#### SAYS STEVENSON **DELAYING COURT**

Mayor Wilson Claims Local Member Seeking Appoint: ment For Mrs. Thompson.

BUSMEN FIGHT BYLAW

Aldermen Engage in Bout At Finance Committee Session On Fee Proposal.

If there is any one to be adjudged responsible for the fact that there has not been a juvenile court established in London it must be Dr. Hugh A. Stevenson, M.L.A., declared Mayor Cameron Wilson who, at a regular session of the finance committee last night, disputed such statements in this connection credited to the provincial member for Lon-

"I just wish to make a few re-marks in this matter involving our local member," Mayor Cameron Wilson declared. "The statement has been made today, apparently, that prominent businessmen of the city made strong representation to Attorney-General Raney against the appointment of Police Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon as juvenile court

judge.
"The people are commencing to see now that we are right in this matter. There is no juvenile court

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CITY NEWSIES STRIVE FOR BETTER FORM.

The system of training for boys most favored by the recognized experts is one in which there is not the slightest suggestion in any way of a charitable intent, and it is in strict accordance with this principle that the work of the London Rotary Club for the "newsies" is being carried on. The club began its work by gathering together the newsboys of the city, from among when were selected all those who were both unattached to any church organization, and who were between the ages of sleves and fifteen is all organization and who were between the ages of eleven and fifteen—in all about seventy—to form the membership of the present club.

Every Saturday night these boys meet in the Y.M.C.A., where they do

an hour or so in the gym., followed by a good swim in the pool and then a The boys are divided into five C.S.E.T. groups, each of which is self-

governing as far as its internal affairs are concerned. Though the "newsies" club is practically at full strength, the Rotary Club hopes to be in a position to take in new members towards the end of January.

in operation at this moment, while of the bylaw or a month's time in certain people are 'playing politics.' which to prepare their case and lay It has been a grand effort on their it before the commissioners at a part, not particularly to institute a special juvenile court for the benefit of the children, but to secure a job for

No Representation Made. No Representation Made.

"As far as the civic authorities or the city councillors are aware, there similar enactment. He could find no has been no representation made to direct reference in the municipal act, the attorney-general other than to seek the appointment of Magistrate missioners might have to set the fees at issue.

Ald. L. S. Holmes instantly op-

"There is reason for the delay. We understand that Dr. Stevenson has posed the measure. "This looks to made certain representation to Mr. me like a well-thought-out plan to Rancy asking for the appointment of another, and the attorney-general does not desire to 'go over the head' "If the commissioners instituted a charge, say, 50 per cent of that of the local member. The latter is the one who is holding up proceedings, and the sooner the people realit the better."

In reply to a question from Ald. F. R. Watkinson, Mayor Wilson stated that he had read that Dr. Stevenson was boosting Mrs. J. F. Thompson for the position.

A resolution moved by Ald. L. S. Holmes was passed unanimously that Hon. Mr. Raney be apprised of the local situation, and just who, in the opinion of the concillors, was responsible for the halt. This con-cludes the question as far as the city councillors are concerned, they The next move is "up to the

attorney-general."

Proposed fees for motor busses claimed the attention of the councillors for a greater portion of the evening, and it was resolved, after hot fight, not to interfere with the action of the police commissioners, who have announced that the bus operators will be assessed \$10 per seat, commencing Jan. 1.

Made Stirring Appeal

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police had come like a "bolt from the blue," he said, and it was unfair legislation for those men who had in-E. W. M. Flock, representing the several independent busmen, con-ducted a stirring appeal on their vested their entire savings in the undertaking. Ald. Cunningham was particularly aggressive in his stand that there

> entering into vigorous debate with the isiting attorney. During the discussion the interest ing fact was revealed that the busses will be permitted to carry only such passengers as can be provided with seats. Mr. Flock submitted that the street railway company should be treated in the same manner and certain of the councillors acknowledge that they were unaware that such Was Not Read Out.

hould be no further compr

City Clerk Sam Baker submitted a

Ald. O. I. Cunningham contended that the busses should be assessed

Pay No Business Tax.

Mayor Wilson voiced a similar opinion. "These buses take about

\$75,000 out of the city in a year," he

transportation problems, the question

be passed on until then.

Ald. Holmes felt that the issue

could be settled at once, while Mayor Wilson contended that in any event it did not require action of any de-

scription from the councillors. "You can either take no action," he said,

"or ratify the act of the police com

At a suggestion from Ald. Judd, Mr. Flock delivered his appeal for the bus operators. He asked for more

bus operators. He asked for more time. The announcement from the

like any other business.

Ald. Judd corrected them on this the bylaw then," said Ald. Cun-

"That's the whole trouble. We did not hear it all," retorted Ald. Holmes. Attorney Flock referred to the Hamilton situation. Similar legislation was effected there he related and when the bus drivers were jailed they subsequently won their case, as the fee imposed was declared in the ourts to be nothing less than a "It was the same fee," explained

"But the Hamilton situation is not up yet," objected Mayor

When Mr. Flock declared that the bus drivers were perfectly willing to be regulated as to routes, fares, etc., Ald, Cunningham shot the remark that the "buses did not want to pay their shot," thereby precipitating anther clash with Ald. Judd, who naintained otherwise.

Mr. Flock stated that "If this fee was imposed for the express purpose of putting the buses out of business, that objective would be gained." The objects wanted fair competition with the street railway, he declared.

Ald. Cunningham could not view t this way. The street railway company assumed its financial share of the pavement maintenance, he said, and predicted that it would probably furnish as much as \$60,000 for Richmond street.

Ald. Judd indulged in hearty laugh-"The company has used our streets for 40 or 50 years and paid nothing yet until compelled," he said. Mayor Wilson protested at this uncture, holding that the street railway situation was not involved. Ald. Judd asserted that the London Street Railway Corporation according to bylaw 916 held no exclusive right on the city streets. "If they thought they could have secured a judgment

Has Used Streets.

in the courts in this respect they would have been there long ago." he declared pointedly. The long discussion was brought o an abrupt termination when Mayor Wilson moved in amendment that no action be taken and the fee imposed by the police commissioners

e ratified. The amendment carried, Mayor Wilson, Aldermen Watkinson and Cunningham voting yes.

EXTINGUISH FIRES IN CITY WITHOUT SERIOUS LOSS

Two small fires which resulted in a general alarm, and within a half hour of each other, were extinguished with little difficulty early last evening. The first, a dump fire at the rear of 653 Talbot street, was reported at 6:08 p. m., and the second, in Simpson's machine shop, at the rear of the Grand Opera House, at 6:33 p. m.

TO GIVE ORGAN RECITAL AT METHODIST CHURCH

The third twilight organ recital of the season will be given in the First Methodist Church Saturday after-noon at 4:30. Mr. Jordan will play Christmas music, and a double quar-tet will sing old English, French and other traditional carols. This should prove an interesting feature, as these

City Merchants Point Out Advantages To Be Derived by Early Buying.

The great advantage and comfort hat can be obtained by shopping in he morning is evidenced in an in-

be imagined how very much easier it would be to view and buy goods n the forenoon than in the later part There is another disadvantage that

afternoon buying implies, and that is the difficulty of choosing and seecting purchases. The counters are crowds, who by sheer numbers alone make it very hard to really find what one wants. Then the staff is under considerable pressure, both as to time and from a steady barrage of ques-

There is no doubt in the minds of nost of the merchants in the city hat purchasers would find they could shop in very much greater comfort and with greater satisfaction, if they visit the stores in the morn

Although they recognize the diffi-culties that lie in the way of many a woman, who, but for her her own communication from the city solici-tor with a copy of the bylaw old work, would be able to get down to the city in the morning, still so great are the undoubted advantages to be obtained by the early who have Christmas buying to do, to make what efforts they can to allow them to break away from old tradition sufficiently far to do their shopping between 9 and 12 o'clock

## charge, say, 50 per cent of that amount, it would seem more reasonable." PUBLIC LIBRARY EXHIBITS PICTURES OF MADONNA

library an interesting and unusual collection of pictures of the Madenna Partly purchased by the library, and partly the gift of Miss Mary Webbe, they constitute a seasonable Ald. A. M. Judd moved that as the council of 1923 would probably be called upon to consider anew all local they constitute a seasonable appeal that is well worth experiencing. The ollection is wide in its range of painters. There are some very fine prints of such old favorites as Raphael's "Madonna, el Granduca," Botticelli's "Nativity," Durers "Adoration of the Magi," and Bellini's "Madonna and the

Saints.' Among the more unconventiona Among the more unconventional pictures are the "Repose of the Virgin," by Ed. Paupion, a painting by Schurenburg, of the Madonna and child in a field attended by two little cherubs, and a striking picture by cherubs, and a striking picture by Guy Rosi, "The First Christmas Eve," a graphic and thoughtful expression of the flight into Egypt.

Crown Produces Twenty Witnesses in Windham Horse Shooting Trial.

Special to The Advertiser.

Simcoe, Dec. 14.-Incriminating testimony of Provincial Constable restigation carried out yesterday by Lawrence and County Constable Al-Smallman & Ingram, as to the times way with respect to conversation when people entered the store and when sales were made.

The firm found that only 17 per cent of all shoppers came in between 9 and 12 o'clock. The remained came in the afternoon, and it can easily be imagined how very much easier.

Mr. Brewster, K.C., of Brantford, counsel for Broughton, endeavored to shake the written evidence of the alleged conversation, but the officers stood steadfast by their story. Be-yond this testimony no connecting link between the accused and the dead horse has yet been established, although the crown produced about 20 witnesses.

Counsel Brewster submitted no case had been made out, but Judge Boles ruled otherwise, and accused and their respective wives, as well as several neighbors, were placed on the stand by defence. Mrs. Arthur ve-hemently protested there had been no gunshot in their place of residence for more than two months, while Mr. Arthur, who is 50 years of age, made a sweeping denial of all knowledge of the shooting, although he admitted firing at Dean's pigs some years ago and in the direction of watermelon thieves not so long ago. Dr. Crooks gave opinion evi-dence to the effect that the horse had been killed by accident. The plaintiff, Salem Dean, valued the horse at

### FOR PORTSMOUTH SEAT

Portsmouth, Eng., Dec. 14.—Lieut.-col. Leslie Orme Wilson, chief gov-ernment whip, who was defeated in the general parliamentary election as member of the House of Commons for Reading, has been elected for Portsmouth South. Col. Wilson re-ceived 14,301 votes as against 7,434 cast for the Independent Liberal candidate, Mr. Thomas.

After the defeat of Col. Wilson in

the general election, the sitting member for Portsmouth South resigned, so that Col. Wilson might make a contest for his seat.

#### SEARCH FOR BIKE STOLEN FROM FRONT OF CITY "Y"

for a bicycle, with a blue and black 22-inch frame, stolen from in front of the Y. M. C. A. about 8 o'clock last night. It was owned by one of the junior members of the "Y."



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WHEN CAR HITS BUGGY dass was not so fortunate, sustain-ing injuries to her back, and she is men only. Dorchester, Dec. 13.—While driving also suffering from shock.

J. J. Maloney, ex-priest, delivered holding their annual bazaar in the a very interesting lecture on Monday evening.

St. Peter's Anglican Church are holding their annual bazaar in the town hall, under the evening.

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