

SERIOUS SCENES OF DISORDER MARK THE POLITICAL MEETINGS

Many Liberal and Unionist Speakers in the English Campaign Have Difficulty in Getting a Hearing Because of Riotous Partisans.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

London, Jan. 6.—Lord Desborough was unable to obtain a hearing at Cambridge, where a hearing for Arnold Lupton, the Liberal candidate, at Stamford, Captain Wedgell, Unionist, had to preside. Similarly the Liberal vicar of Tottenham presided for Captain Morrison Bell, the Unionist. The Right Hon. A. Lytton was vigorously heckled even in exclusive Hanover Square. Many other meetings of both parties showed the heat engendered among the electors.

Lord Milner, at Wolverhampton prophesied that tariff reform will grow. The time will come when it will cease to be a party watchword. The Radicals themselves will rather shamefacedly adopt it. Meanwhile the Radicals had introduced a budget with twenty new items, with taxes upon the people in order to escape the terrible disaster of having to impose a new burden upon foreign imports. There had been an acute revival of the dear food fiction, but he had never wavered.

Winston Churchill, speaking at Dundee to business men, laid down five principles. He held that no substantial revenue could be obtained by taxing the foreigner, that 10 per cent duty on imported manufactured articles would not produce enough to meet the country's needs, that foreign investments were not injurious, that dumping was unfair competition, and that it cannot be stopped, by tariff retaliation, which is ineffective and unnecessary.

DULLARDS AND DUFFERS.

Mr. John Burns at Walsall said the Opposition was inviting invasion by asking stupidly about the ungaraged condition of our shores. Who were these seamen? They were the unemployed of commerce, the dullards in finance, the duffers of trade, who asked doles to make up for lack of brains, ability, and adaptability, and by taxing our best customers and the food of their fellow-citizens were trying to impose upon the country a fiscal disability which all might to regret.

Lord Crewe said last night that he had been called to account for making the statement that the colonies were astounded at the action of the Lords. It was true that in certain colonies there were second chambers which could deal with finance, but there was no kind of analogy between the second chamber of many of the colonies and the action of the House of Lords. If the electors agreed with that action they would become the serfs of the Lords.

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CHATHAM BOY-BURGLAR SENT TO KINGSTON

An Eighteen-Year-Old Lad Was Leader of Gang of Youthful Thieves.

(Special to The Advertiser.)
Chatham, Jan. 7.—Charles Coleman, aged 18 years, the youthful leader of the gang of youths arrested a week ago as perpetrators of six recent burglaries in Chatham, was this morning sentenced to four years in Kingston Penitentiary by Magistrate Houston in the city police court. Two of his pals, Judson and Johnston, were remanded for a week, and another, Arthur Ray, allowed to go on suspended sentence, it being the first offence.

HUNDREDS HAD RIDE IN POLICE PATROL

Local Vehicle Appears To Have Been Popular The Past Year.

During 1909 no less than 459 people enjoyed a ride in the local police patrol, and that vehicle was summoned just 405 times. The city ambulance responded to 430 calls, of which 195 were emergency cases. Since the early part of last year the patrol wagon has been covered in and its occupants are not now exposed to the public gaze, as was the case formerly.

LOST IN THE BLIZZARD

Terrible Sufferings and Several Deaths on Western Plains.

Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—Reports drifting in from the west show that the blizzard last week and this, accompanied by the bitter cold, has resulted in several deaths and much suffering. A farmer named W. Clark, of Lang, perished while driving a load of hay from his farm eight miles south of that town. Three little children living south of Yellowknife, named Meldrum, going from their home to the home of their grandparents, two miles distant, were also caught in the blizzard. When found by the search party the young boy was dead with his two sisters huddled in the snow beside him. Pears are also entertained with regard to the safety of Sheriff A. V. Whitehead, of Weyburn, who left to drive in the south country on New Year's Day and has not been heard from since, and for whom the Mounted Police are now searching. At Estevan, Sask., Lawrence Tremblay, aged 16, was killed by the storm while looking for horses and frozen to death.

KILLING OF DYSON

Morin Charged With the Crime, and Corish Made a Crown Witness.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.] James Morin and William Corish, charged with the murder of Wm. Dyson, T. N. O. telegraph operator at Redwater, last December, came up in Magistrate Weegar's police court this morning for their preliminary hearing. The crown decided to drop the charge against Corish, and to put him in as crown witness. On the strength of Corish's evidence, which brought out nothing, Morin was committed for trial at the spring assizes. Corish was discharged under bond of \$300 that he would be on hand as a witness.

OIL PRICES DOWN

Pittsburg, Jan. 7.—Five grades of crude oil were reduced 3 cents today by the Standard Oil Company. The quotations follow: Pennsylvania \$1.40, Corning 55, Mercer Black 57, Newcastle 54, Cabel 54.

THE WEALTH OF FRANCE.

Paris, Jan. 7.—Edmond Thery, the French economist, figures that the wealth of France increased during the year 1909 by \$1,200,000,000. French foreign investments at the end of the year totalled \$7,000,000,000.

A NEW SCHOOL TO REPLACE WORN-OUT COLBORNE STREET

Chairman Gammage Advocates It and the Majority of Citizens Are in Favor of the Move—Plans Will Be Prepared and Tenders Called for Shortly.

There will certainly be a new school to replace the Colborne street school this coming year. In the inaugural address of Chairman Gammage, of the board of education, last evening he advocated that the present building be torn down, as it was unfit for occupancy, and inadequate for the needs of the school. "No. 2 committee will set to work at once in obtaining plans and calling for tenders for the new building. It will be situated near King street, and will have a dead wall at the rear in order to deaden any noises from the factories to the rear of the school. An Absolute Need.

CITY MUST EXERCISE ECONOMY IF TAX RATE IS TO BE NORMAL

Newly-Elected Council Will Have Their Hands Full Keeping the Rate Below 25 Mills on the Dollar—A Glance at the Probable Expenditures.

With a 25-mill tax rate staring the council in the face, the position of the newly-elected aldermen is not enviable. And looking at it from every standpoint, it is difficult to see how the present members can escape in any way from the high rate. It may be brought down to 24½ mills, but that will occasion serious economy, it is said. The debenture rate will cause quite a boost.

The debentures for the Niagara power distribution must be sold, and the interest and sinking fund will have to be provided. Last year only the sinking fund was provided for, but this year the interest must also be put up. This will increase the amount to be raised from \$3,938.69 to \$14,427.01, a difference of \$10,488.32 for Niagara power.

In addition there will be the debentures for water and school purposes amounting to \$9,570.67. There will also be interest and sinking fund on the consumption hospital and other debentures of like nature, amounting to \$363.75.

A Big Jump. In other words, the total amount of interest and sinking fund to be raised more than last year totals \$24,427.01. This is approximately one-fifth of a mill, as a mill on the tax rate means \$24,500. Of course, the city may reap some revenue to meet different debentures. The waterworks is expected to turn in some surplus, especially as it is said that lawn services will once more be charged for. There is also a surplus from Niagara power, but much greater progress will have to be made before there can be any revenue from this source.

BOYS MAY PLAY POOL IF PARENTS ARE WILLING

Magistrate Love Found That Local Man Could Not Be Prosecuted on Certain Charge.

An interesting decision in connection with the charge against W. C. Wheatcroft, of allowing a lad under 15 years of age to play pool in his establishment, was given by Magistrate Love this morning, when he dismissed the case, after looking up the statutes of Ontario, on the ground that as the boy's father had given his son permission to go to the poolroom, the law was not broken. No Provision. The city bylaw makes no provision for such a case, but the court held that the bylaw governing the statutes of Ontario. The city bylaw, as it stands, provides that it is unlawful for any boy under 18 years of age to either play pool or frequent poolrooms. The statutes of Ontario were, however, amended some time ago, and a clause inserted providing that if a boy's father gave his consent a boy under 18 could go to the poolroom. Local poolroom proprietors have had a great deal of trouble lately with boys giving wrong ages and obtaining admission to their places of business.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FAIR.

FORECASTS.
Toronto, Jan. 7.—8 a.m. Today and Saturday—Moderate to fresh westerly to southwesterly winds; local snow flurries, but generally fair and cold. TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Max.	High.
Winnipeg	3	-10	15	41
Park Arthur	6	-2	6	26
Perry Sound	2	-18	20	28
Toronto	23	20	29	28
Ottawa	26	18	31	32
Montreal	22	16	30	31
Quebec	16	8	25	26
Father Point	24	16	31	32
Dawson City	—	-10	20	28
Port Simpson	—	-18	20	28
Victoria	—	-24	26	30
Vancouver	—	-21	26	30
Edmonton	—	-18	26	30
Battleford	—	-2	14	16
Prince Albert	—	-4	14	16
Moosaw	—	-10	12	14
Qu'Appelle	—	-10	12	14
St. John	—	-12	14	16
Halifax	—	-12	14	16

Minus (-) means below zero. No reports from Victoria or Calgary today. WEATHER NOTES. The pressure is lowest over the New England coast, and highest over the southern portion of the continent. Light snowfalls have occurred in Ontario and Quebec, and rain and sleet in the Maritime Provinces. The weather in Canada is generally moderately cold.

Want More Money.

In addition the committees will be asking more money this year. The board of education will demand more, for example. There is an overdraft from last year of \$2,000 that must be accounted for this year. There is also a large raise in teachers' salaries to be met. There are other increasing expenditures.

The kindergarten reorganization may result in a saving, but it will apply only to the last six months of the year. It is estimated that the public schools will cost at least \$160,000 this year, as compared with \$154,736 in 1909.

The Collegiate will also be higher. There are two new teachers to be provided for. The estimates last year were \$40,000, and this year they will run nearly \$42,000.

It's Money, Money, Money! The police department and the public library will run about the same, perhaps a trifle more.

The hospital trust will ask for \$37,500, as compared with \$27,000 last year. Then they had to add the Isolation Hospital, but since the Isolation Hospital is not to be maintained the entire year. It is difficult to see how the committees of the council can reduce their expenditure under last year. They were cut down to rock bottom in order to reduce the rate, and this year's council may have some difficulty in doing any better.

TWO PLEADED GUILTY TO EXPRESS ROBBERY

Dobson and Whistler Will Be Sentenced for Big Steal on Saturday.

(Special to The Advertiser.)
Niagara Falls, Jan. 7.—William Dobson and Paul Whistler, the youthful self-confessed express robbers, appeared before Magistrate Fraser this morning. There were two charges against both prisoners: the first that they did on Nov. 4 steal from the Canadian Express Company \$14,169 and the second charge that on or about Oct. 15 they did conspire with Charles J. Flynn, of Niagara Falls, O., and others to rob the Canadian Express Company. The men elected to be tried by Magistrate Fraser, and pleaded guilty to both charges. The magistrate announced he would render both the verdicts at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for sentence. "The whole time occupied was not over 20 minutes."

A FATAL WRECK ON LAKE SHORE

Erie, Jan. 7.—Passenger train No. 23, westbound, on the Lake Shore Railroad, is reported wrecked at North. Three passengers are said to have been killed and a number injured.

TAXES DOUBLED ON ALL CANINES

People of London Must Now Pay \$2 a Year to Keep a Dog. Dog owners who do not wish to pay \$2 to the city for the privilege of owning a pup had better dispose of their doggie right away. The council last year passed a by-law placing the fee for keeping a dog at \$2 each a year, instead of \$1, as heretofore. "We will commence collecting dog taxes after Feb. 1," said Inspector McCullum. "The tariff will be \$2 now, and those gentlemen who do not wish to pay the larger fee had better dispose of their dogs. We will get after them as soon as we can."

Taking an Earlier Start.

For the past ten days the sun has been a laggard in the matter of getting up, having kept out of sight until 7:53 a.m. Tomorrow, however, rises one minute earlier, so that hereafter the days will be getting longer at both ends.

Bank Clearings.

Local bank clearings for the week ending Jan. 6 totalled \$1,720,489. —Rev. Dr. Hannon, of this city, will preach anniversary sermon at Birr on Sunday next.



MR. CHARLES S. GUNN.
Well-Known Young Londoner Who Has Been Appointed as Manager of the International Harvester Company's Business at Yorkton, Sask.

TRUSTEES WERE GROWING PERSONAL

A Short, But Warm Debate Over the Kindergartens Last Night.

TROUBLE OVER PETITIONS

Which Were Presented to Have Certain Teachers Reinstated—Petitions Sent to No. 1 Committee.

The reorganization of the kindergartens created a short, but sharp, debate at the inaugural meeting of the board of education last evening. Chairman Gammage stopped the discussion when personalities commenced to be indulged in.

The flurry arose when the petitions for the restoration of Miss Jean Campbell, as directress at Talbot street school, and of Miss Annie Alagide, as directress of the Simcoe street school, were presented.

Both petitions were very large, and contained the names of a large number of the prominent business-men of the city.

Trustee Strong wanted to have Inspector Edwards give a report on these teachers. He was under the impression that they had been retained on the staff, and could not understand what the petitions meant.

Chairman Explains. "There were ten teachers retained until July next," explained Chairman Gammage. "They are filling in largely until that time, when their services will be dispensed with. The regular kindergartens have been placed. The others are retained temporarily."

"We had better have Inspector Edwards report on these teachers," insisted Trustee Strong. "If they are teachers of long experience, we should retain them in all fairness."

"I did intend moving to send the petitions to No. 1 committee," said Trustee Graham. "I see no use for that on second thought. We have carefully considered the question. We have decided. To give these teachers positions will mean the removal of two, and, I move that the petitions be laid."

Trustee Weekes seconded the motion. "To send these petitions to the committee would tend to hold out false hopes to the teachers," he declared. "That is not fair. We have made the best possible selection, and it would not be fair to displace other teachers."

"We should have the inspector's report on declared Mr. Strong. "Then we will know where we are at." Inspector Edwards explained that he had given a confidential report as had been requested by Mr. Strong. "We will make a public report on any teacher. The selection of teachers was made by the board."

Some Hot Shot.

"I want to ask Trustee Strong what sort of an address he made at the Talbot street school," said Trustee Graham. "It's none of your business," shot back Trustee Strong. "I would not stand up to reply to that except out of respect to you, Mr. Chairman; not out of respect to Mr. Graham. It is none of his business what I say out of board meetings."

"Such statements as you make reflecting on the board or members of the board, no matter where they are made, are certainly a disgrace to this board, and I want to know," continued Mr. Graham.

Sent to Committee.

Chairman Gammage called the belligerents off, and Trustee Gunn moved that the petitions be referred to No. 1 committee.

"There is no need for summary action," he declared. "We have plenty of time to consider them, and we should out of respect to the many, and very prominent men whose names appear on them, give them fair treatment. I do not know that I would change my former vote, but it would be better to consider the petitions."

Trustee Teasdale seconded the motion of Trustee Gunn, and it carried 5 to 4.

Mr. Wright, in speaking to the toast of "The Citizens' Municipal League," said the league was out for a cleaner and better London.

"If we have effected a change," he continued on Page Nine.

COLLEGIATE PRIZES PRESENTED TO FIELD DAY AND OTHER WINNERS

Presentations Were Made by School Trustees and Other Prominent Citizens — Names of Those to Whom the Medals Were Given.

There were large gatherings at the Collegiate Institute this afternoon when the medals and prizes in connection with the examinations, and the prizes won on the field day, were presented to the winners.

There were four separate gatherings in the classrooms, where the majority of the medal and prize-winners are pupils.

The Presentations.

The presentations were made by Chairman Gammage, Trustees Weekes, Hunt, Strong, Balfour, Morgan, Commissioner Pocock, ex-Ald. Thomas Gillen, and Messrs. J. M. McEvoy, John S. Barnard, C. R. Somerville, and Fred Daly. Addresses were made by all of those mentioned, and by ex-Mayor Stevely.

THE MEDALLISTS.

Beck Medallist—Mae Croxon. White Medallist—Majorie Stevenson. Pocock Prize Winner—Harold Caverhill. Alan Gibbons' Memorial Medal—George S. Shaw. Barnard Medallist—Challoner Benson. Graham Medallist—Fay Northcott and Harold Caverhill.

Stevely Medallists—Gladys Steele and Lionel Morley. Westervelt Medallists—Eva Sherwin and Edith Baker. Somerville Scholarship—Cecil Holland.

McEvoy Medallist—George H. Ellis. D. S. Hamilton Medallist—Annie Reid.

Other Winners.

Alex. Ross won the medal offered by Principal McCutcheon for the senior championship in athletics, and the medal awarded for the junior athletic championship went to Carlo Steele. The diamond ring offered by ex-Ald. Thomas Gillen for the best essay, was won by Miss Irene Barber, and Miss Madge Gibson was second. The prizes offered by Mr. Frank Lawson for the best essays were won by Challoner Benson and Robert Mitchell. For the best essay on peace subjects, Miss Marjory Stevenson won the first prize, offered by John Fred Daly, with her essay on "The Hague Tribunal." Miss Dorothy McCann was second. The presentations were made with great enthusiasm, and the speakers were greeted with great applause.

A CAMP FOR LONDON AS USUAL THIS YEAR

No Truth in the Rumor That the Militia Would Go Elsewhere.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Jan. 7.—London will have the annual militia training camp this summer as usual. There is no prospect for rival camp grounds to be prepared for the camp.

This is the answer to the rumor set afloat that there would be no camp in London this year.

LATEST SLATE FOR COUNCIL COMMITTEES

It Is Said That the City Fathers Are Having Trouble Coming to Terms.

There is still a mighty row on over the chairmanships of the committees of the city council, and it is difficult to discover what the end will be. Several rather interesting sessions have been held, but when everything appeared to be settled, trouble would break out in a new quarter, and the work have to be done over again.

The board of works is the bone of contention. There are more than a few who want to be on that committee, and there are several who do not wish to have some other alderman sit there.

The Latest Slate.

According to the latest information obtainable, the committees will be as follows: No. 1—Ald. Richter (chairman), Ald. Underwood, Ald. Stevenson and Ald. Rose. No. 2—Ald. Becker (chairman), Ald. Pocock, Ald. Ashplant and Ald. Saunders. No. 3—Ald. Tarnock (chairman), Ald. Fitzgerald, Ald. Morgan and Ald. Jeffries.

There may be some changes, but it is expected that the present arrangement will be agreed to.

M. C. R. BAGGAGEMAN KILLED BY ROBBERS

Ypsilanti, Mich., Jan. 7.—The baggage-man at the Michigan Central depot was killed in a night with robbers here early today.

COOK DOWN SOUTH

Member of Explorers' Club Believes That He Is in Australia.

Quebec, Jan. 7.—Mr. W. N. Cabot, of Boston, who is a member of the Explorers' Club, which repatriated Dr. Cook as an impostor, is in Quebec. Speaking of Cook's "bluffing," he said he regarded it as very unlikely that Cook could be in the Quebec district, and he gives more credence to a report that Cook is in Australia.

"What has killed Cook," says Mr. Cabot, "is that Barrill affidavit regarding the ascent of Mount McKinley."

Cook, he says, is looking far more for money than for glory, and he gave instances of Cook's shrewdness in money affairs. He said it was wonderful how the discredited explorer had bluffed so many with his purring smile and specious talk.

STORM WRECKS VILLAGE.

Cadiz, Spain, Jan. 7.—A hurricane today wrecked the village of La Linea, near the Gibraltar boundary line, in this province. Forty houses fell.

"Punch" Wheeler Here.

H. E. Wheeler, "Punch," business manager of "The Royal Chef Company," is in the city. The company plays London next week. Mr. Wheeler is one of the oldest press agents in the show business, and has been coming to London for thirty years. "The Royal Chef" Company jumped from South Carolina to Branford, and will play under A. J. Small's booking for four months in Canada.

VACCINATION ENDS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Motion to Suspend Will Be Followed By One to Rescind.

VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

Result of Vote in the Municipal Election Appears To Have Had Influence Upon the Trustees.

The result of the vaccination campaign was made an evidence at the meeting of the board of education last evening.

All the trustees were in favor of the foregoing of the vaccination campaign rule, and it was suspended. A notice of motion was presented by Trustee Weekes to suspend the rule that at the next regular meeting of the board he would move that a rule that all children must be vaccinated before entrance to public schools be rescinded. Trustee Graham seconded the motion.

There was no discussion about this matter. A striking similarity of opinion was noticed, and when the motion was put for the suspension of the rule in favor of it.

The motion was carried, and will also be at the next meeting, and this question finally settled, as far as the board of education is concerned.

WOULD YOU RATHER TWOSTEP THAN WALTZ?

Ice Skating With Incidental Dancing Appears To Be Popular in London.

The London Skating Club has held its regular weekly meetings at the Westminster rink on Tuesday evenings and Friday afternoons. This is now the third season for the club and the interest seems to be increasing every season. The great majority of members are now adults, although there are quite a few ladies skating this year. The art of waltzing has not been found difficult to master, and any person who is really anxious to learn should have no difficulty in doing so after a few lessons.

The committee are planning to have outside chris with London during the season to give exhibitions of fancy skating. Competitions will be arranged in the near future, and will be in Western Ontario. The London club have produced the best ice skating in this year, and on the whole, it is a triumph at every point.

Skating clubs have been organized in Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto for many years, and have been successful in their efforts. It is understood that the membership list of the London Skating Club is now nearly complete, and that, desirable to join should submit their names as soon as possible.

At the annual meeting held two weeks ago, Mr. H. H. H. of the Bank of Montreal was unanimously elected as president, and Mr. J. H. H. as vice-president.

TORONTO'S ASSESSMENT

The County Judge Fixes the Values at \$267,932,154.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—The county judge has finally fixed the assessable value of Toronto at \$267,932,154, which is \$1,765,784 less than were the former assessments. The chief reduction was in values in the suburbs further from the centre, and a good deal of them were on streets running off Yonge street.

Mothers' Club Meeting.

The Mothers' Club, of Chelsea Green School, will meet on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 13, at 4:30, when Mr. Robert, principal of the school, will give an address on "Child in relation to Life and