MOTOR CYCLE POLICEMAN MATTER FOR THE POLICE

Chief of Police Not Prepared to Make Any Statement.

Chief of Police Robert Birrell would say nothing officially concerning the request of the London Motor Club for motorcycle policeman for the city of London, when he was approached this morning regarding the matter.

"It is a question for the police commission," he said, "and I will have nothing to say to the press until it has taken some action."

"Remember," he added, as an after-thought, "that I haven't made any statement for publication."

R. C. R. BAND CONCERT

to hear the band since the regiment's The band is under the lead- the ership of Capt. M. Ryan.

The proceeds of the concert will go to the Free Press Santa Claus fund, for the poor children of the city. Permission to give the concert has been secured from Lieut.-Col. C. H. Hill, D.S.O. and officers. The following selections will be offered:
Overture—"The Flatterers"... (Corvers)
Ballet—"Egyptian"...... (Luigini)
Cornet Polka—"Columbia" (Rollingson) Valse—"Souvenir des Bains de

Baden" (Bousquet)

Largo—From the Symphonie, "The
New World" (Dvorak)

Clarinet Solo—"Concert Aria"

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Clarinet Solo—"Concert Aria" (Bergson)
Musician Abbott.
Selection—"Ernani" (Verdi)
Morceau Militaire—"The Outpost"
(MacLenzie)
Regimental Marca.
(MacLenzie)
Romoning offering him suggestions was read. Fred Young. Speaking for Marshall, representatives to board and finance building board; S. F. Glass, N. McGill, C. Peacock, A. N. Udy, scrut-

PROTESTANT ORPHANS IN NEED OF CLOTHING

"Why not help the kiddles in the Protestant Orphans' Home by giving them clothes?" was the question asked on one of London's busy streets yesterday afternoon "The children in that home are just as badly in need of clothes or something to entertain them this coming Christmas as are any in London." A strong plea was sent out to prominent citizens and organizations yesterday asking that they give to these children. The matron of the home said that clothes were more neded than these children. The matron of the nome said that clothes were more neded than were toys, and she said she thought the citizens of Loren would subscribe freely tothis good ause. Donations of any sort will be accepted at the home

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and running over measure of it at this store. My wife and I have been dealing here some time and they haven't disappointed us in any particular. They have a way of doing business that appeals to folks of nice discrimination, and if it's Christmas gifts, see them.

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COMMISSION TO DECIDE MAN TO HANDLE

Resolution of Unemployed Veterans Asks This-Favor **Another For Government** Bureau.

A resolution to the effect that Mayor Little be requested to appoint a re-turned man with a family to handle the unemployment situation, and that this man be given authority to obtain em-R. C. R. BAND CONCERT

To Be Held Sunday Night in Grand
Opera House.

The Royal Canadian Regiment, which recently returned to London after a six-year absence, will give band concert in the Grand Opera House, Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock. This will be the first opportunity of London citizens to hear the band since the regiment's man be given authority to obtain emphasized unanimously at the second meeting of the unemployed returned soldiers' conference in the dining hall of the local Y. M. C. A. last evening. Another resolution to the effect that the mayor use his influence with the Provincial Government in asking that a support be placed in the position as assistant Provincial Government agent in the local Government employment bureau was also passed with only a few dissenting voices.

dissenting voices.
County Clerk John Stuart spoke to County Clerk John Stuart spoke to the men and explained the objects of the County Patriotic Fund Association. Secretary Ed. Lance of the soldiers' aid commission attended and took particulars of various cases in order that he might try to secure positions for them. After Mr. Lance spoke, it was unanimously passed that the soldiers' aid commission be recognized by every returned man as the official returned men's employment service.

The particulars Mr. Lance took will be used by the ommittee arounted by Mayor Little on Friday to solve the labor problem, and a repo fit is expected to be put in his hands this afternoon. This committee is made up of Col. W. J. Brown, Rev. G. Q. Warner and Fred Young.

not out of the question for any man to promise."

Formed for Winter.

Chairman A. Pugh asked that the meeting decide whether the men should keep together for the whole length of time the present labor situation is being experienced or whether after the meeting the conference be declared closed. Considerable discussion followed on this matter, and by an unanimous vote it was decided that the conference last for the winter or until permanent work had actually commenced.

With the establishing of the conference for an indefinite time, it was suggested that a vice-chairman be elected. Frank Tucker was chosen for this position An executive was also elected, and this will be made up of the delegation which waited upon Mayor Little on Friday morning. Following are Little on Friday morning. Following are the members of the executive: Harry Clarke, Fred Young, C. T. Edwards, T. Tutman, B. Niles, A. Pugh. W. Pink-ham, F. Jones and C. H. Robinson.

Co-operation Urged.

Col. C. M. R. Graham addressed the conference and urged that they co-operate with all other bodies in the city to stress upon the council just how important it is that some kind of employment be commenced at once in cr-der that the men may be kept in Lon-don for the big boom which will come

Official Service.

He urged that the men go after their objects in a dignified manner. He suggested that they approach the soldiers' aid commission which, he said, was doing more to help the returned man find ing more to help the returned man find employment than any other organization in the city, the Rotary Club, Knights of Columbus and the soldier organizations, and ask their co-operation in getting work. "Get these organizations to back the city council in anything it undertakes," he said, "and everything will come out right in the end."

TWO NON-JURY CASES

SETTLED AT CAYUGA Cayuga, Dec. 16.—At the December sessions held in the local court house two non jury cases. Deiner vs. Ricker, an action regarding trespass of sheep, and Houser vs. Humfries, an action reand Houser vs. Humfries, an action re-lating to an automobile collision, were adjourned to the next court, unless a date be agreed upon by the parties for trial in the meantime. Rex vs. Cassecio, a criminal charge of immorality, came up on Tuesday. The jury brought in a verdict of guilty on the second count, and sentence was reserved until Decem-her 24.

ber 24.

Freeman vs. Culp, an interesting case concerning fraud in the pressing and delivering of hay, lasted all Wednesday. Verdict for plaintiff for \$100 and costs and ownership of balance of hay. Arrell & Arrell for plaintiff; Bradford & Bradford for defendant.

GIVE "HER" A TOASTER! Every crisp, golden-brown slice will be a reminder of Christmas, 1920, and your thoughtfulness. BENSON-WILCOX ELECTRIC CO 264 Dundas Street. Phone 2671.

NOMINATIONS FOR CIVIC ELECTIONS WEDNESDAY NEXT FROM GOVERNMENT

City Clerk's Staff Busily Preparing Election Machinery.

City Clerk Baker and his staff are getting ready for the busiest week in the year. Today things are comparatively quiet at the city hall, but Monday the election machinery will be humming merrily. The distribution of the annual statement of city activities and information regarding the bylaws will be commenced and final arrangements in connection with taking the will be commenced and final arrangements in connection with taking the vote will be made.

The council will hold its final meeting Monday night. This will officially end the business for the year and the approaching election will be the most important object in the landscape for most of the aldermen and others connected with city affairs.

Nomiations will take place next Wednesday. Candidates for mayor, public utilities commission and hospital trust will be named at the city hall at 11 o'clock. School trustees will be nominated at the same place at noon.

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Ward 1 aldermen will be nominated from 7:30 to 8:30 at Simcoe Street School; nominations in the other three wards will be at the same time. In ward 2 they will take place at the Talbot Street School; ward 3, east end town hall and ward 4 at the city hall. LONDON STILL CHOICE

ndustrial Slump In U. S., Will Hold Up

OF CANADIAN LOCATIONS

The industrial slump in the United States is evidently to blame for delaying the establishment in London of some thre or four branch factories which American manufacturers of automobile accessories and parts have had under consideration. In letters to the Chamber of Commerce here several manufacturers state that London is still their choice for a Canadian location, but that the opening of branch plants here will the opening of branch plants here will be delayed until conditions brighten in the United States.

HELP KEEP SALVATION

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Official Service.

He word that it is possible to do. The expenditure of the year, and a comparatively small number of the summer staff are retained. The engineer and his assistants now have to make plans for three or four times as much work as they anticipated.

Great Minds Think Alike

"Great minds think alike" would appear to be more than a mere combina-tion of words, if an interesting coinci-dence which has developed in connecdence which has developed in connection with the removal of the \$1 extra charge placed on the 650 additional horsepower granted the city for industrial use by the hydro power commission last May is any criterion.

At the st meeting of the local public unlies board, General Manager E. V. Il chann suggested that the additional \$1 per month per horsepower charged to the users of industrial power in London for this additional 650-horsepower should be cancelled from December 1, 1920. This suggestion was approved by the commissioners. rrom December 1, 1920. This suggestion was approved by the commissioners.

Today Mr. Buchanan received a letter from the hydro power commission, dated December 14, recommending that the additional monthly charge of \$1 per the additional monthly charge of \$1 per horsepower charged for the extra 650-horsepower supplied from May 1, 1920, be cancelled on January 1, 1921.

Speaking to The Advertiser today, Mr. Buchanan expressed the opinion that the action of the local commission would stand and the reduction he effective locally from December 1, 1920.

OFF THE RAILS

THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW.

At a record turnout of the members of the Grand Trunk Pioneers' Lodge on the 13th inst., the officers for 1921 on the 13th inst., the officers for 1921 were elected, resulting as follows: Bro. Frank Smither, an original Princess Pat, and one of the oldest members of the lodge, was elected president.

Harry Tapsell, the present capable and energetic financial secretary, was re-elected by acclamation.

Dan Menzies, another war veteran and charter member of the lodge, was given a great reception and unanimously returned to the fighting position of chairman of the local grievance committee.

Traditional Head of Family On the Job At Market

A familiar sight on the corners of the main streets of the city is the old iron pots suspended in Gypsy fashion to receive contributions from Christmas shoppers to assist in the work of the Salvation Army this Christmas.

That there are a greater number of families needing relief this Christmas than last year has been ascertained by the Salvation Army and Neighborhood workers.

The various organizations of the city helping to relieve the needy families have authorized the Salvation Army workers always have the little pots on the corners for a special fund of their own to distribute Christmas cheer.

Last year the citizens made the pots boil generously with contributions and it is expected that they will do the same this year. The signs on the same this year. The signs on the little iron pots are all to the effect "keep the pot boiling."

MANY MEN ENGAGED ON

days yet before Christmas prevented a very brisk sale of turkeys, and for this reason also the market was not such a bumper one as last year's Saturday market preceding Christmas. Bright red cranberries to go with the

the season. Even the vendors were inclined to throw in an odd bunch or two, just because of Christmas.

CONDITION IMPROVED.—The condition of Mrs. F. B. Lavender, who recently underwent a serious operation Rethesda Hospital, is reported tolay to be much improved.

ASKS DAMAGES FROM COHEN.—In a writ issued by McKillop & Douglas, Barye Lewis, trading under the name of the London Iron and Metal Company, is asking \$1,796 damages from I. Cohen, trading as I. Cohen & Co., "for breach of contract to deliver goods." WRIT FOR \$5.000 .- Five thousand dollars' damages is being asked by Mrs. Marion Derby, in a writ issued in the supreme court by Judd & Henderson against Kathleen Partridge "for crimnal conversation, for entiting away, and for the alienation of the affections of the plaintiff's husband, Roy Derby." ADDRESSED U. F. O. DIRECTORS .-

At the request of some of the directors of the United Farmers of Ontario, Lieut.-Col. W. J. Brown, representing the United Boards of Trade of Western Ontario, met with the U. F. O. directors for Western Ontario counties in Toronto on Thursday to secure the cooperation of the farmers in establish ing an immigration association to bring in farm dabor from Great Britain. APPEAL FOR FUNDS.-in practically all London churches tomorrow appears will be made for the British war relief fund, under the auspices of the local branch of the Canadian Red Cross Association. With the co-operation of

THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW.

Worry was written on the faces of several local officials of the G. T. R. as they stood on the station platform this morning and gazed anxiously westward down the tracks. It was 11 o'clock and the Huron and Bruce special, which usually arrives in this city on the dot at 10:45 a.m., had not yet put in an appearance.

According to reports received from the north country, more than two feet of snow fell between Clinton and Wingham Friday nigrt. Despite the fact that two engines had been put on the morning train from the north it lost well over an hour before it reached Clinton. There was so much snow at Wingham that the yardmen had great trouble in getting engines from the roundhouse.

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SEEKING TRADE WITH ITALY—

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No. 1 committee of the board of education yesterday afternoon. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded Trustee T. Coleridge, who has been chairman of the committee during the year, for the able way in which he had directed the business of the committee. Mr. Coleridge expressed appreciation of the kindly words of commendation of his work and thanked each of the members for the support and co-operation which had been given him.

AUTOMOBILE RUGS

mously returned to the fighting position of chairman of the local grievance committee.

Two old stand-bys, in Bros. Collier and Ellis, who have given the lodge long and faithful 'service, resigned as recording secretary and treasurer, respectively, and the vacancies were filled by Bros. Unstead and Powie.

Other energetic members were elected to fill the other offices in the lodge.

The success of the lodge for the comfing year is assured by the election of such a capable and active set officers. The lodge meets in the Labor Temple on the second and fourth Mondays.

AUTOMOBILE RUGS

Owing to the fact that the police believe that they have solved the mystery of the disappearance of a number of robes and coats from cars parked before a local church recently, they are requesting that any persons who strangers should bring the articles to the police station. It is thought that the owners of many of the rugs can be found. One rug has 'already been turned in by a person who bought it from a man on the street. It is a Saskatchewan rug, green on the inner side, was manufactured in Galt, It is awaiting ownership.

ward four. It was decided to hold a public meeting and invite all candidates to speak in the Labor Temple Monday night.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO COLLECT MOTOR FEES FROM GOVERNMENT

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W. G. Willis,
C. Smith,
T. R. Smith,
Robert Syme,
W. H. Dockstader,
W. K. Richmond,
James Newton,
Wm. Wenton,
J. Whittaker,
A. Smith,
F. T. Showler,
Geo. E. Burredge,
H. E. Lawson,

C. McNeill.
William Evans,
A. Treleaven,
A. E. Joyes,
W. H. Boomer,
Geo. H. Linfoot,
Chas. Fitzwalter,
Alf Gregory,
W. J. Armstrong,
Lames, Ealdwin.

James Baldwin, G. H. Gridley,

Kibbler.

A. R. Calcott,
A. Nicholls,
H. Shill,
A. C. Nobbs,
J. A. Rose,
L.H.Douglon, M.D.

John A. Morley, L. F. Mayne, H. Gardwell, R. W. Kaufman, D. W. Patterson,

Everett,

H. Ward. E. Matthews, Booth. J. Johnston,

Thos. Leah, A. E. Ladell, A. E. Gibbons,

F. Mantle, Durward,

C. Durward,
J. Towers,
G. H. Martin,
F. W. Wallace,
Jas H. Mills,
D. Storey,
P. R. Asbeton,
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S. Horwood.

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J. Taylor.
G. H. Broderick,
James Tallack,
Jos. B. Kerman,
R. D. Lawson,
W. Mizzen,

leorge Moll, M. Price, Edmund Head,

W. J. Armstrong,

J. Brandie, F. Lafarelle, J. Harris, H. Harris,

Arthur. Mathew, W. Evershwell,

Ray Lawson,
G. M. Ferguson,
G. C. English
C. F. Stevens
A. A. Langford,
C. R. Rowntree,

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Ben Brick,
W. T. Clark,
W. N. Manning,
T. H. Purdom, Jr.,
J. I. Ferguson,
C. H. Ivey,
Peter Glen,
M. M. Ferguson,
W. R. Jarmain,
E. E. McConnell,
A. E. Silverwood,
R. D. McDonald,
W. M. Gartshore.

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Meeting.

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ing and invite all candidates to speak in the Labor Temple Monday night.

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