PRICE TWO CENTS.

# OVER FOUR FEET OF SNOW FELL IN LONDON SINCE JAN

Actual Figures of Local Weather Bureau Are 50 1-2 Inches-Old Timers Cannot Remember Such a Cold, Steady Winter.

The weather man got busy again last night, and added 21/2 inches more to the covering of snow with which he has wrapped the country. snow department seems to have been working overtime this year, and since the first of January no less than 501/2 inches of snow have fallen in London. Of this amount only 10 inches have fallen in February, but the month is only a little more than half over, and a couple of big blizzards would easily bring February up to January's record.

#### A STEADY WINTER.

Old residents, who have lived in the country for half a century or more, say they never remember a winter when the cold was so steady, or when there was such a general snowfall all over the province. It is freely predicted that there will be something doing in the flood line this spring, and with about three and a half feet of snow on the level in the districts north of London, and several inches more than is usual here and south of the city, it looks as though there might be trouble, unless it goes away very gradually. A warm rain, followed by a couple of mild days would send the river up on the jump. WATCHING FOR FLOOD.

The authorities at Springbank have orders to watch closely, and at the first sign of a thaw, fix things so that the water can pour over the dam. The heavy snowfall has been a severe test on roofs, and many of the old ones have not stood it very well, and carpenters say they have had many requests for estimates on roofing work for the spring. During the night the mercury dropped steadily until it was only 5 degrees above zero. At 8 o'clock this morning it had risen to 10½ above. The prospects are for fair, cold weather.

## ASSESSORS AND THEIR CLERKS WILL BE APPOINTED TONIGHT

Mr. Harry Bennett to Leave City Clerk's Office and Go Into the Assessment Department—No Change in the Clerks This Year.

ed tonight at the meeting of the finance office. The intention is to place a committee, and from what can be couple of lady stenographers there incommittee, and from what can be learned, the following will be the staff for the coming year: Assessment commissioner-Stephen

Assessors-Martin O'Sullivan and for that place. Alf McCoubrey. Chief clerk—Harry Bennett.

Clerks-A. E. Burwell, Arch Black and James Gillean The only change of note in the personnel is the appointment of Harry Bennett as chief clerk, to succeed Mr. A. E. Jolly. Mr. Bennett has been in City Clerk Baker's office for some years, and has been very attentive to his duties.
Will Substitute Ladies.

This change—if it goes through—will ated with the office for some time. necessitate the appointment of a suc-

The assessors' clerks will be appoint- cessor to Mr. Bennett in Mr. Baker's stead of Mr. Bennett. A junior clerk may also be appointed for Mr. Grant's office, to assist in the

> This is the result of the investigation by the finance committee into the commissioner's assessment depart. ment. A long session was held last night, when the matter was discussed informally, and today there was an other session

No Change in Clerks.

There will be no change in the clerks. The three names, Messrs. Burwell, Gillean and Black, are experienced men at the game and have been associ-The assessors start work March 1.

# **ROUGHS BEAT** TICKET SELLER

Two of Notorious Gang Sentenced Estimates Were Considered at a by Police Magistrate This Morning.

#### ASSAULT WAS BRUTAL INCREASE FOR LIBRARIAN

P. M. Said He Was Sorry a More Mr. Carson's Salary Will in Future Be Serious Charge Had Not Been Laid Against Prisoners.

Lawrence Stevenson, a young man living on the Wharncliffe road in West London was fined \$15 and \$2 costs or two months in jail, by Magistrate Love ant librarian to succeed the late this morning for assaulting a young man employed at a local skating rink leigh. She was chosen out of four who passed the test examination successfully, Miss Baxter stood highest in the exami-

in the assault, was fined \$10 or one month in jail.

son came to the rink intoxicated, and the ticket-seller when he noticed his didered casually. The amount needed this condition refused to allow him in, and sent the other employee around to give Stevenson his money back and

Stevenson and Tozer, it was stated, attacked the young man, who presented be from \$1,300 to \$1,500 less than the half a very battered appearance, having both eyes blackened and some of the cartilages of his nose broken. He has Surplus 1909 . young man had attacked him and struck him with a bell.

#### Prisoners Lied.

story," the court said. "It is the same old story of West London rowdyism. One man will never stand up and fight but always has to get two or three and Building, repairs and furniture. then beat some poor unfortunate. This insurance sort of thing is occurring too frequently and I think a charge of criminal assault, occasioning actual bodily harm, should have been laid against you. You would then be liable to three years in the penitentiary. It is not long ago a West London gang jumped on a young fellow whom they would not dared attack had he not been alone, and beat him so that I had to send one of the ringleaders to the Central for six months. This has got to stop. I fine Stevenson \$15 and \$2 costs or two months in jail, and Tozer \$10 or one month.

#### Took the Month. "I will take the month," said Tozer

sullenly. "You will take a good deal more than that if you are not careful and go talking back in that way," said the magistrate sharply. "I have a good mind to send for the crown attorney and lay a charge of criminal assault

# LIBRARY BOARD **REQUIRE \$10,864**

Meeting Held Last

\$1,500 Per Annum-Estimates May Be Boosted If Improvements

At the meeting of the public library board held last evening, Miss M. Baxter, 625 Talbot street, was selected as assist-9. few evenings ago.

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Salary Increase. Librarian Carson was given an increase A Bad Crowd.

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sidered casually. The amount ne year will be \$10,864 from council. about \$2,000 less than the sum granted by law, which gives the board halt a mill on the assessment. The board have under consideration fitting up a reference room. If that is done the cost will be room. If that is done the cost will be about \$1,200, and the estimates will still

The estimates are as follows:

#### Total .....\$11,879 72 Expenditures. "I do not believe a word of your Expenditures. tory," the court said. "It is the same Debt charges ..............\$ 2.133 88 Salaries ..... Printing ..... Stationery .....

Possible Increase. If the reference room is fitted up, the

Routine business was transacted. Those present were: Mr. Thos. Gillean (chairman), A. O. Jeffery, J. L. Goodburne, Rev. Dr. Ross, Rev. Dr. Sage, W. H. Winnett, M. P. McDonagh and J. Forristal and Librarian Carson.

Visited St. Thomas.

Right Wor. Bro. J. W. Wallace, D. D. G. M., paid his official visit to the St. Thomas lodges last evening. He Tozer subsided and said no more, was accompanied to the Railway City while Stevenson wanted time to pay.

"I will give you no time at all," said was spent. After the degree work a hand, Mr. Foster claims the charge the court, and the men were led away banquet was held in which many of the covers this deal.

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# CIGARETTE CAUSED A FIRE WITH LOSS OF \$5,000 TO \$6,000

Bad Blaze Last Night at Plant of the London Rag and Metal Company, on Simcoe Street East-Firemen Had a Long Fight Extinguishing Burning Rags.

Fire at the London Rag and Metal! The building was filled with rags, and last evening. The greater part of the of the employees during the day. main storehouse, which measures about The brigade was on the scene for over 80 feet by 50 feet, was destroyed, together two hours, and had great difficulty in

ered by insurance. The blaze was discovered at about 8 soaked. clock by persons working in the London

Company's place, on Simcoe street east, the fire is attributed to either spontaneous caused between \$5,000 and \$6,000 damage combustion or a cigarette dropped by one

with the contents. The loss is partly cov- combatting the fire, which smoldered in the rags until the tons of bales had been Mr. M. White, a member of the firm,

Canning Company's factory, a short dissistated that he was at a loss to account tance away, the alarm being turned in for the trouble, unless a lighted cigarette had been dropped by one ofthe employees.

This Is According to the Statements Being Handed Out That Niagara Power Will Be Here by May or June—City Will Rush Work on Its Distributing Station.

them within a very short time,
The commissioners are anxious to To that end negotiations will probcarcely be hoped for.

the equipment to be delivered in the supplied. city after the contracts are awarded. that to have the machinery installed, system of power distribution kept up In no event can the power plant be ready before the middle of July, more Engineer Sifton as tree trimmer probably the end of that month.

Here by May or June.

work. No person has been suggested

The water commissioners will open stall some of the machinery and be the tenders for the power station ready when the power comes. Some equipment a week from Saturday, and power users, perhaps, some of the large an attempt will be made to award users, might be supplied as soon as it

have the station ready when Niagara ably be entered into with some of the power comes to the city, but this can companies at a very early date. The London street railway will need more It will take three months at least for Fower at that time, and they may be

June, and it will take some time after ties, and in that way an improvised As soon as the bylaw appointing rassed on Monday the work of cutting the trees and stringing wires will Those in touch with the hydro-electric commission state that power rushed through with all possible dis-

The city will then be a month or with the plant, said Commissioner 7 West Fort street, it is understood, will more behind with their plant. The Pocock. "The power will be here in towers are being rapidly erected, and May probably, while it will be about senger agent of the Pere Marquette, with the transformer stations along the line are practically finished.

It may be possible, however, to in
July when we are ready. However, we may be ready before that time. We will do so if possible."

# IMPORTANT CHANGES LIKELY IN WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

Grand Encampment, Which Is To Be Held Here in March, Will Be Sure to Prove a Most Interesting Session—Some High Officers May Drop Out.

At the grand encampment of the Woodmen of the World, to be held here

in charge for some time, but now de- will contest the position. Mr. D. Cinnamon, of Lindsay, is

Hardware Association, and has been ford. Dr. Harrison, Toronto, and one or the automobile field. head adviser lieutenant of the Woodmen for some time. Whether or not he field. will consent to accept the position is not known, but it is expected he will is the real favorite for the position. do so. It is quite possible that he will the contest will be an open one, and have a contest on his hands.

Hamilton, Feb. 18.—Harry Bawden, 60 years of age, and Robert McCul- faces the burning building about half lough, employees of the Gurney Stove a block away, and the firemen were foundry, lost their lives in a fire at situation at a glace. Taking in the structure plant early last evening. At least ordered the life nets to be put in use, two score other workmen had to make and into these the men jumped from hasty exit, many of them by win-bws. John Rourke, formerly of means of ladders. London, Ont., saved his life by jump-Several ing into a life net.

Saved by Life Nets.

f lacquer on the second floor. third floor. The number of men work- \$6,000

## HEAD OF FORESTERS WITNESS FOR DEFENCE

Tells of Forming of the Union Trust Co.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Feb. 18.-When the Foster-Globe libel trial was resumed this morning, Supreme Chief Ranger Stevenson of the I. O. F. was the first results of the suprementation of the I. O. F. was the first results of the suprementation of the I. O. F. was the first results of the suprementation of the I. O. F. was the first results of the suprementation of the supremen 

wenson of the I. O. F. was the first taken up. Emigrants are pouring into the country in thousands. We expect in 1901 the I. O. F. organized the 100,000 from the United States alone. If the reference room is fitted up, the estimates will be increased \$1,200, making them \$13,079.72. This will mean an increase from the city, making the amount to be contributed from the taxes just \$12,064. As mentioned above, this had found a mortgage on 44,000 the local transfer of the part of the had found a mortgage on 44,000 the local transfer of the local transfer o acres of Northwest land to secure payment of the \$133,000 purchase price of the land bought by Messrs. Foster, Montague, McGillivray and Dr. Oronhyatekha as a syndicate. The Union Trust Company was named as trustee, to hold the lands, subject to the O. F. mortgage.

As regards this deal, the defence maintains that the rakeoff charges made by Mr. Macdonald were not with

A Battle in Sight.

The position of head adviser lieutenin March, there are likely to be many ant will thus be opened, and there will changes in the officers of the organi- probably be a battle for this position. It is not known who will seek place, but there will be many. Ald. J. Mr. C. C. Hodgins, Woodstock, head H. Saunders, Mr. D. H. Bowen, Mr. A. consul commander, will probably re- B. Greer, and many others are mentire from the position. He has been tioned in this connection, but it is not known that any one of these mentioned There will be a fight for the position

two more eastern men may be in the It is hard to figure at this time who

anything is liable to happen.

Bawden was dead when found by one of the firemen, but McCullough his residence in Detroit. As a railway was breathing ightly. Although sev- official, he has made very many friends The fire was caused by an explosion eral doctors worked over him he died in London, and his advancement was only The shortly after being rescued.

fiames spread with great rapidity, cutting off the escape of the men on the and a half and the loss will be about is very popular with all. Mr. Kearns is

themselves cut off and enveloped in a ed for a fire at the Victoria avenue Syracuse. Mr. A. E. McLean, managing dense smoke they rushed in all direc- sub-station of the Cataract Power director of John Dromgole & Co., wholetions in the hope of saving their lives. Company. A valuable transformer was Some rushed to the elevator and slid burned out and all the electric lights down the cable to the ground floor, in the city went out and the street while the majority rushed to the winbe about \$3,000.

# WEST LOOKS FOR 100,000 FROM UNITED STATES

High Chief Ranger Stevenson Saskatchewan Man Tells of the Growth of New Provinces.

#### **DISASTROUS QUAKE** ON ISLE OF CRETE

Canea, Crete, Feb. 18.-A severe earthquake was felt throughout Crete at 6.38 o'clock this morning. It was accompanied with violent subterranean explosions. In this city a number of reference to this, but to the subsequent buildings were damaged and a minaret Swan River transaction. On the other of the Mosque crashed through the dome. In the village of Varipetro a erate snowfalls in Southern Ontario, a house collapsed burying six persons



Who Was Warmly Welcomed by His Company Last Night.

# JOHN W. KEARNS **GOES TO DETROIT**

Popular P. M. Official Is Made District Passenger Agent. In Border City

# HARRY JAMESON LEAVES

ty after the contracts are awarded. Some of the other corporations may This will bring the time well into also be supplied with large quanti-Himself With Buick Motor Company of That City.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Detroit, Feb. 18.-Harry W. Jameson well known to many in London, Ont., has resigned as district passenger agent of the Pere Marquette Railroad, and on will be in the city by May, or at the patch.

We will here as fast as we can Buick Motor Company. His successor at headquarters in London, Ont. The official announcement of the change will be made later by H. F. Moeller, general passenger agent, who is out of the city for a few

The appointment of Mr. Jameson is a direct selection made by W. C. Durant, president of the General Motors Company. and general manager of the Buick Company. The character and scope of Mr. ameson's new duties will be made known turns from a trip in the east.

Eighteen Years With Pere Marquette. It is eighteen years since Harry Jameson became connected with the Pere Mar- on the Grand Trunk auxiliary. The and wounding three others. quette, in the capacity of ticket clerk in auxiliary was run in from the east the union station here. Five years later he became travelling passenger agent, with headquarters in Milwaukee, travelling in the winter in Canada. In 1903 he

have a wider acquaintance than Mr. Jameson, who has made hundreds of friends for himself and his line throughout the city and state. His unfailing courtesy, affability and energy have done much to create a favorable impression of Mr. D. Cinnamon, of Lindsay, is next in line. Mr. Cinnamon was recently elected president of the Ontario combe, of this city; J. Beattle, Strat-Jameson is assured of a large success in

> Mr. Kearns has been travelling passenger agent of the Pere Marquette out of London three or four years. He went to London from Detroit, where he was em ploved several years in the union station ticket office. He began his railroad service with the Grand Trunk, serving in various capacities in London for about

A Popular Official. While granting that Mr. Kearns is well

ntitled to the promotion, and that he is the right man in the right place. Londoners will be sorry to hear that he will be ompelled to leave this city and take up to be expected. He is a prominent mema brother of Mr. Sam Kearns, also a third floor. The fiding of the firemen were taking down ing there is variously estimated at the ladders another alarm was received from 50 to 75, and terrified at seeing the ladders another alarm was received for a fire at the Victoria avenue. The New York Central Railway at the revenue from 50 to 75, and terrified at seeing the ladders another alarm was received for a fire at the Victoria avenue. While the firemen were taking down London boy, who is now superintendent sale crockery, is a brother-in-law. He will leave London on March 1 assume his new duties.

#### VICTORIA HOSPITAL IS CROWDED NOW

One Hundred and Seventy-Eight Patients in Institution Today. Not for many months has Victoria BITTEN BY A COLLIE

Hospital been so crowded as it is at the present time. Today 178 patients were receiving treatment. Contagious Mr. A. M. Defoe, a former London diseases snow no diminution, not all standing that many of the patients boy, who for the last two years has have put in their prescribed time and been living in Vondars, Saskatchewan, been discharged. Others have taken leaves tomorrow for his home there their places so rapidly that the numafter having spent a month with rela- ber is not reduced, and there are still 20 scarlet fever patients and 15 diph

#### THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FINE AND COLD. FORECASTS. Toronto, Feb. 18-8 a.m. TEMPERATURES. 
 Stations.
 8 a.m.
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 London
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 Calgary
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 Winnipeg
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 Port Arthur
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 Parry Sound
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 Toronto ..... Father Point..... 6 -12 Minus (-) means below zero. The depression which was in the South

ern States yesterday morning has now reached Nova Scotia. It has given mod-

# MAYOR BEATTIE MAKES CHARGE

Other Places Can Procure Land for Factory Sites, But London Can Do Nothing—Windsor's Action Continues to Rankle in Breasts of Local Civic Daddies.

Unfair discrimination against the set aside \$100,000 for the purpose of city of London in the matter of pur- purchasing factory sites. chasing land for factory sites was they do to it? Why, we had no chance virtually stated by Mayor Beattie at whatever. Every member from these noon today, municipalities objected to our claims,
The question arose when the matter and as a result it was thrown out

of Windsor purchasing several parcels with scant courtesy. That's our dif-of land to be used for factory sites, came up. That city is going ahead, nicipalities is not fair for London." laying plans for an industrial cam-paign, and is in the way of offering inducements to manufacturers to start plants there. The privilege is denied London, while other cities are

the city, and used for the purpose of tically in the same position as Wind- factory sites. There are many parcels or.

Under Special Act.

of land ready for sale at the present time, but on inquiry none of them were found to be suitable for such purposes. act," said his worship at noon today. During the past few years there have "Some year or two ago that city obpower from the Legislature to were of any use for factory sites.

Toronto and other cities in the past purchase land for this purpose, and is Toronto and other cities in the past now carrying out that scheme. Wind- have kept large tracts of these lands

A Suggestion.

all the tax lands for sale be bought in by

A suggestion was made today that

sor can give sites for factories, but for factory purposes, and have been we have no legal right to do so. "Last year we went to the Legislature and asked that we be allowed to of obtaining industries." MR. FOSTER NON-SUITED SHERIFF ROUTS A

### ON SLANDER CHARGE Court, However, Allows Him to Proceed With the Libel

Charge. [Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, Feb. 18.-Justice Magee non-suited Hon. George Foster on the slander charge of the action for \$50,000

proceed with the libel charge today. **GRAND TRUNK EASILY** 

against Dr. J. A. Macdonald, of The

Over Embankment Was Put Again on Rails.

bound main line of the Grand Trunk, ed on the tracks the rear-end had to Deneen for troops, and swore in five be jacked up while fresh trucks were deputies. placed under, and then the car was

# taken to the barns to be overhauled. **RUN ON LICENSES**

People Are Now Anxious to Buy Jewelry for Canines.

There is a run on dog tags now. ather freely.

revenue received amounted to \$420, of street. This is taken to be a healthy sign, though and it is expected now that the reve-

The inspector will be given a dognet next week. When in Toronto Mayor Beattie ordered one made for the city. It will be about three feet across and four feet deep - sufficiently large to capture the most ferocious Fido.

sidered on Monday, and it is expected

that something will be done in the

A Man and a Girl Attacked by been found in an alley, and there was Savage Canine on Streets of Woodstock.

[Special to The Advertiser.] wore the regulation muzzle. The girl on a charge of wife murder. Governor noticed the dog acting strangely, and then Deneen rushed state troops to the saw it attack a man behind her, who scene. They restored quiet and pre-kicked it off before any harm was done vented the lynching of Arthur Alexanafter tearing her coat sleeve in three plicity in the Pelley murder. The man places managed to scratch her arm with was afterwards released on proving its teeth before being driven off. The his innocence. girl was taken to a doctor, who cauterized and dressed the wound, and he does not anticipate any serious results from the bite as the skin was not broken. The mother of the girl, however, states that there was blood on her underclothing. The girl, though feeling sick, attended school this morning. The chief constable has ordered the dog to be penned up awaiting developments.

Norwood, Ont., Feb. 18. — Mrs. Edward Toms died very suddenly at her home, about two miles west of here. last night, of heart failure. Mrs. Toms had been in her usual good health all day and was ill only about ten minutes. general snowfall in Quebec and snow and rain in the Maritime Provinces.

LYNCHING MOB Pours a Volley Into Cairo, Ill, Citizens Bent on Hanging Bee.

EX-MAYOR'S SON

Globe, but allowed the plaintiff to Crowd Had Started Out to Get Two More Negroes Charged With Robbing White Women.

Caire, Ill., Feb. 18.—One man killed, RIGHTED STRANDED CAR Caire, Ill., Feb. 18.—One man killed, Thomas Halliday, and three wounded, is the result of the attack on the jail Springbanker Which Jumped here last night by a mob thich tried to lynch two negroes, who were arrested for snatching purses from wo-

When the mob, which numbered more than 200, marched to the jail steps last night, Sheriff Nellis Car No. 108, which jumped the open the front door of the courthouse tracks at the first cove yesterday, and above the jail, and said: "I am here shot down a 40-foot embankment, was to protect my prisoners," and at the hauled up the slope again late yestersame time his deputies began shooting into the mob, killing Thomas Halliday, day afternoon by the aid of the crane son of ex-Mayor Thomas W. Halliday,

The Mob Falls Back. The mob fell back, and the body of and stood on the north track of the street railway while at work. The fusing to allow anyone to enter the came to Detroit as district passenger wrecking crew set to work in a busi- yard to remove the body until daynesslike way and it was not long be- light. Early this morning the situation Few railroad men, if any in Detroit, fore the car was up the hill and turned to fever heat. The mob first began around and placed on the tracks again.

Jameson, who has made hundreds of The damage to the car will not amount soon as the talk of lynching reached to more than \$50. After it was replac- Sheriff Nellis he appealed to Governor

> Governor Deneen ordered Company K of Cairo to assemble, and to report to Sheriff Nellis, but Capt. W. D. Graney was unable to collect him men until after daylight this morning. SAYS THE INSPECTOR Governor Deneen also ordered the militia company from Effingham to Governor Deneen also ordered tha proceed at once to Cairo, and it is expected to report here about 11 a.m.

Stormed the Jail. It was nearly midnight before the mob, which had been growing in numbers for three hours, stormed the jail and demanded the negroes. John Pratt and Lincoln Wilson, who were arrested Inspector McCallum is having a busy and found with the articles stolen from time, and the money is coming in Mrs. Wm. Maloney and Mrs. Acord in their possession.

When the mob did not halt at the Since the muzzling ordinance came sheriff's command he told his deputies to open ire and to shoot to kill.

A volley from the deputies scattered. present time 210 pups have official the mob, which fell back across the Several of the mob returned the fire, though none of the deputies was in-

> Among the men wounded by the first volley fired from the jail by Sheriff Nellis and his deputies was George B. Walker, correspondent of the Associated Press. Mr. Walker was shot in the hip, but his wound is not serious. Walker went through the riots of last November. Others wounded are Horton

A bylaw relating to dogs will be con- Freeb and John Maloney. Many of the members of the mon went to their homes after the shooting, but more than a hundred loitered all night about the streets in the vicinity of the jail. The mob spirit has never died here since the murder of Miss Anna Pelley, a shopgirl, last No-IN SPITE OF MUZZLE vember, by a negro, and the subsequent typehing of a negro and a white quent lynching of a negro and a white

> The body of Miss Anna Pelley had evidence that she had been attacked and murdered. Wm. (Froggey) James, a negro, was arrested on suspicion after a hunt for

the murderer with bloodhounds had been instituted. A mob took James from the jail. Woodstock, Feb. 18.—Mary Kennedy, a He was hanged in the public square, fourteen-year-old girl, when returning and his body riddled with bullets. The from school last evening was savagely at- mob, which numbered thousands also tacked and bitten by a collie dog which took from the jail and lynched Henry wore the regulation muzzle. The girl Salzner, a white man, who was held him. It then turned on the girl, and der, another negro, suspected of eom-

## VERY SUDDEN DEATH.