

WHITNEY HANDS
OUT ANOTHERA Fresh Example of That
"Non-Partisan" Policy.

A ST. THOMAS MAN REWARDED

Conservatives Surprised At and
Protest Against Dismissal of
License Inspector.

St. Thomas, April 27.—The appointment of Mr. W. E. Nicholls, of this city, as license inspector for St. Thomas and West Elgin is another of the "non-partisan" experiments of the Whitney Government, the outcome of which is being watched with keen interest throughout the riding. For a long period of years the new inspector, who has worked as a bailiff and collector of accounts, has also been a paid agent of the local Conservative party, but to quite a number of the leading men of that party as well as to the Liberals, the announcement of his appointment was received with chagrin. Immediately after the elections there were several applications for the position, as it seemed to be taken for granted that although the then inspector, Mr. W. McClellan, was faithfully discharging his duties, he would be made a victim of that desire for "non-partisanship" which is so rampant in the Provincial Secretary's department at Toronto. As far as can be ascertained, Mr. Nicholls' appointment was not made on the recommendation of the executive of the party association in the riding, but as the result of the efforts of a group of gentlemen in whose sight he had found favor, and who used their influence with Mr. Findlay Macdunn, M. P. for West Elgin. In justice to the new inspector, it is but fair to say that he has been in office only since April 18, and during that time all accounts agree that he has successfully enforced the law, and has not allowed himself to be influenced by any party cause, and has been an active campaigner in this and the surrounding constituencies during election contests. Because of this prominence his word carries weight in all questions affecting appointments and the removal of the party in the riding, and this is his letter in full:

To the Editor of the Journal: Dear Sir.—Permeated that many would conclude otherwise, I wish to state that I am in no way responsible for the appointment of the new license inspector for West Elgin, and, further, that I entirely disapprove of it. Yours truly, April 19, 1905, T. W. Crothers.

Mr. W. K. Cameron, a barrister and a well-known Conservative, said the appointment had not by any means met with the approval of all the Conservative party in the constituency. The new man, however, was apparently going into his task with the determination of doing his duty, and if he kept that up he would be supported by those of the party who had not favored the appointment. "Perhaps he will do his duty better," added Mr. Cameron, "because he knows that everyone interested is closely watching him." He thought the plan of appointing men who had been consistently aggressive party workers and organizers to such positions was not wise, because it opened the way for adverse criticism and scepticism at the outset. Capable men, who would not be open to attack by either side as being mere party men, should be selected.

ENGINEER KILLS A TRAMP

Negro Disarmed and Kicked From a
Train Going at Fast Gait.

Montgomery, Ala., April 29.—In a desperate fight in the cab of a locomotive on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad today Engineer Will Reynolds overcame a negro tramp and threw him from the train, killing him as a result of the fall, just below Montgomery. Reynolds looked ahead and saw a negro on the pilot. The negro entered the cab, presented a big revolver and declared he was going to ride to Montgomery.

The engineer had to fight with one hand and run his train with the other, going 40 miles an hour. The flagman and head brakeman seeing the fight in the cab, and took a hand. After a hard fight, in which the negro almost outdid his opponents, the pistol was taken away from him. As soon as he discovered that his weapon was out of his grasp, the negro made a dash to the cab door, whence he was given a kick to the ground by Engineer Reynolds.

Another C. P. R. School.

Montreal, April 29.—The C. P. R. has found its free school of shorthand and telegraphy such a success that it has decided to extend the plant to Winnipeg and will open a school there on May 1.

Paderewski to Sail May 10.

Boston, April 29.—Ignace Paderewski arrived here today from Buffalo. He had an easy journey, and was said by his secretary to be about the same as when he left New York State yesterday. By advice of his physician the pianist has decided to cancel all engagements and return to Switzerland. He hopes to sail from New York about May 10.

The Scaletre Murder.

Three Rivers, Que., April 29.—At the Scaletre murder investigation held today before Magistrate Deslites, Mrs. Scaletre, the widow of the murdered man, was accused as an accomplice of the crime, and her trial set for Saturday next.

Judge Clute Seriously Ill.

Toronto, April 29.—R. C. Clute, K. C., who was recently appointed one of the judges of the high court of justice for Ontario, is lying seriously ill at the private sanatorium of Dr. Myers in Deer Park, although his condition has lately improved, and he is now believed to be on the road to recovery.

PROROGATION BY MAY 24

Ontario Cabinet Meets Tuesday to
Consider Legislation.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, April 29.—The Ontario cabinet will meet on Tuesday morning, for the purpose of considering the legislation to be introduced during the balance of the session. It is expected that the House will prorogue before May 24.

OFF COCHIN CHINA

Rojestvensky's Big Fleet Still Hang-
ing Around the China Sea.

London, April 29.—Three British cruisers, according to the Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Singapore, are patrolling outside the harbor there, as thick wet weather renders the straits invisible from the roads. Weather conditions may, therefore, prevent the observation of Vice-Admiral Nebogatoff's movements. The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Tokyo states that foggy weather prevails on the Japan Sea.

Tokio, April 28.—The Russian second Pacific squadron was sighted yesterday off Cape Varella, 70 miles north of Kamranh Bay.

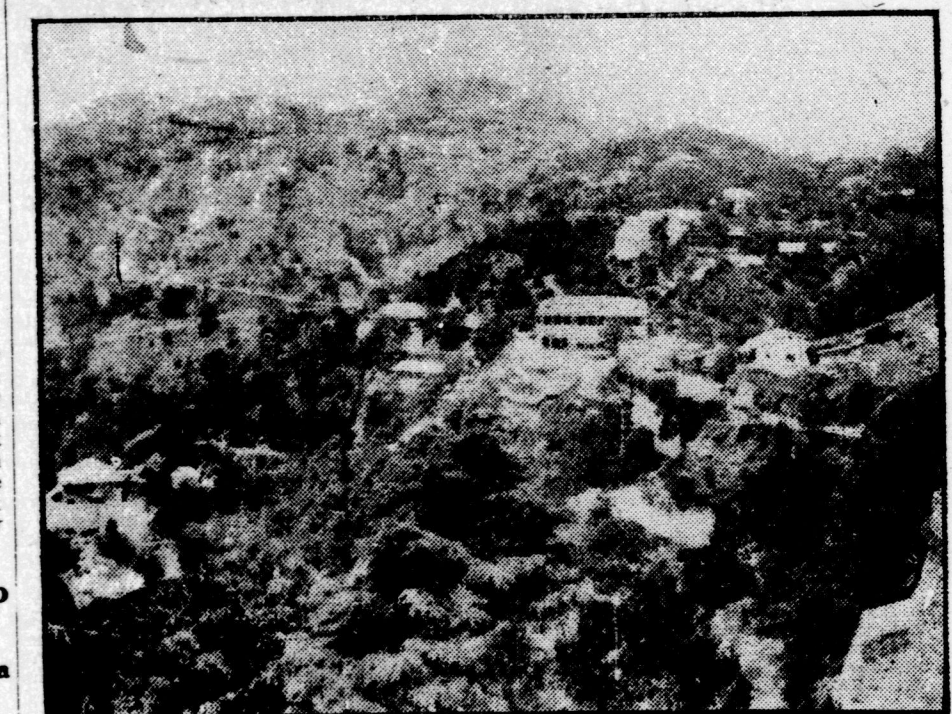
BEWARE OF THE
MENINGOCOCCUSIt's Another Name for Influenza
and It May Start
Meningitis.

Berlin, April 29.—An intimate connection between influenza and spotted fever or cerebro-spinal meningitis, now epidemic in Germany, is surmised by some German investigators on the cause of the disease. Scientists appear now to be fully satisfied that the bacillus meningococcus is the sole cause of the disease, since the same bacillus is present in pneumonia. The so-called Pfeiffer bacillus which causes influenza, has been discovered in a number of cases of meningitis. The epidemic latterly has assumed a more serious form in Silesia.

Sporadic cases are now reported daily from nearly all parts of Germany.

Cash for His Courage

Montreal, April 28.—At a meeting of directors of the Merchants' Bank today, it was decided to present Herman Von Metzke, teller of the Lancaster branch, with a substantial sum of money, to be placed to his credit.

THE HILLS THAT ROCKED.
Scene of the Devastating Earthquakes in British India.THE OGDEN EDUCATIONAL PARTY
IN A FATAL RAILWAY CRASHMany Prominent Americans in
Railway Wreck On the
Southern Road.

Greenville, S. C., April 29.—The special train bearing the Robert C. Ogden educational party ran into a freight train today just outside of Greenville. None of the Ogden party was seriously hurt. The engine, baggage car, library car and two dining-cars were badly damaged. Nearly all of the party were asleep when the accident occurred.

The passengers injured were in the dining-car. The fireman of the special train was killed and Prof. Henry W. Farnum, of Yale University, had his right arm broken and was severely cut and bruised. Mrs. Farnum was cut and bruised. Others hurt were St. Clair

TRAIN FROLICHS WITH BABY

Tossed Two-Year-Old Off Track, But
Only Bruised Him.

Winsted, Conn., April 29.—"When I saw the little one on the track ahead I thought of my own little child, and I slapped on the brakes so quick that it brought us to our feet in the cab," said Engineer Harry Drinkwater, of a work train on the Naugatuck division, which struck the two-year-old son of Joseph Begey in the outskirts of Torrington yesterday afternoon.

The little fellow had strolled upon the track to play, and stood inside of one rail, when the mother heard the whistle of the locomotive and looked out. One hundred feet separated the two, and the mother started on a run to save her baby. Before she had gone

Small Is Anxious to Buy
The Grand Opera HousePresent Lessee Offers \$50,000
for the Theater, But
Is Refused.

There is a possibility that the Grand Opera House in this city will change hands.

Ambrose J. Small, of Toronto, who, with F. C. Whitney, of Detroit, has leased the house since its opening in September, 1901, has offered the Grand Opera House Company the sum of \$50,000 for the theater, but the offer has been refused. It is understood that the company is capitalized at \$50,000, and that the directors are asking \$60,000 for the building.

Mr. Small's lease of the house expires next season, and it is said that if the

house is not sold the rental will be greatly increased, as three parties, besides Mr. Small, are after the theater. Mr. Small is the theatrical magnate of Canada. Beginning a few years ago with practically nothing, he now controls two theaters in Toronto, one in Hamilton, Ottawa, Brockville, Kingston, Quebec and London. Of these he is the owner of the majority.

The Grand Opera House here is known as one of the finest and most up-to-date theaters in America, its stage being large enough to accommodate the scenic effects of any production on the road. Its seating capacity is about 1,800.

Manager Small will arrive in this city this evening for the purpose of consulting with the directors regarding the deal.

ROBB MEETS THE
G. T. R. MACHINISTSTells Them to Talk Over Dif-
ferences With Their
Superintendents.

Toronto, April 29.—G. T. R. Superintendent of Motive Power Robb this morning received a deputation of machinists representing the various shops of the company in Toronto and the west, in regard to wages and other things. After the questions had been discussed between them Mr. Robb intimated that as the conditions varied in the different shops it would be better for the deputation to meet the local superintendents. Subsequently Mr. Robb said to the reporters that he did not anticipate any trouble.

Bowen for Chili

Washington, April 29.—Secretary of War Taft has received instructions from the President to call Minister Bowen, now at Caracas, to Washington; also to send Mr. Russell, now minister to Columbia, to Caracas; and Mr. Barrett, now minister to Panama, to Colombia.

It is stated that if Mr. Bowen's action relative to charges affecting Assistant Secretary State Loomis are not subject to criticism, it is the President's purpose to send him as minister to Chili and, probably, as ambassador to Brazil.

CHECKMATING THE KAISER

British Minister Going to Fez to
Consult With the Sultan.

Paris, April 28.—The Tangleur correspondent of the Echo de Paris says that the unexpected news of the forthcoming visit to Fez of the British minister at Tangier has caused a sensation at Tangier. There is reason to believe that the attitude of Great Britain during the past month will result in the Sultan's accepting a large part of the programme of reforms proposed by the French minister.

The Gazette says that the aim of the British mission to Fez is to support the demands of France and check the efforts of Count von Tattenbach-Aaskold, the German charge d'affaires.

MORE VICTIMS

Whitney Kept at His Beheading of
the Old Inspectors.

Toronto, April 29.—Today's Gazette announces the following among other names in regard to officers of the license act: Walter Shaver, Woodstock, inspector for North Oxford, vice William G. MacKay; George T. Jones, Stratford, provincial officer for that city under the provisions of the act, vice John Carey; William Clegg, Morris, inspector for East Huron, vice J. R. Miller; Robert T. Kemp, Listowel, inspector for North Perth, vice William Clinch; and in connection with all the old officials mentioned were dispensed with by the department, none of them having resigned.

Exhibition for Montreal

Montreal, April 29.—A meeting is going on today at the city hall under the auspices of the Business Men's League in connection with all the old officials mentioned were dispensed with by the department, none of them having resigned.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Colder.

Toronto, April 28-8 p.m.
Sun rises 5:13 a.m., sets 7:17 p.m.
Moon rises 3:08 a.m., sets 2:43 p.m.
Cool weather prevails over the Northwest Territories, with light snowfalls in Assiniboia. In Ontario and Quebec the weather has been fair and warm. Strong winds are indicated for the lake region.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 40-52; Kamloops, 34-58; Calgary, 26-56; Edmonton, 34-52; Qu'Appelle, 32-38; Winnipeg, 34-62; Port Arthur, 34-60; Parry Sound, 42-74; Toronto, 36-68; Quebec, 32-68; St. John, 36-68; Halifax, 30-62.

FORECASTS.

Strong westerly winds, clearing.

Sunday colder, with strong westerly winds.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	28	23	Cloudy
Winnipeg	34	28	Cloudy
Parry Sound	64	62	Cloudy
Toronto	64	62	Cloudy
Ottawa	56	48	Rain
Montreal	56	52	Fair
Quebec	44	44	Cloudy
Father Point	56	44	Clear

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather is warm and showery this morning in Ontario and fair in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. Light snowfalls have occurred in Assiniboia and the weather is now cold in Manitoba with strong northerly winds.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Friday, April 28, 1905, were: Highest, 73.5 above; lowest, 37 above.

ADMIRAL TOGO ON HIS QUARTER-DECK, READY TO DEAL WITH A
SECOND RUSSIAN FLEET.PLAGUE HITS PISAGUA, CHILE;
STREET STREWN WITH CORPSESMany Shot by Soldiers While
Attempting to Escape
From City.

APPRAISER TAYLOR DEAD

Succumbs to Pneumonia After a Few
Days' Illness.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, April 29.—A. H. Taylor, appraiser of customs at Ottawa, died here this morning of pneumonia. He was taken ill of Wednesday last, and was in bed for several days before joining the Government service as Grand Trunk agent at Ottawa. He was 67 years of age, and one of whom is Dr. Taylor, Golden, B. C., at one time a player on the capital lacrosse team. The late Mr. Taylor was ex-president of St. Andrew's Society.

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Portland, Ore., April 29.—Colonel R. W. Richardson, secretary of the National Good Roads Association, who is here to attend the National Good Roads Convention in June, is in receipt of a telegram from New York stating that arrangements have been completed for the motor car race from New York to Portland. This race will start from the Waldorf-Astoria May 8, the first car to arrive at the convention of the National Good Roads Association in session at the auditorium of the Lewis and Clark Exposition, to receive \$1,000.

COST OF FORTIFICATION

Govt. Will Ask \$2,000,000 for Halifax
and Esquimaux Fortifications.

Ottawa, April 29.—The supplementary estimates will contain an appropriation of \$2,000,000 to meet the cost of taking over and maintaining the fortifications at Halifax and Esquimaux. Two companies of infantry, under the command of Major Wadmore, Frederick, will leave shortly for Halifax to enter upon garrison duty. The infantry regiment there will number about six hundred men. Some non-commissioned officers and men of the Royal Garrison Artillery, whose time has expired, will be enlisted for service under the Canadian Government at Halifax and Esquimaux. A number of them are being sent to the coast of Africa.

MILITIA CHANGES

A Number in the London District
Corps Announced.

The latest militia orders issued at Ottawa announce the following changes in the corps of the London district:

Twenty-sixth Regiment, Middlesex Light Infantry—The name of Lieut. J. N. Armstrong is removed from the list of officers of active militia.

Twenty-seventh Regiment, Middlesex Light Infantry—Lieut. J. N. Armstrong is removed from the list of officers of active militia.

Twenty-eighth Regiment, Middlesex Light Infantry—Lieut. J. N. Armstrong is removed from the list of officers of active militia.

Twenty-ninth Regiment, Middlesex Light Infantry—Lieut. J. N. Armstrong is removed from the list of officers of active militia.

Thirtieth Regiment, Middlesex Light Infantry—Lieut. J. N. Armstrong is removed from the list of officers of active militia.

STROMBOLI SPITS FIRE

Heavy Fall of Stones and Much Lava
From Volcano.

New York, April 29.—A Herald dispatch from Catania, Italy, says: Mount Stromboli is in eruption. There has been a heavy fall of stones and much lava flowing in two streams down opposite sides of the mountain. The eruption is accompanied with many slight earthquake shocks. Many tourists tried to visit it, but could not get near enough on account of the shower of red-hot stones.

A German scientist, Dr. Schultze, who tried to approach the mountain, received a severe burn on his face, and the effect at night is magnificent.

WHEELS OF WAGON TRUST COMPANY
PASSED OVER HIMA Serious Accident to Robert
Brooks, Wholesale Butcher
—Will Recover.

Robert Brooks, a wholesale butcher, who resides on the fourth concession of London township, near the Cronin farm, met with a serious accident in East London about 7:30 this morning.

Mr. Brooks was driving south on Giebe street with a load of beef, when the wagon fell into a rut left by the waterworks men who lately put in a service into one of Mr. John Hayman's houses. The lurch broke the whiffletree and the team ran away.

Mr. Brooks was dragged over the dashboard and became entangled in the rig, the wheels of the wagon finally passing over him. He was picked up in a semi-conscious condition when the team was stopped in front of Welford's rope factory.

Dr. English was summoned, and he found that Mr. Brooks had sustained a fracture of two ribs, a bad cut over the eye, a sprain of the left wrist and a number of ugly cuts on the face.

He was taken to the residence of his brother, Mr. Wm. Brooks, 724 Dundas street, where he is now resting easily. Dr. English says he will recover.

Old Woman Murdered.

New York, April 29.—The lifeless body of Mrs. Whalen, aged 75 years, was found in bed at her home at 332 East One Hundred and First street today. She had apparently been murdered several days ago. It is believed she had been beaten on the head with a hammer, as the bloody implement was found lying near the bed. The police have sent out a general alarm for a man of German type, a harness maker, who boarded with Mrs. Whalen. He has not been seen since Sunday.

SOCIETY CROWDS
TO SEE PICTURESNo "Picture of the Year" at
the Royal Academy.

SCANDAL OVER REJECTIONS

One Statue Secured by New Gallery
Has Received Great Praise—Fewer
Oils, More Water Colors.

London, April 29.—The one hundred and thirty-seventh exhibition of the Royal Academy will open on Monday. A crowded private view, which inaugurates the London season, was held yesterday. The academicians and associates appear to less than the usual advantage. Sixteen of them are not represented, including Edwin Abbey, who is occupied with designs for Harrisburg, which are too large to be shown at the academy. Outsiders are well up to the average, a feature being the large quantity of capable works by women. Good landscapes are numerous, but nothing promises to be the picture of the year even among the academicians.

Much scandal has been caused by some of the rejections. The directors of the new gallery secured a rejected statue, at the instance of Sir William Blake Richmond, K. C., and in that rival exhibition it meets with extravagant praises from artists, critics and sculptors. The sculptor is Howard Thomas, an Englishman, living at Capri.

The exhibits number 1,382, compared with the 1,842 shown last year. There are fewer oils and more water colors. The largest canvas is 30x12, which is shown by Mr. Herkimer. It contains 33 figures. It represents a session of the burghers at Landsberg. As a study of character it has interest, but the interest is far from being proportionate to its huge size.

Sir Edward Pointer, president of the Royal Academy, sends a picture, a portrait and two water colors, none of which is remarkable. Luke Fildes' state portrait of the Queen occupies the place of honor. It is a somewhat perfunctory performance.

Sir Lawrence Alma Tadema exhibits one of the largest pictures he ever painted. It is a six-foot canvas depicting the finding of Moses by Pharaoh's daughter. It contains many figures, but there is no white marble nor traditional bulrushes. The picture is understood to be a 10,000 commission, from Sir John Lubbock, K. C., John S. Sergeant contributes six portraits.

BRITISH NAVY DENIES

Two of Battleship Tاجستic's Big Guns
Cracked, But Are Fixed.

London, April 29.—The admiralty issued today an official statement confirming the Daily Graphic's assertion that fifteen British battleships are unfit for action because their twelve-inch guns are incapable of firing fifty full charges.

The admiralty says that one twelve-inch "Mark 8" gun on the battleship Cradock has cracked at the muzzle and a second gun shows a crack in the inner tube, but they have fired the equivalent of 66 and 75 full charges respectively. These guns have been exchanged and repaired and will soon be reissued.

The statement continues:

"One twelve-inch gun was fired with 162 full charges before being reissued. The guns on board the battleships Mars, Caesar and Jupiter have fired the equivalent of over 60 full charges and are still perfectly serviceable."

WED BY WIRE

Bride in Bowling Green, Ky., and
Bridegroom 2,000 Miles Away.

Bowling Green, Ky., April 29.—Mary C. Slaughter, of this city, and James Murrell, of Fort Mackenzie, Wyo., although separated by 2,000 miles, were united in marriage through the medium of the Western Union Telegraph Company. A clergyman was at each end of the line.

The telegraph company's bill was \$2 70.

The bride was attired in a white wedding gown and the usual veil. She was accompanied by friends, who witnessed the novel ceremony. Murrell's regiment will leave in a few days for the Philippine Islands. His wife will leave home immediately to accompany him.

Greys at the Falls

Toronto, April 29.—Lord and Lady Grey concluded their Toronto tour this morning, leaving at 9 o'clock by the Grand Trunk for Niagara Falls. They will spend most of the day at the Falls, returning to Toronto at 3:15 p.m., and leaving at 10 o'clock by the C. P.

Lord Grimthorpe Dead.

London, April 29.—Lord Grimthorpe (Edmund Beckett) died at St. Albans today. He was born in 1816.