

ABSOLUTE CONTROL DEMANDED BY SUPERINTENDENT GLAUBITZ OR HE LEAVES CITY'S EMPLOY

Commissioner Chapman Refuses to Agree to General Managing That Would Permit Unquestioned Dismissals of Any Employees.

"WE WANT PROTECTION," DECLARES THE SECRETARY, OLIVER ELLWOOD

He Charges That Mr. Glaubitz Would Dismiss Department's Employees at Any Time at the Direction of Hon. Adam Beck.

Superintendent Glaubitz announced to the water commissioners yesterday that he would not remain with the city unless given absolute control over both the water and electrical departments. The statement was made following criticisms of his plan of reorganization. The commissioners laid the matter over, and definite action will not be taken until the next meeting.

Mr. Glaubitz submitted blue prints showing the plan of reorganization he had prepared. Under the scheme he was to be known as general manager, not superintendent.

OFFICES HE WOULD CONTROL.

Under him would be the various department heads:

- The parks commissioner.
- The waterworks construction department.
- The electrical construction department.
- The plant operation department.
- The designing department.
- The power solicitor's department.
- The stenographers.
- The storekeeper.
- The secretary-treasurer.

The plan was somewhat after the Van Cleve style, over which there was considerable friction about a year ago. Mr. Glaubitz, as general manager, was to be head of all the departments, and to have the absolute right to hire and dismiss as he saw fit.

MAYOR MOVES ADOPTION.

When the scheme was proposed, Mayor Graham moved its adoption, and then the discussion took place.

"I cannot see my way clear to adopt that plan," said Commissioner Chapman. "I think that it is giving too much power into one man's hands. The board should be consulted in every matter of importance. I think that this is only right. Suppose one of the employees was dismissed. We would have to back up the general manager, although we were convinced that the dismissal was unjust."

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GLAUBITZ PLAN IS CERTAIN TO BE CARRIED THROUGH

Conference Held at Which All Differences of Opinion Were "Amicably Settled"—Superintendent Takes a Day's Vacation.

Officials and adherents wink at the idea that Superintendent Glaubitz will resign his position.

Although the meeting of the water commissioners was somewhat stormy, and considerable feeling displayed, it is not at all probable that Mr. Glaubitz will leave the city's employ.

Last night there was an informal conference between the members of the water commission and the whole question was quietly discussed.

As a result of this meeting, Mr. Chapman has withdrawn his objections to the rearrangement of the departments, and the plan as proposed by Mr. Glaubitz will be carried at the next meeting of the board.

The superintendent at the conference carefully explained his position, and it was found that there was no need to

fear any drastic action on the part of the general manager.

"There will be no resignations," explained Chairman Pocock to The Advertiser today. "Mr. Glaubitz asked for no more power than he has had for the past year. He did not abuse it then, and I am certain it will not be abused now. We had a quiet chat over the whole matter, and it was amicably settled. There will be no trouble, whatever, but the department will run smoothly and harmoniously."

Indisposed Today.

Superintendent Glaubitz was not in his office today. He was indisposed and was granted a day's leave of absence by Chairman Pocock. He is expected to be on duty tomorrow. He could not be seen today to secure a statement from him.

However, there is no question but that he will remain in his present position, and will be given full charge of the electrical and waterworks departments.

SEVEN LIVES ARE LOST IN NEW YORK FIRE

Man, His Wife and Five Boarders Perish in an Early Morning Blaze.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Jan. 11.—Seven lives are believed to have been lost in a fire which gutted a three-story frame building on Broadway avenue early today. Those supposed to have perished in the flames, which spread so rapidly through the wooden structure that the firemen say that none could have escaped, are Thomas McDonough, his wife, and five boarders, whose names are unknown to the police. The origin of the fire is unknown. There is little chance of identifying the bodies, as they probably have been burned to cinders.

EFFORT TO BE MADE TO SAVE RICHESON

Governor Foss Will Be Asked To Commute Death Sentence to Life Imprisonment.

[Canadian Press.]

Boston, Jan. 11.—It is expected that within the next two weeks an appeal will be sent to Governor Foss and the executive council in an effort to save the life of Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, condemned to death for the murder of Miss Avis Linnell. The fight for a commutation of the sentence will be financed by Moses Edmunds, father of Miss Violet Edmunds, the former fiancée of Mr. Richeson. He has retained hope in the minutes, believing him mentally unbalanced when he gave the Linnell girl the poison which caused her death, and is loyal to his cause.

BRANTFORD IN FEAR OF RABIES OUTBREAK

Several Mad Dogs Are at Large and a Little Girl Has Been Bitten.

[Canadian Press.]

Brantford, Ont., Jan. 11.—Brantford and surrounding district are in danger of a rabies outbreak, according to Dr. Cutcliffe, local inspector here today. A couple of mad dogs recently escaped and have not been caught. On the outskirts of the city several sheep and cattle are dead from rabies, and a little girl residing on the same farm is now receiving treatment at Toronto. The authorities are taking the strictest precaution, and all dogs in this city have been ordered tied up or muzzled.

Over twenty dogs have already been killed. Were it not for the extremely cold weather it is feared the situation would become very serious.

REAL COLD AT QUEBEC

Eighteen Below Zero and Still Colder Weather Is at Hand.

[Canadian Press.]

Quebec, Jan. 11.—Quebec is still in the grip of zero weather. Last night it was 20 below, and at 8 o'clock this morning it was 18 below. Another cold wave is coming, and tonight it is expected to be intensely cold. The cold spell has continued since last Friday night, and the temperature has been below zero ever since, going down to 23 on Sunday.



SUPERINTENDENT GLAUBITZ, Who Demands Absolute Domination in Water and Electric Boards.

COUNTIES READY TO AID WESTERN

Capt. T. J. Murphy Optimistic For Future of London's University.

DOES NOT OWE A DOLLAR

Promoter of Its Welfare Confident of Contributions From Elgin and Middlesex.

Ald. Murphy is of the opinion that much financial assistance could be secured for the Western University from the counties in Western Ontario. At the meeting of No. 3 committee last night, the matter came up informally, and Ald. Murphy expressed himself strongly on the point.

"The Western University is the greatest thing London ever had," he said, "and it is only a beginning. It does not owe a dollar to any man. The other day we received \$10,000 from the Government for the Elgin Institute. Subscriptions amounting to \$27,000 are to our credit in the city, and in a short time we will receive \$5,000 from the city. That shows we are getting on our feet. It is more than likely we will receive other grants in the near future."

Two Counties Will Aid. "I think the counties surrounding London will contribute handsomely to our support. Beginning at Elgin and Middlesex, we should receive substantial assistance. As soon as a concerted effort is made they will come to our aid."

"We want to get our own money back—we want the privilege of spending what is our own. Since the Western has become an independent university the sum of \$50,000 has gone from Western Ontario to Toronto to be expended there. If we had that money, what a university we could have! When we get our rights that money will be spent right here in London."

"The university is a great thing for the city. Suppose we had 500 students, as we will have when we get properly organized, and the money we need. It will cost each one of them \$300 a year on a low average. That would mean \$150,000 distributed in the city. That is worth considering. There is absolutely no argument against the university. We should have Government aid, and we will get it."

A Tribute to His Work.

Ald. Wright, chairman of the committee, paid a tribute to Ald. Murphy, and his work for the Western. "I am glad he is on our committee," he stated, "and I am not in the least doubtful of his ability to do his work. He is not in the least doubtful of his ability to do his work. He is not in the least doubtful of his ability to do his work."

FIREMEN FALL INTO AN ELEVATOR SHAFT

One Drops to the Basement, But Has Miraculous Escape and Returns to Work.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Jan. 11.—While groping their way on the second floor of the burning building of F. Lapointe, East St. Catherine street, late last night, three firemen lost their bearings and fell through the elevator shaft. Two of the men, Carson and Gault, grabbed the side of the shaft in falling and hung on till rescued in a half-suffocated condition. The other man, Fireman Labrie, fell to the basement, where he was afterwards dug out. At the general hospital, where he was taken, he was found to have made a miraculous escape, being only slightly bruised. He insisted on going back to the fire.

CONVENTION TO FORM A NEW PROVINCE

Boards of Trade of All Ontario Towns West of the Soo Will Discuss Subject.

[Canadian Press.]

Fort Francis, Ont., Jan. 11.—At the annual meeting of the board of trade, all towns from the Soo to the Manitoba border were called upon to attend the convention for the purpose of forming a new province to embrace that part of Ontario.

WHO HAS BEDDING?

Family in London Suffers During Cold Weather.

NEARLY TWO HUNDRED DIE IN A BLACK SEA WRECK

[Canadian Press.]
Bucharest, Rumania, Jan. 11.—The Russian steamer Russ foundered during a gale in the Black Sea with the whole of her passengers and crew, totalling 172 persons.

The Russ, which was under the command of Captain Pahomoff, and belongs to the Russian Steam Navigation Company of the Black Sea and the Danube, was steaming from Galatz to Odessa. Among her passengers were Carl Anussek, who was recently appointed Russian consul at Galatz, and his family.

OFFER MADE TO TAKE OVER ROAD

London and Lake Erie Coal Company Would Electrify Port Stanley Line.

FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

Seventy Per Cent of Business Now Handled Comes Over City's Railway.

At an informal meeting of the London and Port Stanley Board held yesterday, Messrs. O. E. Fleming and W. W. Woollett, of Walkerville, representing the London and Lake Erie Coal Company, formally made an offer to electrify the London and Port Stanley Railway. There was no definite proposition made, but a further meeting will be held in the near future to decide what offer is to be made to the city.

In rough outlines, the coal company propose to electrify the road at a cost of approximately \$400,000. This will include motors, rolling stock, etc., but does not provide for double-tracking the road. In their scheme it is still to be a single track line.

The company expect to have a lease for 25 years, and will in addition to paying the whole cost of the electrification give the city so much per annum as a bonus. The exact amount of this could not be given yesterday afternoon, but will be forthcoming in a very short time.

The lessees desire to handle all traffic, both passenger and freight, at the present time. Of course, they would purchase power from the city to be used in operating the road. The conference was decidedly informal, and the press was not present.

The estimate of the company's engineers as to the cost of electrifying the road will be given to the city in a short time. "We figure that it will cost \$400,000 to properly electrify the road," said Mr. Woollett. "That is the estimate we have of the cost, and I think it is correct. We were inspired to make this offer, because the city was contemplating electrifying the line. We have collected a vast amount of data, and this we will submit to your engineers in the near future for your satisfaction."

70 Per Cent of Business. "We do 70 per cent of the business now handled over the London and Port Stanley line. We think we should have first consideration if the city proposes to continue leasing the road." The Lake Erie Coal Company, represented by Messrs. Woollett and Fleming, is the company handling the coal on the Bersmer Line of steamers. Mr. Leslie, of Windsor, is general manager for Canada, and he represents large interests in the United States. The company is enormously wealthy, having large resources at their disposal.

No answer is expected to the offer for some time. It is a general proposition, but not definite enough on which to take action at once. Mr. Woollett informed the committee that they were willing to wait some months for an answer. The present lease does not expire for nearly two years, yet, and there is no need of haste. "The proposition is not definite as yet," a member of the board informed The Advertiser. "The company agree to do something in addition to the electrification, but that amount has not yet been decided upon. We will have to wait until that comes before any action whatever is taken. It will take our time in deciding the question. There is plenty of time, and we will settle it when we can."

COMMISSION TO SIT HERE ON SATURDAY

Will Make Inquiries Into Matter of Compensation for Injuries to Workmen.

There will be a session of the commission named by the Ontario Government to make inquiries into the subject of compensation to workmen for injuries received in the course of their employment, in the city hall on Saturday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock. Any person who is believed to have been injured in the past, or who is expected that much information will be gathered to be submitted to the commission.

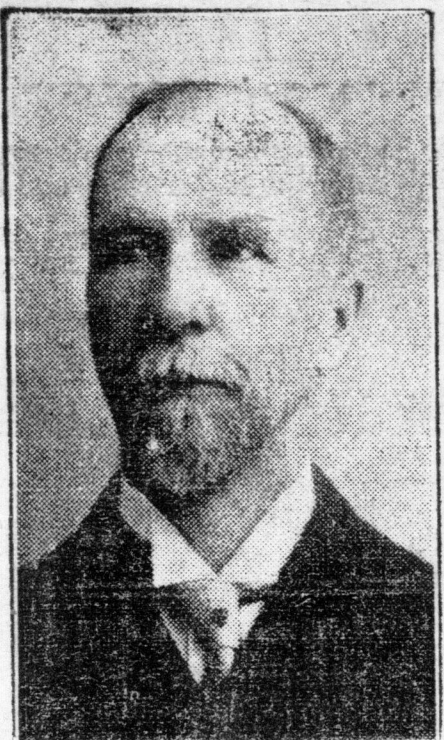
Sir William Ralph Meredith is convenor. The Trades and Labor Council have not been informed of the session, but it is understood that they will have representatives present to explain their views.

PASTOR ACCEPTS

Rev. Mr. McGillivray Will Take Charge of St. Thomas Church.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Jan. 10.—Rev. N. H. McGillivray has announced that he will accept the call from St. Thomas, Ont. Rev. Mr. McGillivray is at present pastor of the Taylor Church, one of the largest and most important churches here.



MR. CHARLES R. SOMERVILLE.

Mr. Charles R. Somerville left today for Geneva, Switzerland, to join his family. He will spend the winter in Italy and the south of France, and will return to Canada next August, making London his permanent home. Mr. Somerville is one of London's most public-spirited citizens. He is one of the governors of the Western University, and reports says he has shown his faith and interest in that institution in a very practical way.

FOREIGNER GIVEN DAMAGES OF \$325

Mike Zuyz Fell Through McClary Skylight and Injured Spine.

A settlement was effected in the Zuyz vs. McClary non-jury case this morning by which the plaintiff, Mike Zuyz, received \$325. Evidence was given by the plaintiff that after working for two months in the McClary factory he had fallen through a skylight while carrying sand across another roof. The ladder reaching across the roof had been too short, and in leaning against the adjoining roof, he had fallen through upon a mold and some sand in the room below. Louis Slobaski acted as interpreter.

Dr. Becker and Dr. W. E. Waugh testified that the plaintiff was suffering from rigidity of the upper portion of the spine and the muscles of the neck. Dr. Becker thought he might recover after a year's treatment, but it was doubtful. Dr. Waugh was of the opinion that he would recover in six months' time.

After a number of witnesses were heard, the counsel for plaintiff and defendants agreed upon a settlement of \$325 for the plaintiff. Mr. W. R. Meredith appeared for the plaintiff, and Sir George Gibbons and George S. Gibbons for the defendants. The case of Tomlinson vs. Burgess will likely be tried tomorrow when court reopens at 10 a.m. The Tomlinson brothers are now on their way to London, having been notified by telegraph last night that the court was waiting to proceed with their action. The court was adjourned today at noon, following the dismissal of the grand jury.

WORST COLD SNAP IN MANY YEARS

West Has Had Three Weeks of It, and It's 42 Below in Winnipeg.

[Canadian Press.]

Winnipeg, Jan. 11.—Western Canada is in the grip of the worst cold snap in the history of the city. It was 42 below today and 50 at many remote points in the west. All trains are from 10 to 24 hours late. The severe cold has continued for three weeks.

BORN IN AMBULANCE.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—While being carried from the police ambulance to the entrance of St. Michael's Hospital this morning, Mrs. Mary Lepowich, a Polish Jewess, gave birth to a healthy baby girl. Mrs. Lepowich, whose husband died in Poland a short time ago, arrived in Canada only two days ago and was stopping with an acquaintance at 101 Walton street. She was taken ill and the woman with whom she was staying brought her to the Agnes street police station. She had no sooner arrived there than the ambulance and a medical attendant were sent for, and she was hurried to the hospital. Both mother and child are doing well, and the little girl will be called Agnes.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—VERY COLD.

Forecast.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—8 a.m. Fine and very cold today and on Friday; temperature below zero in most places.

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
LONDON	10-15	-1	Clear
Calgary	-16	-30	Clear
Winnipeg	-18	-42	Fair
Port Arthur	-18	-32	Clear
Perry Sound	0	-14	Fair
Toronto	8	-2	Clear
Ottawa	0	-18	Fair
Montreal	0	-10	Fair
Quebec	-2	-18	Cloudy
Halifax	16	-12	Cloudy

Minus (-) means below zero.

Weather Notes.

The great western cold wave is still increasing, and nothing but very cold weather for the Dominion is in sight at present.

CITY MAY HAVE CHANGE TO BUY STREET RAILWAY

Experts at Present Making an Inventory of the System and Equipment—Said That Price of \$800,000 May Be Asked.

The city of London will be given the opportunity to purchase the London street railway in a short time. It is stated on good authority.

For some months the matter has been under discussion, and within a short time it is expected that a definite proposition will be made.

Experts have been going over the books of the company, etc., and a definite opinion as to the value of the plant and equipment will be given in a short time.

The work has not been done by London accountants, but by outside experts, who are working for certain interested individuals. It is understood that the company is perfectly willing to sell.

Expires in Thirteen Years. The franchise has but thirteen years to run, the agreement expiring in 1925. The company must make some large expenditures, and this is said to be one reason why the directors are willing to dispose of their holding.

There is the question of extending their lines. This will involve the expenditure of a considerable amount of money, owing to the fact that new ground will have to be broken, and considerably more rolling stock will have to be purchased. An extension of the power plant is also essential. The amount of power at hand is not adequate for present needs, and much money will have to be expended to bring the line up to a proper state of efficiency.

A Price Is Mentioned. Other matters will also claim consideration, and the demand for money. As a result, it is said, the directors, or at least, some of them, are quite willing to let the city take over the franchise. The price could not not be learned, but it is understood that \$800,000 will purchase the whole property, turning over to the city the lines complete.

"This movement is in the wind," a citizen in close touch with the matter stated to The Advertiser. "The directors, I understand, do not care to expand a great deal of money, when their franchise has but a short time to run. It would take 20 or 30 years to get their money back, and the franchise will run but half that time. Experts have been going over the books, and figuring out the assets, and what the whole proposition is really worth. A report will be submitted in a short time, and will be considered when the electrification of the London and Port Stanley is considered. It is certain that it is being figured on, and in a short time more definite information will be forthcoming."

Experts for City Line. In connection with the London and Port Stanley, the board of its electrification will decide, it is stated, to employ experts to figure on the actual cost of electrification. Some information is available, and more will be obtained.

Whether or not anything will come out of the proposition, it is certain that it is being figured on, and in a short time more definite information will be forthcoming.

FREIGHT TRAIN IS LOST IN DRIFTS UP THE BRUCE

Operator Could Secure No Trace of Engine and Cars—Relief Train Dispatched and Makes a Successful Search.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Belgrave, Jan. 11.—The engine hauling the way-freight from London to Wingham, was stalled in a big drift five miles north of this station last evening, and Engineer Anstie, Conductor McCulliffe and other members of the crew from London had a terrible time before they were rescued.

Almost as soon as the locomotive was stalled the fires went out, and with a 50-mile gale of wind blowing and snow falling in blinding heaps, the crew set to work to do what they could. The brakemen went back to protect their train, as the passenger train from London was known to be following. The engineer at once drew the water from the boiler, so that in case the train had to be abandoned the water would not freeze up and burst the boiler.

Relief Train Sent Out.

When the passenger train reached

Belgrave, however, the operator refused to allow it to proceed until he could find some traces of the freight. As time passed and no trace of the freight could be obtained it was decided to send out a relief party, and a doctor, Weathers, of London, and several sectionmen started, leaving Engineers Fitzer and Moore to look after the double-header that was trying to get the passenger train through to Wingham. The rescue party made its way five miles up the track through a terrible storm before the freight was located. As soon as possible they started to work to try and dig a way through the drifts.

Back to Belgrave.

They were doing this work when another engine that had been sent out to help in case of need made its appearance. The freight was hauled back to Belgrave, and the passenger train went on. It finally made its way through arriving in Wingham at 3:40 in the morning instead of at 7 o'clock in the evening.

CITY ENGINEER AGREES BREAKWATER IS UNSAFE

Cement Dyke Will Have To Be Constructed Soon, His Opinion.

City Engineer Wright does not quarrel with the statement made at the meeting of the West London Improvement Society Wednesday night, that the breakwater is insecure. In fact, he states, that a new breakwater is necessary, and will have to be built very soon.

CROWDING OF AISLES MUST BE STOPPED

Magistrate Judd Issues Warning to Managers of Picture Houses.

As a result of a little trip of inspection made by Sgt. Birrell and a police officer a few nights ago, another manager of a moving picture theatre was haled into court today, charged with allowing patrons to stand in the aisles and passageways. Counsel, acting for the defendant, pleaded that tickets were sold for the second performance of a continuous show, on the expectation that those who had been in would pass out when the films commenced to repeat. The night was a cold one, however, and many remained for several hours. Police Magistrate Judd pointed out that the practice of allowing people to stand in the aisles must be stopped, as the police would certainly be blamed should any trouble occur and injuries to the theatre patrons result.

The defendant undertook to see to the best of his ability that the trouble will not occur again, and under the circumstances no fine was imposed.

MCGHEE APPOINTED

Defeated Conservative Candidate Is Made Sheriff of Oxford County.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Jan. 11.—Win. McGhee, of Beachville, has been appointed by the Provincial Government, sheriff of Oxford County. Mr. McGhee was a Conservative candidate for South Oxford in the Provincial election, and was defeated by T. R. Mayberry.

AN ARCHDUKE'S PALACE WRECKED BY FLAMES

A Great Many Valuables and Paintings Are Consumed By Conflagration at Vienna.

[Canadian Press.]

Vienna, Jan. 11.—Fire destroyed a considerable portion of the palace of the Archduke Frederick in this city last night. Besides the structure, which was very badly wrecked, a great many valuables and paintings were consumed by the flames.

The fire started during the night in the apartments of the Archduchess Isabella, wife of the Archduke Frederick, and were only got under control this morning.

UNDERTAKERS PROTEST

Object to Having a Doctor on the Provincial Board of Examiners.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Jan. 11.—J. H. Robinson, of Hamilton, president of the Canadian Embalmers' Association, with Daniel Stone, H. Ellis, N. B. Cobble and E. M. Trovorn, representing the undertakers' section of the Toronto Retail Merchants' Association, waited on Hon. W. J. Hanna today to protest against the movement on the part of some Toronto undertakers to have a doctor included on the board of examiners to be appointed by the Provincial Government. They want J. C. Van Camp, a well-known Toronto undertaker, appointed.