

TOWNSHIP IS SUED ON DAMAGE CLAIMS BY THREE RESIDENTS

Actions Result of Motoring Accident in Westminster.

ROAD ALLEGED FAULTY

Plaintiffs Say Bad Hole Existed and Spaces Between Tiles.

Judge Talbot Macbeth reserved judgment yesterday in the non-jury court case, Butler vs. Left, in which the plaintiff, P. Butler, of Lucan, sued William Left, of Westminster, for damages for the purchase of scrap iron.

Three damage claims against the Westminster Township came before Judge Macbeth at the non-jury session of the county court today, and are being heard together. The plaintiffs are John G. Hopper, his son, Gordon Hopper, and Basil Fox, and the claims included damages to an automobile, to the person and to the clothing of these men, as a result of an accident which occurred, it is alleged, on account of the faulty construction of a township road.

During the hearing of the evidence it was stated that the auto was turned over as the result of striking a hole in the roadway near a culvert. One witness, who gave evidence supported drawings and measurements of the same, made shortly after the accident, stated that his investigations showed that there were spaces of three to four inches between the drain tiles, through which the earth had sifted from the roadway.

COURT GETS \$400 ON LIQUOR CHARGES

Two Men Admit Guilt and Pay Usual Fines.

A local man pleaded guilty in police court this morning to having liquor in other than a private dwelling, and was given the option of paying \$200 or going to jail for the winter. Two others, who were with him, were allowed to go as there was not sufficient evidence to convict them. All three were discharged on a charge of being drunk, as there was a lack of evidence.

POTS ARE BOILING BUT FUEL REQUIRED TO KEEP UP PRESSURE

Salvation Army Ready for Gifts to Help Poor at Christmas.

The picturesque iron pots, slung on tripods and presided over by Salvation Army lassies, have begun to appear on the streets, indicating the approach of Christmas. Dimes and nickels and quarters are fast tinkling in and sometimes a bill flutters silently to the bottom of the pot, all bent on giving a happy Christmas to the poor of the city. With the money, good things to fill Christmas baskets are purchased, and left in the home, where otherwise there would be nothing. A great portion of the collections is devoted to regular relief work in the city throughout the winter. However, it is the Christmas basket idea which appeals at the present season.

CANVASS FOR FUNDS FOR CHILDREN'S AID AMOUNTS TO \$20,194

Promises Add \$2,857 to This Total.

SHARE IS GIVEN AWAY

One-Seventh Goes to Child Welfare Association of City.

An official report was handed out today on the money collected by the Commercial Travelers' Association for the Children's Aid Society. The industrial and special collections totalled \$8,301.75, and the Sunday collections, \$11,892.72, making a total of \$20,194.47. Promises of \$2,857.50 have been made, making the aggregate receipts \$23,051.97.

CONSTABLE PROVED HE COULD CLEAN STREETS

But Man, Who First Refused, Relented and Escaped Fine.

Emmanuel Christian was brought to police court this morning for neglecting to clean the snow from the sidewalks in front of the Christian Science Church on Richmond street, but was dismissed. He had been warned by a policeman to clean the walk, but said it was stuck to the pavement too fast. The officer procured a shovel and proceeded to demonstrate that the job could be done, Christian, he stated, still refused to do the work, so he followed the law and had him summoned to court.

ALL WOOL CASHMERE STOCKINGS 35 CENTS, BUT NOT THIS YEAR

These Prices of 1911 Are Given As Cheer Producers.

A scrap of old newspaper, which turned out to be the Montreal Star of September 22, 1911, sent a London citizen into a state of righteous indignation this morning. He unearthed it in the search for something which he particularly forgot at the appearance of the "Ladies' plain all-wool cashmere hose, 35 cents a pair; Ladies' medium-weight, plain wool cashmere hose, 50 cents a pair."

"Did such days ever exist?" he asked, in the light of \$3 and \$3.50 a pair for wool stockings today. "Fine large hosiery, 12 1/2 cents a dozen, continued this paper. 'Checked, 16 cents a pair; cooked ham, 25 cents a pound; Ladies' Austrian kid gloves, 45 cents a pair; Ladies' kid gloves, 45 cents a pair; Ladies' French kid gloves, \$1 to \$1.50 a pair; chamoisette gloves, 25 cents a pair."

And all this in Montreal, which has been considered the most expensive place to shop in Canada since the start of the war. And today in London, where cheese is quoted at 40 cents a pound, and old cheese at 50 cents. Cooked ham is 80 cents in contrast to 40 cents in Montreal, and bananas are no longer sold by the dozen, but by the pound, the 12 cents a pound price of today equating at the Montreal price of 40 cents a dozen. And merchants are displaying kid gloves for Christmas sale at from \$2 to \$5 a pair, when in Montreal they have indeed changed since the old Montreal paper was printed.

NEWS

CLEARINGS INCREASE.—Bank clearings for the week just ended show an increase of \$1,045,755 over the corresponding week of last year. This year they were \$2,793,577, while last year they were \$2,747,822.

MORE PAY.—E. L. Wright, Robert Gray, Bruce McLeod and Murray Fisher each were fined \$5 and costs in police court this morning for violating the motor vehicle act. Charles Sutton and F. E. Leonard paid \$2 for similar offences.

MOTOR CAR BURNED.—William Currie, 15 Euclid avenue, had a motor car destroyed and his garage badly burned last night. The fire started in the garage. The original cause of the loss is estimated at \$1,000. The fire department extinguished the blaze with little difficulty.

OIL STOVE EXPLODED.—About \$10 damage was done by fire to the home of St. M. Fenwick, 105 Lennox street, when an oil stove exploded at 5 o'clock this morning. The fire department responded immediately, but the flames before the flames could make any headway.

CHANCE FOR SCHOOL GIRLS.—As a result of a recent meeting of the local manufacturers have notified Miss Sutherland, superintendent of the women's department of the Government Employment Bureau, that they will be glad to employ school girls over 14 years of age during the school holiday season.

INSPECTION POSTPONED.—Inspection of the new building of the Government office, which it was expected would be made yesterday by Major Hamilton, C.B.E., has been postponed. The major having been recalled to Ottawa by Capt. St. Lawrence, of the local C.B.E. has also been called to Ottawa and left for the capital yesterday.

HELPER.—A woman, breaking city bylaws, cost H. Shoetham, R. A. Bayly, James A. Beachie, J. R. McNeill, Wm. H. Hamilton, R. H. Smith, St. Sydney Floyd, St. R. Mason, \$2, in police court this morning.

BROKERS.—John McKeown, Ben Placomb, P. Bonenko and Mike Letrick each were assessed \$5 and costs in police court this morning for breaking the Lords' Day act by playing cards.

BOTH CHARGES FAIL

F. S. Oan was charged in police court this morning with speeding and with obscuring the license number on his car. Both charges were dismissed. The number, he said, had been tied to the axle after the car had been broken, and he had broken, allowing it to fall and making the numbers invisible. He did not know of this until the officer had told him.

He denied speeding on Dundas street from Wellington street, saying that he delivered a parcel in the middle of the block and therefore did not go from intersection to intersection.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

FUNERAL OF MRS. LEESON. The funeral of Mrs. Mary Jane Leeson, who died on Tuesday, December 16, was held from the residence, 183 Ridout street on Thursday afternoon to Woodland Cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. J. C. Agnew.

BURIED AT WOODLAND. The funeral of Emma Ethel Lewis, who died on Sunday evening, was held yesterday afternoon from the residence of her parents, 622 Nelson street. Although the funeral was of a private nature, it was largely attended. There were many flowers. The services were conducted by Rev. G. McKinley. The pallbearers were: W. Niles and five nieces: W. McNally, R. Lewis, G. Lewis, D. Lewis and B. Roman. Interment was made in Woodland Cemetery.

DEATH OF ELIZABETH BAILEY. The death of Elizabeth A. Bailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Bailey of 27 Euclid avenue, occurred at Victoria Hospital on Wednesday. She was born in England seven years ago. Her parents and three sisters, Evelyn, Mabel and Ida, all at home, survive.

EXCHANGE RATES MUST BE STANDARDIZED OR ITALIANS CANNOT BUY. Rome, Wednesday, Dec. 17.—Speaking on the provision of a measure in the Chamber of Deputies today, Victor Ghiselli, former minister of commerce and labor, said that by an understanding between the Allies the exchange rates were standardized during the war, but that "the moment the armistice was concluded, international bankers exercised influence on the American Government and obtained an abolition of that understanding."

PAUL DESCHANEL ELECTED. Paris, Dec. 18.—Paul Deschanel was re-elected president of the Chamber of Deputies by that body today. His candidacy was unopposed.

MANITOBA ELECTIONS TO BE HELD IN JULY

The New Voters' List Will Be Double That of Last Contest.

Winnipeg, Dec. 18.—That the next provincial general election would be held probably in July, but that no definite announcement would be made until the session of the legislature, was the statement of Premier Norris yesterday. The new voters' list, he mentioned, would be practically double that on which the last election took place.

JUSTICE SANKEY'S RULING IS HEARTILY SUPPORTED BY BRITISH NEWSPAPERS

Government's Plan of Prohibition of Imports is Condemned.

London, Dec. 18.—That importance is attached to Justice Sankey's decision in the prohibited imports test case is shown by the fact that nearly all the morning papers allude to it editorially and generally in approval of the judge's ruling.

The Times declares the decision appears to be unimpeachably good sense, and that if the proclamation attempted to distinguish between imports from the Dominions and foreign countries, as correspondence in the case implied, it is all the more satisfactory that the court should forbid such procedure without full and open sanction of Parliament. The Morning Post says the decision is "State illegality" and says the case illustrates the singular futility of the machinery of the Government in dealing with international trade.

BRITISH LABOR WILL PUT 400 CANDIDATES UP FOR ELECTION

Parliamentary Election in Britain Predicted for Near Future.

London, Dec. 18.—Recent predictions that a general election will be held in the near future are revived by several morning newspapers in connection with an election in the parliamentary lobby yesterday.

Parliament will be prorogued next week until the second week in February, when, according to widespread belief, the Government will immediately prepare for a dissolution of Parliament and an election. It is said that the country's confidence in the coalition cabinet, Members of the Labor party. It is stated, also, that this is the Government's intention and are pushing plans to put 400 candidates in the field. The election of the party, it is said, will be the nationalization of coal mines, although one section is asserted to believe this is a mistake, claiming that there would be a better chance in presenting a definite program for social and political reform. The Government is expected to announce its intention to regulate labor on this issue at the polls. In the meantime, the Labor party are arranging to stamp the country's attention during January in the interest of the nationalization question.

FREEMEN'S JOURNAL WAS SUPPRESSED BECAUSE OF ATTACKS ON GOVERNMENT

Sensational Statements Made, Charging Protection of Criminals.

London, Dec. 18.—The real reason why the Dublin Freeman's Journal was suppressed is given in a Dublin dispatch to the Herald, the organ of organized crime. The dispatch says that the raid upon the plant was not made because of the newspaper's alleged interference with the recruiting of special constables as was stated in Parliament, but was a result of newspaper attacks upon the Irish administration.

It is asserted that the Journal alleged certain known criminals were allowed immunity from prosecution because the Government was employing them. The following are the names of the criminals: For Chest Colds, Head Colds, Grip, Influenza and Pneumonia.

A few external applications of GROVER'S O-PEN-TRATE SALVE will be found very helpful. It opens the pores and penetrates the skin. It stimulates and healing effect is very comforting. Price 50c per box. If your druggist hasn't any, send 5c in postage stamps to Paris Medicine Co., 123 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, and a full-size box will be mailed to you promptly.

CECILIAN "Tone True"

HEAR THE CECILIAN. You'll understand when it is simply irresistible when you hear its magnificent tone. It plays all makes of disc records tone true without extra attachments. Models \$89 to \$350.

Harmony Hall 421 Richmond Street. Our Victor Record Service Pleases.

correspondent says it is firmly believed that Detective Downing and Barton, who were slain in Dublin recently, were shot, not by Sinn Feiners, but by criminals of the vilest type, whose identity is known to the Government, but who are left untouched because the case wishes the murders to be attributed to the Sinn Fein. This charge, he says, is "not made without evidence," adding: "Men of sober judgment accuse the English Camarilla with preparing a foul political crime similar to that committed in 1798."

GERMANY CANNOT DELIVER ALL MATERIAL DEMANDED UNDER PEACE PROTOCOL

Allied Experts Consider Plan to Reduce Original Amount Asked.

Paris, Dec. 18.—German delegates are said by newspapers here to have furnished the Allies proof that Germany cannot deliver all the harbor and dock material demanded in the protocol to the peace treaty. Allied experts are said to be disposed to consider a counter-proposition which would reduce the amount to be turned over by 200,000 tons.

PILES

Do not suffer another day with itching, bleeding, or protruding piles. No surgical operation required. Dr. Chase's Ointment will relieve you at once and so certainly cure you. 60c a box; all dealers.

REQUESTS PRISONERS TO RETURN

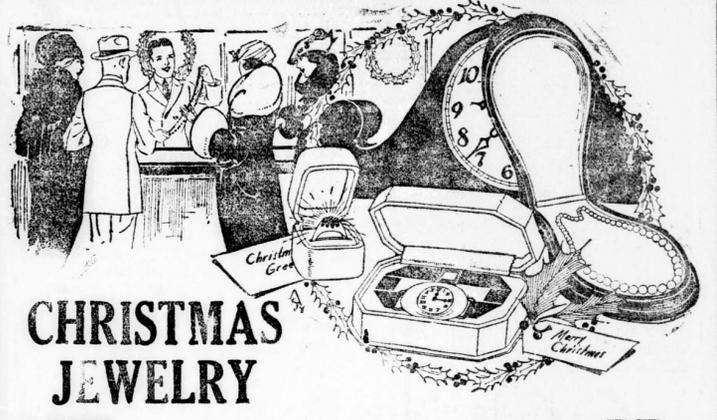
turn to France, according to advices from the German capital.

Paris, Dec. 17.—Vittorio Scelasio, the Italian foreign minister, left Paris for Rome this morning.



A thrilling scene from "A Man's Country," starring Alma Rubens.

Appearing at the Patricia Theatre today, Friday and Saturday. Vaudeville feature—Mills and Houston, travesty comedians. Also a special Rainbow comedy "Oh, You East Lynn," and a Mutt and Jeff cartoon "The Chambermaid's Revenge."



CHRISTMAS JEWELRY

Shop Where Shopping Is Made Easy, And Shop in the Morning

China

Moorcraft Ware, beautifully decorated in the pomegranate design; rich coloring of red, blue, brown and purple. Vases \$2.50 to \$15.00. Fruit Stands, with handles \$15.00 each. Fruit Bowl \$8.00. Egg Cups, with salts and peppers \$1 each. Beautiful display of Cups and Saucers in the rich colorings of dark blue, green, rose, yellow and with flower and bird combinations. Royal Crown Derby, Coalport, Spode and Paragon. Prices \$1.00 to \$7.50. Large stock of French China in 1040 pattern, rose design, with gold and black border. Many odd pieces to comprise sets. Fancy Fruit or Salad Bowls, in Chinese rose design, also yellow rose and turquoise with bird design, black with roses and wedge-wood \$1.50 to \$5.00. Candlesticks, in rose, yellow and mauve \$3.50 pair. Dresser Set, black stripes with floral design, tray, ring tray, candlesticks, jewel and powder box \$11.50.

French Ivory and Ebony

Files, Cuticle Knives, Buttonhooks, Shoe-horns, Corn Knives, at 50c each. Ivory Photo Frames, 35c to \$9.00. Ivory Pin Trays, 60c to \$1.00. Ivory Comb and Brush Trays, \$1.75 to \$6.00. Ivory Talcum Shakers, \$1.75 each. Ivory Salve Boxes, 65c to \$1.50. Ivory Hair Brushes, \$2.50 to \$12.00. Ivory Combs, 75c to \$1.50. Ivory Buffers, \$1.25 to \$2.25. Ivory Napkin Rings, 50c each. Ivory Glove Stretcher, \$1.00 each. Ivory Scissors, \$2.00 to \$2.75. Ivory Powder Boxes and Hair Receivers, \$1.50 to \$5.00 each. Soap Boxes, \$1.00 to \$2.00. Ivory Mirrors, \$5.50 to \$8.00. Ivory Bonnet Brushes, \$1.75 to \$2.50. Manicure Sets, from \$5.50 to \$30.00. Ivory Vases, 65c to \$3.00 each. Ivory Perfume Bottles, 75c to \$5.00. Ivory Jewel Cases, \$1.50 to \$10.00. Military Brushes, in ebony \$3.00 to \$8.00 pair. Hat Brushes, 75c to \$2.00. Clothes Brushes, \$2.00 to \$5.00.

Silver-Plated Ware

Salt and Pepper Shakers, 75c to \$3.50. Salt and Pepper Cruets, 2 bottles, \$1.75. Salt and Pepper Cruets, 3 bottles, \$2.75. Pierced Silver Bon-Bons, \$1.75 to \$5.50. Pierced Silver Bon-Bons, baskets, \$4.50 up. Silver Bread Trays, \$4.00 up. Silver Flower Baskets, \$4.00 to \$25.00. Silver Sandwich Plates, \$4.50 to \$9.00. Silver Entree Dishes, \$13.00 up. Silver Bake Dishes, \$8.50 to \$22.00. Casseroles, brown, green, white and prex-lined, \$4.00 to \$15.00. Pie Plates, \$5.00 to \$10.00. Napkins, 50c up. Baby Cups, \$1.75 up. Silver Tea Services, \$15.00 to \$60.00. Large Sheffield Plated Trays, \$33.00 to \$55.00. Gravy Boats, \$9.00 to \$12.50. Candelabra, \$12.00 to \$16.00. Spoon Trays, \$4.00 to \$6.00. Hot Water Jug, ebony handle, \$15.00. Muffin Dishes, \$15.00 and \$16.00. Soup Tureen, \$15.00. Well and Tree Dish, \$40.00 and \$45.00. Bread Boards, \$5.00 up. Mustard Pots, \$1.50. Egg Cruets, 4 egg cups and spoons, \$8.50. Table Mirrors, \$6.50 to \$15.00. Butter Dishes, \$2.75 up. Tea Strainers, \$1.50.

Wrist Watches

Ladies' Gold-Filled Wrist Watches, fitted with 15-jewel movements, satisfaction guaranteed \$15.00. A higher grade Wrist Watch, in gold-filled, \$20.00, \$22.00 and \$25.00. Solid Gold 10k Wrist Watches, from \$30 up. We also carry a complete stock of Fancy Shapes Wrist Watches at moderate prices.

Cut Glass

Cut Glass Bud Vases, \$1.00 to \$3.50. Cut Glass Salts and Peppers, with sterling silver tops, \$1.75 to \$3.00. Salt Dips, with sterling silver spoons, \$2.50 set. Mustard Pots, with glass spoons, \$1.50 each. Goblets, floral designs, \$12.00 doz. Sherbet Glasses, \$10.00 to \$20.00 doz. Vinegar Bottles, \$3.00. Water Sets, \$5.00 set up. Creams and Sugars, \$5.00 to \$12.00. Berry Bowls, \$7.00 up. Cheese and Cracker Dish, \$3.50. Knife Rests, \$3.50 pair. Comforts, \$1.50 to \$7.00. Sugar Troughs, \$1.75. Vases, \$5.50 up. Bon Bon and Fancy Dishes, \$3.00 up. Rose Bowls, \$6.50 up. Candlesticks, \$3.00 to \$15.00 pair.

Watches

Men's and Boys' Pocket Watches, from \$2.75 up. We also carry a full line of Waltham, Elgin, Hamilton and Commercial standard movements in gold-filled and solid-gold cases.

C. H. Ward & Co.

DIAMOND MERCHANTS AND JEWELERS. 386 RICHMOND STREET. OPEN EVENINGS

Advertisement for Huron & Erie Mortgage Corporation. Text: "Have you money quickly available? Can you present your own check at the Teller's wicket and come away with the money you need for an opportunity or an emergency? It should be so, but is it? Start a savings account next pay day! You will soon have funds of your own—useful in a dozen ways that you can think of even now. The old Huron & Erie is a safe place for your savings and will pay you the favorable interest rate of 3 1/2% per annum payable half-yearly." Includes address: London Branches: RICHMOND STREET, Chas. J. Clarke, - - Manager. MARKET SQUARE, Walter T. Westby, - - Manager. DUNDAS STREET, Opposite Reory Street, A. H. Whitlow, - - - - - Manager. T. G. MEREDITH, K.C., President. HUME CRONYN, General Manager.

Large advertisement for Auto-Stop Safety Razor. Text: "The Gift for the Day". Includes image of the razor and promotional text: "STANDARD SET NO. 1 (as illustrated), consists of heavily silver-plated self-stopping Auto-Stop Razor, twelve Auto-Stop Blades and a Strip—complete in handsome Black Leather Case lined with Velvet and Satin. Price, \$5.00. The same outfit can be had in Leather Cases of following colors—Blue, Green, Maroon and Red. SET NO. 50—Contents as above, but in polished Nickel-plated case, or in Engraved or Plain Metal Cases, \$5.00. Finished gun-metal. Price, \$5.00. SET NO. 7—Contents as in No. 1, but in a compact pocket folding case—Black or Metal Mirror. \$5.00. COMBINATION OUTFITS containing Shaving Brush, Soap, etc., in various styles, from \$6.50 to \$15.00 per set. See the Auto-Stop Razor assortment at any Drug, Hardware or Jewelry Store. You will find a style to suit your desire. Auto-Stop Safety Razor Co. Limited Auto-Stop Building, Toronto, Canada. MADE IN CANADA."