

SUNDAY CARS TO PORT, APRIL 24 ANNOUNCEMENT IS NOW MADE

Beginning Sunday Next the London and Lake Erie Railway and Transportation Company Will Operate a Regular Schedule—First Car Will Leave at 7 o'clock in the Morning.

Sunday cars will be run to Port Stanley and St. Thomas on Sunday next.

The management of the London and Lake Erie Railway and Transportation Company, known formerly as the Southwestern Traction Company, today announced that the regular Sunday schedule will be commenced on Sunday next, April 24.

The first car out of London will start at 7 a.m., and cars will be run at regular hourly intervals from that time until the evening.

The fare will be the regular week-end fare, which will allow for a return on Monday, as at the present time.

MANAGEMENT CONFIDENT.

The Dominion charter gives the company undoubted rights to operate cars on the Sabbath, the management claim, and there will be no attempt to interfere with the company.

"We will operate cars on Sunday, commencing on Sunday next," said Manager Mowbray, who was asked by The Advertiser concerning the company's plans. "We will run the regular daily schedule as in operation at the present time. We expect no trouble, as our charter covers the ground thoroughly. We have decided that the week-end fares will operate on this day."

CASE OF THE P. M.

"There is nothing to prevent the Pere Marquette operating cars to Port Stanley on Sunday."

This statement was made by a prominent lawyer, who is widely read on railroad law, to The Advertiser, today.

"The road is operated under a Dominion charter, the same as the Grand Trunk, the C. P. R., or any other company," he continued. "The management have undoubted rights to run trains on Sunday. More recently, the London and Lake Erie Company were granted the right to operate cars on Sunday. All are under Dominion charter, and if the Pere Marquette so decide, I fancy there is nothing to prevent them."

"So far as the agreement with the city is concerned, I fancy there is nothing to prevent Sunday cars. The contract, as I read it, compels the company to maintain a certain schedule every day, Sunday excepted, but there is nothing in that to prevent the company running on Sunday."

DID NOT PAY FORMERLY.

The same gentleman expressed his opinion that Sunday cars were abandoned on the L. & P. E. R. not because of legal difficulties, but because they would not pay. If the company are of the opinion that they will pay, there is nothing to prevent them from running, if they so desire.

As for handling coal on Sunday, there is not so much certainty, although it is understood that they can do so.

Mayor Beattie is awaiting the opinion of City Solicitor Meredith on the subject before calling a meeting of the L. & P. E. R. board to deal with the request of the company. This opinion will be ready in a very few days, and then a meeting will be called.

POINT TO BE SETTLED.

"It merely depends on whether or not the Dominion railway commission have control of the road," said Mayor Beattie. "If they have, there is no reason why cars should not be operated on the first day of the week. I have not received Mr. Meredith's opinion as yet, but when we do I will call a meeting of the board."

"It does seem an injustice to the company to have a rival company run cars to the Port, and be prevented from so doing. If one has the right, the other should have the same right. There are a number of things to be considered by the board when the matter comes up, and we will canvass the situation thoroughly."

BOARD OF TRADE BANQUET WILL BE A VERY BRILLIANT AFFAIR

President Hays of the Grand Trunk Railway Will Respond to the Toast, "Imperial Transportation Development"—Prof. Adam Shortt and Mr. J. P. Downey, M. P. P., Will Also Be Heard.

The Board of Trade banquet on Thursday evening promises to be one of the most successful ever given by the board. There will be about 300 members present, and no expense has been spared to give the guests a good time.

Mr. Charles M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk Railway, will respond to the toast of "Imperial Transportation Development." The toast, "Canada," will be taken

care of by Mr. J. P. Downey, M. P. P., Guelph, and "Commercial Interests" will be replied to by Prof. Adam Shortt, chairman of the civil service commission.

There will also be a toast to "Visiting Bureaus" and Mayor Beattie will be asked to reply on behalf of the city of London.

A number of out-of-town visitors will be present at the banquet, including Mr. D. E. Hoste, Esq., the general director of the mission at Shanghai, which, when decoded, reads as follows:

All missions at Chang Sha rioted; all destroyed. Prior to result, personal effects all lost. China Inland Mission workers arrived safely at Hankow, with the exception of Dr. F. A. Keller and Mr. O. Hollenweger, remaining at Chang Sha for the present, on board the steamer. Position is not encouraging in the whole district."

It will be noted that no reference is made to the report of a collision with a gunboat on the river, and so it is concluded that the damage, if any, was not very serious.

**CHILD THREW STONE
BIG ROW WAS RESULT**

Story of How Two Families Found Themselves in the Police Court.

Because little Ethel Niles, aged 8, of Hamilton road east, threw a stone at little Gertrude Barnes, aged 11, when she was going to the shoemaker's one day recently, a row resulted which brought both families into the police court this morning, and ended by Mrs. Niles being bound over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace.

It was alleged that Mrs. Niles had kicked Gertrude Barnes also, after hearing the evidence. Magistrate Love told Mrs. Niles that she should have tried to make the children friendly towards each other, instead of acting as she had, and bound her over to keep the peace.

Judgment Reserved.

At Osgoode Hall, before Chief Justice Meredith, re Birkbeck Loan Company, an appeal by Mrs. Daniel from the local judge at London, judgment was reserved.

STORM ON NORTH SEA.

Cuxhaven, April 20.—A wild storm is raging over the North Sea today. Shipping generally is harbor bound. The Holland steamer Nord Holland, a coaster, arrived here in a damaged condition this afternoon.

A BALLAST TRAIN DROPPED INTO LAKE

Four Perished in Disaster On Transcontinental Construction Near La Tuque.

Quebec, April 19.—According to the latest news the catastrophe on the Transcontinental Railway happened at Lake MacDonald, 40 miles from La Tuque. A viaduct built on the shores of the lake at a height of 75 feet, fell down under the weight of a ballast train composed of six wagons heavily loaded, and 40 men were precipitated into the lake, which is 15 feet deep. Four men were crushed to death and 22 others were more or less injured. The others escaped.

MERCURY WAS CLOSE TO FREEZING POINT

Dropped to One Degree Above Last Night—Cold Weather To Be Expected.

The mercury dropping within one degree of the freezing point last night. Quite a quantity of snow fell, and there was a chilly breeze pervading the air, which made Londoners seek the warmth of their firesides. Very few people were out and the streets were quiet.

The indications point to a clearing up, but continued cool weather. This morning the temperature had gone up a little. At 8 o'clock it registered 38 degrees.

HARBOR AT PORT IS GREATLY IMPROVED

Kettle Creek Dredged at the Mouth—Big Dock Being Built.

A channel 200 feet wide and 16 feet deep has been dredged in Kettle Creek at the bridge where the docks of the Ontario Navigation Company are being built at Port Stanley.

For some days the government had had a dredge at work. The stream has been widened from 135 to 200 feet, and has been dredged a uniform depth of 16 feet.

The dock is being rapidly built, and will be ready for occupancy by May 24. "We will have the Forest City at our docks before May 24, and we will commence operations then," said Mr. Mowbray. "Everything is being rapidly pushed forward."

**ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY
SPENT PLEASANT EVENING**

A Splendid Address Given by Sheriff Cameron—A New Departure.

The first of a series of meetings arranged by St. Andrew's Society, was held last night in the Foresters' Hall.

President Alex. Fraser presided. The purpose of the society is to hold an evening of a social nature periodically and stimulate interest in matters pertaining to Scotland.

Sheriff Cameron gave an address on "The Ballad Poetry of a Lost Cause," having special reference to the literature incident to the uprisings of 1715 and 1745.

Songs were admirably rendered by Messrs. Patterson and Meldrum.

A most enjoyable evening was spent, and many interesting remarks were made during the evening.

**BEN BLACKSTOCK VISITS
THE POLICE MAGISTRATE**

Made a Friendly Call Last Night Although He Hadn't Been Invited.

Ben Blackstock, the city dog-catcher, played a foxy trick on the police last night that is causing the greatest amusement around the station today. It is stated that Blackstock was considerably under the influence of liquor, and in order to elude his pursuers he was trying to arrest him, but as soon as he saw them coming he ran away. Half a dozen constables were on Blackstock's trail at one time, and suddenly he disappeared completely. Search as they could the sleuths could not locate him. The mystery was not solved until some time later, when it was discovered that Blackstock, in order to elude his pursuers paid a friendly visit to Magistrate Love at his home. He talked about all sorts of things, and managed to kill a quarter of an hour, by which time the police were blocks away. Ben slipped quietly home after.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—SLEET OR RAIN.

Forecast for Toronto, April 20—8 a.m. Fresh to strong variable winds; cool; occasional rain or sleet.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.

Calgary..... 30 50 Cloudy

Winnipeg..... 30 50 Clear

Port Arthur..... 48 28 Clear

Toronto..... 48 36 Cloudy

Ottawa..... 64 44 Fair

Montreal..... 66 50 Cloudy

Quebec..... 54 40 Rain

Father Point..... 34 34 Cloudy

No reports from Victoria or Parry Sound this morning.

WEATHER NOTES.

The depression still hovers in the lower lake region, its centre being now situated over Lake Erie.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC ENGINEERS APPROVE ALL THE CONTRACTS

Tenderers Want Three Months From Date of Signing Contracts in Which to Deliver the Goods—A Compromise May Be Reached.

All the contracts for machinery for the power station have been approved by the hydro-electric commission's engineers, and are ready for signature. The contracts will be forwarded to London today, or tomorrow, and will be signed.

Everything is satisfactory, according to information received, with the exception of the date for delivery. The commissioners want the goods

delivered within three months of the date of the awarding of contracts, while the companies interested want three months from the signing of the contract.

There is about a month's difference, and that will have considerable bearing on the date of the completion of the power station here.

However, it is anticipated that a compromise will be reached between the parties.

**INSURANCE RATES MAY NOW
BE CUT BY UNDERWRITERS**

It Is the Opinion That Inspector Howe's Visit Will Result in an Amelioration of Conditions—Inspector Secured Data for the Insurance Man.

The visit of Inspector Howe, of the underwriters, to the city, is considered preliminary to the opening of negotiations between the underwriters and the civic bodies looking towards a lowering of the insurance rates of the city.

The last visit of Mr. Howe was when the key rate was raised the last time, and the presence of the inspector is taken to mean that the underwriters are preparing either to lower the rates or give reasons why they should remain as they are.

According to reports, Mr. Howe did not test the water pressure on his previous visit.

The Water Pressure.

He discovered that there was but 22 pounds pressure, although 42 pounds were registered elsewhere. Since that time the normal pressure is about 60 pounds, but the inspector apparently took no notice of that fact.

"I think the work is preliminary to opening up the question of insurance rates," said Mr. John M. Moore, engineer of the waterworks. "Mr. Howe is obtaining information as to the capacity of the new pumping station, capacity of the wells, etc., and these facts will be presented to the underwriters for their information."

He has no doubt that the underwriters will come to London within a reasonable time and discuss rates with us," said Commissioner Pocock. "There is no reason why they should be kept pressure according to his own ideas, so high as they are."

**SEQUEL TO KILLING OF SCOTT
ACTION TO RECOVER THE FARM**

Wesley Scott Sues the Executor of the Will of His Father Who Was Shot and Killed by the Wife of the Plaintiff—Thorndale Case Again in the Public Eye.

An interesting case which will come up at the next sitting of the high court is that of Scott vs. Vining, an echo of the Harvey Scott tragedy at Thorndale.

Wesley Scott, a son of Harvey Scott, the old man, who was killed by his daughter-in-law, several months ago, is the plaintiff. He claims that there was an agreement with his father that if he stayed and worked on the farm till the old man's death, the farm would then become his property.

In his will the father violated this alleged agreement, and divided the farm up among the other brothers and sisters.

The plaintiff is suing the executor of the estate, Joseph Vining, to recover possession of the farm. The writ was issued by Mr. J. A. McEvoy.

Another high court action is that of McRoberts vs. C. P. R. The plaintiff's son, a Glencoe young man, was working on a bridge gang at Windsor and was killed by an engine backing in on him.

Negligence is claimed on the part of the plaintiff.

Unstated damages are sought.

**JOE WARD RELEASED
HAS SERVED HIS TERM**

Man Who Got Into Trouble in a Scuffle Is Once Again Free.

Joseph Ward was released from the county jail Tuesday afternoon.

He was sentenced to a year for manslaughter, and had been in jail Oct. 7. He has been in jail practically a year, however.

It will be remembered that Ward, in a drunken scuffle, shoved "Trusty" Warwick down the stairs of the Morikin House, Warwick subsequently dying from the effects of the fall.

Ward was charged with manslaughter and sentenced to a year at the fall assizes. He had been in jail six months before his sentence, and consequently has served a year.

Ward resides in London Township.

**LITTLE COLORED BOY
SAW FATHER FINED**

Laughed and Appeared Happy When His Parent Was Unable to Produce the Cash.

A little kinky-haired pickaninny, with a musical laugh was a keenly interested spectator at the police court this morning. He sat on his mother's lap and took in everything, and was just as happy when his father, Elijah Owens, was fined \$3 for being drunk as if he had been allowed to go.

Mr. Owens had not the \$3, and the court sent him down for ten days.

John Dishman, a young man from Parkhill, who also slipped off the wagon, was fined \$2.

James Wilson, of West London, charged with stealing a gasoline burner from Thomas Dyer, pleaded not guilty. He said he borrowed the burner last November and had so far failed to return it, but could do so at any time.

Crown Attorney McKillop remarked that Wilson had sold the burner, but that Wilson said that he had got it back again. He asked that the case be laid over until tomorrow morning and this was done.

**STEAMER LOST IN
HALIFAX HARBOR**

Halifax, N. S., April 19.—The steamer Halford ran aground at the entrance to the port here this morning. Her crew were saved, but it is believed that the vessel is a total loss.

LAST FLING AT NAVAL BILL BORDEN AGAIN FOR THE CASH

Tries to Explain His Right-About-Face by Blaming the Liberals and Once More Declares Himself in Favor of Money Contribution.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 20.—The Commons this morning began its final struggle with the naval bill, Sir Wilfrid moving the third reading without comment shortly after the House opened.

Mr. Borden paid his last respects to the measure in a brief speech, reviewing the arguments previously advanced by the Opposition on the main contention that effective aid to the empire could best be given by placing a certain sum of money at the disposal of the Imperial Government unconditionally for purposes of defence. Audible Conservative cheers he again asserted that before any definite naval policy was adopted the proposals should be consulted and the proposals should be submitted to the House.

That was the demand of the Liberal party in the case of the Canadian Pacific Railway contract. The question had never been before the people at all, and he claimed that the proposals of the Government were a complete reversal of its attitude at the conference of 1907.

That About-Face.

Mr. Borden sought to reconcile the present Conservative attitude towards the bill with the indorsement by the Opposition of the unanimous resolution of last session. He asserted that the people who had abandoned the resolution were the Liberals, basing their claim upon the argument that the naval bill did not provide for co-operation with the Imperial navy along the lines suggested by the British admiralty.

He did not propose that the naval forces of Canada should be sent to all the little wars of the empire, but he did insist that in time of war there should be one naval force (read Conservative cheers), and that that force must be available to meet any enemy. Under the Government bill the enemy would have to reckon with the British navy, plus a potential order in council which might not come until after the destiny of the empire had been settled. Delay might spell disaster, and vote to the whole empire, and it would be small satisfaction to turn a Canadian Government out of office after the empire had suffered wreck.

Mr. Fielding.

Hon. Mr. Fielding made a vigorous reply. The bill, he said, involved no new principle, but ratified the principle laid down many years ago, when Canada assumed her military defence. All were agreed that Canada must participate in Imperial defence. The resolution passed unanimously by the House last year not only declared against the policy of contribution, but was a declaration that the time had come for the creation of a Canadian navy, such as was proposed by the bill. He insisted that the Government had acted in co-operation with the British admiralty, and said: "We are proposing a scheme which the British Government approved of."

**WOMAN JUSTIFIED
IN KILLING BRUTE**

Acquitted of Murder Charge, Prosecuting Attorney Refusing to Act.

Port Arthur, Ont., April 20.—At last night's session of the assizes, Mary Matthews, of Port William, a Galician, was placed on trial on the charge of murder in killing Paul Sonobolski at her home in the coal docks section on Feb. 16, and was acquitted without the case being given to the jury.

H. Keefe declining to prosecute after hearing the evidence of the woman and two other witnesses.

The woman swore that Sonobolski had assaulted her when she was twice before and that she killed him only in self-defence. Two neighbors corroborated her story. The judge instructed the jury to give a verdict of acquittal, which they did without leaving the room.

**TERRY KING MAY ALSO
GO WITH GRAND TRUNK**

Rumor Says He Will Be Given a Big Berth With W. E. Mullins.

According to report, Mr. Terry King, a former Londoner and a well-known railway man, who held an important position on a Costa Rican road, has been offered a big berth in the head offices of the Grand Trunk at Montreal.

Mr. King will, it is said, take the position of vice-president, and will also of this city, goes to Montreal to be assistant to Mr. Fitzhugh, the third vice-president, and acting general manager of the road.

The latter position is practically assured, it is claimed, as Mr. Fitzhugh is said to be very favorable to the idea.

**MR. FIELDING TABLES
THE SUPPLEMENTARIES**

Total Asked for a Little Over Five Millions, Bringing Main Estimates to \$132,814,074.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, April 20.—Supplementary estimates for the current fiscal year, totalling \$5,438,000, were tabled in the House of Commons this morning by Hon. W. S. Fielding. Of this amount, \$3,673,781 is chargeable to consolidated fund and \$1,764,219 to capital account. With the main estimates totalling 127,670,992, the total expenditure for the year provided for, this amounts to \$132,814,074, of which \$37,248,715 is on capital account, including \$29,000,000 for the National Transcontinental Railway.

Principal Items.

The principal items in the estimates brought down this morning for expenditure on capital account include:

To begin construction of the Hudson Bay Railway, \$500,000.

Further amount required for construction of Quebec bridge, \$500,000.

Surveys and borings for proposed new or enlarged Welland Canal \$25,000.

Port Colborne harbor improvements, \$113,000.

Port Arthur and Fort William harbor improvements, \$100,000.

Quebec harbor improvements, \$100,000.

Victoria Harbor, B. C., \$90,000.

On consolidated fund account, the items include \$94,475 for the new department of the naval service, to provide for office, salaries and expenses, \$40,000 for experimental farms, and the establishment of additional branch stations; \$30,000 additional for exhibitions; \$125,000 additional for immigration; \$5,000 towards erection of

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SKULL FRACTURED

Ingersoll, Ont., April 19.—Since yesterday Geo. Nichols, the 21-year-old son of Mr. Emmerson Nichols, a well-known North Oxford farmer, has lain unconscious at his home and practically no hope is entertained for his recovery. He was picked up in a field on his father's farm with his skull fractured, supposedly by a wagon wheel passing over it.

About half an hour before he was found his father noticed the team standing idle in the field, but concluded that his son had merely left them for a few minutes to shoot woodchucks. Later, attracted by groans, he found his son lying near the fence. It is thought he fell off the wagon.

Lost Her Purse.

An old lady lost her purse near the corner of Richmond and Dundas streets this morning, and it was picked up by another lady. The policeman on the corner was notified of the loss, and an effort will be made to locate the missing article.

WM. DOUGLASS PLEADS GUILTY TO CHARGE

Stole Jewelry From a Boarder—Was Again Remanded Today.

William Douglass appeared before Magistrate Love this morning at the police court and admitted that on Dec. 15 of last year he stole a diamond pin valued at \$25 from John Miller, who was boarding at his mother's house, and that he had had the pin melted up and made into a ring, which he had given to his girl.

Last week Douglass admitted stealing a diamond ring, and a diamond pin worth \$130, from Thomas Bedson.

In this case, however, Douglass had left home and broke into the house to get the things.

Crown Attorney McKillop asked that Douglass be remanded for another week, as some more articles were taken from the house about the time and have not been recovered.

Angeline Shippl and Dominic Monaghan, two Italian girls, 14 and 15 years old, were remanded in their thanks when the magistrate allowed them to go as first-timers.

**LEONARD TILLEY DIED
SUDDENLY IN TORONTO**

A Former London Bank Man Passed Away From Effects of a Hemorrhage.

Mr. Leonard Tilley, son of Mrs. Elizabeth M. Tilley, of 214 King street, and until recently vice-president of the Bank of Montreal here, and very unexpectedly in Toronto yesterday.

Mr. Tilley was transferred from London to Toronto last fall, and was at work in the bank yesterday afternoon when he was taken ill, and went to his boarding-house about 2 o'clock. About 4 o'clock, when one of his friends called in to see if he were better, they found him dead.

Physicians who were called to attend that death had resulted from a hemorrhage. Mr. Tilley was 44 years old, and a son of the late Rev. William Tilley, who was the first pastor of the Crown Memorial Church. His grandfather, the late Sir Leonard Tilley, was at one time lieutenant-governor of New Brunswick, and finance minister in Sir John A. Macdonald's cabinet.

Besides his mother, Mr. Tilley survived by two sisters, Mrs. M. D. Fraser, of this city, and Mrs. White, of Detroit. The remains will be brought to this city for interment, but the funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

**SARNIA IS ANXIOUS
TO GET THE SEVENTH**

Probable That Local Regiment Will Spend May 24 in Border Town.

It is quite likely that the Sarnia Regiment will spend May 24 in Sarnia. An offer has been received from the town council of Sarnia, stating that they will grant \$200 towards the expenses if 600 men are brought, and \$100 if less than that number.

The Government has made the regiment a grant, but it is stated, it is insufficient to cover the expenses of going under canvas here.

An effort will probably be made to get the city council to make some grant toward bringing the city regiments of Western Ontario here.

Last year the men went to Sarnia and went into camp and had a splendid time, and there is a strong feeling of going back again this year.