rolled in with 400 more.

on the regular trains.

Nine hundred came in on a special

The Pere Marquette.

from Blenheim, and many more came

Hands Down a Decision.

The city of London yesterday lost

the city. The action is for an injunc-

mission. The costs of the motion were

Mr. J. M. McEvoy appeared for Mr.

Smith, and Mr. T. G. Meredith, K. C.,

The statement of defense will be

delivered at once, and the case will

The Judgment.

The judgment of Master-in-Cham-

assessed against the city.

come up at the fall sittings.

bers Cartwright was as follows:

represented the city. 1

the regular train from Sarnia,

PRICE TWO CENTS.

Ideal Weather Favored the Big Show on Wednesday.

SOME ACCIDENTS NOT SERIOUS

A Small Blaze in a Tent Last Evening---Stands Were

Packed.

Yesterday was Farmers' Day at the Western Fair, and it proved to be the Superintendent Brown stated that the

ial figures showed the attendance to 54,000-t-he greatest in the history of the Fair.

One thing is certain. It would be practically impossible to crowd many more people in the grounds.

In the afternoon the grandstands and every building were literally jammed full.

In addition, the grounds looked as if not a single soul had gone to the

A Stream of Humanity.

"The Pike," was a regular stream of humanity, and it was well nigh imwork one's way through Hatton

But the stands looked the best It was a real sea of faces. There was crowded into them, presenting a most interesting and inspiring sight.

"I never saw such a crowd in the stands in my life," said President W. J. Reid. "It was certainly a great

And in the evening there was just almost as large in the grounds.

visitors came down town in the evening and patronized the theatres, and dents of the city who visited the Fair in the evening brought the crowd up to the proportions of the afternoon.

"We estimate that there were 54,-000 people in the grounds yesterday," said Secretary A. M. Hunt. "It was one of the largest crowds in the his- mensely. tory of the Fair. The grandstands were filled to capacity, and we had to quit selling tickets at both the afternoon and evening performances. We morning, but there was little business could have sold hundreds of tickets more if we had the room. There was almost as large a crowd on the grounds in the evening."

No Serious Accidents.

accidents of any moment, and very few minor accidents.

It somewhat resembled a gigantic Quite a large proportion of the crowd brought their lunches with it was carried unanimously. them, and made it a great day.

Small picnic parties were scattered all through the grounds, and although there was rather scant accommodation, owing to the enormous crowd, the most of them made the hest of it

The crowd started for the Fair Scatcherd, C. E. Trebilcock, Geo. G. and takes the greatest interest in the on the grounds. At 2 o'clock the crowd had doubled, and from that time until 3 o'clock the retary A. M. Hunt. turnstiles moved faster than they have for many a long day.

A Grand Success.

glad when they viewed the crowd. It ance was ten years ago, in 1898, when assured them that the Fair of 1908 the rate war on the railroads gave a be a splendid success, the greatest of all from every point of

The Fair itself moved with clocklike precision. Mr. A. M. Hunt, the Indefatigable secretary of the Fair, had everything arranged in a system and there was not a hitch.

He supervised and looked after everything, and kept exhibitors and visitors who came in contact with him in good humor.

The judging was hurried along and the live stock judging was completed last evening.

The rest of the judging will be finished today and by tomorrow afternoon the exhibitors will be able to draw their checks, and get home.

Everybody Satisfied. Mr. Hunt was the busiest man on Continued on Page Two.

OCTOBER 26 ELECTION DAY.

Ottawa, Sept. 16.—The Cabinet in session here this afternoon settled upon Monday, Oct. 26 as polling day for the general elections. Nominations will be made on Oct. 19.

The proclamation dissolving the present Parliament was signed by His Excellency the Governor-General tonight on the eve of his departure for the

CITIZENS' DAY AT THE FAIR LOOKS AS BIG AS WEDNESDAY

Big Crowds Continue to Pour in by All the Railways and Exhi- a scene of bustle and stir such as is only witnessed in a large metropolitan bition Grounds Are Jammed With Thousands of Pleased Little Folk and Big.

The annual meeting of the Western | OLDEST VISITOR Ontario Pigeon Fanciers' Association was held at the fair grounds on Wednesday evening. There was a large attendance of members. The increasing interest in pigeons, and the large number of exhibitors at the fair were commented on favorably by the members The election of officers resulted as grandstand, there was such a crowd follows:

> Honorary Presidents-Wm. McNeil and R. Short. President--W T. Hodgens

First Vice-President-D. J. Vroo Second Vice-President -Thomas

Third Vice-President-L. Thompson Secretary-Wm. J. Beech. Treasurer-A. J. Morgan.

This is citizens' day at the fair and it promises to be as great a day as farmers' day. Every train brought in thousands of excursionists, and judging from the

streets there are just as many people here today as yesterday—perhaps more. This morning there was a fine crowd as large a crowd in the stands, and that at noon there was close to 10,000 on the grounds. It was estimated people at the fair. At 12 o'clock there Of course, a great number of the was a great jam at the gates, and at

o'clock there were fully 30,000 people on the inside. In addition there is a great swarm other places, but the number of resi- of youngsters. Contrary to former customs the school kiddies are attending the fair on the last two days, As a result there is a great mob of the youngsters out, and they are having

> ways new to the boys and girls. The pike, the big horses and the races are pleasing the youngsters im-

"There is a good crowd here now. and I look for as good a day as any," said Secretary Hunt. The board, of directors met this

to be transacted. The three protests were referred to the chairmen of the departments under which they were made and will be reported on at the Of Clandeboye, the Oldest Visitor at next meeting. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr.

Wm. Moore, who has charge of the ton for five months, moved to the first As would be expected the crowd main building. In making the motion concession of Biddulph, and has rewas very orderly, and there were no of great satisfaction to the board to see the excellent showing of the main building. Mr. Moore had worked very Huron and Bruce was built. hard to make this building worth while and he deserved great credit for it. Al. Saunders seconded the motion and

be adopted. In some buildings the work active man. had not been satisfactory.

dent W. J. Reid, R. Oke, W. McNeil, R. every night walks three-quarters of A. Carrothers, Ald. Armstrong, Col. a mile to the postoffice for his paper. McEwen, T. Hardy Shore, E. W. McCormick, Dr. Geo. A. Routledge, election campaign. John Pringle, W. M. Spencer, Col. Gartshore, Ald. Moorhead, James Murthe oldest visitor who saw the Fair ray, Ald. Saunders, W. Moore and Sectihis year.

A Record Attendance.

There was great satisfaction expressed by the directors at the splendid attendance yesterday. It establish-The hearts of the directors waxed ed a record. The best previous attendthat year was 48,000.

The best previous to that was in 1896, when Lord Aberdeen, then gov- Calgary ernor-general, visited the fair, and Winnipeg 45,000 people turned out to see him.

"LEADING"

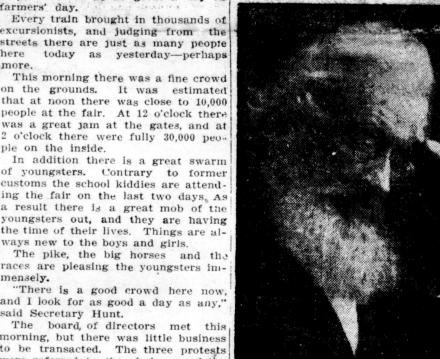
Every city has newspapers and every city has a LEADING NEWSPAPER. That the prominent officials and citizens of London recognize THE ADVERTISER as "London's leader" was again shown twice this week, when letters addressed to "Leading newspaper," London, Ont., also "London Times," London, Opt., were promptly delivered with The Advertiser mail

Mr. Thomas Collins, of Clandeboye, Has a Unique Record - A Grand Old Man.

One of the most interesting visitors to the Western Fair yesterday was Mr. Thomas Collins, of Clandeboye, a gentleman 94 years of age, who ever since the Fair commenced has never missed an exhibition

unsurpassed by anyone. Mr. Collins was born at Penhurst, tion to restrain the city of London Auditors-W. A. Cox and J. H. West- in Kent County, England, and came from delivering the contract for eleca carpenter tric power to the hydro-electric comtrade, and after living at Kings-

This is a record that is probably



MR. THOMAS COLLINS, the Western Fair.

sided there ever since.

This was many years before the

In 1843 Mr. Collins was married, and has seven sons and two daughters.

Four sons, Messrs. Irum, Asa, Ira Ald. Moorhead also brought up the and Thomas Collins, now reside in matter of employing men for the fair, London. Mr. Collins is still a very

He has been a reader of The Lon-The members present were: Presi- don Advertiser for 45 years, and Mr. Collins is a staunch Liberal,

This grand old man is undoubtedly

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW-FAIR.

FORECASTS. Toronto, Sept. 17-8 a.m. Light, variable winds; fair today and

very cheap rate here. The attendance on Friday; not much change in tem-Stations. 8 a.m. Parry Sound ... Cloudy Toronto Clear Ottawa Montreal Clear Father Point. The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this

morning, and the second column records the school could not accommodate them. legiate Institute, and Mr. J. P. Hogg. the minimum temperatures during the 24 These will have to attend Normal Schools until recently inspector of public schools hours previous. WEATHER NOTES. The West Indian storm is now ap proaching Nova Scotia, and it is probable that exceedingly heavy gales will blow

throughout the Maritime Provinces. Local Temperatures. The highest and lowest readings at

he local observatory yesterday were

Company Report Business as Extraordinary. The Grand Trunk broke all previ- was practically impossible for the conous records today in the crowds that ductors to collect all the fares. they brought to the Western Fair.

RAILWAYS BREAK ALL RECORDS HIGH PRESSURE

Grand Trunk Brought in Visitors in Thousands---One Pere Mar-

quette Train Carried 1,100 People--- C. P. R. and Traction

City of London Motion Was Denied

Master-in-Chambers Cartwright, jectionable on that account. On the

Approximately 10,000 had arrived on the trains up to 1 o'clock this afternoon, and two specials were yet to from the west carried half a dozen ex-Thirteen hundred people came in on the specials from Stratford shortly be-Bruce special, and a few minutes after the regular train from Wingham people today.

The Traction Line

run from Brantford, and about 700 on The Southwestern Traction Company had the heaviest day since it started, and the cars were filled to the aisles. Many people waited during the Pere Marquette at 11 o'clock latter part of the morning for cars landed 1,100 people on a special run which would not be so crowded. Crowds on Streets.

The Grand Trunk station for an All morning thousands of people hour and a half before noon presented thronged the streets down town. So far not a single case of pocketpicking has been reported to the police. The signs that are placed con-A steady stream of visitors poured spicuously in alal down-town places forth from the Richmond street en- seem to be having a good effect not trance. The street cars were filled to only in making people more cautious overflowing, and on many of them it but also in frightening pickpockets.

Broke All Records.

The C. P. R. reports that their fair traffic records were broken also by today's rush. The early morning train tra coaches, but they were all filled long before London was reached, and many people were standing. The specials from the east and the regular express from Toronto were crowded to utmost capacity. The officials estimate that they carried fully 4,500

contrary it gives a full, clear state-

ment of the facts out of which the

action proceeded, and of those other

in paragraph eleven.

No Records Kept at the Central Fire Station. The report of Chief Inspector Howe deals with the equipment. The total of the Canadian Underwriters' Asso- water supply, he states, is 4,338,000 ciation has arrived at the city hall, and gallons. The standard requires 100 does not contain much comfort for the gallons per capita for the usual uses, city fathers, nor to any other citizen and thus the local supply should be who might read it. Mr. Howe says some very uncompli- fire-fighting purposes require 18 11/6mentary things about the London inch streams, or a supply of 5,410,000 waterworks system-in fact, he de-gallons. The total supply that the city clares that it is of little value in fight- of London should have would be 10,ing fires, and he comes out flatfooted 176,900 to meet the requirements of and recommends a high-pressure sys-

INSPECTOR HOWE'S REPORT IN

London's Water Supply Inadequate and Pressure Is Weak, Says

the Representative of the Underwriters == Says He Found

moka scheme little comfort also, and supply for all uses. says that it is almost useless to look for a large increase in the water supply from the Springbank section. Mr. Howe also has something to say of the fire department, and recommends more men.

The Water Supply.

4,776,900 gallons. The standard for the Underwriters' Association. Thus it will be discovered that the city is 5,838,900 gallons short of the requisite

Pumping Facilities.

Mr. Howe also describes the pump. ng facilities. Theoretically, the capacity is 11,000,000 gallons. However, the waterpower cannot be rei'ed upon and its maximum would be at best only 1,211,800 gallons. Added to the The report is a very voluminous one, 6,000,000 gallons, the capacity of the overing many pages. He gives a short steam pumps, the total pumping capahistory of the present system, and (Continued on Page Nine.)

THREE NEW COMMISSIONERS NAMED FOR RAILWAY BOARD

First Round in Niagara Power Fight Prof. McLean To Be Colleague of D'Arcy Scott, Who Is Made the Chairman of the Second Division of Railway Commission---

Secretary Scott to Work On.

THE PREMIER AT STRATHROY

A very large number of Londoners will attend. There

A single fare has been secured. The Pipers' Band will ac-

Lambton County will send a monster crowd. Arrangements

Visitors from Appin, Glencoe, Longwood, Newbury, Bothwell

Connections can be made at 6:30 o'clock for the return trip.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier will arrive in London at 11:20 a.m., and

Among those who will deliver addresses will be Mr. W. S.

have been made by the Grand Trunk to handle the Liberals, and

extra coaches will be run on all the regular trains in addition

and Thamesville can leave on the regular train in the morning

he will be met by a representative delegation of London Liber-

als. He will proceed immediately to Strathroy. He will be ac-

companied by Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways and

Calvert, M. P., West Middlesex; F. F. Pardee, M. P., West

Lamoton; Alex. Smith, Liberal candidate for North Middlesex;

Valentine Ratz, M. P., North Middlesex; Dr. C. O. Fairbank, Lib-

eral candidate for East Lambton, and Dr. G. A. Routledge, the

canals, and Hon. Rudolphe Lemieux, postmaster-general.

and reach Strathroy in plenty of time for the demonstration.

be second even to the Niagara Falls demonstration.

facts on which the plaintiff relies to prove his case. It is quite clear that pleadings are not to be reformed in

onsideration of the statement of noon. claim it does not appear to me to be Formal announcement will be made cessor is ready to take office. open to attack. It does not seem the by the Premier in his speech at ralidity of the bylaw is in any way Strathroy on Saturday of the dissoluattacked; this could scarcely be ser- tion of Parliament, and of the retireously attempted when the fact of its ment of Hon. W. R. Scott, secretary of ing been validated is fully set out whose place will be taken by Mr.

Charles Murphy, barrister, of Ottawa. "Nor is it any objection that the Scott Will Not Quit Yet. commissioners or their agents are stated to have misled the council, as quaintance with the office work of of Toronto University. The post of asthe election, and the need of the Gov- sistant chief carries a salary of \$9,are statements in conformity of the ernment having some one at Ottawa 000, while the other two will receive rules of some of the material facts on during the campaign to deal with the \$7,000 each. which the plaintiff will rely and on innumerable questions to which the proof of which he hopes to succeed. conduct of an election gives rise, the Lean to a place on the board will a party is no objection, as no relief state will not take place at present.

to the special train.

Ottawa, Sept. 16.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Scott will, of course, continue returned to the capital today and pre- to discharge the duties of his office chambers unless hopelessly bad. After sided at a cabinet council this after- until his resignation has been accepted by the Prime Minister and his suc-

New Commissioners The three new members of the railway commissioners were named at a

They are: Mayor D'Arcy Scott, of Ottawa, who becomes assistant chief; Hon. Thomas Greenway, ex-premier of In view, however, of Mr. Scott's ac- Manitoba, and Professor S. J. McLean,

The appointment of Professor Mc. The fact that the commission is not swearing in of the new secretary of probably occasion the greatest interest (Continued on Page Nine.)

Four More University Governors Prominent Citizens Named for Board

Postmaster Cameron, in discussing mail order business, and will add many

To the merchants of London it will the distributing point for the whole

mean an enormous increase in the Southwestern Ontario.

city's commerce.

"The statement of claim is longer is asked against that body or any-

than usual, but is not necessarily ob- one connected with it."

dom, K.C., Dr. John D. Wilson and J. H. A. Beattie.

governors of the Western University cial institutions. was held at noon today in the mayor's

The following gentlemen were chosen as governors by the eight appointed governors to complete the board: Col. J. W. Little.

T. H. Purdom, K.C. Dr. John D. Wilson. Ald. J. H. A. Beattie. Mayor Stevely presided, and City Clerk Baker acted as secretary.

A meeting of the whole board will be held tomorrow evening to complete the work of organizing the university. Those present were Mayor Stevely, T. H. Smallman, R. C. Struthers, C. R. Somerville, John H. Chapman, Capt. T. J. Murphy and J. O. Dromgole.

The Appointees. The four new appointees are

with The Advertiser, this morning,

that is the largest in its history.

STORM SIGNALS OUT.

storm centre being far at sea, it is im- terday morning.

of whom 23 are men

in other cities

Messrs. J. W. Little, T. H. Pur- known and public-spirted citizens, who will add much to the strength of the board. Col. J. W. Little is one of the most

public-spirited citizens of London. He has large wholesale and manufacturing interests here and in other places. He is an ex-mayor of the city, and is con-A meeting of the recently-appointed nected with several of its leading finan-

Mr. T. H. Purdom, K. C., is one of the city's leading lawyers and is president of the Northern Life Insurance Company, the Dominion Loan Company and the London Advertiser

Ald. Beattie is also a well-known lawyer. He is at present a member of the city council and chairman of the finance committee. He has had much practical experience, and is well alive to educational matters.

in Brantford, are other new members.

Great interest is being shown in the Laurier demonstration to be held in Strathroy on Saturday afternoon next. The great ovation given the Premier at Niagara Falls on Tuesday last has acted as an inspiration to the other centres where Sir Wilfrid will speak, and as a result the people of Middlesex and Lambton are going to prove that this picnic will not

will be a special train from London. It will leave London at 1 o'clock sharp, arriving in Strathroy at 1:30. The train will leave Strathroy at 5:40 o'clock, arriving in London at 6:35. company the local contingent. In addition there will be many bands from other places. Strathroy, Parkhill, Sarnia, Petrolea, Wyoming and other towns will each send a band.

Company. Dr. John D. Wilson is a well-known

medical practitioner of the city. He has been much interested in educational matters and was one of the leading spirits in the re-organization of the university. He is a former mayor and is a worker in many good

Will Mean Sending Out the Rural Mail Boxes

Liberal candidate for East Middlesex.

the rural free mail delivery scheme, thousands of dollars yearly to the Ottawa, Sept. 17.-The postoffice de-[mail routes are now pouring in at a From a postoffice standpoint the esstated that it is one of the most im- tablishment of the free rural delivery fect to the announcement of the Hon. at work sending out boxes as fast as portant moves ever made by the post- will mean an immense amount more Rodolphe Lemieux at Niagara Falls on applications come in. It will necessar-Tuesday, promising that free rural mail ily take some time before all rural To the farmers it will mean a quick London at present stands sixth delivery would be promptly estab- mail routes can be supplied with boxes, and easy means of securing mail and among the postoffices of Canada in the lished throughout Canada. Applications but this will be done just as rapidly as parcels that they now have to wait amount of mail handled, and will not for installation of mail ooxes along the possible.

unlikely take fifth place as it will be Mr. C. H. Ivey Is Returning Officer 200 Students at the Normal School

Mr. Charles H. Ivey, of the law firm; The usual registration of manhood of Ivey & Dromgole, has been ap- franchise voters will take place, but The Normal School reopened for the The personnel of the teaching staff pointed returning officer for the Dominion election to be held in London the dates cannot be decided upon unseason on Tuesday with an attendance shows some changes this year. Mr. S. J.

til the writ for the election arrives.

More than 200 students were enrolled. Radcliffe, formerly of the Collegiate Instion Oct. 26. tute, is the new principal, while Mr. A. Thanksgiving Day on November 9th Seventy students were turned away, as Stevenson, formerly of the Kingston Col-

Thanksgiving Day will be held on to the Government, asking that the day Monday, Nov. 9.

possible to know its present energy, The tropical storm, which devastated terribly severe, and all our maritime at Ottawa. It has been the custom for coming on Thursday broke up the week Turks Island in the Bahamas last Fri-shipping has been warned to use ex-many years to hold Thanksgiving Day and interfered greatly with business. day, has moved slowly northward, and treme caution. Storm signals were on Thursday. This year, however, the and as a result there is a great deal

be changed from Thursday to Monday. Observatory, Toronto. Ont., Sept. 17. but storms of this type are sometimes | The date was announced yesterday | It was pointed out that the holiday is now approaching Nova Scotia. The hoisted along the Atlantic Coast yes- different commercial travellers' asso- of satisfaction among the travelling ciations of Canada presented petitions men.