

## CLAIM POLICE NOT ENFORCING HEADLIGHT LAW

Almost Every Night Drivers  
Confused and Blinded  
by Glaring Lights.

SAY L. M. C. OFFICIALS

Trouble Is That Bulbs Are Not  
Properly Adjusted.

Numerous complaints have been received, not only by the Motor Club in this city, but by the Ontario Motor League throughout the whole province, that a large number of car owners are ignoring the law regarding the use of non-glare lenses. Officials of the London Motor Club claim that the police are not properly enforcing the regulations, although instructions to the contrary have been issued by the department.

Of almost any road on any night glaring headlights blind and confuse the drivers of passing automobiles, it is claimed, despite the fact that a law prohibiting such lights was passed by the Ontario Legislature recently. Practically all of the offending cars have been equipped with lenses recommended by the department, but in almost every case they are not properly adjusted.

## ANOTHER AGED WOMAN IS SENTENCED TO JAIL

Let Aged People's Home Contrary to  
Rules of Institution.

No sooner does one aged person leave the jail than another is admitted, it seems. Only a few days ago Mrs. Sarah Nelson, aged 84, was sentenced to two weeks in the institution for more than two weeks, was released. She had been found a home. Tuesday Annie Marshall, another aged woman, who until last Wednesday was an inmate of the Aged People's Home, was remanded to jail for two weeks.

Mrs. Harris, who devotes her time to the welfare of female prisoners who appear in police court, said that the officials at the home would not take Mrs. Marshall back unless she was ordered there by the city council. Their reason was that she had left the home of her own accord, thus violating the rules in force at the place.

On Saturday and Sunday, said Mrs. Harris, the aged prisoner's board was secured for her and paid for, but the people to whom she was sent refused to keep her.

Mrs. Marshall is charged with vagrancy. While she is confined in the jail an effort is made to have her taken back to the home.

## HOUSING COMMISSION

Nine Houses Sold During Past Week by  
F. B. Lavender.

That there is still a big demand for homes in the city of London, and that despite the all-around depression and shortness of money, there are still some working men who have been careful enough of their earnings to be in a position to buy their own homes, has been very clearly shown during the past week, according to a statement made to an advertiser reporter today by F. B. Lavender, who has been handling the sale of the houses erected by the housing commission since the real estate agency which had undertaken to dispose of the houses in 45 days, gave up the job without having sold a single house.

"During the past week," said Mr. Lavender, "I have sold nine houses, two on the Garfield avenue location and seven in the Pine Lawn subdivision. These sales have netted for the commission \$17,215.48, or an average of \$4,148.8 a house. There are still more than 50 houses to be sold."

## STILL ON THE JOB AFTER FIFTY YEARS IN LONDON BUSINESS

Hubert Ashplant Receiving  
Congratulations of Friends

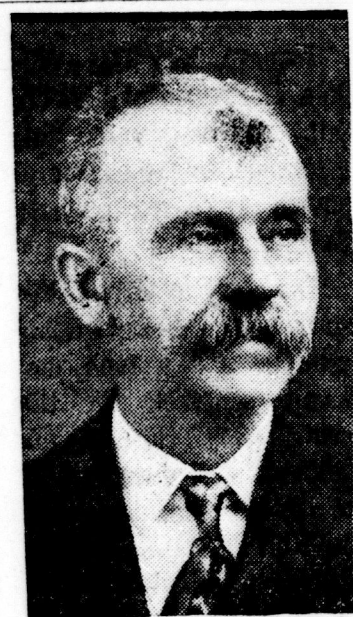
SOME GOOD ADVICE

Tells Young Men How to  
Succeed in the World.

Fifty years ago Tuesday, a young emigrant from Devonshire, England, arrived in London, which was then a city of 10,000 population, with a few pennies in his possession, to start him in a new country. Today, he is one of the best known retail shoe merchants in Canada, and is receiving the congratulations of his scores of friends and business associates on his anniversary. The young emigrant was Hubert Ashplant, proprietor of Ashplant & Co. with two modern shoe stores in this city, a downtown establishment, and a branch in East London.

When interviewed by The Advertiser regarding his anniversary, Mr. Ashplant, who is now in his 71st year, and enjoying the best of health, stated that he has no intention of retiring from the business which has constituted his life's work, and pleasure. "I would be lost out of the business," he declared, "and would not know what to do with myself. I went to work at the age of 14 years, and at 20 launched out for myself, coming to Canada with several young fellows, who have all made good. I had nothing to lose, as I did not have enough money to pay my fare back to England in case of failure. I started in to work here in the stockroom of John McMeekin Company, on Dundas street. I worked for nine months in this wholesale shoe warehouse at \$5 a week, and saved money."

Opens Stores. As a retail shoe clerk at \$7 a week, and was



HUBERT ASHPANT.

married on a wage of \$10 weekly. I stayed at this for five years, and then my boss died, and with my cousin, I opened a shoe store in the Molsons Bank Building, known as Ashplant & Tanton. We had a branch store in the Hiscox Block on the site of one of the theatres, and it was known as Tanton & Ashplant, and a branch store in East London, which I still retain. This continued for 30 years, and then my partner died, and I ran the market store myself, while his son took the other downtown store. "I have been in business for myself for 44 years," continued the veteran merchant, "and have been in the present store for 12 years. The old Molsons Bank store was one with steps leading down to the street, and was in an arcade communicating from Dundas street to the market. When I first came to London, Dundas street was gravel and was later paved with wooden blocks. At that time we worked early and late, having our hours on the street in front of the store before 7:30 a.m., and working late every night. However, I am in favor of better hours and early closing."

Some Good Advice. "Any young man who wants to get along in life has to lay a foundation, and what a man sows he will reap. There is no finer country for a young man to wish to go to than Canada. It is the land of Canada for me. The opportunities of today are so great now, that the whole trouble is too much spending. The young man can hardly hold himself, the influences are so great now. It is the young man, with steady habits, good control of himself, and a little larger and deeper than the common sense is, and a common sense is what he needs. The faulty, fast living, giddy young man usually gets left. I am the oldest businessman on Dundas street today, and can trace the causes of most

failures to fast life. The first man I bought out was smarter than me, but he was out driving all the time and in a few months his business was for sale. The man who wants to get rich quick gets left."

Must Give Value. "In all my business dealings, I have sought to do unto others as I would be done unto myself. I have made mistakes. A businessman cannot be too careful with his customers and must give value for each thing he does. He should make it right, in the right spirit, and his customers will stick to him. I have four generations of one family wearing my shoes because of this. The only trouble now is that the child wears daily, the finer shoes which used to be for Sunday only, which I feel are not serviceable for everyday wear. We used to sell many children's shoes with the paper toes, but these are a curiosity now."

The Good Old Days. "During my 44 years in business," declared Mr. Ashplant, "I have bought out 20 wholesale and retail shoe merchants who have failed. When I started, the price of a pair of first-class men's shoes was then \$3.50 to \$5, and women's shoes were sold at \$1.50 to \$2. With some pairs for \$1. There was no style then, and the styles were not changing. The shoes were more staple, but there were much finer goods in stock today. I did not spend my money on cigarettes and theatres, and all the hum of business had the training of good parents. I do not know the taste of liquor or tobacco."

Fine Buying Spirit. "I have been home to England three times during my 50 years in Canada. I have never been sick of any account. I have never found a more honest and better buying spirit of the public than today. The spirit is good, and demands the best of attention of the businessman. It used to be four times harder to sell shoes. It will be a year or two before things go back to normal. However, the one-price system of goods today is 50 percent better than 40 years ago, when bartering was the custom. "When I came to London," concluded the shoe merchant, "the principal buildings were on Dundas street from Talbot to Clarence, with certain wholesalers on Carling street. Richmond street below opera house in this vicinity. There was a hand fire brigade, and a tank at the corner, including Dundas and Richmond street, where water was stored in case of fire. There were many fires then, and because of lack of water they were burned out. Mr. Ashplant has in his possession photos of himself at the ages of 20, 35 and 50 years, which he proudly displays along with those of his stores at different stages of his career, showing his progress made in the shoe business."

## SPECIAL SPEAKERS ARE ANNOUNCED FOR CONVOCAION DINNER

Prof. W. D. Henderson and  
Dr. Charles Saunders  
Expected.

THIRTY GRADUATES  
Western University Banquet  
To Be Held in Tecumseh  
House May 27.

Prof. W. D. Henderson, head of the extensions department of the University of Michigan, and Dr. Charles Saunders, at Ottawa, are announced as the special speakers for the annual convocation dinner of Western University, which will be held at the Tecumseh House on the evening of Wednesday, May 25. Prof. Henderson has definitely accepted the invitation to be present and speak, and Dr. Saunders, in a letter just received by the dinner committee, states that he fully expects to be present for the gathering. Dr. Saunders is being honored this year with the degree of LL.D., and will come to London a couple of days before the convocation, at which he will receive the degree.

The graduates of this year will, as usual, have the special place of honor at the head tables. There are about thirty graduates in all this year, this being the last of the war-year classes which were cut down to small numbers, but next year will see a considerable increase in the number of those graduating from each faculty.

The valedictorian for the arts class will be Miss Margaret Gemmell, who during her four years at Western has taken an outstanding place in all studies under the activities of the Girls' Canadian Club, when a full-blooded Cree Indian maiden, Frances Nickawa, from the West, presented a program of readings from Pauline Johnson's poems. Miss Nickawa has come to the east, heralded as Pauline's worthy successor, and in her own last night she lived up to her reputation. The writer heard Pauline Johnson recite her own poems here in the old Collegiate Institute assembly hall many years ago. And that marvelous little dramatic poem "As Red Bird Die," as it was given then by the poetess herself, has been a vivid memory, recalled again last night with the same force, as it was read by Miss Gemmell. The Girls' Canadian Club should be congratulated on its first public venture.

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In marked contrast to the former two poems was the delicate, happy, "The Song My Paddle Sings," another Pauline Johnson poem, read with the same sympathetic understanding and art. The delightful legendary poem "Dawdine" and "Canadian Born" were also given.

The history of the movement for church unity through the various churches in Canada, England and the mission fields was outlined by Mr. Armitage. He traced the history of the desire for church unity through the various churches, and down to the last Lambeth conference, when an appeal was sent forth, by the bishops and archbishops attending to every denomination with earnest prayers for church unity and fellowship.

Reference was made to the first expression of desire for unity in the conference of 1867, when the bishops passed the following resolution: "We are deeply sorrowed that we view the divided condition of Christ's flock throughout the world today." etc. The splendid appeal made at the last conference was quoted with other resolutions dealing with the subject. Mr. Armitage, after a long discussion followed, and the clergy extended him a hearty vote of thanks for the presentation of the paper.

## HAYMAN & SONS TO ERECT VICTORIA SCHOOL AT \$162,900

Amount of Contract \$20,000  
Lower Than Architect's  
Estimate.

SECOND LOWEST TENDER

But Toronto Contractor Want-  
ed Work On a Cost-Plus  
Basis.

John Hayman & Sons, contractors of this city, were awarded the contract for the erection of a new fourteen-room public school on the grounds of Victoria School by the board of education at a special meeting held Tuesday afternoon. This action confirmed the recommendation of No. 2 committee, which had one hour earlier, the tender which was the second lowest, amounted to \$162,900, and a clause will be placed in the contract stipulating that the building be completed by December 31, 1921. The lowest tender was received from a Toronto firm on a cost-plus basis, but it was not accepted, as there was a slight difference between it and the local one, and as it gave no guarantee of actual cost in attempting the experiment. The estimated cost of the school building, of \$185,000 for the school building and equipment, has been authorized by the city council.

The new school will face Whidncliffe road, west of the present building, which will be used to accommodate the children until the new structure is finished. The latter will be a single-story school, with an auditorium to seat 250 people. There were ten tenders in all, and a striking feature was the low figures submitted by the major bidders, the accepted one being \$20,000 less than the estimates. Sub-tenders were not awarded. The bulk tender accepted was estimated by Architect L. E. Carrothers to be ten per cent less than the estimates. The high tender was submitted by a firm from a Brockville firm at \$157,737.

For Playgrounds Use. The contract was addressed by E. V. Buchanan, general manager of the public utilities commission, who asked permission of the board for the use of the school grounds after hours and during vacations for playground purposes, under supervision. The discussion hinged on whether the commission would be responsible for damage, but after the manager explained that no trouble was experienced at Ryerson and Tecumseh Schools, thus enabling athletic clubs of the city to use the playgrounds for league games, while junior stars cavort on the school grounds, Mr. Buchanan declared that the project should really be under the board's supervision, as it is part of a child's education to play, and helps to build character. "It is a matter for the city," commented Trustee Colledge.

Baseball Diamonds. Small baseball diamonds for younger boys will likely be provided at Rector, Aberdeen and Alexandra Schools. "I went to see a man in London, West today to obtain permission to use the old St. John's Club land for playground purposes," said Manager Buchanan. "He had just purchased it, and told me I could not get it, as he wanted the boys of the vicinity to play ball there, and that was my mission, and we are now working together to get things into shape." "You can't find a few more like that, can you?" asked Trustee Bice. "There are lots of citizens of that calibre here in London," declared Trustee Lidy.

## FRANCES NICKAWA DELIGHTS AUDIENCE

Talented Cree Maiden Charm-  
ingly Interprets Poems of  
Pauline Johnson.

Not often has London the opportunity of hearing such a recital as that given last night at St. Andrew's Hall under the auspices of the Girls' Canadian Club, when a full-blooded Cree Indian maiden, Frances Nickawa, from the West, presented a program of readings from Pauline Johnson's poems. Miss Nickawa has come to the east, heralded as Pauline's worthy successor, and in her own last night she lived up to her reputation. The writer heard Pauline Johnson recite her own poems here in the old Collegiate Institute assembly hall many years ago. And that marvelous little dramatic poem "As Red Bird Die," as it was given then by the poetess herself, has been a vivid memory, recalled again last night with the same force, as it was read by Miss Gemmell. The Girls' Canadian Club should be congratulated on its first public venture.

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## Half-Holiday Today

Store closes today (Wednesday) at 1 o'clock. Special sales 9 to 1 p.m. No noon delivery.

Three styles to choose from, models of which are made up as samples and shown in Dress Goods Section that you may see your style finished before you leave your order. No orders will be taken for these skirts after Saturday.



## Skirts With Scotch Trimness

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Skirt of Novelty Black and White Stripe, knife pleated, trimmed at side with buttons. Price ..... \$18.50  
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THIS WEEK ONLY  
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With your old iron in exchange, \$4.00. No matter what make or in what condition, worn out and useless, bring it here this week and you will, for \$4.00, in exchange receive a brand new Standard Hot-Point Electric Iron—this week only.  
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Black and White Shirtings, 28 inches wide ..... 35c yard  
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## BIRD NOTES

(Contributed by McIlwraith Ornithological Club.)

The Cliff of Fave Swallows, the last of our six species of native Swallows, are back. Years ago they built their globe or bottle-shaped nests on the cliffs of overhanging cliffs. With the advent of civilization they changed their habits, and built on the outside of barns under the eaves, hence their changed name. In the old days there was scarce a barn in the country that did not have a colony of these useful birds. Persecution by the Sparrow has driven them away to a great extent, till now they are comparatively scarce. They may be found in small numbers scattered throughout the country. There are a few colonies at the barns of Mr. Joseph Beck, near Thornedale, and a small one at the cheese factory near Dorchester.

The Olive-Backed Thrush is visiting us for a few days. All our Thrushes look much alike, and it is quite a task to distinguish them, as they are shy birds, and the foliage is so heavy just now. On the way to work after returning from the ponds, the plaintive long-drawn "Pee-e-e-e-e-e" of the Wood Pewee was heard in the city. This little fly-catcher has the saddest notes of any

of our birds. Living in the city, it may be seen or heard all summer. One is usually seen on Ridout street south, in the neighborhood of Col. Galt's residence, and on the Worley road, in the vicinity of Col. Smith's grounds.

On Tuesday morning the fields were swarmed by the indescribable, rolling, bubbling songs of innumerable Bobolinks, so many singing at once that it was often impossible to hear the notes of some of the smaller songsters for which we were listening.

Along our city streets just now the clear flute-like song of the Baltimore Oriole is heard to perfection, and the orange and black musician is a pretty sight against a background of green leaves.

## QUEBEC POLICEMEN EXPECTED TO GET RAISE IN WAGES

Quebec, May 18.—Canadian Press.—The board of arbitration under the name of strike and lockout act submitted their award in the wage dispute of the local police union to the Hon. A. Galpeau, minister of public works and labour, yesterday, but the figures have not yet been made public by the minister.

## QUIETNESS PREVAILS IN TUG RIVER AREA

Williamson, W. Va., May 18.—The few reports received here from the Upper Tug River Valley early today indicated the night had been quiet. Kentucky guardsmen, as well as the West Virginia state police, continued to hold their positions.

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