon by the Canadian staff songsters and orchestra of the Salvation Army in Lisgar street citadel. These services will be conducted for ten days and will comprise a full musical and good singing will be featured.

ARGYLISH ASSOCIATION.

The usual monthly meeting of this association will be held in St. George's Hall on Tuesday, March 9, 1915, at 8 p.m., an address on "National Ideals" will be given by P. McIntosh, of Toronto.

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