

CRUMLIN MAN ASSAULTED; ROBBED OF \$180 IN CASH

William Wilkison Set Upon in His Own Barn, and After Being Terribly Beaten in a Battle With the Robbers, His Money Was Taken—County Police Working on the Case.

Suddenly attacked in his own stable about 7:30 o'clock on Saturday evening, William Wilkison was brutally beaten and relieved of \$180 by an unknown robber, who had previously concealed himself in the barn. Mr. Wilkison, who resides on the Governor's road, between concessions 5 and 6 in the township of West Nisour, is the owner of a threshing outfit, and the money taken from him was the proceeds of his week's work, and also from the sale of some of his cattle.

On Saturday Mr. Wilkison and his outfit had been engaged in threshing the crop of John Woods, lot 4, concession 5, and about a quarter after six he left for his home about two miles distant. He reached his farm about 7 o'clock, unaccompanied, and after unharnessing his horses he put them in the stable.

Man in a Box xStall. After everything had been prepared for the night he happened to look into an adjoining box stall, and saw the figure of a man crouching in a far corner.

The intruder, before Mr. Wilkison could say a word, leaped at him and struck him behind the right ear with

a heavy instrument, and again dealt a heavy blow at his head several more times. Wilkison raised his arm and received the blow across the fingers of the left hand, rendering that hand practically useless in the ensuing struggle. The owner of the place carried a lighted lantern in his right hand, and hit his assailant over the head with it, breaking the glass. The robber immediately broke away, and Wilkison ran out of the stable, and was afraid that the building might catch on fire.

An Awful Fight. The assailant followed him, and the fight was resumed in the stableyard. Mr. Wilkison received several more blows on the head, and was finally knocked down, and then the unknown man jumped upon him and attempted to choke him. The two men fought in the ground for at least ten minutes until the robber obtained a grip on the throat of his victim, and nearly choked him into unconsciousness. During the time that he was on the ground Wilkison was continually calling for help, until he became so hoarse that he was unable to make any sound beyond a whisper. On Sunday several of the neighbors stated that they heard the calls for assistance, but were unable to locate them.

Robbed of His Money. Wilkison, although nearly insensible, lay on his left side, as his money was in the left-hand pocket of his trousers, until the assailant, with a

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EVENTS OF THE DAY

ONE FIGHT OVER, ANOTHER STARTING



KETTLE POINT RESIDENTS HAVE DREAD EXPERIENCE

Hotelman George Smith, Ross Lunnion and Philip Natt Adrift for Fifteen Hours on Lake Huron and in Exhausted State When Rescued by Indians.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Forest, Nov. 18.—Adrift in a motor boat for fifteen hours on Lake Huron, and almost dead from exposure, was the misfortune of Mr. George W. Smith, proprietor of the summer hotel at Kettle Point; Ross Lunnion, an employee of his, and Philip Natt, a Port Huron businessman. The three were picked up on Sunday morning in a desperate condition by Indians near Kettle Point. This morning they are somewhat improved, but pneumonia is feared.

Machinery Broke. Mr. Natt had been visiting with Mr. Smith for the shooting season, and it was decided to take the motor boat, one of the best of the type, and go to Port Huron. The party left on Saturday afternoon, and had not gone more than ten miles when the machinery broke down. A wind from the southwest blew the boat up the lake,

and try as they might they could not get the engine to work. Thus they drifted about for hours. The storm continued in its fury, and the three men huddled in the boat to keep warm. During the night a heavy snow storm added to their discomfort.

Fortunately the wind shifted, and the boat was drifted back toward shore. About 9 o'clock the frail craft was dashed on a reef off Kettle Point. It was seen by some Indians, who promptly put out in rowboats, and brought the three men to shore.

In Bad Shape. They were nearly dead when the Indians found them. The cold and dampness had sapped their strength, and the men could have held out but a little longer.

Medical aid was summoned, and every effort was made to protect them from pneumonia. Although in bad shape they will survive if this disease does not set in.

SUGGESTS GOVERNMENT MEN TO INVESTIGATE PROPOSAL

Businessman Thinks That Deputy-Minister of Railways or Chief Engineer of Commission Should Be Secured by the City.

"I think that the city should get such a man as Mr. A. W. Campbell, deputy minister of railways of the Dominion Government, to come here, and make a report on the feasibility of electrifying the London and Port Stanley Railway," said a prominent businessman to The Advertiser today.

"He is a former resident of St. Thomas, and knows the conditions of the city's road. We would get an unimpeachable report from him. Chief Engineer Mountain, of the railway commission, would be another good man. Why should not the city get such men as these to tell us what is in this proposition?"

BONUS NEW RADIAL LINES IS MR. TILLMAN'S ADVICE

Businessman Absolutely Against Present Proposal to Electrify Line—Mr. Masuret Also Declares Himself in Opposition

"I would not give my name today, if spending a million dollars meant the bringing of more radial lines into London," said Mr. A. Tillman, in discussing the electrification proposal today.

"As it is now, we are splendidly served to the south of the city by the Traction Company, and as a businessman I am absolutely opposed to the spending of more money on this line. They say they expect to get all the Traction Company's business, but can they do it? It might be well to remember that the Traction Company goes before the doors of the people who use it, and that the city railway is a mile back in the woods."

More Radial Railways. "What we want are more railways of this kind along all the big country roads that lead to the city. We have seen from the Traction Company what a benefit this is. They have created the business of their road altogether, and have not taken it away from the city, as the claim is made. They should be as closely guarded as the interests of any manufacturer, for they bring people to our city

every day who would not come by any other method. The citizens will stand behind any proposal that aims at progress, but this one would be a step back. "I was pleased with the remarks of Mr. Essey in Saturday's paper. He hit the nail on the head. We are laboring under a great handicap in London because of the coming of hydro-electric power so long as the eastern cities can get power for practically half the rate."

Mr. Masuret Opposed. Mr. Bert Masuret, of the firm of M. Masuret & Co., stated that he was opposed to the proposal. He could not see that the money could be spent so that any gain would come to the city.

"We are trying to do some wild things in this town," he said. "Perhaps someone had better put the brakes on." A physician, who has one of the largest practices in London, stated to The Advertiser that he felt the benefits of the Traction Company's service into the city.

"There is not a week that from six to twelve patients of whom I had never heard before come to me over the Traction Company," he said.

Who Engineer Storer Is

The electrification interests have proudly pointed to the fact that Engineer A. B. Storer, of Syracuse, N. Y., was recommended for the work of reporting on the road by General Green, of Buffalo.

General Green, the public might just as well know, is president of the Ontario Power Company, from which Mr. Beck buys his hydro-electric power.

Engineer Storer, of Syracuse, N. Y., is a former employee of General Green, of the Ontario Power Company.

He is an expert electrician. That is not doubted by anyone. But what does he know about freight or passenger earnings on the London and Port Stanley Railway? The best businessmen of London are asking.

PEACE PATCHED UP IN BRITISH HOUSE

Asquith Agrees to Resolution Being Negotiated to Satisfy Unionists' Demand for Observance of Precedent, and Brings In a New Resolution.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Nov. 18.—An amicable arrangement of the home rule quarrel in the House of Commons was brought about today when the dispute as to the Government method of procedure which led to such disorder last week, was settled.

The Government announced this afternoon its intention of reaching the end it desired by a most roundabout means, and the Unionists, having made good their

demand for the observance of precedent, raised no objection.

Premier Asquith attributed his change of mind "partly to repugnance at possible recurrence of disorder, and partly a desire not to ignore the appeal of the chair."

The House then negotiated its original financial resolution, the amendment to which by Sir Frank Bannister started the trouble, and a new resolution was substituted.

BULGAR ATTACK ON TURK LAST LINE WITHOUT SUCCESS

Entire Force Used in Storming, But Sultan's Soldiers Held Ground.

INVADERS REPORTED AS HEAVY LOSERS

Balkan Allies Demand Most of European Turkey and a War Indemnity of \$120,000,000

London, Nov. 18.—The first Bulgarian attack on the Turkish line of fortifications defending Constantinople at Tchataldja has failed. The whole of the Bulgarian army was engaged. Every available man was moved to the front from the Bulgarian forces investing Adrianople, and these were relieved by Serbian troops.

Compelled to Give Way. The Bulgarians with all their artillery began their advance on the Tchataldja fortifications on Saturday, and continued their bombardment of the works throughout Sunday. They, however, found the Turkish positions so strong that they could not make any impression on them, and for the moment at least have been compelled to give up the attempt. The firing, according to a dispatch from Constantinople, having ceased this morning.

A Tremendous Task. Observers, who have been to the Turkish front, agree that the capture of the Tchataldja lines must prove a task of tremendous difficulties. The days the Bulgarian troops were compelled to use for the bringing up of guns, ammunition, and reinforcements were taken advantage of by the Turks to dig themselves into entrenchments and to place their guns in positions, giving them a distinct advantage over the attackers. The Turkish soldiers, too, who had been so shaken by their previous defeats, appear to have been steadied, and thus far have made a most determined stand.

The Bulgarian troops made their main attack to the east of Tchataldja, their object being to break through at the point where the railway to Constantinople makes a loop. The strong forts, the marshes and the guns of the Turkish warships had evidently discouraged them from making an attempt to turn either flank of the Turkish lines.

A Costly Siege. London, Nov. 18.—The siege of Adrianople has cost Bulgaria enormous sacrifices, according to a dispatch from Shouit. The Bulgarians have been successful in their effort to break through the Turkish left centre, Nazim Pasha's Ottoman army will be pushed back to the northeast, and its retirement upon the capital cut off. The Turks seem to have no hope of rolling back the Bulgarian forces, but if they succeed in holding the lines of Tchataldja, both the military and diplomatic situation will undergo a marked change for a long defence of the front will probably compel the

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TOOK \$2,300 CASH. Montreal, Nov. 18.—Mme. Godfrey Coeurville, 1,558 St. James' street, was attacked early Saturday evening at the corner of St. James' and St. James' street, and her hand satchel, containing \$2,300 in cash, was stolen from her. The woman says that the satchel was torn from her grasp by a tall man, who ran down St. James' street towards Notre Dame street.

COUNCIL HAS NO POWER TO SAVE THE LICENSES

Three in the Newly-Annexed Suburbs Must Go on First of Next May.

PEOPLE ALONE HAVE POWER IN MATTER

Prof. Bowman, in Behalf of the Temperance Workers Expects No Difficulty.

"The city council could not make any provision, with regard to the issue of liquor licenses, inconsistent with the statute, and the council could not of itself vary the number of licenses to be issued in the city of London. Section 20A of the Liquor License Act says the matter shall be submitted to the electors. . . It is clear that it is not within the jurisdiction of the city council to amend a bylaw determining the number of licenses to be issued without the consent of the electors."

The above sentences are extracts from a communication to License Inspector A. R. Galpin, containing the interpretation of the act, made by Mr. C. Sanderson, chief officer of the provincial department, and were obtained by Mr. Galpin in order to clear up any doubt as to what condition would obtain in the event of the annexation of London Junction and Ealing to the city.

Three Hotels Must Go. This makes it clear that the two hotels in London Junction, the Evans House and the Barnes House, and one at Ealing, the Homestead Hotel, must go, with the expiration of their East Middlesex licenses on May 1.

The hotelmen, it is alleged by temperance workers, were between two fires. Fearing local option in East Middlesex, they decided to cast their lots with annexation to the city in the hope that the number of licenses would be increased, but this, the authorities declare, is an impossibility from any standpoint.

While London Junction and Ealing are not yet part of London, there is little doubt but that they will be with the city. The cancellation of the licenses mentioned will then occur automatically without the necessity of London license commissioners discussing the matter.

THE LAW. The law states clearly that London shall have but 26 liquor licenses, all of which are at present held by fairly large hotels, and which are said to have a commercial value of \$10,000 in a transfer.

"I have had a great many inquiries on this subject," Inspector Galpin told The Advertiser today, "and my interpretation of the law is identical with that furnished later by the department at my request. These hotels must go with annexation. Their East Middlesex licenses expire May 1, and they will have to dispose of their stock in the meantime. Nothing can or will be done for them."

"The London commissioners have no sympathy with the hotelmen affected. There is no reason for their existence there, and the interpretation of the law shows that they have no recourse."

NO CHANCE. It was suggested to the inspector that the hotelkeepers named might endeavor to purchase London licenses, and transfer them to their present quarters.

"Not one chance for such a scheme as that," declared Mr. Galpin. "The commissioners would not listen to a transfer of a license to the hotels in these outlying districts."

Prof. James Bowman, a prominent local temperance worker, who is closely associated with the work of the Dominion Alliance and its connections, asserted that the temperance people are not anticipating any difficulty over the cancellation of the licenses. "There is not a shred of hope for any of the three under the law, and they will simply have to quit, without a chance for a struggle," he told The Advertiser.

BANK LOSES SUIT. MacLeod Alta, Nov. 18.—The suit of the Northern Crown Bank against Douglas, formerly manager of the bank, was decided by a jury yesterday in favor of the defendant.

versely to the bank. George H. Bingham, accountant and teller of the bank, \$42,000 of the bank's funds, and sealed his thefts by cooking the accounts. Most of the money was spent in speculation. The bank claimed Bingham was manager when he was making the books, and therefore responsible for the losses. Bingham refunded \$7,000 of the money and confessed, subsequently serving a six months' sentence.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow's Weather—Fair and Mild.

Forecasts. Toronto, Nov. 18—8 a.m. Today—Southwest to south winds; fair and mild.

Tuesday—Fresh south to southwest winds; fair and mild.

Temperatures. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today.

Stations. High. Low. Weather.

London..... 40.5 32.5 Cloudy

Windsor..... 40.5 32.5 Clear

Port Arthur..... 34 24 Cloudy

Parry Sound..... 34 26 Cloudy

Ottawa..... 36 22 Fair

Montreal..... 36 24 Clear

Quebec..... 30 24 Cloudy

Father Point..... 28 22 Cloudy

Weather Notes.

An extensive low area stretches from far out into the Pacific to the Western Provinces.

The general outlook is for mild weather, no cold or important falling at present on the continent.

Water Coms. Tear Up Streets; Leave Roads in Bad Shape

Mayor and City Engineer Are On the Warpath—Evil Must Be Put a Stop To, and That at Once—Central Ave. a Terrible Example.

City Engineer Brazier is compiling a list of streets opened by the water commissioners, and left in a bad condition. The report will be ready for the next meeting of the board of works. It is likely that something will be done to prevent this condition arising in the future.

It has been the custom of the commissioners to open the streets, but when the job was completed, the sand and soil were scraped into the excavation without any effort being made to make the road a proper highway. One of the most flagrant examples of this is on Central Ave.

TEMPERANCE PEOPLE WAIT FOR SIR JAMES TO MOVE

Are Anxious to See Whether or Not He Will Redeem His Promises and Grant Their Request for Shorter Hours of Sale—It Is Now Up to the Premier.

The temperance workers of London are awaiting the next session of the Legislature with a profound degree of interest and are looking for Sir James Whitney to redeem his promises made concerning more efficient liquor legislation.

No action is being taken at this time to secure a license reduction in London, although the local option campaign is being waged vigorously in London Township. It is understood that the temperance people have asked Sir James to bring forward legislation to reduce the hours of sale, and they also desire that the restriction of the sale to certain hours of the day be made a matter of local option in towns and cities.

TWO MEMBERS FOR LONDON AS RESULT OF ANNEXATION

Wellington St. Will Be the Dividing Line, and Constituencies Will Be Known as West and East London if Scheme Is Carried Through.

Two members for the city of London will probably be the outcome of the annexation of the suburbs, Portersburg, Ealing, Chelsea Green and Knollwood Park. The population will then be considerably in excess of 50,000, it is claimed, and the heads of the Conservative party here are convinced that London should have two members instead of one.

It was stated on the best authority today that steps were being taken to have this done, and from present indications a definite announcement will be made shortly.

MONASTIR SURRENDERS TO THE SERVANS

Fifty Thousand Turks and Three Generals Laid Down Their Arms.

Belgrade, Nov. 18.—The Turkish fortress of Monastir surrendered this afternoon to the Serbian troops. Fifty thousand Turkish soldiers and three generals laid down their arms.

The Servians have been besieging Monastir for several days, having an army of 100,000 men and many big guns.

Much Improved.

The condition of Mr. James MacLeod, of 118 Wharmcliffe road, South London, who it was at first feared had been fatally injured in a fall from a car of stone which he was assisting in unloading on a Grand Trunk siding near Wellington street on Thursday, is reported at Victoria Hospital to be much improved this afternoon.