PRICE TWO CENTS.

# **WORST IS OVER AT PT. BURWELL** CREW SENT MESSAGE IN BOTTLE SAYING THEY WERE SAFE NOW!

Signals From the Ashtabula Were Misunderstood —Big Car Ferry Is Holding Her Own and It Is Expected That the Crew Will Be Taken Off and That the Steamer Will Be Righted Shortly.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Burwell, Dec. 15, 2:30 p.m.-

lying exactly as she was this morning, and is in better position. The wind is dying down, and there is much less sea running. A tug will venture out this after-100n with provisions for the men. It the vessel as usual, and the cars are

ashere, leaving only enough men to around her, keeping her from pounding take charge in case of emergency. ances at hand are not sufficient for

The Reid Wrecking Company's tug is now on the way here, and when it arrives, the Ashtabula will be lightered and towed off the bar.

There is now no fear of accident, and it is expected that the Ashtabula will be taken off within the next few

[Special to The Advertiser.]

ferry Ashtabula lies in approximately the same position as yesterday.

A bottle was washed ashore in which right, but they needed a wrecker to before the ship is able to again take total revenue was \$85,500,000, a de-It seems that the watchers on the

It seems that the watchers on the shore misunderstood the Ashtabula's signals. The ship asked for a wrecker, and the people thought she was going to pieces, and rushed the life-saving crew to the scene.

The Port Stanley life-saving crew 25 years of age and has lived here for the scill in Port bur will probably some years. He usually works in are still in Port, but will probably some years. He usually works in leave for home this morning.

All night watchers were on duty, on Ashabula in the fall and winter.

ment of His Elevation From

the Papal Delegate.

Know Him Best.

F. Failon today received a tele-gram from Archbishop Sharetti,

summoning him to Ottawa, pre-

sumably to receive the notice of his elevation to the Bishopric of

Hamilton Herald: If we mistake not

e to him like coming back home

Protestants as well as by his own

Vicar-General Mahoney, of St. Mary

Cathedral, would be appointed, Father

Fallon will prove a worthy successor

Rome of Rev. Father Fallon's ap-

to his Grace Archbishop McEvay.

London, Ont.

FATHER FALLON

signs of the ship breaking up.

They would not retire for fear Conditions are unchanged so far as something might happen in the night the Ashtabula is concerned. She is

A Heavy Sea. The sea continued running high all night. It abated somewhat towards morning, but there is still a heavy

is now considered safe to make the swaying.

trip, and there is every possibility that The ship is perhaps in a better the men will be got in touch with beposition than for some days on acfore 4 o'clock.

Count of the sand. She is stuck harder Some of the crew may be brought in the ground and the sand is piling

No attempt will be made by the tug the pull the vessel off, as the appli- will shift, and the waves will subside. If this happens the crew will be taken off and the wreckers will pro-ceed to pull the ferry off the bar.

Other Tugs Coming. The tug sent here from Ashtabula is

Still another tug is on the way from sented to Parliament today.

Detroit, and the three tugs are thought to be sufficient to pull the vessel off.

The Finance Minister was able to record a fine season of prosperity for of lifting the Ashtabula.

According to the stories current here men claimed that they were all there will be many repairs necessary

## Continued on Page Nine. THE LIBERAL WHIP UNDERGOES OPERATION

CALLED TO OTTAWA Mr. F. F. Pardee, the Member for Will Hear the Official Announce-West Lambton, Suffering From Appendicitis.

chief Liberal whip, was operated on come, instead of as in the WHAT THE PRESS SAYS this morning at the Sarnia General capital account. The expenditure on Hospital for appendicitis, and the reports from the hospital state that the out of revenue.

The Liberal Government had spent Warm Eulogies of the Bishop Elect of London From Those Who operation was most successful, and the \$212,500,000 during the past thirteen patient is doing as well as could pos- years on capital and special account, sibly be expected and had added and had provided \$147,-Buffalo, Dec. 15 .- Very Rev. M.

Dr. Wishart, of Lendon, and Dr. A.

#### THE NATIONALISTS Mary warm **●**ulogie<sub>S</sub> of Bishop-elect Fallon, now of Buffalo, and formerly of Ottawa, appear in Canadian papers.

Unanimously to Support the new Roman Catholic bishop of London, Rev. M. F. Fallon, of Buffalo, is a native Canadian, who was re-Asquith. moved from Ottawa to Buffalo some

years ago. In going to London it will Father Fallon was exceedingly popular party committee yesterday, pledging the Catholic clergy here elicited the in- his handful of dissenting disciples formation that the official announcement of the appointment to the bish- were not present.

#### of London would come through **BOATS OUT AGAIN** Archbishop McEvay, of Toronto. Although his appointment as bishop will doubtless occasion some surprise SEEKING THE LOST in the Catholic diocese of London and Hamilton, as it was generally expected

that Rev. Father Hand, of Toronto; Craft From Erie Searching for Rev. Father Aylward, of London, or Bodies of Bessemer Wreck Victims.

Hamilton Herald: The news from Erie, Pa., Dec. 15.-With the furpointment as successor to Arch- ther abatement today of the storm bishop McEvay, at London, will be received by the many friends of Vicar-General Mahony with regret during the past week or so, renewed The local prelate has been mentioned efforts were made to recover, if posprominently as the possible choice of sible, the bodies of the victims of the the Holy See for the high office, but there were a number of clergy carferry Marquette and Bessemer No. throughout the Province who were re- 2, which are believed to be still adrift garded by their congregations as also somewhere on Lake Erie. The carheing very likely choices for the office. ferry, which is supposed to have foun-The fact that such a time elapsed dered in the middle of the lake a week between the vacating of the office ago yesterday during a heavy storm, and the appointment of a successor carried 32 persons on board, and noth-

score of those. The Commodore Perry, which has A very pleasant surprise party was led in the search for the persons who held at the home of Mr. Fred Apple-left here on board the ill-fated vessel, ton, when a number of friends and which found nine victims frozen relatives to the number of about fifty, to death in a yawl, has again taken walked in to celebrate his 49th birth-day. The evening was spent in music hoping to find the remaining passen-Just before luncheon, gers and crew of the boat. A number hich was served at 12 o'clock, Mr. of other craft left here today to steam

gathering broke up at an early hour, everyone reporting having a jolly good has returned from the Cobalt district. has obtained a position in this city. la counterfeit,

## **Election Dates**

London, Dec. 15.—The British Issue of writs, Saturday, Jan.

First borough rollings, Thurs-Other borough pollings, Fri-

day, Jan. 14. Other borough pollings, Saturday, Jan. 15. First county pollings, Wed-nesday, Jan. 19.

Other county pollings, Thursday, Jan. 20. Other county pollings, Friday,

Other county pollings, Saturday, Jan. 22. Other county pollings, Mon-

day, Jan. 24.

The results of the election in the remote constituency of Orkney, and Shetlands will not be known until the end of the

## **COMMONS RECEIVE COUNTRY'S BILL**

wash. The water is pouring through the yessel as usual and the gers are Surplus of Sixteen and a Half Millions.

#### REVENUE MAKING RECORD

Expected to Reach the Hundred Million Mark by End of the Year.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—A revenue of a not heavy enough to do the work and hundred millions of dollars for the last evening the Reid Wrecking Com-pany of Sarnia dispatched their fiscal year, and a surplus of sixteen strongest tug, the J. C. Reid, with a and a half millions, were the features complete outfit for this work to Port of Hon. Mr. Fielding's budget, pre-

They are expected in Port tonight, and the Dominion. Other features were The men are still aboard, and are not worrying apparently over their orable, they will commence the work age and an action against illegal combines.

A Nice Surplus. cline of nearly \$11,000,000; the surplus

Last year the expenditures on the nsolidated fund were \$84,000,000. For he current year the expenditures chargeable to income will not exceed \$81,000,000, a reduction of \$3,000,000. rent year of \$16,500,000, capital expenditure will be reduced to the extent of \$16,486,393, and there will be added to the public debt \$17,750,000, or \$2,250,000 less than the appropria-

tion for the Transcontinental Railway.
The outlook for the coming year is even brighter, the Finance Minister being confident that the receipts will Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 14. — Mr. F. F. Pardee, M. F. for West Lambton, and remain will be charged against interest of as in the past to pass the \$100,000,000 mark.

000,000 out of revenue, or 69 per cent. The Conservative government uring N. Hayes, of Sarnia, performed the the last thirteen years they were in office spent \$167,166,252 on capital and special account, and provided only \$49,000,000 out of revenue, or 29 per

The per capita debt on an estimated INDORSE RESOLUTION population of 7,450,000 is \$45 85. In 1896 it was \$50 82.

For the current year the total trade Convention at Dublin Decides of Canada is expected to exceed that of 1907, the record year, when it totalled \$650.000,000.

Mr. Flelding, in introducing the budget, said that last session the bud-

get was not in all respects a very cheerful one, however, matters of finance everywhere had had strenuous Dublin, Dec. 15.—The Nationalist cares. Today it was their pleasant convention opened today, with John story of general employment and prosamong all classes in Ottawa, and his Redmond presiding, and unanimously perous trade, increasing revenues, libdeparture was deeply regretted by indersed a resolution adopted by the eral surpluses and generous appropriations for the public service. support of the Liberals in the coming ended on March 31 last, was certainly Hamilton Times: Inquiries among he Catholic clergy here elicited the information that the official announcemuch less extent than in the case of the United States. It began to show its effect upon the Canadian revenues in the closing period of the fiscal year, but the earlier part of the year was one of such great prosperity that on the whole the revenue proved to be a very excellent one. It was found, however, that the revenues of the fiscal

#### (Continued on Page Six.) BELGIAN MONARCH SUFFERS A RELAPSE

year, beginning on the first of April,

1908, were very seriously affected, and

while in 1907-08 the gross revenue was

a Turn for the Worse.

Brussels, Dec. 15.-The condition of King Leopold, who was operated upon yesterday for the removal of an obstruction in the intestine, took a turn for the worse this afternoon. The ing has been heard from more than a morning bulletin was horeful in tone, describing the patient's state as "sta-During the night he had held his own apparently. In the middle of the afternoon word came from the sick chamber that his majesy had suffered a relapse.

> HIS EYESIGHT BAD. Hamilton, Dec. 15.-For passing a 50-cent counterfeit coin on a local newsdealer, Thomas Hennebery was this morning committed for trial. His excuse was that his eyesight was bad, and that he did not know the coin was



Eloquent Priest of the Oblate Order, Who Has Been Appointed Bishop

#### **NIAGARA POWER RATES**

The matter of domestic lighting rates was settled at the last meeting of the Niagara power engineers in London. It was placed at 5 cents per 100 square feet for floor space, and 10 cents a kilowatt hour. This latter price will be reduced by discounts, and it is not thought probable that light will cost more than 3 cents per kilowatt hour net after the percentage has been taken. The London Electric's only price is 9 cents for

Power rates were figured on the basis of \$50 per borse power per 24 hours. If a user takes power during peak load hours, or off peak load hours, there will be a reduction in the cost of his power. These figures will be gone into and a regular schedule issued very shortly.

## MAY DEFER REORGANIZATION OF THE LOCAL KINDERGARTENS

Teachers Are Not in Demand Now and It Is Felt That in Al Fairness the Matter Should Be Shelved Until the Summer Holidays of 1910.

There is a possibility that the rerganization of the kindergartens in At the present moment there is lit London, which has caused so much discussion of late will be deferred un- least many of them feel, that it would til next summer.

Many Dismissals. The reasons given for that action re-

at the Christmas season, when few opportunities for obtaining similar situations present themselves.

Exeryone has claims, more or less strong, and these claims are being much greater. The ships we composite class difficulty.

## DISINFECTING THE PUBLIC TELEPHONES

Businessmen and Physicians of London Are in Favor of the Suggestion.

## MANAGER BAIRD SPEAKS

Says His Employees Now Disinfect the 'Phones With a Special Preparation-Some Interest in the Matter.

Health Officer Hutchinson, made at the on Church street, and the premises of meeting of the board of health yester- the Club Coffee Company day, that all mouthpieces of public street. Read, Halliday & Co., Limited, telephones be disinfected frequently, makers of aniline dyes and chemicals, meets with the unanimous approval of occupied the second story of the London medical men A large number White Building, the third story being

Physicians' Opinions. "There is no question about it that

telephones, particularly those in public places, are a frequent source of infection," said one physician. "I consider that the danger from the re-ceiver, coming in contact with the hair, head or face is almost equally as great as the danger of contamination from a mouthpiece. There is the great-The Aged King Leopold Takes est danger of both the parts of a telephone becoming polluted, particularly ephone becoming polluted, particularly in telephones that are in constant use by masses of people in public places.'

Easily Transmitted. "Infectious diseases of the skin would be very easily transmitted by means of a telephone receiver or mouthpiece," another physician told The Advertiser. "These portions ought to be cleaned very frequently, and more especially so if they are used by all clases of people, as many of the public telephones are. I would consider them a source of tuberculosis, and a breeding-ground for all kinds germs. The present system of cleaning them occasionally is, in my opinion, entirely inadequate, and not infrequently one goes to use a 'phone and finds the mouthpiece in anything but

a cleanly condition," Manager Baird. Manager Baird, of the Bell Telephone Continued on Page Nine.

## No Demand Now.

or no demand for kindergarten teachers, and the trustees feel, or at The board of education will hold a mer when there would be plenty of special meeting tonight at 8 o'clock, time in which to secure new positions A motion to lay

are in favor of it. Reason for Delay.

positions away from the young ladies | Everyone has claims, more or less

## SUPPOSED TO BE OUT FIRE STARTS ANEW

A Toronto Building Completely Destroyed, Involving Loss

of physicians were interviewed by The Advertiser, and all speak strongly in favor of the measure.

White Building, the third story being occupied as messrooms by Queen's Own Rifles Bugle Band, T. total loss by the two fires is about \$150,000, an which there is \$54,000 insurance.

TOMORROW-COLDER. FORECASTS.

Toronto, Dec. 15-8 a.m. Today-Strong westerly winds; cloudy, with snow flurries.
Thursday-Westerly winds; cloudy, with a little lower wer temperature. TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Low.	High
London	23		29	
Victoria	42	32	32	100
Calgary		30	12	
Winnipeg	98	- 6	1.4	
Port Arthur	22	19	12	
Parry Sound	38	20	32	
Toronto	24	30		
Ottawa	04		32	
Ottawa	• • • • • • • • •	30	32	
Montreal	36	34	30	
Quebec	28	26	24	
Father Point	24	28		
		1 Table	34	
Kamloops			30	
Edmonton			- 37	:
Battleford		• •	4	
Battlefold		• •	0	
Moosejaw			14	
Qu'Appelle			2	
St. John			26	
Halifax			20	

Minus (-) means below zero. WEATHER NOTES. WEATHER NOTES.

The disturbance which was over New England yesterday has moved northeastward across the Maritime Provinces, accompanied by gales, with rain and sleet, and an easterly snowstorm has occurred in the Province of Quebec.

The weather is moderately cold in Manitoba and quite mild further west.

# INTO HANDS OF NEW OWNERS

Formal Transfer Took Place Today-\$150,000 Will Be Spent on the Line-Manager Mower Has Been Retained-Committee of Management Named.

The formal transfer of the Southwestern Traction Company to the purchasers was made today by Master-in- the traction line within the next six Chancery R. K. Cowan.

Yesterday the balance of the purtoday the road was formally given into the hands of the new owners. The line will be managed by a committee of directors composed of Messrs. Murray N. Verner, of Pittsburg and Brantford; W. S. Dinnick, W. K. George, Geo. B. Wood, S. C. Smoke, Toronso; T. H. Purdom, K. C., and John Milne, Lendon John Milne, London.

No Changes as Yet.

has had charge of the road for some ate, and when that matter is settled time, being retained in the same position by the new management. The rest of the staff will continue, tension. The rest of the staff win concentration of the purchasers at the transfer.

## COUPLE IN AN AUTO PLUNGED 100 FEET

Son of a Michigan Millionaire Injured and His Fiance Killed.

Agnes Claypool, 19 years old, daughter of a wealthy resident of Pasadena, was killed and Harvey Bissell, 24 years ALD. old, son of a Grand Rapids, Mich., millionaire manufacturer, was perhaps mobile accident. Mr. Bissell and Miss Claypool were riding in a racing automobile, which went over the edge of the Eagle Rock Valley road and fell a hundred feet down the steep incline. Miss Claypool's body was found in the machine. A broken rib had punctured her lungs. Bissell was lying near by, still conscious. His collarbone and right leg were broken and his spinas injured.

said that Bissell and Miss Claypool were to be married this win-

## TWO MORE MONSTERS FOR JOHN BULL'S NAVY

Will Be 27,500 Gross Tonnage and Combination of Battleship and Cruiser.

New York, Dec. 15 .- The following and it is the concensus of or inion that over will be brought up and from what England, was received here today: The cable dispatch from Birmingham, the matter will be laid over until the can be learned a majority of the board Post says the admiralty is making arrangements for laying down before the end of the financial year two ves-There is another reason for the de- sels which will establish a record in fer to the dismissal of seven or nine lay—and that is the fact that the com-kindergarten teachers. Some of the mittee are baving some difficulty in trustees who favor the change now making the final selection of the ne-batest Dreadnought but the nuzzle fer to the dismissal of seven or nine lay—and that is the fact that the com- warship building. They will be of alvelocity and firing range will be very

The ships will be of an entirely new composite class, combining features of battleships and cruisers. DANIEL M'INTYRE

Action of Sovereign Bank Fails in

Court of Appeal.

the firemen, as they supposed, had extinguished the fire, which badly damaged the fruit and produce warehouse of White & Co. corner of Charak and White & Co., corner of Church and held to have received consideration for chairman of the board of works scent-Front streets, early this morning, the a certain promissory note and to be ed a plot to shove him off the shate that the store of the building in liable to pay therefor \$1.380, with inthe top story of the building. The fire-terest and costs. The action was tried men were on hand promptly, but before the fire was under control, the
1908. Defendant denied consideration.

The did not ask to be placed on the
slate, nor did 1 care a straw whether
slate, nor did 1 care a straw whether whole building had been practically destroyed, together with the premises the \$1,389 and interest, and this was be elected without it, as I have been to the divisional court. We have been destroyed to the state of The recommendation of Medical and commission merchants, adjoining Justice Meredith would dismiss the where there is one objection made to appeal, but the majority of the judges me. My record is clean, and I am not in appeal hold that the defence of ashamed of it. I have served the city

## ELECTIONS AT WINNIPEG

opposition to Mayor Evans and with was necessary, and had pointed that no contentious matters to arouse the out. He had noted fairly in the matratepayers, the civic elections yester- ter, and would support the slate. He day were the quietest in many years. declared that objections had been Practically no interest was manifest- made to Ald. Gerry and Ald. Moored, and the greatest difficulty was ex- head as members of the slate. perienced in getting the vote out at However, the meeting secured to be all. There are over 38,000 names on the list of electors, and of these only the slate, and Mr. Madden also sup-12,500 polled their votes. The results ported him. Mayor-W. Sanford Evans. Controllers-R. D. Waugh,

Harvey, J. McArthur and J. D. as to the advisability of sending out Willoughby and Shore. School trustees were all re-elected.

Death of Mrs. Coughlin.

Mrs. Eliza Coughlin, of this city, died yesterday morning at the residence of 22 yesterday morning at the charman in the absence of Mr. J. F. street, Mrs. Coughlin was 77 years of Maine. Mr. T. Boles was secretary. age and came to Canada from the county Wexford, Ireland, She lived in St. Thomas for many years and then came to London. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Roney, with whom she lived. The funeral will take place from the residence of her sister-in-law. Mrs. I. Pierce, 71 Kearns street, St. of the big shipping firm of Elder

Will Spend \$150,000. The sum of \$150,000 will be spent on months. The most of this money will be used in correction of grades, and improvements of curves. chase money was raid into court, and today the road was formally given innew owners will make the road as nearly straight as it is possible to get it. It is also understood that a num-

> placed in service. The Charter.

ber of new ears will be rurchased and

No announcement was made as io the extent of improvements projected No Changes as Yet.

There will be no change in the active management, Mr. S. B. Mower, who has had charge of the read for some late and always by the Sentage and the read for some late and always by the Sentage late and always are laterally and always by the Sentage laterally and always by the Sentage laterally and always laterally always laterally and always laterally always laterally and always laterally always laterally and always laterally always late an announcement will be made with reference to the plans for future ex-Mr. T. H. Purdom, K. C., represented

## PARTIAL SLATE WAS PREPARED

Municipal League Met Last Night and Discussed Matter of Candidates.

GERRY'S POSITION

fatally injured last night in an auto- Says He Can Be Elected Whether of Not He Is on the Slate - An Interesting Meeting.



Some objected to this, however, counselled against delay. Mr.

West pointed out the sangers in this Close the Slate. "We would do ninch better if we

There is not much time to spare and we put our men in the worked every man from this time on we will win Delays are certainly dan-Ald. Fitzgerald counselled waiting up til such a time as the nominations were made "There may be men who

thought," said Mr. Rowninge, WINS HIS CASE On motion of Mr. Rowniese it was decided to wait until after nomination.

Utilities Commission.

The utilities commission was p The court of appeal at Toronto has action on this until after nominations ed on and it was allowed the appeal and dismissed with likewise. The temper of the meeting of \$150,000.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—Five hours after he firemen, as they composed by a firement of the appear and dismissed with likewise. The tempor of the meeting costs throughout the action of the seemed that it would be in the interpolated by the firement of the largest spending divisional court judgment on Feb. 12 would be one of the largest spending and Mr. Madden. The

ashamed of it. I have served the city want of consideration was fully made well, and I do not think it fair that out J. M. McEvoy, for Mr. McIntyre an attempt should be made me off the slate. I do not need to Mr. Madden pointed out that he con-

sidered it in Ald, Gerry's best interests Winnipeg, Dec. 15.-With the joke to retire. He thought that new blood

> Sending Out a Circular. There was a considerable discussion

a circular giving a partial slate, but The aldermen in wards one, two and four were elected by acclamation.

School trustees were all and account to the second state of time, as it might cause confusion. All partial list will be advertised in the papers. The names of the candidates at present on the list were not made public, although it might be advertised toda yor on Thursday. The league will meet at the call of

SIR ALFRED JONES DEAD.

the chairman. Mr. S. Wilson acted as

Montreal, Dec. 13.-A cable was received tonight from London announce ing the death of Sir Alfred Jones, head Demrster & Co.

Appleton was presented with a hand-labout the lake to assist in the search.

