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THE SERVIAN BUTCHERS

PRICE TWO CENTS

# "PAT" WIRES HIS ROYAL MASTER, ADMITTING

(OFFICIAL ACCOUNT OF THE CHONG-JU AFFAIR)

# THE DEFEAT OF HIS PETS BY

Latter Carry the Town in Face of a Terrific Fire.

#### GALLANTRY ON BOTH SIDES

Russian Loss Is Reported Light While the Japa are Supposed to Have Suffered Greatly.

St. Petersburg, March 29.-The Emperor has received a dispatch from General Kuropatkin, giving a lengthy report from General Mishtchenko, dated at 10 p.m., March 28, which says that an important engagement took place near the town of Chong Ju, in which the Russians were defeated, retiring in perfect order. The Japanese suffered heavily, but the Russian losses are not stated. Cavalry and infantry both sides were engaged. The Russians occupied a commanding position. The Japanese fought gallantly, but owing to the heavy losses were unable to occupy the position abandoned by the Russians. General Kuropatkin's report is as

"I have the honor to respectfully communicate to your majesty the report of Gen. Mishtchenko, dated March 28, at 10 p.m., which says: For three consecutive days small outposts attempted to draw the patrols, after contact was established, retired beyond Chong Ju (about fifty by Vice-Admiral Togo.

miles northwest of Ping Yang.)
"Having learned that four squadrons of the enemy were posted five versts beyond Chong Ju, on March 27. six companies marched toward Kasan, and on March 28 reached Chong Ju, at 10:30 a.m. As soon as our scouts approached the town the enemy opened fire behind the wall. The squadrons promptly dismounted and occupied the heights, 600 yards' dis-

tant. An engagement ensued. town a company of infantry and a squadron of cavalry were lying in ambush. Our men were reinforced by three companies, and attacked the Japanese with a cross-fire. Notwithstanding this and our fire. Notwithstanding this and our fire. Notwithstanding the Lineague of the Russian bridge on the Trans-Siberian Railway. The Crispondent has been informed by Russian officers that the rumor grew out of a warning given to walk under the fired of the Russian officers that the rumor grew out of a warning given to was a bridal pair with whom he struck up an acquaintance. He induced a price of the Russian officers that the rumor grew out of a warning given to work the lake friend of the couple to couple to engage with an enemy seeking regallantly held their ground, and it was ities have stopped vessels from takceased fire and sought refuge in the houses. The Japanese hoisted the Red

Cross flag at two points. Soon afterward three squadrons of the enemy were seen advancing along the Kasan road at full gallop toward the town, which two of the squadrons succeeded in entering, while the third fell back in disorder under repeated volleys from our troops. A number of men and horses were seen

'For an hour afterward our com panies continued to fire on the Japanese in the town, preventing them from leaving the streets and houses. 'An hour and a half after the beginning of the engagements four companies were seen on the Kasan road, hastening to attack. I gave the order to mount, and the entire force, with a covering squadron, advanced in per fect order and formed in line behind the hill. The wounded were placed in front, and the retirement was car-

ried out with the deliberation of a The Japanese squadron which was thrown into disorder was evidently unable to occupy the hill, which we had just evacuated, and their infantry ar-

rived too late. 'The detachment protecting our rear guard arrived quietly at Kasan, where we halted for two hours in order to give attention to our wounded. At 8 p.m. our force reached Noo

'It is supposed that the Japanese had heavy losses in men and horses. On our side, unfortunately, three officers were severely wounded-Stepanoff and Androonke in the chest, and Vaselvitch in the stomach. Schilnokoff was less seriously wounded in the arm, but did not leave the field. Three Cossacks were killed, and twelve were wounded, including five seriously. General Mishtchenko bears witness to the excellent conduct and gallantry of the officers and Cossacks, and es-

pecially praises the third company of the Argunsk regiment, commanded by Krasnostanoff.' THE RUSSIAN OPERATIONS,

New York, March 29. - A Tokio dispatch says definite information regarding the movements of the Russian troops in the neighborhood of the Yalu River is difficult to obtain. According to the advices from Korean local officers, however, who are con sidered trustworthy, three detach-ments are on the Yulu, with their center at Wiju and their flanks at Chyangsong and Yong Chong. The main force of the Russian army, is concentrated in Southern Manchuria, leaving Korea practically free from Russian troops, although a considerable cavalry force appears about to leave for the southward. It is stated that when the Korean Government ordered two battalions of the Ping Yang garrison, the strongest in the army, to advance and fortify the northwestern border, a number of troops deserted and others mutinied. The Japanese Yang. It is necessary for stategic

WILL NOT PROTEST. London, March 29.-The Associated Press learns that the British Government had no intention of protesting such British merchants as are pecun- also be allowed to remain. iarily affected. It is pointed out at considered New Chwang neutral, and Chwang that Great Britain will not when Secretary Hay's note was re-ceived it was tacitly admitted that he advises them to accept the situa-

#### The War News.

The first land engagement of any importance has been fought and the little fellows have scored first blood, Kuropatkin himself in his report to the Czar confessing "his having to retreat before the onslaught of the Mikado's soldiers." The battle centered about Chong Ju. which lies a short distance northeast of Anju. The Japs dislodged the Russians, carrying the town in the face of a terrific crossfire. Reports vary as to the losses, the Russians claiming the Japs were the heavier losers. The latter say only four men were killed. Great gallantry distinguished the fighting on both sides. Admiral Togo, in his official report of Monday's attempt to bottle Makaroff, admits having falled. Nothing has been heard from either fleet for forty-eight hours. In the face of strong protest Russia has permitted the British and American residents of New Chwang to fly the flags of their respective nations. The powers are not expected to interfere with the Russian occupation of the city as it is in Manchuria and comes under the arrangement confining the war to that province. Port Arthur is believed to be provisioned for less than a month. Her garrison consists of 10,000 men, which is much less than represented by Russian authorities.

THE PHANTOM SQUADRON. Rome, March /29.-A dispatch received here says a portion of the Russian Vladivostock squadron, the location of which has long been in doubt, has arrived at Nikolaievak, Siberia, north of Vladivostock, at the DIDN'T HANG JAPS. mouth of the Amur River. The Russian army corps left Harbin for Chwang Chun, One first account of Gen. Kuropat-

position the Japanese ernment and Chinese Maritime authoronly after a fierce fight of half an ing fruit from Chinese ports to New contraband

SUNK BY RUSSIANS. Che Foo, March 30, 11:30 a.m.-The captain, an oiler, and one passenger of the Japanese coasting steamer Hanyei arrived at Teng Chow this morning and reported the Hanyei had been fired on and sunk by the Russian fleet near the Miao Tao Islands on the morning of March 27. They also re ported that the remainder of the crew MAKAROFF WARNS. and passengers, Chinese and Japanese. seventeen in number, had been taken

prisoners by the Russians. THE THEATERS ARE RUNNING.

New Chwang, Tuesday, March 29 .the Yalu River states that everything without lights and during the is quiet in the interior cities. Native heaters are running and the Chinese are undisturbed, except at Antung, shot is fired. where all the large shops have been losed. The natives have been forbidden to cross or recross the Yalu River. the Feng Huang Cheng road, footsore largely temporary, are partly inun-

WHALE FIGHTS FOR JAPS.

Vladivostock, Tuesday, March 29. been exploded by a whale. The mua Japanese landing at Possiet Bay.

THE JAP ACCOUNT. London, March 30. - The Japanese legation here has received the following official report from Tokio of the fighting between Japanese and Russian forces at Chong Ju, Korea, Mon-

"On March 28 a portion of our cav-The enemy, who numbered about 600 cartridge factory at Sasebo, Japan men, retreated in the direction of Wi- was blown up Sunday last, and that ju. Our casualties were Lieut. Kano four workmen were killed.

wise, as it eliminates any possible pro- | and four others, killed; Capt. Kuro-Japanese cavalry into action, but their test on the part of other powers in kawa and twelve others wounded, of the event of an attack on New Chwang the cavalry force. There were no casualties among our infantry. Two dead bodies were left by the enemy on the field, but it is reported that seven or eight were killed inside the town. These were promptly carried off by the enemy on horseback or by ambu-

lance. St. Petersburg, March 3. - The Har-

bin correspondent of the Russy Viede mosti explodes the recent report that three Japanese officers were hanged kin on arriving at Mukden says he for attempting to blow up the Sungari and when he arrived at Montreal his who are willing and eager to fight, but asked for an interview with General bridge on the Trans-Siberian Railway.

JAPS LOST FORTY.

St. Petersburg, March 30. - A later hour's duration that the Japanese Chwang on the ground that fruit is dispatch from Gen. Mistchenko reports that on the authority of the inhabitants of Chong Ju, Korea, the Japanese lost 40 men killed, one hundred mer wounded, and a number of horses during the fighting there Monday. Japanese employed 500 Korean bearers to carry their wounded to Anju General Mistchenko adds that Captain Stopanoff, who was among the Russians' wounded succumbed vesterday.

> Che Foo, March 30, 2:30 p.m. officially announced that Vice-Admiral Makaroff, commander of the Russian naval forces at Port Arthur, has issued a notification to the effect that all warships and merchant vessels enreliable report from the vicinity of tering the zone of operations at night without flags will be considered hostile, unless they stop when a blank

> > WAR NOTES.

len to cross or recross the Yalu River.

The natives believe that the troops Matin says that General Volkoff has on the Yalu River do not exceed 40,- issued a ukase informing the inhabit-Travelers report having seen ants of Manchuria and Trans-Baikalia troops under strenuous march along that all persons convicted of circulating false news will be punished with and weary. The bridges, which are the utmost rigor according to military laws. This ukase, the correspendent dated owing to the melting snow and says, is especially directed against hand bills promulgating false news is-

sued by the Chinese. The Japanese advance occupied Hai-One of the mines in Possiet Bay has ju, a seaport south of Anju March 27. The Korean Progressionists claim to carcass subsequently was be disappointed because the Marquis Newly Born Babe Was Strangled washed ashore. It bore evidence of Ito discouraged radical Government the destructive qualities of the mines changes, on his visit here, while in laid by the Russians in expectation of reality, it is asserted the action of the marguis checks the alleged reformers

speculation schemes The Russian Minister of Finance de nies that it has dispatched agents abroad to negotiate a loan, and there fore, it says that there is no founda tion for the rumors that such agents have unsuccessfully attempted to enter into negotiations for this purpose airy and infantry forces occupied with foreign bankers. The Paris Ma-Chong Ju after defeating the enemy. tin's Tokio correspondent says that a

# Union Jack and "Old Glory" Flying at New Chwang

Under a strong representation made by tested cruiser Askold was farther out

Russian Authorities Take Back consents to negotiating terms which That Order in Face of a Strong Protest.

New Chwang, Tuesday, March 29 .-

United States Consul Miller that the acting as scout, while the forts ashore and others mutinied. The Japanese civil administrator had invaded neutral railway corps are actively at work on the Seoul-Wiju Railway. Via Ping rights when he ordered the lowering of the Seoul-Wiju Railway. Via Ping rights when he ordered the lowering of torpedo boats was also seen close in Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Minimum and maximum temperatures: the American flag from buildings be-longing to American citizens, even The police were in force throughout though it was done through the appretue shipping district, when these ships thur. I hension that the flag was illegally used arrived, and were active in enforcing 22-41; by Chinese for the purpose of resisting their authority established by the repolice inspection, the civil adminis- cent order promulgated by Viceroy trator has promised, duly and in pro- Alexieff. ing martial law at New Chwang. An endeavor will be made in the ordinary way, and after the cessation of hostilities. to secure compensation for which was ordered taken down, will Sir Ernest Satow, the British ministhe foreign office that neither the ter at Pekin, has informed the resi-United States nor Great Britain ever dents of that nationality in New

New Chwang might quite likely be tion as it is. The British residents reone of the points of a Japanese attack, and the Russians are considered quate to the situation and severely quite within their rights in taking criticise him. Viceroy Alexieff has apnecessary steps to prevent pos- proved a plan permitting cargoes to years ago, chanced to see his name

IT WAS AN ILL WIND. Chicago, March 30. - The same cyclone that made James McInerty homeless in Indiana Harbor last week W

Penitentiary, Justice moving almost as

fast as the cyclone itself, has decreed

Five merchant ships which arrived

on Sunday last, but were not admitted

into the harbor until today, report that they saw a Russian fleet of nine war-

ships cruising off Port Arthur at a dis-

tance of 12 miles out to sea. The pro-

for bigamy. Mrs. Olivine Anglais McInery, of Chicago, who claims that McInerny deserted her in Hamilton, Ont., fifteen the necessary steps to prevent possible Japanese aggression.

At the Japanese legation the Russian proclamation of martial law at
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New Chwang and St. Lawsteps to prevent posproved a plant permitting cargos.

published in the list of injured by the
storm. The result was the identification and arrest of McInerny, who two
years ago was married to a girl of the
storm. The outlook is contioned by the
storm. The rain have occurred in the decigning and state
district, and in most
rain have occurred in the decigning and state
district, and in most
rence valleys, but the weather in Canada
generally has been fair and in most
years ago was married to a girl of the
line of the district.

The outlook is continued mild.

Vienna, March 30.-A dispatch from Belgrade, Servia, says that a settlment the difficulties between Servia and ne assassination of the late King for several days. Alexander and Queen Draga will be announced next week, involving the removal from the court of officers consays that the appointment of a new Jannette's Creek to Chatham. royal aide-de-camp and other c ourt

# THRILLING TALE OF A HONEYMOON

changes will justify the powers in re-

storing diplomatic relations with Bel-

Diamond Smugglers.

To Avoid Arrest Saddled the Innocents With a Quart of Stones Worth \$75,000.

New York, March 30. - Treasury agents and other officials in the service of the United States Government to detect smuggling have received news of the death, at his old home in Rousent to prison in Buffalo four years ago sisted of making himself a welcome

member of a honeymoon party on their travels. The bride herself bore across the bridge at Niagara Falls, a package of diamonds valued at \$75,000, and age of diamonds valued at \$75,000, and thought she was carrying a wedding gift of souvenir spoons. From the time offer, throws upon him the ones of the offer, throws upon him the ones of the offer, throws upon him the ones of the offer, throws upon him the offer, throws upon him the ones of the offer, throw the offer throws upon him the ones of the offer throws upon him thro he left New York to visit Amsterdam Lasar had been shadowed by Govern- He must know that his inferences and ment agents. He purchased a great quantity of unset stones in Holland, every movement was watched. On the with him by boat and meet the couple to engage with an enemy seeking reon the American side.

stepped off the boat at Lewiston. No- side of the harbor.

Another inspector had followed the appears to be imminent, and at any oridal couple and at nightfall they were driven across the bridge to the between the rival squadrons. American side. Here the customs inspector halted them. They said they arried nothing dutiable. "What is in this package madam?"

sked the inspector, touching a small parcel. he bride carelessly. The inspector tore it open, and a

quart of magnificent diamonds of all pair were arrested. They declared the package had been handed to the bride in Toronto by gressing diligently.

Lasar, who said it contained a small

In the bombard wedding present, and as he wished to 90 per cent of the Japanese projectiles surprise them he would ask them not burst. Three small fires were started o open it until he joined them at as a result, but no wholesale conflagra-Niagara Falls, N. Y. The bride and bridegroom denounced Lasar, and in November, 1900, he was convicted in the United States court at

## in jail. THE OWEN SOUND INFANT MURDER

Buffalo, and sentenced to a short term

to Death by Silken Watchguard.

Owen Sound, March 20. - At the inquest over the body of the infant found in a snowdrift last Friday the jury found that the child had been strangled by a person or persons un known. Associate Coroner G. W. Dow presided. The most important evidence taken was that of Dr. Howey. who performed the post-mortem. He gave evidence that the infant had been strangled shortly after birth by means of a silken watchguard, which had been wound tightly around the child's throat five times, so tightly that it had broken once under the strain. If the child were deposited in the bank of snow shortly after birth the mother must have had a confederate in the commission of the crime. The police have absolutely no clue.

#### WEATHER BULLETIN.

TOMORROW-MILD; SHOWERY.

London, Wednesday, March 30.
Sun rises. 6:03 a.m. Moon rises. 5:54 p.m.
Sun sets. . 6:42 p.m. Moon sets. . . 5:34 a.m.
Toronto, March 29-8 p.m. The weather continues generally fine in all portions of Canada, accompanied by milder conditions, more especially in Minimum and maximum temperatures. Victoria, 40–48; Calgary, 24–34; Qu'Appelle, 10–34; Winnipeg, 22–34; Port Artnur, 14–40; Parry Sound, 12–38; Toronto, 22–41; Ottawa, 14–36; Montreal, 18–32; Quebec, 12-30; Halifax, 24-36.

FORECASTS. Wednesday, March 30-8 a.m. Today-Fair and mild. Thursday-Continued mild, with som

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8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
32	. 28	Clear
18	18	Clear
34	30	Cloudy
38	36	Cloudy
34	32	Snow
32	26	Cloudy
24	16	Snow
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### FLOODS NEAR WINDSOR

May Be Removed to Meet Wishes of Nine Feet Deep at Prairie Siding and Jeannette's Creek.

Windsor, Ont., March 30. - The flooded district in the vicinity of Prairie Siding and Jannette's Creek is in the same condition as yesterday ertain of the powers resulting from with slim hopes of the water receding At points the water is from seven to nine feet deep.

Yesterday several men employed or the Grand Trunk made a risky trip cerned in the conspiracy which resulted on a hand car over the submerged in the assassinations. The dispatch track, from a few miles this side of The hand car upon which they made the trip was lost to sight in the water, only the driving bars and the should-

# MAKAROFF IS A

Recalled by Death of King of Dying for a Fight, But Won't Leave His Batteries.

victors Within a Month-10,000 in Garrison.

London, March 30. - The military

correspondent of the Times says: That Admiral Makaroff intends to take the mania, of Max Lasar, so called "King appears to be certain, but whether he of Diamond Smugglers." Lasar was has the power to effect anything seriappears to be certain, but whether he ous is doubtful. The admiral is in a and, upon the expiration of his term, very difficult and delicate position, and disappeared from this country. Lasar's it can only be by the exercise of the last exploit and the one which resulted greatest caution, coupled with the se-in his first criminal conviction, con-lection of the right moment and the utmost dash and resolution, that he can of battle to the enemy, and to the making good his words sooner or later. conclusions give an entirely imaginary not under the close fire of the Russian

An inspector arrested Lasar as he Russia draws up in battle array out-We are arriving at the when a renewal of the naval struggle moment we may hear of a collision The latest information from a trust

worthy source as to conditions in Port Arthur with foodstuffs. He estimated chant, who escaped in one of the many Chinese junks which was drivthe food supply of Port Arthur was sufficient for one month. The garrison is not so large as previously sizes sparkled in the electric light. The sented. It does not exceed 10,000, exclusive of the naval strength. The work on the damaged vessels is pro-In the bombardment of March 10

## tions were reported. WANT BETTER MEN

Railroad Telegraphers Will Ask for More Rigid Examinations.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Ont., March 30. - The repre sentatives of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers are meeting here today arranging to have a bill introduced this session to provide a higher standard for operators before being placed important positions. At present the railway companies examine operators, and, it is said, the examination is not so rigid as it ought to be. What is wanted now is a Government board to give certificates. It is held that the public interest demands that only competent men should be employed

railways as telegraphers. The Dominion Rifle Association met here today with Col. Tilton in the chair, and adjourned until April 22. FOUND THE NECKLACE. Paris, March 30. - A Belgian acused of stealing the historic pearl

necklace belonging to the Princess

Alice of Bourbon, daughter of Don

Carlos, has been arrested. The neck lace, which has been pawned is in the hands of the authorities. PUNISHED THE BRUTE Berlin, March 30. — A non-commissioned officer named Mitschke, belong- to have been a little too positive, as last, in the indefinite way in which he ing to an infantry regiment at Neisse, when spoken to about the matter to- makes the statement. But we would has been sentenced to imprisonment

for three months. Eighty-seven cases of ill-treatment of soldiers and other brutalities committed by Mitschke DAN DALY BURIED. Boston, March 30. The funeral of Dan Daly, the comedian, and that of his or not this order had been acted up- logs in the gates below the level of the brother, Timothy, were held together on.

at the Roman Catholic Church of the

five funerals in the Daly family with-MYSTERIOUS FATALITY.

together at their homestead about 19

dead in their house today. It is reported that one brother was in bed and the other was partly undressed. Cause of the double fatality is not known. Mounted police have gone to investigate. CONCERN CHANGES HANDS.

Walkerville, Ont., March 30. - The Walkerville Wagon Company, one of the largest industries\_in Walkerville, moved to West Lorne within a short pany has obtained a Government charter with a capital of \$50,000.

COL. OTTER BETTER.

# Many Miles of Road Are To Be Built This Year

way Is Now Assured.

Work To Be Commenced as Soon as Weather Permits.

Bonds Successfully Floated in England and Contracts Awarded-Conditions of Agreement.

The construction of a radial railway on is the center, is now assured. The first move in that direction was tracks were laid as far as Lambeth, and as soon as the weather will permit work immediately the weather permits, the work of construction will be re- as the road must be open this year. sumed and pushed forward with all The English syndicate is to have

Mr. A. E. Welch, the managing directors. tor of the Southwestern Traction Com-HOW HE TRICKED BRIDAL PAIR TOGO READY FOR HIM AT SEA pany, has returned from England, where he succeeded in having the bonds of the company floated by an England, and director of the Company of England of the

> the return trip. Additional money will struction of the Manchester, Liverpool be received as it is required. The arrangement made with the syn- run 110 miles an hour. dicate is satisfactory, not only to the While in London, Mr. Welch, as members of that body, which is known managing director of the Southwestern, as the Canadian Electric Traction Com- signed the contracts for the construcoffensive on the first favorable moment pany, Limited, but it is equally satis- tion of the line. The electrical equipfactory to the Southwestern Company, ment is to be furnished by Messrs. the directors of which now see the re- Bruce Peebles & Co., Limited, of Edinalization of hopes entertained for three burgh, while the contracts for the years past. The announcement will track and overhead construction went

> > of this city as well. The English syndicate has taken over the securities of the Southwestern, going ahead," said Mr. Welch today. and it now holds an option on the entire "The money is here and the contracts line, which is to extend from Hamilton let. The line to Port Stanley and on the east to Strathroy and Glencoe Delaware will be surveyed immediate-

The Southwestern Radial Rail- to the west it will touch Delaware and Mount Brydges before reaching Strathroy. The Glencoe line will proceed from Delaware through Melbourne, along the Longwood road, south of the G. T. R., to the terminal. The Southwestern, however, is also to tap the country to the south of London, for at Lambeth the line will branch off to St. Thomas and Port Stanley, while from St. Thomas a line will be con-

Under the terms of the agreement made with the English syndicate which has been organized under the name of the Canadian Electric Traction Company, Limited, the Southwestern has to build the line to Delaware and Port Stanley, and also to Delaware this through the rich district of which Lon- year, and to continue the work in secns of not less than thirty miles each year until the system is completed. The made by the Southwestern Traction agreement provides also for the contin-Company some months ago, when uous operation of cars during the entire year, and for the commencement of

ample representation on the board of The chairman of the English syndi-English syndicate, composed of wealthy the Great Northern and City Electric now in the Bank of Commerce here, having been shipped from England on the vessel on which Mr. Welch made the return trip. Additional managements are Sir William Preece and Major Cardew, the former also being associated with Lord Kelvin in the continuous trip. capitalists. A portion of the money is Tube Line. The consulting engineers

Mono Railway, which is scheduled to also be of interest to the farming com- to the Midland Construction Company nunity at large, and the business men Limited, of this city, a company formed

"There is no question about the road

# Application to Parallel L. and P. S. R. Opposed

fuge in flight, the instant the might of Committee of Legislature Lays ple of minor clauses, with which the Over Clause Which Vitally Affects This City.

ing a profitable trade supplying Port for a line from Port Stanley to St. the land. "Some spoons and trinkets," replied Arthur with food stuffs. He estimated Thomas, The clause was laid over. The pleted the assessors will proceed to time for completing the line was re- assess the city as usual, and will also The city opposed the proposed bill for the reason that it is believed that

if an electric line were allowed to par-

held a meeting yesterday, and consid-sent on to the council. ered the new bill introduced in the Legislature by Mr. Harcourt, the Minported Tuesday for a second reading. o'clock, as formerly announced.

This year the assessors are out two The City of London opposed before months earlier than usual. They are the agricultural committee of the Leg- now engaged in inspecting property islature today the portion of the bill assessors, in accordance with the new of the Strathroy and Western Railway law, are separating the buildings from

trustees fail to agree, further sugges-

hope that the Minister of Education

will see his way clear to also give them

nis fullest consideration.

No. 3 committee meets in the city hall at 5 o'clock this afternoon. The estiallel the L. and P. S. R., the value of mates for the year have been struck, the road to the city would be seriously and will be adopted. There will be an increase of fully \$5,000 for the fire de-

partment this year. The fire bylaw Chairman MacRobert and a major- regarding theaters, etc., will, it is unity of the members of the school board derstood, also come up, and will be

No. 1 committee will meet at 7:30 ister of Education, and which was re- Thursday evening instead of at In nearly all particulars the bill meets the estimates for the year will be dealt with the approval of the local trus- with by No. 1, and will be sent on to tees, and a letter has been addressed the council, so that the tax rate may to Mr. Harcourt thanking him for ember struck on Monday evening. From bodying in the measure nearly all of present indications it looks as though the suggestions made to him by the the council will have their hands full London school board. Regarding a cou- keeping down to a 234mill rate.

# Springbank Dam Figures In Aftermath of the Flood

Though there appears to be a difference of opinion as to just what the

Commissioner Pocock and Supt.

Moore Speak of Flood Gates

and Rise in the River.

consequences were, there does not appear to be any doubt now that the following letter received today flood gates at were not raised during the recent rise all very well for Engineer Simmle to in the river. The statement attribut-say that the stop logs were removed day Mr. Simmie said that all he knew like to ask him what logs he

last week and asked to have the flood minds us forcibly of a city official who Regina, N. W. T., March 30. -- John gates opened. The deputation was when asked if the gates at composed of West Londoners, and were open, replied "Yes." 36 years respectively, who were living they at first interviewed Ald. Wyatt, cornered as to what gates he meant who sent them to Mr. Pocock. The whether on the dam or in the park miles southeast of this city were found latter gentleman at once communicat- replied: "In the park!" ed with Superintendent Moore, who of fact the gates on the dam have not promised to see that everything pos-

gates when ordered to do so, because dam. On toward noon, the water bethey had been down all winter and gan to fall, however, and at 1 o'clock were frozen in solidly. This was a 4 feet 4 inches was going over the dam. has closed its doors. The plant was taken over by the West Lorne Wagon Company some time ago, and will be the gates had to be left down in order the gates had to be left down in order to West Lorne within a short that sufficient water for the wheel at that sufficient water for the wheel at the pumphouse might be secured. Falls While Skating, Breaking a Leg With the great depth of water which was passing over the dam during the flood, Mr. Pocock does not believe that

Superintendent Moore was seen by reporter today, and he also said that the presence of the logs in the river made no difference on the flood one way or the other. As a matter of fact, Mr. Moore said, all the logs that it was possible to remove had been

removed on Friday.

London on the matter is shown by the the Springbank dam Editor Advertiser: Dear Sir,-It is

The feeling of the residents of West

in connection with the raising of the gates was that he had been ordered by on the dam are removed every fall, Superintendent Moore to notify the and it may be a fact that the two man whose duty it is to look after the stop logs in the gates running parallel dam to raise the gates. Today Mr. with these boards were removed, but Simmle says he could not say whether it is just as much a fact that the other At all events he gave the order crown of the dam were in position on to have the logs removed. Since the Monday, the 28th inst, and Tuesday new dam was built the flood gates are the 29th. If these logs were removed day. Many members of the theatrical profession attended. There have been dropping the logs as formerly. Water Commissioner Pocock was their places again, and how he got seen by a reporter today in regard to them there with such a volume of a deputation which waited upon him water going over the dam? This re-The deputation was when asked if the gates at Springbanl EASY LONDON WESTERS.

> It appears, however, Commissioner Today the water began to rise Pocock says, that the men at the dam again in the river, and at one time found it imposssible to raise the flood close onto five feet was going over the

#### LADY MINTO INJURED

in Two Places. Ottawa, March 30.-Lady Minto fell

Toronto, Ont., March 30. - The doc- the gates affected the depth of water on Rideau Rink at 1 o'clock this aftors today report a considerable imin West London to any appreciable ternoon and broke one of her legs in provement in Col. Otter's condition.