

THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 10, 1922.

PLANS TO TEST LEGALITY OF LORD'S DAY ACT

POLICE EJECT COURT SMOKER

Fred Hopkins Disturbs Decorum by Persistent Lighting of Pipe.

Fined \$2 On Charge of Window Peeping On Richmond Street.

Once in a while it may be quite possible to strike matches and smoke in the city police court while a session is in progress and "get away with it."

Not always though. Fred Hopkins tried it Thursday morning and drew upon himself the combined wrath of Police Magistrate Graydon, Chief of Police Birrell, Acting Sergeant Tomlin and Constable Gavin Monahan.

Donates Two Dollars.

About a half hour previous Hopkins had donated a two dollar bill to the city exchequer and had strolled out, entirely unabashed, and on head and stoutly maintaining his innocence. Returning at frequent intervals to the halls of justice he evinced a keen interest in the proceedings. He became so absorbed evidently that he decided to stay a while longer and smoke up.

"Bring that man here," finally thundered Magistrate Graydon obviously exasperated. "What does he mean by striking matches on the wall while a court is in session?"

"Yes, bring him in," boomed Chief Birrell equally aroused, "and chuck that pipe downstairs."

"What do you think this place is, a bar-room?" questioned the magistrate sharply. "I think that you are a very important fellow. I've a mind to inflict further punishment. Now clear out of here, at once."

"And stay out," was the significant warning from Chief Birrell.

Hopkins, despite the evidence of P. C. Fraleigh, had earlier in the morning denied that he was peeping in a window back of 254 Richmond street. He maintained that his wife was residing there, and he was on the point of stating her. As a matter of fact, as he explained to the bench, he made it a practice to see her every day, bearing with him presents, sometimes ice cream, upon other occasions, buttermilk.

Not at Window.

"Did you have the buttermilk with you at the window?" queried Chief Birrell. "I was not at the window."

"You're retorting the accusation," retorted the accused stoutly, "that the woman in the house was his wife. Chief Birrell held a contrary view. "This woman was here yesterday and complained that he has been following her about the streets. She says she is not his wife, and that he has had two already."

"Nonsense. I can prove she is," exclaimed Hopkins, while the magistrate cut short the argument. "\$2 and costs, next time it will be \$10."

WESTMINSTER CHURCH PICNICS AT SPRINGBANK

Congregation Enjoys Happy Time at London's Riverside Park.

A successful picnic was held at Springbank Wednesday afternoon, when the Guild of C. E. of the First Church, Westminster, turned out in full force and holiday mood to enjoy the beauties of London's riverside park.

Local weather prevailed and all entered into the sports enthusiastically. The results of the races were as follows:

Open race, girls—M. Elliot.
Open race, boys—G. Kirk.
Doughnut race, girls—F. Elliot.
Three-legged race, boys and girls—H. Anderson and M. Elliot.
Clothing race, boys—F. Bennett.
Coat race, boys and girls—W. Laidlaw and A. Kerridge.
Soda biscuit, girls—E. Pittaway.
Wheelbarrow race, boys and girls—W. Laidlaw and M. Lawson.
Hoop race—E. Gracey.

After the contests a mixed ball game was played, following which a delightful supper was served.

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Wins Appointment



FRANK H. CURRAN, B.A., LL.B.

IT was announced Thursday that Frank H. Curran, B.A., LL.B., has been appointed lecturer in medical jurisprudence at Western University Medical School. Mr. Curran is a London boy and assumes his new duties in October.

Boyd Is Marked Absent When Court Roll Is Called

"BRUCE BOYD, Bruce Boyd," Down through the various halls, and even out on the sidewalk in front of the Carling street police station, they were looking for him Thursday morning and shouting his name in loud, stentorian voices. He was nowhere to be found.

"Well, he should be here," declared Police Magistrate Graydon.

Chief of Police Birrell concurred. "We had him picked out yesterday, and I bailed him out until this morning. We'll have to get him again."

The case was adjourned again until Friday morning. Boyd is charged with fighting and general disorderliness on South Clarence streets a few nights ago. His companion was fined Wednesday.

Town Topics.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?—Matthew 7:16.

PAPER and leather and ink—All are but trash.

If I find not the thought which the writer can think.—Dr. Walter Smith.

THE MEMBERS of the Canadian Passenger Association left by special train at 11:45 for Port Stanley, where they are holding a meeting. Rates and schedules are among the chief subjects of consideration.

BANK CLEARINGS for the past week, when compared to the same week in 1921, show a decided decrease. The amounts were the following for the past week, \$2,132,014 and for the same week in 1921, \$2,821,295.

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN completed for the annual picnic of the employees of the public utilities commission at Port Stanley Saturday next. A special train will leave at 1:20 p.m. A lengthy and attractive list of sports will be provided. Luncheon will be served at the L. and P. S. tea-house on Invererie Heights at 6 p.m.

THE PIANO and VOCAL pupils of Theodore Gray gave a very creditable recital last Saturday evening in Mr. Gray's new studio at 296 Egerton street, the following taking part: Madeline Prestwick, Dorothy Owen, May Saville, Helen Flowers, Mary Owen, A. D. Duncan, Audrey Carter, Nelson Andrews, Allan Penn, Harold Chapman, Cecil Hyatt, Norman Vasey, Leonard Collard.

BUILDING PERMITS issued in London this month number 37, and their total estimated cost involved is \$55,400. Included in the most recently issued permits are the following: George Lewis, for a 14-story brick dwelling at 296 Egerton street, costing \$2,500; Edward Bourne for a two-story brick residence on Hamilton road, to cost \$4,900, and John Cottrell for a one-story brick house at 81 Cathcart street, estimated to cost \$3,200.

OWING TO THE FACT that employees of the public utilities commission are holding their annual picnic at Port Stanley Saturday, General Manager E. V. Buchanan announced Thursday that the Hydro Shop and commission offices will be closed at 2 p.m. on that day. However, he stated that any water or electric bills upon which payment is due Saturday will be received and discount allowed on Monday as a convenience to consumers.

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CLOSES 2 BLOCKS ON DUNDAS STREET

City Engineer Stops Traffic While Thoroughfare Is Paved.

"Traffic for two blocks on Dundas street east has been halted by City Engineer H. A. Brazier, who has announced that on Thursday afternoon paving operation on this thoroughfare will necessitate motorists making a detour via Ashland avenue, King street and Highbury avenue.

Beginning Monday, Mr. Brazier states that the entire stretch of road between Ashland avenue and the city limits will be closed to traffic, and that motorists will have to detour via Oxford street or south to the Gore street, which is seven-eighths of a mile either way.

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Ridicules Suggestion That Street Railway Has Exclusive Franchise

Ridiculing the suggestion that the London street railway enjoys an exclusive franchise in London, Ald. Henry B. Ashplant declared Thursday that as a member of the city council he stood ready and determined to oppose, tooth and nail, any further move to obstruct the passage of any further legislation that would tend to hamper the operation of motor buses in this city.

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POKER PARTY ENDS IN FREE-FOR-ALL

Court Fines Quebec Street Combatants \$10 and Costs.

It has not been definitely established as yet whether it was somebody who spoke of his turn or whether one of the visitors at a Quebec street residence Sunday evening last was playing with an ace up his sleeve, contrary to rules of the game as set down by Hovle & Co.

There is no question, however, that the evening's dispute of some nature arising from what was primarily intended as a quiet little poker game. Acting Police Sergeant Tomlin, who responded to the hurried calls for assistance, relates that by the time he reached the scene with his squad of constables the table had been pushed back and the players, eight or ten in number, had turned for diversion to the main artery of pugilism.

The contestants, onlookers and all who, in the opinion of the raiding constables were more or less implicated, appeared at the Carling street station Thursday morning and paid their \$10 and costs.

As Police Clerk John Moule collected the city's share of the gate receipts, one of the party hurried away to gather in, he explained, what the house was entitled to. Windows were smashed, and a record of the fight was suffered to no small degree, all of which must be paid for, he declared emphatically.

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KEELS FISHERMEN CATCH 30 WHALES

St. John's, Nfld., Aug. 10.—The fishermen of Keel Bay, Bonaville, Nfld., secured thirty sperm whales out of school which appeared off that place on Saturday and were still playing their harpoons vigorously and successfully.

If the fishermen can dispose of the whales they will make big profits, but they are faced with a problem in finding a market for all Newfoundland's whale factories have ceased operation.

CABINET FAVORS POINCARÉ'S STAND

Paris, Aug. 10.—The French cabinet, at a special meeting held this morning, presided over by President Millerand, is understood to have approved entirely the attitude taken by Premier Poincaré at the London conference on the reparations problem.

The meeting had been called hurriedly to consider M. Poincaré's report on the developments of the London deliberations. President Millerand came specially from Rambouillet to preside.

After the meeting a telegram was sent to Premier Poincaré informing him the cabinet had unanimously approved the stand he had taken.

MINERS VOTE TO SEEK AGREEMENT

Cleveland, Aug. 10.—The policy committee of the United Mine Workers of America today voted to proceed with the negotiation of a wage scale agreement with the operators of Ohio, Western Pennsylvania and Illinois, who are here for the joint conference which was called with a view of breaking the soft coal strike.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 10.—The legislation passed by the Nova Scotia legislature at its last session to change the rule of the road in this province from left to right, has been disallowed by the federal government. The legislation was disallowed on the request of the local government, who announce that the request was made because of certain misunderstandings concerning the date when the legislation should become effective.

HAMTRAMCK MAN STABBED 25 TIMES

Special to London Advertiser. DETROIT, Aug. 9.—Max Wisnerowski, almost carved to pieces, having suffered no less than 25 stilette wounds, is in a Hamtramck hospital dying, and Gus Moger, his companion, with but five wounds, is not so serious, as a result of an attack made on them by four men.

They tell the police that they were lured to a dark street by two women, who held them in conversation. A car drove up, four men leaped out and the carving began. The police believe the intent was homicidal, so badly were the men attacked. It is believed that a feud is at the bottom of it all. The stabbing victims do not know their assailants or the names of the women.

Back From France



RICHARD CROUCH, B.A.

MR. CROUCH, a graduate of Western University, has returned