# Wellington St. Railway Tracks Will Be Shifted Tonight To Allow Paving Work

## COMPANY TO MOVE TRACKS TONIGHT

Wellington Street Adjustments Necessary For Paving Requirements.

MAINTAIN SCHEDULE

Late tonight the London Street Railway will start its work of adjusting the tracks on Wellington street in order to have the line in shape for the laying of pavement there The paving work had not proceeded far enough on Saturday for the street railway to get started at the moving of its tracks, but tonight it is expected that everything will be in readiness for the shifting of the rails.

The city works department has already been able to complete quite a stretch of the pavement base on one side of the "island." The street railway's work will be to shift the rails about a foot and a half to one side of where they are now. It is expected that Oxford, Ottaway and Richmond cars will be able to run on schedule first thing tomorrow morning.

## WORKERS ORGANIZING FOR PLEBISCITE FIGHT

Gatherings Held in Various Places and Officers Elected.

Special to The Advertiser.

Watford, Sept. 21—"I thank God for the splendid work The London Advertiser is doing in this matter," declared the Rev. W. E. Millson, of London, Field Secretary of the Board of Evangelism and Social Service of Methodist Church and ex-President of the London Methodist Conference, in a rousing address on the prohibition issue to the Strathroy Methodist District meeting held in the Watford Methodist Church on Thursday evening. Mr. Millson quoted recent editorials in The London Advertiser, and the large audience very vigorously applauded.

Rev. S. J. Thompson, pastor of the Church and Chairman of the Strathroy District, presided over, and Rev. H. V. Workman, of the Presbyterian Church, assisted in the devotions.

The large congregation rose spontaneously to its feet to pledge its utmost support to the continuance of the O. T. A.

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Special to The Advertiser.

Lobo, Sept. 21.—At the meeting of Temperance Workers at Coldstream the whole township was organized for the coming O. T. A. Campaign. Committees for the work are ward 1, Mr. and Mrs., J. W. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ferguson; ward 2, Thos. G. Turnbull, John Tunks, Mrs. Patrick and Mrs. Jas. Brown; ward 3, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McKay, A. D. Fletcher and Mrs. J. N. Aitkins; ward 4, Mrs. N. P. Campbell, Mrs. S. P. Brown, A. Caverhill, Jas F. Campbell, Mrs. Jas. McNair and Mrs. A. Fraser are with power to add to their number.

Edgar M. Zavitz presided at the meeting and S. P. Brown was appointed secretary, and will receive and distribute literature. The 1923 voters' lists will be used, and it is the duty of the ward communities to see to the adding on of any of the names which are omitted. William Talbot of London urged all church members to do their duty. Rev. S. Brown and Stott of Poplar Hill offered prayer for the success of the campaign.

## Obituary

JACK CHAPMAN.

The death of Jack Chapman occurred at his home, 352 Ashland avenue, last night. Mr. Chapman formerly lived in Toronto. He is survived by his wife.

The funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon to Woodland Cemetery.

MRS. JOSEPHINE GOULD.

Mrs. Josephine Gould, wife of Thomas Gould, 413 King street, died suddenly at her home on Sunday morning. Mrs. Gould was one of the pioneer residents of London, having lived in this city for the past 60 years.

On Saturday night she suffered a heart attack and died a few hours later.

Mrs. Gould is the sister of Mother M. Celestine and Mother M. Eucharia of St. Joseph's Community.

The funeral will be held on Tuesday morning. Solemn requiem high mass will be sung at St. Peter's Cathedral at 9 o'clock, and interment will be made at St. Peter's Cemetery.

JOHN GEARY.

John Geary, a resident of London for the past 45 years, died at his home, 339 Hill street, yesterday. Mr. Geary was born in England, and was 83 years old. He is survived by his wife and a grown-up family.

The funeral will be held from his late residence on Hill street tomorrow afternoon. Rev. H. B. Storey of the Southern Congregational Church will conduct the services and interment will be made at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

FUNERAL OF MRS. JANE SHANNON.

The funeral of Mrs. Jane Shannon, wife of the late John Shannon, formerly of Goderich and London, who died at Whitla, Alberta, on Sept. 18, will be held on Wednesday from the home of Mrs. F. C. Jennings, 320 Ridout street south.

Mrs. Shannon is the mother of William H. and Howard W. Shannon and Mrs. Walter Sillib.

FUNERAL OF B. WILENSKY.

The funeral of Barnett Wilensky, well known butcher, which took place yesterday was the largest ever held to the local Jewish Cemetery.

Mr. Wilensky died Saturday night at his home, 469 Grey street. He was 45 years of age and is survived by his wife, mother, and one son, Hymie.

The World At Its Worst. By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

Getting a Straw Hat Through the Winter.

## BIRRELL REFUSES COMMENT ON BATHING GIRL STICKERS

London's Police Chief Will Not Call Auto Posters a Menace to Public Safety.

PRIVATE VIEWS

Chief Copelan, of Cincinnati, Orders Posters Off, Under Ohio Ordinance.

Chief Birrell of the London police department, unlike Chief Copelan of Cincinnati, does not care to commit himself for publication regarding bathing girl posters which adorn many automobile windshields and which the Cincinnati chief claims are a menace to public safety. Chief Birrell had a whole lot to say about the "stickers," but declared it was not for publication.

Police Chief Copelan has issued an order calling for the arrest of all drivers who have their windshield pasted up with bathing girls or any other kind of poster. There is an ordinance in the Ohio city which requires the windshield to be free from any object that obstructs the view of the driver.

"It's a rather low order of intelligence that the driver shows through plastering up his car," says Chief Copelan. "If these stickers obstruct the view when pasted on the windshield, they certainly do the same on the rear windows. Most cars are inclosed models and an unobstructed rear view is just as essential as a clear vision in the front.

"In a coupe or sedan the driver must turn his head to look out the rear window when desiring to make a turn or back up if the rear-vision mirror is not properly regulated, and few of them are, nor do they give the necessary clear vision when properly regulated.

Dealers' Practice.

"Not only should all stickers of such type as the bathing girls be banned, but every sort of advertisement carried on a passenger car. Some dealers make a practice of dolling up demonstrators with signs advertising a used car sale or the arrival of a new model. Other merchants tack on banners advertising various kinds of events. They aim to attract the pedestrian and the driver, and they do so at the experse of safety.

"A pedestrian turns his head in crossing the street to read a banner displayed on a motor car. If a driver should happe nto do the same thing, one can easily imagine the result.

"There is too much carelessness now without these things. Few persons keep their mind strictly on what they are doing when driving a motor car, and particularly in Cincinnati are the pedestrians careless in crossing the street. Anything that detracts the attention of the pedestrian or the driver from the thing they are doing is a dangerous practice and should be banned."

HEAR COMPLAINTS.

Complaints have been made to the city clerk that owners of dogs are losing tags and find difficulty in having them replaced. In many cases it is feared that tags are stolen and used by owners of other dogs who wish to dodge the civic tax. It is pointed out that nothing can be done to clear up such cases unless there is direct evidence of theft.

GENERAL KING BACK.

Brig.-Gen. W. B. King, general officer commanding military district No. 1, has returned from a visit to Victoria, B.C., and points in the west

DAUPHIN NOT CLOSED.

The postoffice at Dauphin, Man., has not been closed. The postal department announced today that through an error a report was issued that this postoffice was closed.

The postoffice which was closed was held, in the electoral district of Dauphin, Man.

## Liner Crashes Into Wharf

Associated Press Despatch.

London, England, Sept. 22.—A despatch to Lloyd's from Greenock, Scotland, says the steamer Tuscania, bound from New York, on passing there struck the Prince's pier, damaging her stern and losing an anchor and 66 fathoms of cable. The damage to the vessel was not serious, and she proceeded for Glasgow.

## SIX MEET DEATH IN CAR ACCIDENT

Machine Plunges Through a Boston Bridge Into River.

Associated Press Despatch.

Boston, Sept. 22.—Six persons are known to have met death in an automobile accident last night, in which a large touring car broke through railings of Congress street bridge and plunged twenty feet into Fort Point Channel, the car being submerged in fifteen feet of water.

The bodies of a woman, a 2-year-old infant, a 7-year-old child, and a man were found when the car was brought to the surface by navy divers and a navy wrecking lighter. The driver's seat was empty, and the door beside it was open. Search was continued for one or more bodies believed to be still in the channel. The body of a 5-year-old girl had been recovered earlier.

## Paris Cowboy Shoots At Cop

*Westerner Used Blanks To Make Question Clearer.*

Paris, Sept. 22.—Policeman "X" cannot for the life of him explain by what lucky chance he didn't draw his revolver and shoot Cowboy John Swain dead yesterday, when the latter discharged a gun at him point blank.

Finding himself still alive, he contented himself with collaring his aggressor and taking him to the station. There the cop explained to the magistrate that he was on duty on one of the busiest sections of the boulevards when the cowboy dressed as though he just stepped from the prairies, came up and offered him a roll of bills with one hand while with the other he fumbled at the cop's revolver case, muttering things incomprehensible.

The policeman shrugged his shoulders, whereupon the cowboy drew his gun and discharged it at him amid the shrieks of the spectators.

An interpreter straightened things out. Swain wanted the cop to tell him where to buy blank cartridges and finding it impossible to make him understand by signs, thought he would have more success by firing a couple of blank shots.

## BAD CHECK SUSPECT APPREHENDED TODAY

Ellis Tannant was arrested by the police today on a charge of having passed a worthless check.

The check was received at the Paris Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Shop on Richmond street about two weeks ago.

## OFFICERS ELECTED BY SCHOOL CLUBS

Central Committee Chosen To Supervise Work of Organization.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Sept. 21.—The results of the Collegiate elections for the ensuing school year are: Girls' club—President, Lila Cameron; vice-president, Inata Babcock; secretary, Catharine Raven; treasurer, Vera Wilcox. Boys' club—President, Ed. Horton; vice-president, Dunc Davey; secretary, Ray Vaughan; treasurer, Will Kennedy. Literary society—President, Eileen Dowler; vice-president, Lloys Richards; secretary, Betty Etheridge; treasurer, Edwin Dawdy. Athletic club—President, R. Vaughan; vice-president, R. Hind; treasurer, D. Knight; secretary, A. Mitchener.

A new departure in school activities has been arranged for this year, consisting of a central committee composed of the staff representatives and the presidents of each society, which will examine all programs, schedules and proposed undertakings before they are staged.

The semi-annual paper collection by the students and teachers will be made in the near future. The Collegiate has pledged itself to a second $2,000 for the memorial hospital fund, and although a considerable part of the amount has been collected, another paper collection is needed to complete the amount.

Whooping Cough.

Medical Health Officer Dr. McKillop states that the only case of infantile paralysis found in this city has recovered, but whooping cough is becoming more prevalent, yet not alarming.

The South Yarmouth Women's Institute has completed its donation of $1,000 to the new memorial hospital, according to an announcement made at the regular meeting.

Officers elected by the Ladies' Aid of the Holy Angels' Church are: President, Mrs. C. W. Regan; vice-president, Mrs. John Farrell; treasurer, Miss Mary Casey; secretary, Mrs. John Butler; assistant secretary, Mrs. Lynch. Plans were laid for the annual bazaar to be held in November.

Rehearsals for the amateur production, "The Cameo Girl," to be presented early in October under the auspices of the Women's Hospital Aid, for the new memorial hospital, have started under the direction of Earl C. Taney. Among those taking part are: Miss Leota Taylor, Miss Gertrude King, Mrs. Louis Coughlin, Frank Holcombe, Walter Coughlin, Walter Davies and Graham Gould.

Drys Organize.

The prohibitionists in this district are organizing their forces for the coming referendum vote. Following an informal gathering of ministers and laymen last week, it was decided to hold a public meeting, of all interested in prohibition and the retention of the O. T. A., in the Y. M. C. A. at 8 o'clock Monday evening to complete organization.

A meeting of the district prohibitionists has been called at Yarmouth Centre on Monday when representatives from other societies will discuss plans.

Fines of $20.00 and costs were imposed on two motorists charged with reckless driving in the city last week. The first offender was the Detroit motorist who crashed through C. A. Raven's shoe store window, breaking both glasses, the second offender was Archie Hayden, a local youth who was paying too much attention to a young lady in the car with him.

WILL START AGAIN.

London's asphaltic paving plant, which has not been used for some weeks, will commence a run of work about October 1. There is some paving base which has been completed in South London and another stretch on Wellington street south which will be ready at that time. The asphalt can be laid in plenty of time before the weather is too cold.

## WELCOME LEAGUE VIVIDLY OUTLINED

Albert Chamberlain, Toronto Branch, Tells Rotarians of Work.

NEED IS GREAT

London Rotarians listened with interest to Albert Chamberlan of the Brtish Welcome League, Toronto, at their weekly luncheon today. Using lantern slides, Mr. Chamberlain gave a vivid description of the work of the organization, and its determination to give the British immigrant the impression that he was welcome in this land.

"A contented immigrant in Canada," stated Mr. Chamberlain, "is an asset to the country, but a discontented one is a nuisance."

For several yesrs in the beginning of the British Welcome and Welfare League's existence a spacious building on Front street served as a hostel, where men, women and children gratefully found a refreshing night's sleep. A hospitable dining-room provided meals, and large dormitories, crowded with comfortable beds, welcomed the strangers travelling so far from the old country. It was a momentous night—that night of the hostel's opening—when more than 300 immigrants tested the league's hospitality, and among these 119 babies.

Dad's Paternal Heart.

The paternal heart of "Dad" Chamberlain proved elastic throughout the years that the league's hostels gave lodging to the immigrant, and the bigger the family the heartier the welcome given. Particularly happy was "Dad" Chamberlain in giving the friendly handshake to the family which consisted of father, mother and ten children. With pride he recounts how this British family settled in the east end of Toronto and today displays a fine type of citizenship.

Hundreds of tired, homesick mothers were heartened as the nurse in charge of the league's hostel gave them welcome and carried the babies off to bathe.

Christmas Comes.

Christmas brought the newcomers again to the hostel to gather around the festal turkey board, and the first Christmas dinner was attended by 1,200 British newcomers. A band, which contributed delightful music to the work carried on by the league was organized among the newcomers.

During the league's existence a free meal was proided for 5,300 unemployed men and a Christmas dinner given to 3,100 men. Within five years of the league's work 27,540 immigrants were received at the hostel; 10,730 placed in positions; 23,400 free beds proided.

Mr. Chamberlain urged that after seeing the pile of immigrants' trunks on the station platform in London, there was reason for similar work in this city.

Chairman Alf. Grant announced that on Monday next Rotarians would hold a book shower for Victoria Hospital.

## FEMININE PROBLEM FACES GENERAL SYNOD

Woman Delegate Named to Sessions Here—Dean Tucker To Raise Question.

When the general synod opens here on Wednesday for the first time in the history of the Anglican Church in Canada there will be a woman lay delegate. She is Miss Inez Smith of Hazelton, B. C., who was appointed as a representative of the Diocese of Caledonia, British Columbia.

The fact that a woman delegate has been named, whose legal status in the house is in question until decided by those who have to interpret the present constitution, gives immediate point to a motion being presented by the synod of Rev. Dean Tucker of this city relating to "the posiiton of women in the councils and ministrations of the church."

Basing his resolution upon the decision of the last Lambeth conference, Dean Tucker will ask the lower house to do three things: "to authorize the mission of women to the general synod on equal terms with men"; to propose to the proper authorities that they restore, formally and canonically the order of deaconesses" in a manner more authoritative than at present, and to approve the extension of "the scope of ministrations of women" along the lines of the Lambeth resolution.

The synod of Toronto also present a memorial seeking suitable pensions for all women workers set apart by any bishop for the work of a deaconess on their becoming disabled by age or infirmity.

## NEAR AND VEITCH PLAN TO ATTEND CONVENTION

City Engineer W. P. Near and Assistant Engineer Veitch will attend the annual convention of the American Society of Municipal Improvements, which meets in Boston from Sept. 29 to Oct. 3. Mr. Near has been a member of the society for ten years.

As London's sewage disposal plant has been giving much trouble for the last while back, Mr. Near and Mr. Veitch will visit plants at Rochester, Syracuse and Worchester, and also a number of plants in the vicinity of Boston. The local engineers will take this time from their vacations and motor to the convention city.

SALE OF WASTE PAPER.

City Engineer W. P. Near states that for some time waste paper from the city hall has been received by the I. O. D. E.. The waste paper is used for charitable purposes, and it is understood that lately Byron Sanitorium has benefitted through its sale. Authority was given the city hall janitor several years ago to hand the waste paper over to charitable organizations.

## Partners' Inability To Tell Police of Missing Broker Proves N. Y. Is Impersonal

G. R. Christian Real "Mystery Man," Though Member of Firm For 28 Years.

ADDRESS HAZY

Peer Among Brokerage Houses Goes to the Wall After Enviable Career.

By ROBERT T. SMALL.
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New York, Sept. 22.—It has been the boast of the average New Yorker that he did not know and did not care how his neighbor lived. It has been said that you might live in the next flat to a man here in the metropolis for a decade and never know whether he was married or single. New York is proud that it is not "nosey." It is the big impersonal town, a sort of live and let live affair.

No longer need there be any proof of these sophisticated assertions. Impersonality has been carried to the last degree. A big brokerage house has gone to the wall. It has traded on the New York Stock Exchange for 53 years. It has been a pillar of business substantiality. It has been pointed to in the "street" as the great example of business ethics. To be permitted to trade with such a house has been considered a privilege almost equal to that of entering the most exclusive club in the city.

But now the house has failed—failed for a million or more—and one of its six respected members is missing. A general alarm has been sent out for his arrest. He was a member of the firm for 28 years, having worked up from messenger.

Know Nothing.

Now that he has gone his fellow-members of the firm have come to the sudden realization that they didn't know anything about the man. They did not know whether he was married, whether he had a family, or where he lived. It had never occurred to any of them to call upon him in the evening. If he had a club no one knew anything about it. Of course there were the downtown lunching clubs, but they are little more than restricted restaurants.

Someone in the firm "thought" the missing partner lived in Brooklyn, but when the police were called in at last to investigate, the address one member of the firm thought he remembered turned out to be false.

Thus a man who had been the daily associate of his partners for nearly three decades turns out to be a "man of mystery." Nowhere else in the world could that have happened.

"Isn't that just like New York?" you heard everyone say in the street. And comment was made with still that boastful note in it.

Loss Nearly Million.

The surviving members of the firm of Day & Heaton still are too stunned to give a coherent account of their relationship with the missing partner or to even guess at the amount of his supposed defalcation. Certainly it is over half a million dollars—maybe it will reach the million mark.

George R. Christian, who took advantage of vacation time to flee to parts unknown, is bald, 45, rotund of figure and about 5 feet 9 inches in height. The police in their two days on the scent, have learned more about the broker than any of his business associates ever thought to inquire. They have traced him to a six-room flat in Bedford avenue, Brooklyn, but found that he vacated the place some time in August. They also have found that Christian had a wife and a mother-in-law. They lived in a most modest fashion. In leaving the flat the Christians took everything with them. There were two van loads of furniture, the neighbors remember seeing go. The landlord found a note on the mantel telling him regretfully that he had been forced to leave before the expiration of his lease because of circumstances over which he had no control."

"Bucked" the Market.

Naturally the assumption is that the missing partner, seeing others get rich by "bucking" the market, and taking no heed of those who go "broke," could not resist the lure of the ticker with its fortune always just around the corner. Evidently he speculated mildly at first, and then plunged more and more as the market constantly turned against him. More and more of the stocks of customers which he handled personally for the firm were thrown into the breach with the hope that they might turn back the flood waters of disaster. But the turning never came. There is no present evidence that the man "got away" with anything. But he is gone, and impersonal New York says: "Isn't it just like this big old town?"

## Mercury Gold Excites Tokio

*Scientist Promises To Reveal Secret in November.*

Tokio, Sept. 22.—Tokio is excited over the alleged discovery of a method of transmuting mercury into gold cheaply, using 170 volts to break up the "structure of the spectral lines of the mercury atom." Dr. Hantaro Nagaoka of the government physical chemical experiment station, the largest in Japan, succeeded in experiments three times and promises to reveal the secret to the world in November. He adds it will have the gravest effects on present day chemistry and physics.

## DECORATION DAY SERVICE AT DELMER WELL ATTENDED

Special to The Advertiser.

Tillsonburg, Sept. 21.—Tillsonburg and Culloden Oddfellows assisted in the annual decoration services at Delmer Sunday afternoon, and despite the threatening weather there was a very large attendance at the cemetery. The Oddfellows were marshaled by Bro. H. Malcolm of Tillsonburg, who conducted the services which preceded the decoration.

## Farmer Tied Wife To Mule

Madison, N. J., Sept. 22.—Mrs. Peter Heblon told a justice of the peace here a story of being dragged around her husband's 25-acre farm at Browntown, Madison Township, by a mule to which her husband had tied her, after binding her hands behind her back.

Heblon said he tied his wife to the mule as punishment for her threats to kill him and their five young children with a shotgun.

After tying her to the mule and starting it on its run around the farm, Heblon went calling, police said, and was arrested in the home of friends. He was held without bail for the grand jury.

Mrs. Heblon, released by friends, was found to be painfully bruised.

## MANY RUSSIAN TRUSTS CORRUPT

Prosecutions of Directors Follow Big Losses—Death Sentence Appealed.

Special Cable to The Advertiser and the Chicago Daily News.
By F. A. MacKENZIE.

Moscow, Sept. 20.—Heavy losses by government trusts have been followed by numerous prosecutions of directors and associates in recent weeks. The court proceedings generally show marked corruption and secret profiteering in the conduct of state manufacturers.

One trial is now under way in which 17 directors, experts and contractors of the silk trust are accused of corruption, forgery and illicit deals. The president and two directors of the Pskov timber trust have just succesfully appealed against a sentence of three years imprisonment each for mismanagement. The court quashed the sentence on the plea that they had been tried without counsel, and ordered their retrial at Leningrad.

Four leading officials of the Riazan leather syndicate, which lost about a half million gold roubles in trading, were sentenced to be shot and their goods confiscated. The sentence, however, was reduced to ten years for three of the convicts and five years for the other.

Particular interest is felt in the trial of officials of the Borgvsky leather trust accused of theft and neglecting government interests. The accused managing director, Ravkind, formerly owned a factory now included in the trust.

One other class of industrial cases which looms large is that of employers and managers charged with breaches of the labor laws. A Moscow court this week sentenced the owner of a carpenter shop to pay a fine of 1,500 gold roubles for engaging workmen directly, instead of through the official labor bureau. This enabled him to pick his own hands instead of taking whom ever was sent to him. Thus he was able to operate more efficiently than his competitors. The union started action against him. Recently in provincial Russia, the correspondent came across many such cases.

## C. O. D. EXAMINATIONS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED

Postal Department Hands Out Definite Ruling Regarding Parcels.

In no case will an adressee be permitted to examine a C. O. D. parcel before accepting and paying the charges when calling for an article at the post office.

The above rulling handed out today by the postal department adds that the post office is not concerned in any way with differences which may affect the seller and the buyer who use the postal service to transact business.

It is the duty of the delivering office to collect the amount due and remit it to the sender of the article. Any objection to the goods received, o ra desire for the return of the money is a matter for settlement between the adressee and the sender, adds the department.

Postmasters will not exercise any discretion in regard thereto. In short, those buying goods out of town and having them come through the parcel post will have to accept the articles without examination and take up any claims direct with the sender.

## MASONIC GRAND MASTER ANNOUNCES 1924 VISITS

District Deputy Grand Master Birnie Smith of the London Masonic district has announced the following official visits before the end of the year:

St. George's Lodge, No. 42, London, on Oct. 2; King Solomon Lodge, No. 378, at London, on Oct. 9; Moffatt Lodge, No. 399, at Harrietsville, on Oct. 13; Middlesex Lodge, No. 329, at Bryanston, on Oct. 15; Corinthian Lodge, No. 330, at London, on Nov. 4; St. Paul's Lodge, No. 107, at Lambeth, on Nov. 5; Belmont Lodge, No. 190, at Belmont, on Nov. 7; Temple Lodge, No. 597, at London, on Nov. 28; Merrill Lodge, No. 344, at Dorchester, on Dec. 11.

INSPIRING MEETING.

With music by the band and speakers from the headquarters staff, an inspiring meeting was held at the Rectory Street Citadel of the Salvation Army last night.

Mrs. Brigadier McAmnond and Adjutant and Mrs. Spooner from Clarence Street Citadel were in charge of the meeting.

## 13-YEAR-OLD BOY CONTESTS WILL

Law Suit of T. G. Prentiss, Detroit, One of Rarest in Local History.

INSANITY ALLEGED

A thirteen-year-old boy, Thomas G. Prentiss of Detroit has instituted what is thought to be one of the rarest lawsuits in local legal history in an effort to impeach the will of the late Mrs. Elizabeth S. Prentiss, his grandmother.

So far as is known this is the first case in Western Ontario in which a will involving a substatial sum of money has been attacked by an individual under the law as an infant.

Mrs. Prentiss died in Toronto on September 13, 1923. She was the grandmother of young Thomas Prentiss, and it is alleged left an estate of $18,000 in which her sister, Mrs. Jane A. Parsons of this city is named executrix. On filing application for probate of the will, Mrs. Parsons discovered that it was being opposed by the young Detroit lad, who is the only person entitled to share his grandmother's estate, should it be shown that she died intestate.

Later it was found that Mrs. Prentiss left another will dated 1916. Both are being impeached on the grounds that Mrs. Prentiss was insane at the time they were made.

The case was removed last February from the surrogate court of this county to the supreme court of Ontario by order of Mr. Justice Fisher. The case will be heard at the supreme court sitting in this city on November 28.

Messrs. Cronyn, Betts and Black are acting for the youth. Thomas Prentiss, and Messrs. Murphy, Gunn, and Murphy for Mrs. Parsons.

## SOME OPPOSITION IS EXPECTED TO DIAMOND

Work May Be Delayed When Economical Reasons Are Advanced.

While general feeling appears to favor the immediate start on a new athletic field at Queen's Park, some opposition is expected, on economical grounds, when the matter goes before the council tonight. However, promoters of the athletic field idea are confident that the move will receive the council's O.K., and that work, which will mean aid for some of the unemployed, will be started early.

If it is found necessary to haul clay loam from South London it will cost from $2 to $2.50 a load. Filling from industrial survey property in the east end would only cost about $1 a load to haul and spread. City Engineer Near states that from one to two thousand loads would be necessary to give an adequate "top" to the field.

It is likely that city heads and the fair board executie will meet tomorrow to discuss the handling of the athletic field.

## YOUNGSTERS PURLOIN APPLES FROM MARKET

Grower Who Brought Produce In Friday Night Laments His Loss.

The growing habit of district farmers of bringing in fruit and vegetables late Friday night to be sure of a good stand for Saturday's business on the local market is not looked on with particular favor by one fruit grower on Springbank hill.

This man brought in a huge load of apples late Friday night and parked his wagon in a good spot. He left his load to take care of itself and motored home only to return early Saturday morning to find that a small army of boys had discovered the apples and made off with almost half the contents of the bushel baskets.

Other farmers, who had spent the night snoozing in their trucks, told the luckless grower that they and the police had chased the youngsters away a dozen times or more, but that they kept coming back.

"The kids apparently appreciate good apples, but it's rather hard on my pocketbook," declared the fruit grower. "Next Friday, I guess, I'll have to sit up all night and watch the apples."

## GENERAL SYNOD EXPECTED TO TAKE OVER YEAR BOOK

It is quite probable that at the meeting of general synod, which opens here next Wednesday, that body will assume the responsibility of the publication of the year book, hitherto produced by the Missionary Cociety of the Canadian churches. The executive council is making such recommendation to the synod.

The new arrangement, if adopted, will provide for the selling of space to the three departments of the church's work—social service, religious education (Sunday schools) and missions. The diocesan synods will be asked to purchase and supply copies free of charge to their clergy.

DRUNK ARRESTED.

One drunk was arrested by police on Glenwood avenue this morning. He was taken to the police station and will appear before Magistrate Graydon tomorrow morning.

LOTTERIES ILLEGAL.

Letters in regard to the Danish Colonial lottery have been observed in the mails, says a despatch from the postal department today, adding that lotteries are illegal in Canada and no money orders will be issued to the firm operating the lottery.