

TRAINS DELAYED ON BOTH ROADS BY SNOWSTORM

Two Branch Lines On C. P. R.
Completely Blocked.

The C. P. R. was hit harder by the storm of last night and early this morning than previously this winter, and trains on the main line were all late today. The snow drifted on to the tracks through from Montreal to Windsor, and on the branch lines huge drifts completely blocked traffic in some places. The Grand Trunk was similarly affected, all trains being behind schedule today.

The Port Huron line of the C. P. R. was blocked at noon, but Superintendent A. Williams stated that he expected traffic would be resumed on this line this afternoon. The Tillsonburg line, between that town and Niagara, was also blocked, but with two engines working on the snow, the local officials hoped to have it clear by tonight.

Bruce Train Late.
While the London Huron and Bruce branch of the G. T. R. was not blocked, the going was decidedly heavy, and a snow plow was sent up to Wincham last night to clear the line. The plow worked all day, but succeeded in getting the line through to this city about two hours late.

All trains from the east and west on the main lines of both C. P. R. and G. T. R. were also behind schedule today. In the Montreal district the snow fall was much heavier than it was here, and great delay was experienced before the trains got under way.

With about 300 railwaymen off sick in this division, the proposition of clearing the tracks is a serious one. Local officials point out. Many members of the regular snow crews are off, and with inexperienced men on the job the task of clearing the tracks is a difficult one.

CUSTOM HOUSE CARETAKER DIES SUNDAY MORNING

William Greer, Federal Employee For Past Thirty-Six Years.

William Greer, caretaker of the custom house, died on Sunday morning after an illness of three weeks. Mr. Greer, who was 81 years old, had been active up till three weeks ago, when he was taken ill, and after a minor operation he never regained strength. Mr. Greer was born in the County of Galway, Ireland, and came to London with his parents when he was five years old. He had been employed at the custom house for the past 36 years.

He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Miss Helen and Clara. His home, one son, William, traveling auditor for the Fairbank Ship Company, and one brother, A. B. Greer, of this city.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon, and will be held at Woodland Cemetery.

For Colds, Grip or Influenza, and as a Preventive, take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets. Look for B. W. GROVES' signature on the box.

SCREEN STARS IN PERSON AT LOEW'S THEATRE TONIGHT

Arrive in Special Car Direct From New York This Afternoon.

The big party of stage and screen stars who are to be the guests of Marcus Loew at the opening of the new theatre here tonight, arrived in this city this afternoon from New York. They are registered at the Tecumseh House.

The party came in a special car direct from the big American theatre, and as to who were in the party, stated that London would know tonight. He promises a red hot musical comedy.

The party will remain in the city until Tuesday night or Wednesday morning. Those who were unable to secure reservations for the opening this evening will have an opportunity to see the stars tomorrow afternoon when they will appear at the matinee.

BACK AT G. W. V. A.

Cold Weather Brings Hordes Around Grate Fire Once More.

The cold snap is bringing back a lot of the pastimes which were abandoned during the warm weather of last week. At one time it was possible to walk around to the Great War Veterans and find a number of the members there discussing the country's political situation in front of a cheery grate fire.

With the coming of the warm spell, a more open labor situation came along. The fire and chimney crowd disappeared.

A Difference. The cold snap came, and so did the secretary's smile. When a reporter asked a story, the only reply was a statement to the effect that the concert that G. W. V. A. was putting on had to be called off on account of the band members becoming ill.

YOUR BILIOUSNESS

and constipation, headache, drowsiness, coated tongue, bad breath, bad taste in the mouth, quickly disappear if you take Hood's Pills. Many say these pills act better on the liver and bowels than anything else. Sold by all druggists.

DIAMONDS OF Rare Quality

at prices to meet every pocketbook and in a great variety of the latest and most modern settings. It costs no more to have our name on the box, and then you are sure of the quality.

Special Diamond Rings at prices ranging from \$30.

Barnard's
Diamond Merchants and Jewelers.

"Where Good Gifts Come From"
399 RICHMOND ST. E. W.

Old 27 Shows Good Breeding

Astonishes the Natives by
Plowing Through Six-
Foot Drifts.

The insinuation that old 27, the Springbank giant, had a cold of the bronchial tube was indignantly denied by the crew this morning, and just to show what the old giant could do, he plowed through the snow drifts. For a moment it looked as if the levitation would not make the grade, but the crew whistled a few loving words just as the first cemetery curve, and 27, like the thirty old thing she is, put forth one more terrific effort and won her way through, much to the admiration of the gang in the smoker. There were huge drifts all the way to Springbank, but 27 plowed through them all. A returned soldier on board the boat, that she showed more fight than a tank on the western front. However, on the 8 o'clock trip, 27 became peevish just as the city limits were reached, and refused to go any farther. Motorboat Rockett slammed on the brakes, but to no avail. Twenty-seven started to back up to Springbank, but did not get very far. As remarked by the returned soldier, 27 was a surging-in-chief to the big Springbank castle, and he proceeded to operate on the fuse box. The result was a terrific explosion, and 27 became reconciled and decided to go on to the city, with a nice, nervous, only train through to this city about two hours late.

Goes Back To Land Of His Forefathers

S. C. R. Helps Cree Indian
and Manchester Bride To
Enter United States.

Although he was born in the United States and that land truly his heritage, because his warrior forefathers roamed its forests and were its lordly kings long before the white men left the shores of Europe, S. C. R. Hattis, a full-blooded Cree Indian, was refused admittance to that country on returning from a long tour of wandering and war service in the British army. Coming to this city, he enlisted the help of S. C. R. and through their efforts he gained admittance to the home of his forefathers.

Leaves United States.
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RED CROSS APPEALS FOR HELP TO FIGHT SICKNESS IN LONDON

Want Volunteers To Do the
Housework in Homes Where
Illness Prevails.

The Red Cross Society is doing its utmost to keep the urgent need for help in the homes of the sick. Letters were sent to all the churches yesterday for names and addresses of persons willing to help in the present emergency.

Work will be most systematic, each district being in charge of a nurse, and the services of people living in certain districts. The Red Cross is hoping for a splendid response to this very urgent need of helpers.

ROAD BUILDING SUPPLIES TO BE SCARCE THIS YEAR

So Says City Engineer On Return From
Good Roads Congress.

City Engineer H. A. Brazier has returned from the good roads congress held at Louisville, Ky., during the past week. The business this year was largely of a routine nature. That supplies for road building will be scarce this year was indicated by the attitude of firms manufacturing them. Usually they are kept in touch with the representatives of the various municipalities, but this year, although they were represented at the congress, they made little effort to push the sale of their commodities.

A canvass of the electorate will be started March 8, Burnell added. He expressed the belief that before the membership drive concluded March 15, every individual farmer and farmer's wife in the province would have been invited to participate in the agrarian "forward movement." Approximately 2,000 farmers and farm women will be employed in the campaign.

GAUDELOUPE SENATOR DENIES REPORT THAT ISLAND TO BE CEDED

PARIS, Feb. 15.—A report which has been current that the islands of Martinique and Guadeloupe are to be ceded to the United States in return for a loan brought a vigorous protest from Senator Guadeloupe, who represents Guadeloupe in the French Upper Chamber. In an open letter to Premier Millerand, which is published in Le Temps, he says:

"I ask, on behalf of my constituents, who were among the first to come to the battlefield, that you give an official denial to this story."

ROLLO TO SETTLE FIREMEN'S DISPUTE

ST. CATHARINES, Feb. 15.—Hon. Walter Rollo, minister of labor and health for Ontario, has promised to attend a special meeting of the city council here tomorrow night and endeavor to settle the dispute between the city firemen and the city council. The firemen recently formed a union and have refused to obey an order to withdraw from affiliation with the international union of fire fighters.

WOULD REORGANIZE HUMANE SOCIETY

Applicant for Position of In-
spector Declares Present
Conditions Unsatisfactory.

An application for appointment as inspector for the Humane Society will be made to the city council this evening by George Lustin of 914 Mount Pleasant avenue. He will urge that the work be reorganized, claiming that the present state of affairs is unsatisfactory.

DEFENSE STAKE OF 300,000 ON U.S. LINES

Maintenance of Way Execu-
tive Indefinitely Postponed
Planned Walkout.

WAS WILSON'S REQUEST
General Conference of Rail-
way Unions February 23—
Demand Relief At Once.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 15.—The strike of 300,000 members of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Railway Shop Laborers, set for next Tuesday, was indefinitely postponed until the night of Feb. 23. Mr. Barker, international president of the union, in accordance with the request of President Wilson that the strike be deferred until a general conference of public interest.

Further Qualifications.
As further evidence of his qualifications he pointed out that he was given a substitution position by the remount officer at Birmingham while awaiting passage to Canada after service in the late war. He is well posted as to the general diseases of the horse and can assist and lameness and its cause. He indicates that one of the principal duties of a humane society is the rescue of stray and unwanted animals, and without technical experience that is impossible. He is in-charge of horses and cattle through ignorance. Helpful advice to the people of the kind, he states, is of more value than a fine, he states.

Dogs and Cats.
Speaking to The Advertiser today, he said: "My wish would be to make the London branch one of the best and most respected in the province. I would run a shelter for lost and starving dogs. There the animals could be kept or destroyed according to the wishes of the parties concerned. A fee could be charged for destroying the dog, but could be charged for his upkeep. A similar plan could be followed in regard to cats. Certificates could be given to the owners stating that the animals had been destroyed in a kind and humane manner. There are hundreds of stray and ownerless dogs in the city. If they were destroyed it would be a good thing for the city. And how many people would only be too glad to board their dogs when they leave the city for a short period. The humane society would be able to allow him or her to roam about the streets to the disgust of everyone."

NECESSITY IS SURELY MOTHER OF INVENTION

Cold Weather Brings Out the Latest
Style in Ear-Muffs.

With the advent of the recent cold snap a number of new inventions are coming to light. Various kinds of ear-muffs, some of which are made of leather covered with black velvet. These are held in place by a light spring and a gold-plated band, which pass behind the wearer's neck. The spring puts the necessary pressure on to hold the muffs in place without making them an inconvenience to the wearer.

STATES CANADA CANNOT GIVE UP VOTE IN LEAGUE

Rowell Says No Ratification If
Dominion Loses Place
of Nation.

CUBA, HAITI, HAVE SAY
Unable To Believe United
States Would Challenge
Neighbor's Position.

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—(By Canadian Press.)—"If the United States Senate should adopt the Lennox reservation, either in its original form, or amended as now suggested, and should also adopt the preamble as proposed, Canada, as one of the nations of the British Empire, and a party to the treaty, would be called upon to decide what action she could take under the conditions. There can be no possible doubt what Canada's decision will be. She cannot and will not consent to any impairment of her status and voting rights under the treaty. Therefore, when dual action on the treaty by the Government of the United States is taken, Canada will be bound to come effective on Canada's assent thereto, the ratification cannot go into effect so far as Canada is concerned as Canada will not give that assent."

In these words Hon. Newton Wesley Rowell, minister of foreign affairs, outlined Canada's position to the treaty fight in the United States Senate to a mass meeting of war veterans here tonight.

Her Position Clear.
"Canada has made her position perfectly clear to the proper authorities in London, and she has asked them to make her position clear to the authorities at Washington. We have done this in view of the good understanding between Canada and the United States. Mr. Rowell continued. "The reasons why Canada cannot consent are obvious that they have been mentioned. I shall only mention one. Canada, by the free action of her own government, and the whole-hearted cooperation of her own people, raised 600,000 men to take part in this war. She mortgaged her future to carry the burdens which her participation in the war involved."

**DETROIT DOCTOR JUMPS
FROM HOSPITAL WINDOW**

Dr. Paul Piper Instantly Killed by Fall
of Sixty Feet.

DETROIT, Feb. 15.—Dr. Paul Piper, 28 years old, an interne at the receiving hospital, yesterday leaped from a third-story window of the institution while delirious and was instantly killed. Dr. Piper came to the hospital last night because of pneumonia. He was a short time ago. Cerebral symptoms developed and he was placed under the treatment of the first floor. He overpowered the nurse, ran up to the third floor and leaped from a window of a third-story room to the ground, a distance of 60 feet.

MANITOBA FARMERS TO PUT CANDIDATE IN EVERY RIDING

WINNIPEG, Feb. 15.—The United Farmers of Manitoba have completed a preliminary organization work for the general constituency, and have decided to nominate an independent farmer candidate in each riding for the next Dominion election, according to an announcement made Saturday by C. E. Burnell of the central executive committee.

A canvass of the electorate will be started March 8, Burnell added. He expressed the belief that before the membership drive concluded March 15, every individual farmer and farmer's wife in the province would have been invited to participate in the agrarian "forward movement." Approximately 2,000 farmers and farm women will be employed in the campaign.

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is easily won by the man or woman who is willing to live in harmony with Law. Cut out pills, live much in the open air, eat less meat and more Shredded Wheat—a simple, nourishing, easily digested food, made of the whole wheat grain prepared in a digestible form. Give Nature a chance. Heat two Biscuits in the oven and serve with hot milk (or hot salted water) the cheapest meal in the world and so nourishing and strengthening!

BROTHERHOODS OF RAILWAYMEN TAKE UP WAGE SCHEDULE

London Man Elected Vice-
Chairman of Clerks.

MONTREAL, Feb. 14.—Representatives of the Canadian section of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Shop Laborers are here to consider with the railway association an interpretation of the present agreement, and will hold a number of sittings next week on the matter. In view of the situation which has arisen in the United States that issue also will be closely watched by the association.

A convention of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, organized at Freeman's Hotel after the systems' boards of adjustment had been formed for the Canadian lines of the C. P. R., G. T. R. and C. N. R. and for the Shipping Federation of Canada. Committees were also appointed to draw up schedules for presentation to the roads, and following the discussion of business for the ensuing year officers were appointed as follows: C. P. R.—L. T. Tossaint, Montreal, chairman; H. J. Herbert, North Bay, secretary-treasurer; Grand Trunk—W. E. Ritchie, Toronto, chairman; R. L. Menzies, London, vice-chairman; Fran-

die Foley, Montreal, secretary-treasurer.

Instant Postum
The increasing high price of coffee causes many coffee drinkers to turn their attention to Instant Postum. This pleasant beverage is then easily had, free from the coffee drug, caffeine, and its rich flavor particularly appeals to those accustomed to coffee at table.

There has been no increase in price and the quality is always uniform.

Good for Young and Old

Revealing the Newest Spring Modes In Silks and Wool Goods

Quite apart from the materials of other season's are the new spring shipments opening up daily. As the flaming banners of sunrise proclaim the advent of a bright spring day, so these new arrivals in women's silk fabrics and wool materials hint of coming spring glories. Early spring buyers are increasing every day, eagerly inspecting the new shipments as they are placed to stock, selecting their favorite material and colors, while exclusive novelty materials are to be had at these right prices.

SKINNER'S NEW SATIN FOULARDS.

These designs are entirely different from those of previous seasons—just those as proclaimed by Paris—the wild rose in bright colorings placed in groups on the new ground, colors of Hague blue, navy, sand, taupe grey—the silks pure and famous for long wear; full yard wide.....\$7.50 yard

IMPORTED FINE WOOL ARMURE

DRESS MATERIALS, \$6.00 YARD.

The English make of Pure Silk Wool Armures, well known for richness of finish and durability, best permanent dyes, in the new spring colors, 42 inches wide.....\$6.00 yard

SPECIAL SALE FULL YARD WHITE

HABUTAI SILK, \$1.79 YARD.

Heavy quality for waists, dresses, lingerie, etc. Buy all you need today at this price. Quantity limited.....\$1.79 yard

MALLINSON'S PRINTED SILK RADIUM

DE LUX.

The newest designs of the fashion world are always created by this famous maker of high-class novelties. This spring's contribution is no exception. Style critics claim them to be the finest balanced collection of patterns yet, such as the Batik or Hindu hand dipped designs, Queen Anne period, Entanglement, in newest colors for spring and summer street wear; Radiant de Lux Silks are famous for wear; 40 inches wide.....\$8.75 yard

IMPORTATIONS OF FINEST WOOL

SUITINGS JUST OPENED.

Comprising Tricotines, Poplins, Broad and Habit Cloths, Fine Navy Wool and Botany Serges, Lightweight Pandoras, Henriettas in silk and wool mixtures, Poplins in silk and wool mixtures. See displays at Dress Goods Sections of these new spring lines.

Specials in Infants' and Children's Shoes

Child's Patent Buttoned Shoes, with black calf top, comfortable-fitting last, that allows perfect freedom to the growing foot; sizes 5 to 7½. Price.....\$4.00

Boys' Patent Shoes, made with dull kid top, button or lace, built on easy-fitting last, medium weight sole; sizes 5 to 7½. Price.....\$3.50

Boys' Tan Calf Shoe, made on easy-fitting last, full round toe, heavy Goodyear welted sole; sizes 5 to 7½. Price.....\$3.50

Infants' Black Kid Soft-Sole Shoes, white buttoned or lace, with white; sizes three months to one year. Price.....65c

Infants' Pussfoot Shoes, white buck, patent with white top, black lace or buttoned; sizes 2 to 5. Price.....\$2.75

Early Spring Shipment of Petticoats, Moreen, Taffetine, Merveen

Splendid Saten Petticoat, made with flounce at bottom of accordion-pleated duster and pin tucks, draw-tape at waistline, in amethyst, navy, rose, emerald and black. Price \$1.95

Another Moreen Petticoat has deep flounce of accordion pleating, double-stitched seams, draw-tape at waistline; colors, emerald, grey and black. Price.....\$3.75

A splendid Petticoat made of Merveen, with flounce of fine accordion pleating, side-front opening, with draw-tape at waistline; comes in amethyst, navy, sand and black. Price.....\$2.95

Smart Moreen Petticoat, has flounce of deep tucks trimmed with pin tucks, side-front, fastening with draw-tape at back; comes in saxe, rose, emerald, amethyst, myrtle and black. Price.....\$4.50

Taffetine Petticoat has draw-tape at waistline, flounce of accordion pleating; colors, saxe, rose, grey and black. Price.....\$1.75

Cotton Tricoline Petticoat, has deep flounce at bottom, with narrow ruffle of accordion pleating, every seam is double stitched, side-front opening; colors, black, ivory, pink and helio. Price.....\$4.75

FEBRUARY FURNITURE SALE

10 to 50 Per Cent Off.

Cortese Orchestra—Restaurant, at Noon Luncheon, 12 to 2.

MINISTER OF LABOR HAS SEVERE COLD

OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—Senator Robert, minister of labor, is at present suffering from a severe cold. In the absence of Mr. P. A. Achard, deputy minister, who went overseas to attend the meeting of the governing body of the international labor office, Mr. Cossens has been acting deputy minister. Mr. Cossens has been acting deputy minister since the last of the year.

Mr. Cossens had several charges in the London conference, and the last four years has been stationed in the Cornwall Methodist Church in the Montreal conference.

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