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Three City Firms Homeless as Result of Midnight Fire

Three city firms will be forced to suspend business temporarily as the result of a stubborn blaze that broke out early this morning in the three-story brick structure in King street, housing Levine's shoe store on the first floor, Robinson's Clothes Ltd., on the second, and Fishman & Percinich, window-cloak manufacturers, on the top floor. P. M. Levine, proprietor of the shoe store, is the owner of the building and said last evening that both the structure and the boot and shoe stock were partially insured. W. P. Hurley, manager of the

Robinson's Clothes Ltd., said that his stock was fully insured, as did A. Percinich, of the cloak firm. Damage will amount to several thousands of dollars. The fire was first noticed by Arthur Thomas, a cook in Bond's restaurant in Charlotte street. The rear portions of both Bond's and the Levine building, though on different streets, adjoin each other and while working late Mr. Thomas heard a crackling noise in the courtyard below. Thinking it possible it might be intruders he went to the door and the sight of flames issuing

from the windows of the top floor greeted his eyes. He ran down to the street and an alarm was rung in from box 24, corner Charlotte and Princess streets, by Policeman Dykeman. Owing to the headway obtained by the fire, a second alarm was found necessary.

A large crowd soon collected and, when the department arrived, the flames were shooting out the rear windows of the building in great volume, while dense clouds of smoke poured out the windows in the front part of the building as well as the rear. A section of the fire-fighters was detailed to run in a length of hose by the front entrance but the real fight took place in the courtyard.

Here three lines of hose were laid. The fire, it is thought, commenced in the top floor. No stores are used to heat the place. Mr. Percinich said last evening that his employees were working overtime and that he and his partner were the last to leave their portion of the building. Electric fans are used in the establishment and the fire might have arisen by overheating one of these.

Next to the burning building is the furrier company of H. Mont Jones, Ltd., where quantities of valuable furs are stored. On the other side is the wall paper firm of George Nixon, 88 King street. Every effort was made by the firemen to confine the flames to the Levine building and in this they were successful. They attacked the fire in Robinson's portion first. Here great damage to clothing was done and the smoke from the burning cloth choked and blinded the firemen working on the fire.

It took a solid half hour to conquer the blaze in this part. In the meantime an attack was made on the top part where the fire was burning fiercely and had worked its way out to the roof. A well-directed stream soon had matters looking favorable in this part and by 2 o'clock the last vestige of the fire was being destroyed.

The water that was poured into the top floors leaked down through and this morning the interior was thoroughly soaked.

CARLETON CORNET BAND CONCERT

The third and last concert of the series which the Carleton Cornet Band has been putting on to raise funds for its reorganization was held last evening in the city hall, w. c. The entertainment was well attended and a substantial amount was realized for the fund. The hall was decorated for the occasion by the ladies' auxiliary of the band and they also furnished the entertainers with refreshments at the close of the concert. The auxiliary was under the supervision of Mrs. F. Hart and she was ably assisted by a large corps of young ladies.

The concert itself was an excellent one and was received with hearty applause. During the evening the band played several popular numbers under the direction of Bandmaster William T. Lanyon.

In addition to the band selections, the other numbers were: Solo A. C. Smith, Jr.; violin solo, Mrs. Harold H. MacMichael; solo, William Lanyon; readings, Miss Mabel Scully; song Miss Ramsey; sketch entitled "Who Wins the Bet?" by the Burroughs trio; male quartette, Messrs. Stackhouse, Smith, Lanyon and McMillin.

DUTIES OF SOCIAL SERVICE WORKERS AGREED UPON

A committee of the commissioners of the General Public Hospital attended the meeting of the executive of the Women's Hospital Aid in the board of trade rooms yesterday to consult regarding the regulations which will govern the social service workers, Miss B. Howe, who is to take up her duties on Monday, April 3. The spirit of the meeting was particularly gratifying, showing the close co-ordination of the work of the two organizations for the betterment of hospital conditions and the welfare of the patients. Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, the president, was in the chair and the commissioners present were M. E. Agar, J. King Kelley, Mrs. J. V. McLellan and H. H. Gale, superintendent.

Each organization submitted a draft of the regulations which it had adopted as concerning its own work and both were promptly adopted by the other organization. A warm tribute was paid to the work of the Aid by Mr. Agar and Mr. Kelley. Miss Howe was present at the meeting and it was agreed that her reports should be made in duplicate and one copy given to each organization monthly.

When the commissioners had retired the work of the Aid was proceeded with. A letter from a Sister at St. Joseph's Hospital, Sudbury (Ont.), asked for the constitution and by-laws of the Aid and three copies were to be sent, together with an expression of the best wishes of the Aid.

Arrangements were made for the Easter treat at the hospital and the following conveners were appointed: General convenor, Mrs. J. H. Doody; eggs, Miss Maud Addy; cards, Mrs. T. H. Carter, who offered to donate the cards; the children's ward, Mrs. George Ewing and Mrs. H. E. Thomas; presents, Mrs. J. H. Doody and Mrs. Leonard.

Captain Blois Retires.
Halifax, March 30.—Captain Joseph Blois of the Canadian government steamer Stanley will retire tomorrow after twenty-one years of service. He has followed the sea for fifty-one years. Captain Walter Rowe will succeed him as master of the Stanley.

SIR JOHN EATON, MERCHANT PRINCE, OF TORONTO, DEAD

Toronto, March 30.—Sir John Eaton is dead. After a gallant and remarkable fight with the grim reaper, over a period of about six weeks, which last week seemed to have brought victory to the patient, the end came at 8:40 tonight.

The fatal relapse was reported yesterday. Lady Eaton, wife of Sir John; Mrs. Timothy Eaton, mother of the patient and widow of the founder of the immense departmental store interests of which Sir John was president; Timothy Eaton, the eighteen-year-old son who arrived from England only last week, together with other relatives and officials of the Eaton interests were near at hand when death ensued.

Sir John took a chill in February while on a business trip to Montreal and New York. This developed into influenza, followed by complications.

The funeral will take place in the Timothy Eaton Memorial church at 8 o'clock on Monday afternoon. Interment will take place in Mount Pleasant cemetery.

Sir John Craig Eaton, K. B., generally supposed to be Toronto's wealthiest citizen, was born in Toronto on April 28, 1876. His father was the late Timothy Eaton, founder of the extensive business with important interests in a number of cities of the Dominion, including Montreal, Moncton, Winnipeg, Vancouver and Toronto.

Sir John Eaton was one of Toronto's most distinguished philanthropists. His munificence included the giving of several hundred thousand dollars to the Toronto General Hospital; the surgical wing of which he built at his own expense; \$250,000 in memory of his father; \$50,000 to the Y. M. C. A., Toronto; \$10,000 to the endowment fund of Victoria University, and subscriptions to numerous enterprises of a religious, philanthropic or charitable nature. He built and furnished throughout the Eaton Memorial Methodist, Toronto, in memory of his father, the edifice being one of the most magnificent places of worship in the Dominion. He was a director of the Canadian National Exhibition and sundry other organizations.

Sir John Eaton's loyalty during the great war was shown in many practical ways. He raised and equipped the Eaton Machine Gun Battery, with quick-firing Vickers Maxim guns mounted on armored trucks, and he was actively connected with a number of organizations in connection with war relief work. He was knighted in 1915 in recognition of his public services, and he was created an honorary colonel previous to the war and afterwards Sir John was interested in the Canadian Baden-Powell Boy Scouts, of which organization he was for some time a commissioner.

Lady Eaton, four sons and one daughter survive.—Timothy Craig, John David, Edgar Allison, Gilbert McCrea and Florence Mary. Mrs. Timothy Eaton, mother of Sir John, also survives.

R. I. Eaton, a cousin of Sir John's, is the present vice-president of the T. Eaton Company.

ALEXANDRA TEMPLE HAS ANNIVERSARY

The Alexandra Temple of Honor and Temperance celebrated its fifty-second anniversary last evening in its hall in Main street. Supreme Vice-Templar S. E. Logan occupied the chair. A special orchestra, composed of members of the temple, played during the evening. The chairman referred to the early

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By "BUD" FISHER

MUTT AND JEFF—LET'S SEE! AIN'T OSHKOSH IN THE BUSH LEAGUE?

MUTT, THE BOSS IS PICKING HIS TEAM TODAY AND A LOT OF THE RECRUITS ARE GETTING THE AIR. HE'S KEEPING ME AS A UTILITY INFANTRYMAN. HE WANTS TO SEE YOU!

FINE! YOU DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE FOR A REGULAR BERTH ON THE TEAM WITH ME ON THE JOB, JEFF!

JEFF'S EASILY PLEASED BUT OF COURSE HE AINT A STAR LIKE ME!

MUTT, I'VE HAD MY EYE ON YOU FOR TWO WEEKS!

YES, YES GO ON, BOSS!

YOU'RE TOO GOOD A MAN TO KEEP ON THE BENCH AND I'M GONNA SEE THAT YOU GET IN THE GAME EVERY DAY—

OH, FINE!

SO I'VE FARMED YOU OUT TO THE WISCONSIN LUMBERMEN'S LEAGUE! REPORT TO OSHKOSH AT ONCE!

