PRICE TWO CENTS.

Trouble With the Cigar- C. W. BENNETT IS makers Remains Unchanged in This City.

MANUFACTURERS MAKE STATEMENT

Allege That the Increase Demanded by the Men Will Run From 20 to 35 Per Cent Above Present Wages.

international organizer of the Cigarmakers' Union will be in London this week, probably on Thursday or Friday.

terday among the cigar manufacturers, as stated in last evening's Advertiser resulted in a refusal of practically all the manufacturers to agree to the increase in wages demanded, and consequently President Perkins, of Chicago, who is the head of the International Union, was notified.

Word was received from him that the organizer would be in the city this week to size up the situation. He will interview the manufacturers and will make a final effort to settle the dis-

The manufacturers will refuse to agree to any raise, they say, and the strike will be declared officially Monday.

THE MEN'S DEMANDS.

The manufacturers deny that the increase demanded amounts to only 10 been dead some hours, heart failure per cent, but allege that it will amount being the cause. to from 20 to 35 per cent, according to the goods manufactured.

charge for that now. One dollar a thou-sand for the making of the cigars; \$1 Mrs. Bremner asked him about 9 for the division of the wrapper and o'clock this morning if he wished his binder pieces, for which there is no breakfast brought up, as usual. Mr. for packing.

These amount to \$3 50 a thousand, In some shops there is a slight difference in detail that would make the percentage about 25 per cent. This,

the manufacturers claim, is altogether

too much, and they refuse to submit

A CONFERENCE HELD TODAY.

A conference of the cigar manufacturers was held this morning and the situation canvassed. They claim that they are thoroughly organized and will fight any interference. "A wrong impression was conveyed

when it was announced that the increase would amount to but 10 per cent," said one manufacturer. "It will make a difference of from 20 to 35 per cent to practically all the union shops in the city. One of the largest manufacturers will have to pay 20 to 35 per cent, owing to a particular size cigar he manufactures. The others of us will have to pay somewhat higher, so the increase will run from 20 to 35 per cent, depending upon certain sizes and grades. LET THE

CITIZENS KNOW.

"In justice to us we thought it adcisable to let the citizens know the real facts of the case and allow them to judge.

"We expect a strike. We refused the demand of the committee yesterday. and when the international organizer comes we will have to refuse his demand. We are ferced to do it. Our breakfast, and when she came up business under present circumstances again Mr. Bremner appeared to be will not permit of us doing anything sleeping peacefully, and she did not more, so we will have to allow the disturb him. strike to come.

"The increase is unreasonable, and we do not think we have been treated (airly under the circumstances.' The manufacturers allege that a mafority of only 18 out of a membership

250 voted for the strike. THE MEN'S

CLAIMS.

The union men claim that a strike is shortly after 9 o'clock. the only possible recourse since the bosses have refused their demands. They say that the cost of living has Free Press office last night until nearincreased, and that it is quite imposing 11 o'clock, and wrote editorials for sible for them to get along on the the morning paper. He appeared to present scale of wages.

RAIN IS NEEDED FOR THE WHEAT

Fall Wheat in West Has Reached Critical Stage.

Winnipeg, May 11 .- Secretary Mcwards the latter part of last week was not sufficient to revive the germination of the seeds, which were dying for lack of moisture. The majority of the farmers who sowed fall wheat are engaged in plowing it up and making preparations for the seeding of spring wheat in its stead. Unless this country has more rain in the course of the next few days, it will practically mean the total destruction

reached the stage when it is in dire need of moisture." TANNERY DESTROYED.

Quebec, May 11.—The tannery of

PROMOTING AIR SHIPS

Big Aviation Meet for Toronto in the Air-Date Set Last of July.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, May 11.—C. W. Bennett,
formerly of London, is, with other promoters, arranging an airship meet for this city.

The date for the Toronto meet will

be the last week in July or the first part of August. The committee in charge are Paul Myler, of Hamilton, charge are rau Myler, of Hamilton, chairman; A. E. Chatterson, vice-president; H. B. Wells, Morse Sellers and O. Hazelwood, of Toronto, with power to add to their number.

MR. M. G. BREMNER DIED SUDDENLY

The canvass of the union men yes- Editor of the London Free Press Was Found Dead in Bed This Morning.

A VERY POPULAR CITIZEN

One of the Cleverest Journalists and Best-Known Newspapermen in Canada-Had Been 45 Years in the Business.

Mr. Malcolm G. Bremner, editor of the London Free Press, was found dead in bed by his wife shortly after 11 o'clock this morning, at his residence, 575 Dundas street. He had

Bremner retired last night Mr. shortly after 11 o'clock. He was ap-The increase is made up as follows: parently in the best, of health at that Onedollar for a clean table. There is no time, and complained of no sickness

now, and 50 cents a thousand Bremner replied "No," but did not complain of feeling unwell. Life Was Extinct.

Mrs. Bremner



MR. M. G. BREMNER.

It was not until after 11 o'clock that she decided to awaken him. Miss Bremner, his sister, and Mrs. Bremner went to his room and found

him dead. Dr. H. N. Beal was summoned hastily. It was apparent that Mr. Bremner had been dead for some hours. It is thought that he had expired

The news came as a great shock to his legion of friends. He was at the be in particularly good health, and chatted with the members of the staff for an hour or more. When he reached home there was no sign whatever

of the near approach of death. A Strange Coincidence.

Mr. Bremner was particularly interested in the death of King Edward on the flagship London, of the British England's dead monarch made an Atlantic battleship fleet in Norwegian especial appeal to him, and from his Hugh, of the Grain Exchange, Cal-earliest career, he had followed his gary, discussing Alberta crop condidestiny with keen personal interest. tions, says: "Fully 50 per cent of the winter wheat has been destroyed in the southern part of Alberta as the tion from which King Edward suffered, result of the extreme dry weather and Mr. Brenner discussed that phase this spring. The rain that we had to- of His Majesty's demise, little thinking that his own death was but a few

hours distant. Mr. Bremner was the oldest newspaperman, from the point of continuous service, in the city. For upwards of forty-five years he had been on the

editorial staff of the Free Press. Born in Newfoundland.

Malcolm Graem Bremner was born at Hants, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland, of the fall wheat, as the latter has on Oct. 11, 1847, and was of Anglo-Scotch descent. His parents removed to Canada in 1856, and located in

That year he first joined the staff Messrs. Arthur & Pierre Pouliot, on of the Free Press, learning the art of Arago street, was destroyed by a fire printing. He continued at this work broke out shortly before mid- for a year, when he became a reporter, night last night. The loss on the and for many years was associated building is \$10,000, and that on the with the late Josiah Blackburn and contents about \$26,000. Insured. The John Dewar on that journal. In 1890, origin at the fire is a mystery. (Continued on Page Nine.)



Photo by Staff Photographer. The C. P. R. roundhouse at the corner of Adelaide street and Centralavenue, which is to be torn down and a new one erected further east. The present building is absolutely inadequate for the purposes of the company.

EAST END OF CITY

Charles Myers, of Richmond Street, Fooled the Thieves, However and Got Away With His Roll of \$62-Men Took Watch But Handed It Back to Him.

PARLIAMENT PAYS A TRIBUTE

Mr. Charles Meyers, proprietor of a men, who demanded his money, em day morning by two men, who pressed ver.

While one man held the gun to his went through his to turn over his valuables.

His watch was taken from him, but pockets systematically, removing the pair evidently did not care to have anything that could be so easily identified, and the timepiece was returned when they failed to find his money—a pocket. The thieves did not notice this roll of \$62, which was concealed in an inside pocket. Mr. Meyers later reported the mat-

ter to the police, and the detectives are working on the case.

The Hold-Up. Mr. Meyers had occasion to be in

[Associated Press Cable.]

obsequies. They were met at the rail- King.

DESTROYED BY FIRE

road station by King George and Queen

Devastating Forest Fire.

[Associated Press.]

Duluth, Minn., May 11. - Grand

Marais, on the north shore of Lake

Superior, is believed to have been de-

stroyed by the forest fires which were

burned he would attempt to commun-

and the assumption therefore is that

Unconfirmed Report Tells of a

Disaster Aboard the H. M.

S. London.

[Associated Press Cable.]

London, May 11.-Reports are cur-

rent at Dover of a serious explosion

waters. The reports cannot be con-

Keppel is in command of the fleet.

Rear Admiral Sir Colin Richard

The London is a twin screw battle-

ship of 15,000 tons. Her captain is

Alfred E. M. Chatfield. The ship was

built at Portsmouth, being started in

1899, and completed in 1902. Her cost

was in excess of \$5,000,000. Her arm-

ament consists of four 12-inch, twelve

6-inch guns, sixteen 12-pounders, eight

3-pounders and machine guns. Her

[Associated Press Cable.]

loss of life nor damage to property

in the city, but reports from the in-

San Domingo, May 11.-A severe earthquake shock was fell here at 3 o'clock this morning. There was no

IN SAN DOMINGO

complement is 757 officers and men.

SEVERE EARTHQUAKE

BRITISH BATTLESHIP

SERIOUS EXPLOSION ON

advancing on it last night.

the town burned.

firmed here.

MINNESOTA TOWN

London, May 11. - The kin of the ingham Palace.

sister of Queen-Mother Alexandra, cessor, King George.

Grand Marais in the Path of a Is Charged With Murdering His

icate with the Duluth station today. pleaded "not guilty" to each of the Thus far no word has come from him three indictments. The charge of mur-

Richmond street cafe, was held up on phasizing their threats by allowing him Grey street east at 2 o'clock yester- to gaze down the muzzle of a revolhead, the other went through his

his watch and small change. Mr. Meyers had luckily placed his roll in a small pocket within his coat property needed by the company. and missed the haul.

dered Mr. Meyers to turn and make fast time for other quarters.

The thieves themselves disappeared the vicinity of Grey street and Hyatt quickly, and it is said they made their avenue between 1 and 2 o'clock in the way to the Grand Trunk at Rectory morning, and had just left a friend street, and left the city on a freight when he was accosted by the hold-up train.

(Continued on Page Nine.)

Wile and Two Infant

Children.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.]

criminal assizes here this morning be-

fore Mr. Justice Teetzel and a jury,

dering his wife was taken up first. A

The second of the new Pacific type

engines, which the Grand Trunk are

putting on the middle division, went

through on express No. 1 this morning,

with Engineer Kirkwood, of Sarnia, in

the cab. The new engines are, accord-

ing to the officials, proving most sat-

isfactory. Yesterday morning, with a

New Locomotives.

Whitby, Ont., May 11.-Archie Mc-

PLEADS NOT GUILTY

M'LACHLAN ON TRIAL

GREATLY ENTHUSED Advertiser's Story of Canadian

Pacific Plans Still the Sensation of the City.

COMPANY STILL BUYING

C. P. R. Is Apparently Going Into the Matter of Improvements in London in a Whole-Hearted-Manner.

Further deals for land for the Canadian Pacific Railway are being put through, and this week will see the completion of all transactions for

The exclusive story of this large deal in Saturday's Advertiser created much trouble was practically fruitless, the discussion throughout the east end of pair handed back the watch, and or- the city, and already there has been a and one to Messrs. Kidd & Chatto, of considerable rise in land values in that

section, it is said. The acquisition of factory sites by the C. P. R. has turned manufacturers' eyes in that section. The rumor is again revived that the

Ontario Government will sell their farm west of the Asylum side road, and north of Dundas street, and purchase land further north. Valuable Property.

This property, it is claimed, is becoming more valuable every year, and

There are about 100 acres in this piece, and it would make a first-class Mary, who drove with them to Bucksite for factories or residences. The story published in The Advertiser that the company was seeking British royal family are arriving here Parliament met this afternoon to pay British royal family are arriving here Parliament met this afternoon to pay an entrance into the city over the to attend the funeral of King Edward. a national tribute to the memory of London and Port Stanley tracks is Empress Dowager Marie of Russia, a King Edward, and to welcome his suc- another matter that is creating much

discussion in the city. There is absolutely no doubt that some city ofreached here today, accompanied by A message from the new monarch, ficials have been approached on this Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, in which he announced the death of question, and the details of the comyoungest brother of Emperor Nicholas, his father and his own accession, was pany's plans outlined to them. That it and who will be the official represent- read in both Houses, which subsecompany goes without saying.

Might Make an Offer. ative of the Russian Government at the quently adopted addresses of condol-It is quite possible that the company may make an offer to purchase

the London and Port Stanley Railway, it is said. It is known beyond question that they would like to have this road, as it would give them switching room in the south section of the city, and would give them an opportunity to

than at the present time. The fact that the company will terday. While fear had seized a great part of the populace, the authorities consinued the populace that the populace the populace that the populace that the populace the populace that the p attract large numbers of mechanics to the city, and make the city more attractive for automobile and kindred establishments who employ

labor of this type.
Signs are not lacking that London Lachlan was placed on trial at the is on the eve of an industrial boom of great dimensions.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

The wireless operator stated late in charged with having murdered his wife the night that if the town was not and two infant children at their home New York, May 10.—Arrived: Grosser Kurfurst, from Bremen; Carpathia, Naples; Oceania, Southampton; Kaiser in Uxbridge, Oct. 29 last. McLachlan pleaded "not guilty" to each of the Wilhelm, Bremen; Caronia, Liverpool. Cape Race—Signalled: Princess Irene, Genoa; Empress of Ireland, Liverpool. Montreal—Arrived: Corinthian, London; jury was secured after half a dozen Laurentic, Liverpool.

Quebec-Arrived: Grampian, Glasgow;
Cassandra, Glasgow; Montezuma, Antchallenges had been made by each

verp.
Queenstown—Called: Friesland, Philadelphia.

London — Arrived. Minnetonka, New York; Mount Temple, St. John. Libou—Arrived: Russia, New York. Copenhagen—Arrived: Oscar II., New

Bremen-Arrived: Kron Prinz Wilhelm, New York. Antwerp-Arrived: Kroonland, New York. Gibraltar-Passed: Friedrich der Grosse, train of ten heavy coaches, No. 200 Gibraltar—Passed: Friedrich der Gros made up five minutes between Hamil-New York: Perugia, New York.

Genoa—Arrived: Indiana, New York.

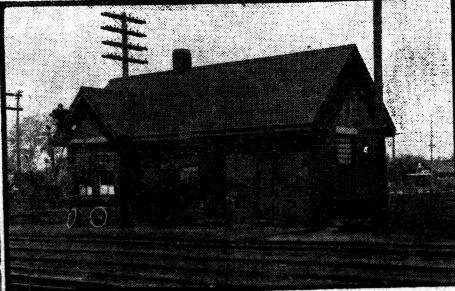


Photo by Staff Photographer

It is the intention of the company to erect a handsome new depot further east, probably on the corner of Quebec street and Central avenue. The first news of the company's plans was given in an exclusive story in The Advertiser of Saturday last

Serious Accident to Mrs. Sarah Lindsay, of 390 Hill Street, While Crossing Wellington Street On Hill Today—Evidently Did Not Notice Approach of Trolley.

Mrs. Sarah Lindsay, of 390 Hill toria Hospital at once in the ambu-street, was seriously injured this morn-lance, and it was found that she had ing at the corner of Hill and Egerton streets by being struck by Wellington street car, No. 90, in charge of Mo-

The car was travelling south at a her way home. She seems to have not noticed the

car, and it struck her and knocked her to the side of the road. She lay there until picked up by Mr. Ben Lewis, a barber, whose store is close by. She was then carried into the gro ery store of Johnston & Moffat, and a

physician hurried over from Victoria

Hospital. Taken to the Hospital. Mrs. Lindsay was hurried to Vic- time.

sustained very severe cuts about the head, that her right arm was bruised badly, and that she was injured about the hip.

It is not thought that her injuries good rate of speed, and Mrs. Lindsay will prove of a fatal character, always going east across the street on though she is very badly shaken and will be confined to the hospital for some time. Mrs. Lindsay is about 70 years old. The Second Accident.

This is the second accident that has occurred near the Hill street crossing in a few weeks. The other one happened when a

Wellington and Ottawa car came together in a rear-end collision. Mr. John McClary was hurt at the

THREE HORSES BURNED TO DEATH IN A LOCAL LIVERY BARN FIRE

\$1,500 Loss in a Blaze in a Stable at the Corner of Richmond and Bathurst Streets, Occupied by W. Barrows-Horses Owned by United States Express Company and Tecumseh House Baggage Company.

and Richmond streets, at ten o'clock, last night, three horses-two belonging to the United States Express Company the Tecumseh House Baggage Com- Walter Batten, the stableman, and pany-were burned, and a quantity of harness was destroyed.

The loss will total about \$1,500, and is partly covered by insurance. The building is owned by the Grane Trunk and is in close proximity to their tracks.

Spark the Cause. It is thought the fire started in some way from a spark from an engine, as in preventing the fire from spreading the stablemen were about the place at to the main part of the stable British Commoners and Lords Met Today and Adopted Addresses of Condolence and Congratulated the New Monarch.

The fire did spread once to a left in which there were four tons of hay, but the brigade promptly extinguished it is thought that it can be sold for sufficient to purchase two or more farms of the same size to come. It is thought that it can be sold for sufficient to purchase two or more farms of the same size to come. The at once reasonable to be a left in which there were four tons of hay, but the brigade promptly extinguished it and prevented the whole building from being destroyed. The firemen remained the roof. He at once reasonable to be utilized for the same size to come. It is thought that it can be sold for sufficient to purchase two or more farms of the same size.

horses and vehicles out. A Bad Fire.

In a fire which completely gutted the fire department arrived the place was barn in connection with W. Barrows' a mass of flames, and there was a relivery stable at the corner of Bathurst flection which caused many citizens to think that the Tecumseh House was Four of the horses happened to be

out at the time, but P. C. Powell and some other people, who were passing, got out all the other horses in the frent part of the stable, with fourteen rigs and cutters, and a lot of harness. Three Horses Burned. The burned horses were in the back

part, and so fiercely did the fire burn that nothing could be done to save them. The brigade did excellent work

was in a blaze, and by the time the a short walk. **COSTA RICA AGAIN** SHAKEN BY QUAKES

ing From the City of San Jose.

[Associated Press Cable.]

San Jose, Costa Rica, May 11.-Heavy earthquakes were felt here to-Thousands of persons are leavday. Thousands of persons are leaving the city in alarm. A series of distribute coal to better advantage severe shocks were experienced yes-

told in The Advertiser-is certain to resolutely at work among the ruins of Cartago.

Many living persons have been released from the debris, and some of these will survive. In most cases identification of the dead is impossibl. The dead are being buried as rapidly as possible at the direction of the health inspectors.

Dynamite is being used to lower the walls that are still standing.

A HANNA MAN FIRED

Ran Foul of Party Bosses.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.] Essex, Ont., May 11.—James Smyth, liquor license inspector for South Essex, who has been the terror of hotelkeepers in this district for several years, has been dismissed from office fair and cooler today and Thursday; by the Ontario Government, and a new danger of frest on Thursda inspector is to reign in his stead. Mr. inspector is to reign in his stead. Mr. Smyth says he has been persona grata to local political powers for some time on account of his strict enforcement of the light of the of the liquor laws, and claims that his Parry Sound...... dismissal was secured to fulfill a Toronto pledge to the hotelkeepers of the district. It is rumored that J.E. Stone, a Quebec former mayor of Essex, has been se- Father Point ected as the new inspector.

STORY IS DENIED

pointed Curate Is Untrue.

The report that has been given The report that has been given and circulation that Rev. Llewellyn Davis, fair, with generally low temperatures. In the curacy of St. James' Episcopal Church, London, 34—66; Victoria, 50—62; Vancouver, London, 34—66; Victoria, 50—66; Victoria, 50—62; Vancouver, London, 34—66; Victoria, 50—66; curacy of St. James Epistopal charts. London, 34—95; Victoria, 50—62; Vancouver, South London, is absolutely denied by the wardens. No appointment, it is stated, will be made for some time, and as Mr. Davis has a much more important position in Toronto, he would not give it up to come to London.

London, 34—95; Victoria, 50—62; Vancouver, Se-425; Calgary, 28—45; C give it up to come to London.

Will Furnish Cots. about \$70, and this money will be devoted to the furnishing of cots in the new tuberculosis sanatorium.

minutes before it was discovered and he got back the whole roof had just gone up Richmond street for MAY BE A PART OF

THE LOST SCHOONER pany's plans outlined to them. That it would be a decided advantage to the Panicstricken Thousands Rush- Lake Craft Are Warned Agains? Submerged Wreck On

Lake Erie.

[G. N. W. Dispatch.] Detroit, Mich., May 11.—In a privata message from Buffalo information is given that the steamer Yosemite reports the discovery of a submerged spar 25 miles east of Southeast Shoal in Lake Erie, east by north. Masters of eastbound vessels are warned to be on their guard in passing this point, There is considerable speculation as to what the spar belongs to. It is suggest-Marquette, No. 2, or from the steamer Clarion, or possibly from a lumber boat wrecked in that vicinity last

DIED AT 103

fall.

Tillsonburg Lady, Mrs. Mahoney, Had Lived Under Six Sovereigns.

St. Thomas, May 11.—Perhaps the oldest resident of Western Ontario WAS TOO AGGRESSIVE oldest resident of Western Ontario passed away at Tillsonburg on Monday in the person of Mrs. Margaret Mahoney, at the residence of her Essex Terror of Law Breakers daughter, Mrs. Murray, at the age of 103 years. The old lady could beast the unusual distinction of having lived during the reign of six successive sovereigns — namely, George III., George IV., William IV., Queen Victoria, Edward VII. and George Her death was due to old age.

TOMORROW-FAIR. FORECASTS. Toronto, May 10-8 a.m.

strong northwesterly winds

toba.
From present indications the western Report that Rev. L. Davis May Be Ap- cool wave will spread across Ontario and

Quebec.
TUESDAY'S WEATHER. The weather yesterday in the west

Maritime Provinces—Fresh southwest and west winds; fair; showers again to The proceeds from the English patriotic concert, which was held in honor of St. George's Day, will total cooler.

Manitoba—Fair and cool.
Saskatchewan and Alberta—Cool, with