

CREDIT MEN WANT FIRE PROTECTION

Vitaly Interested in Matter of Head for Local Brigade.

MANY REPORTS HEARD

Hundred Members of Ontario Division Listen to Various Committees.

Over one hundred members of the Ontario division of the Canadian Credit Men's Association met at the Ontario Club on Thursday evening to receive the reports of the various committees.

Want Matter Decided. The following motion was adopted: "That we, the members of the Canadian Credit Men's Association, having a vital interest in the matter of adequate fire protection for the city, and a proper appreciation of the necessity for a thorough organization and leadership of the fire department, view with marked disapproval the deplorable and unbusinesslike methods pursued by some members of the board of control and the city council in this matter, and respectfully urge upon the board of control and the city council the immediate consideration of the appointment of an independent committee, with authority to reach some satisfactory conclusion in respect to the appointment of a fire commissioner and a reorganization of the fire department."

Clearing House Report. The report of the clearing house committee was of course, one of the important items in the evening's business. H. D. Eby of Eby-Blain, Limited, is the chairman of this committee, which has been responsible for the great progress made by this branch of the association's work. Reports are now available on retail merchants in a chain of clearing houses from Atlantic to Pacific. It is now possible to get a report on 74,000 merchants.

KAISER'S LATEST NOTE CONCILIATORY IN TONE

Orders Issued Not to Destroy U.S. Merchantmen Carrying Conditional Contraband.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Germany, in its latest note on the Frey case, made public today, repeats the United States that orders have been issued to "the German naval forces not to destroy American merchantmen which have loaded conditional contraband, even when the conditions of international law are present, but to permit them to convey their cargoes unharmed if it is not possible to take them into port."

The German note is regarded by officials as evidencing a friendly spirit on the part of the German foreign office. Following months of strained relations between the British and German troops at Gallipoli have a good chance of arriving first.

FIRE GREATLY DAMAGES THEATRE AT MONTREAL

Princess Playhouse Sustains Loss of Over Hundred Thousand Dollars.

MONTREAL, Sept. 23.—The Princess Theatre, one of the largest amusement houses in this city, was badly damaged by a fierce fire at an early hour this morning. The building is estimated at between \$100,000 and \$150,000. The interior of the theatre will have to be reconstructed.

INQUEST WAS OPENED.

Jury Will Inquire Into Death of Abram Goodwin. Coroner W. F. Flew opened an inquest at the morgue yesterday into the death of Abram Goodwin, 88, of 40 Logan avenue, after the jury had been sworn in adjourned until the 25th. Goodwin resided with his daughter Mrs. Warder. Wednesday morning he went for a walk up the G. T. R. tracks at Logan avenue. He stepped out of the way of an outgoing train and was struck and instantly killed by one coming in.

BULGARS LEAVE SWITZERLAND.

GENEVA, via Paris, Sept. 23, 6:59 p.m.—Three hundred Bulgarian officers and men will leave Switzerland on a special train for Sofia on Friday, traveling by way of Austria.

JOHNSTON IS NOT THRU WITH CASE

Lawyer Corrects Erroneous Impression Regarding Defendants at Winnipeg.

ARRANGEMENT MADE

Represented One Client and Was Finished for the Time Being.

E. F. B. Johnston, K.C., was seen yesterday with reference to the Winnipeg trial. He says that thru some misunderstanding there is an erroneous impression as regards the defendants and his position. At first it was not intended that he should appear at the preliminary hearing in the police court, and indeed he objected to attending the police court proceedings. However, as Horwood, the chief witness for the crown, is not likely to appear at the trial, on account of a dangerous preliminary hearing in the police court, and indeed he objected to attending the police court proceedings. Mr. Johnston went up for the purpose of examining Mr. Horwood, and for no other purpose. Mr. Andrews represented one of the defendants, Mr. Johnston another and the other two were represented by their own counsel. Mr. Johnston is not out of the case in any sense, but will take the brief for the accused at the trial some time during the winter. The arrangement which was carried out was understood from the beginning and instead of being out of the case, Mr. Johnston is very much in it, and intends to continue in it until the last word is spoken.

MUCH GERMAN GOODS TO BE FREED TO U. S.

Britain to Relax Restrictions of Orders in Council on Contrabands for States.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—State department officials expressed confidence today in an early and satisfactory completion of informal negotiations for the release of American owned goods of German and Austrian origin now held at Rotterdam because of the restrictions of the British orders in council. Further conferences with British embassy officials were held today and Foreign Trade Adviser Fleming later announced a belief "that the matter will be brought to a head at an early moment and adjusted to the satisfaction of the great body of American importers. Negotiations have had to do with the acceptance of required certificates proving actual contracts for goods at the British port here, saving American importers the expense and delay of making application in London.

ALLIES IN WEST TO AID SERBS IF NECESSARY

Britain, France and Italy Will Not See Country Abandoned to Hungs.

PARIS, Sept. 23.—"France, England and Italy will all send help to Serbia if necessary," said the Temps today. "The French people would never consent to seeing Serbia abandoned to Austro-German and Bulgarian invasion. If it all means a race for Constantinople, the British and French troops at Gallipoli have a good chance of arriving first."

GRAIN SHIPMENTS SHOW DECIDED IMPROVEMENT

From Canadian Head of Lakes—Receipts From West Slow. PORT ARTHUR, Sept. 23.—Grain shipments from the Canadian head of the lakes show a decided improvement. The total shipments are 3,105,453 bushels of all grains. Of this 646,666 bushels went to Buffalo. The balance, 2,458,787 bushels, was carried in Canadian steamers to Canadian ports. Receipts from the west are coming in slowly.

Auction Sale of Real Estate. Considerable interest was manifested at the auction sale of the large property known as the "Upper Canada Apartments," conducted by Mr. Ward Price (of Ward Price, Limited), at 34 East Richmond street, Wednesday. Biddings commenced at \$40,000 and rose to \$47,000, at which figure the property was withdrawn as the reserve price was not reached.

AGAINST CONSCRIPTION.

VANCOUVER, Sept. 23.—After late-nighting for an hour this morning the question of conscription assembly debates act by Hon. T. W. Crothers, the judges and labor congress took up the question of conscription. Just before the 1 o'clock adjournment a resolution declaring against conscription in Canada and thruout the British Empire was unanimously passed.

CHARGED WITH THEFT.

N. Jesby, 615 Davenport road, an employe of the Consumers' Gas Co., was arrested last night, charged with having stolen two diamond rings from Mrs. A. McPherson while he was working in her home a week ago.

Undoubtedly It Is False Economy

to buy 'cheap' tea, for whereas a pound of fine tea like

"GALATI"

will yield 250 cups of delicious tea, a poor tea will only yield from 180 to 200 cups of an inferior infusion and never possesses that unique flavour.

WILL NOT DESTROY AMERICAN VESSELS

Germany Gives Formal Assurance to the United States Government.

CONTRABAND QUESTION

May Be Submitted to a Tribunal for Final Settlement.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Germany in a note on the case of the ship William P. Frye has given the United States formal assurance that American vessels carrying conditional contraband will under no circumstances be destroyed, even the deemed lawful prizes. The right to destroy American merchantmen carrying absolute contraband is reserved, but the promise is given that this will be done only in case of extreme necessity, as provided by the declaration of London.

SATISFACTORY REASON FOR WANTING TO QUIT

Bolton Ave. Corps Drops Out of Military Training Association Because Men Have Enlisted.

Some idea of the value of the work done by the Toronto Military Training Association in the way of getting recruits for overseas service may be gained from the following letter, which was sent to the Bolton avenue corps to withdraw for the reason that their ranks have been depleted owing to so many going to the front.

Already 1000 men have gone overseas from this association. Dear Sir,—On Tuesday evening, Sept. 14, 1915, the Bolton Avenue School Corps of the Toronto Military Training Association decided that as the members were enlisting for overseas service faster than new members can be secured for same, they would disband.

CHARGE FALSE PRETENCE HEARING WAS POSTPONED

Harry Soapman, who is alleged to have stated that he was the owner of Knox's store on Yonge street, appeared in the criminal sessions yesterday, on the charge of obtaining by false pretence goods to the value of \$228 from George Gee, \$460 from L. M. Kennedy, \$612 from Elisee Barker, \$95 from Charles Raney, and \$40 from Edna Robinson, counsel for the defendant, said that he would like to have the case postponed until today. His Honor Judge Winchester consented.

EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY.

ROME, Sept. 23, via Paris, Sept. 24, 12:15 a.m.—A slight earthquake shock occurred here at 7:05 o'clock this evening. The disturbance lasted a few seconds. No damage was done. No reports have been received from the provinces.

\$1,000.00 Reward

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INSPECTS TWO NEW RAILWAY SYSTEMS

Hon. Frank Cochrane Declines to Discuss Proposed Nationalization.

HAVE SPLENDID GRADES

G. T. P. and Canadian Northern Will Help to Build Up Industries.

Vancouver Province, Sept. 18: Completing his inspection of the newly-finished transcontinental systems of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Northern Railways, Hon. Frank Cochrane, minister of railways, has arrived in Vancouver on a special train over the latter road. After going over the G. T. P. with President Chamberlain to Prince Rupert, Mr. Cochrane returned east to Yellowhead Pass. And there at a point where the rails of the two transcontinental lines are but a few feet apart his car was transferred to the C. N. P. R. by moving several of the rails.

A special train was waiting with M. H. MacLeod, general manager, who accompanied him over the line into Vancouver. Clive Fringie, a well-known Ottawa barrister, is a member of the minister's party. Mr. Cochrane declined to discuss the numerous reports that have been circulating during the past few weeks to the effect that the Dominion Government is contemplating the nationalization of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, and that his trip over the line has been taken in that connection. "I have heard nothing of the scheme," he tersely said, when asked for a statement on the subject. He also returned a negative answer to a similar enquiry as to the prospect, said to have been given serious consideration by the Ottawa authorities, that the government was also to take over the Canadian Northern system.

He spoke in terms of commendation of the physical characteristics of the two new transcontinental railways, stating that the lines both opened up vast territories and were bound to prove big factors in developing the natural resources of the Dominion and in building up the industries of the country. Both roads had splendid grades, he said, and were well constructed.

MANY VISITORS SEE EXHIBITS AT ACTON

Last Day of Fair Brought Four Thousand People Who Witnessed Quick Judging.

ACTON, Sept. 23.—The last day of the annual independent fair, held here today, was attended by about 4000 people and was a decided success in point of attendance, number of entries and class of exhibits. The spacious grounds were admirably adapted for the purpose. A first-class half mile track is used exclusively for the speeding events, while two inner rings are used for the exhibition of light and heavy horses. With the systematic way in which the management handle this fair, the light horses were quickly judged and there is something interesting going on every minute. Judging of the light horses was ably and satisfactorily done by E. B. Clancy of Guelph. The winner in each class was as follows:

The year-old carriage horse, E. Wilson, Guelph; single carriage horse, Wm. Howard, Rockwood. Carriage team, J. H. H. Mills, Three-year-old roadster, A. L. Chambers, Milton; single driver, Dr. Elsiop, Freeman, Rock team, Dr. Elsiop. High-stepping carriage, J. Hubbard, stylish turnout, J. Horrell, Rockwood. Lady driver, Miss Johnston, Guelph. Best turnout, J. Ashenburt, Ashgrove. Draught pair, J. Ashenburt, Ashgrove. Agricultural team, J. Wilson, Milton. Mr. Clayton, Grand Valley, was judge on heavy horses. Also the two speeding events were won in straight heats, the horses were well matched and close finishes resulted, which were as follows:

230 Class—McDowell, To-Geo. Lacondo, McDowell, To-Blanche B. J. Mead, Toronto. 2 3 2 Victoria, P. Kelley, Toronto. 4 2 3 Jero. H. T. Hill, Georgetown. 4 4 4 Best time 2:23 1/2.

235 Class—Simey Mac, J. Hillis, Guelph. 1 1 1 Colnich, J. Hoffer, Tottenham. 2 2 2 Major Direct, B. Rasmann, 4 3 3 Major Day, C. Chapman. 4 4 5 Lady Mac, W. McCready. 5 4 4 Upton, Boy, McCibbon, Milton. 6 6 dr. Best time 2:24 1/2.

Acton Brass Band supplied the music and are a credit to the town.

FIVE HUNDRED IN GOLD FOR ARCHDEACON HILL

His Congregation in St. Thomas Showed Appreciation of His Services of Thirty Years.

Special to The Toronto World. ST. THOMAS, Sept. 23.—Ven. Archdeacon Hill, who is leaving St. Thomas after the best record of Trinity Church for the past thirty years, was tendered a farewell reception by the congregation in Trinity Hall this evening. A purse containing \$500 in gold, was presented to Archdeacon Hill, accompanied by an address. The clergy of all denominations were present and a resolution was passed works accomplished by the archdeacon during his stay in St. Thomas, including the erection of Trinity Hall, the saving and paying off of the debt of all the church property. Archdeacon Hill leaves for Shelburne, where he will take an extended vacation before being appointed to another parish.

An Edison Phonograph for \$100. This full cabinet model of the famous Edison Amberola is splendid value for \$100. It has the genuine diamond point that never wears out and requires no changing. It plays the four-minute Blue Amberola Records — and what is better, these Records cost only 70c and \$1.00. The tone of this instrument is equal, if not superior, to any instrument but an Edison, selling at twice as much. All the best and latest music can be secured, and through our special outfit plan you pay NO MONEY DOWN on the instrument, paying only \$10.50 for 15 Records at time of purchase, then \$5.00 a month for the instrument, beginning next month. Store Open Until 6 Daily; Saturday 9.30. THE WILLIAMS & SONS CO. R.S. LIMITED. HAMILTON 21 KING ST. E. TORONTO 145 YONGE ST.

N. C. N. R. EARNINGS LOWER. A statement, issued by the Canadian Northern Railway, Sept. 23, shows that there was a decrease of \$85,800 in the gross earnings for the week ending Sept. 21, which were \$481,400, against \$466,700 the corresponding week last year. From July, 1915, to Sept. 22, gross earnings were \$5,851,400, against \$4,897,400 the corresponding period of last year, showing a decrease of \$726,900. JOHN G. HOWARD CHAPTER. The season's first regular meeting of the John G. Howard Chapter, I.O. D.E., was held at the residence of the regent, Mrs. F. W. Hudson, 71 Beatty avenue, on Friday. Ways and means of giving patriotic and charitable service during the winter were discussed.

An Exceptional Chance of Buying a Used Car at Your Own Price. OAKLAND ROADSTER—In nice running condition, tires good. Price, \$—? OAKLAND TOURING—Recently overhauled and newly painted, only used a short time; tires in good condition, with spare tire. Price, \$—? REO—"1910" Model—Good running order, recently varnished. Tires very good. Price, \$—? TUDHOPE—In exceptionally good condition, only used a short time. Price, \$—? AUTOCAR Touring Car; good running order. Price, \$—? McLAUGHLIN—7-passenger touring; good running order; tires good condition; has spare tire and seat covers. Price, \$—? BROCKVILLE ATLAS—Used very little, and is in first-class running shape. Price, \$—? PACKARD LIMOUSINE BODY—in perfect condition. Price, \$—? COUPE BODY—Made by Fisher Co., Detroit, suitable for any chassis of about 125-inch wheelbase; original price \$1850. Price, \$—? Sept. 30th sees the end of our fiscal year, and we have determined to carry over no used automobiles into next year. Come and see the above cars, then make us an offer, for whichever one you prefer. No reasonable offer refused. The Dominion Automobile Co. Limited. Cor. Bay and Temperance Streets. ed7