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DEATHS AND FUNERALS

ARTHUR McCLARY BURIED.

The funeral of Arthur McClary, who died suddenly on Saturday, was held on Tuesday afternoon from his residence, 400 Queen's avenue, to Woodland Cemetery. Rev. Archdeacon J. B. Richardson and Rev. G. Q. Warner conducted the services. The pallbearers were Roy Moore, Clair Moore, Percy Moore, E. Johnson, Bruce Wanless and Wallace Laut. A profusion of flowers adorned the casket.

MRS. W. P. McKAY DIES.

Mrs. W. P. McKay died at her home, 486 Princess avenue, yesterday from pneumonia. She is survived by her husband; her mother, Mrs. W. E. Iligh, who is in Victoria Hospital with pneumonia; two sisters, Miss Muriel and Mrs. Hugh Calken of Nova Scotia. Interment will be made in Nova Scotia.

MRS. SOPHIE MAY DEAD.

Mrs. Sophie Louie May died yesterday at her home, 1057 King street, after an illness of some weeks. She is survived by her husband and one son. The funeral will be held from her residence on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. H. B. Ashby will conduct the services. Interment will be made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

DIES OF HEART FAILURE.

Mrs. Edward Parker, 1197 Florence street, died suddenly this morning of heart failure, in her 52nd year. Mrs. Parker is survived by her husband, and five sons, Herbert, Frederick, Reginald and Jack of this city, and Colson, who is in England. Mrs. Parker was a native of England, coming from that country to London ten years ago. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

VICTORIA NURSE DEAD.

Miss Margaret Louise Hoath, a nurse in training at Victoria Hospital died at that institution last night from pneumonia. Miss Hoath, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoath of 493 Oxford street was in her third year of training and had been engaged in combatting the influenza epidemic, contracting the disease herself.

Miss Hoath, who was 27 years of age is survived by her parents and two sisters, Sarah and May, and three brothers, Thomas, Robert and John Hoath of Saskatchewan. The Hoath family were among the first settlers in Saskatchewan, and a town there now bears the family name. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

SUDDEN DEATH OF ROBERT HOOKWAY.

Robert Hookway, one of London's oldest active businessmen, died suddenly yesterday at 2:20 o'clock at his residence, 332 Central avenue, in his 75th year. Mr. Hookway's death came as a shock to his relatives and friends, as he was at his place of business on Saturday, and apparently in good health. His sudden death was due to heart failure.

Mr. Hookway came to this city 50 years ago from Devonshire, England. On arrival here he immediately entered the flour and feed business in which he has been interested ever since. He was prominent in Masonic circles, and a member of the First Methodist Church.

He is survived by his widow, Margaret, one daughter, Mrs. Roberts of Chicago, and two sons, Clarence of Toronto, and Bert of this city. The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon from the family residence at 3:30 o'clock.

Rev. R. G. Peever will conduct the services. Interment will be made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

FUNERAL OF MRS. TOM WONG.

The funeral of Mrs. Tom Wong, who died on Sunday from pneumonia, was held this afternoon from the undertaking parlors of George E. Logan to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. D. C. MacGregor conducted the services. Mrs. Wong was ill only a few days. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Lem Wong, is now the only Chinese woman in the city. The funeral was largely attended by the Chinese citizens.

INMATE OF THE JAIL IN VERY WEAK STATE

George Wilson, an inmate of the jail, who is serving three months for stealing some money from guests at the Salvation Army Hostel, is in such a weakened condition that he can consume nothing but milk.

So far Wilson has served but two months of his term. He is of no use about the jail, as he is so delicate that he cannot work.

As the prisoner is not an urgent case his removal to Victoria Hospital is out of the question. Another objection to any action of this kind is the congestion caused at the hospital by the great number of influenza cases there.

It is understood that a petition for his release was to be circulated, but to date nothing of this has been heard.

WORLD'S LARGEST FISHING BOAT.

Paris, Feb. 25.—The Patrie, the world's largest steam fishing boat, was launched at Selby, Yorkshire, for a French firm. It will be used in the Newfoundland fisheries.

INSPECTED CAR SHOPS. — W. H. Sample, general superintendent of the G. T. R. car department, arrived in the city this morning and inspected the car shops.

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LOCAL NEWS

FIRE IN NEW BUILDING.—The fire department had a run last night at 11:15 to Hyman's new building on St. George street. The flames originated in some canvas that had been put around a stove to keep the heat down on a new cement floor. About $100 damage was done.

"Y" SNOWSHOERS.—A delightful snowshoe party was held last night by the Y. M. C. A. A great many of the younger people were out and enjoyed the trip, which started out north and ended at the foot of Dundas street, as the river was used to facilitate operations. Refreshments were served at the "Y" to the hungry guests on their return.

BUSINESS FORUM SUBJECTS.—The subjects that will be brought up tonight at the meeting of the Business Forum will be "The Milling of Wheat," by Charles Hunt, and "Foreign Exchange and Why the Canadian Dollar Is Only Worth 85 Cents in United States," by W. R. Yendall. The meeting will be held in the Y. M. C. A.

FIRE AT TANNERY.—The fire department responded to a call to the Hyman tannery at 11:30 o'clock last night, where the scaffolding on the new building had taken fire. Two heaters had been placed on the scaffold to keep a new cement wall from freezing, and when one of them became overheated the scaffold took fire. The firemen estimated the damage at about $200, the new wall being heavily damaged by water.

SCHOOL ESTIMATES.—A special meeting of the boarl of education has been called for Friday afternoon to approve the spending of $274,000 for new public schools. No. 2 committee has finished its estimates on this matter. The board will now be asked to ratify them and send them on to the council. It is possible that No. 3 committee may complete its estimates for a new collegiate before that date, and that these also will be submitted.

WEEKLY HEALTH REPORT. — The weekly report of communicable diseases as given out by the board of health shows a marked improvement, only thirteen cases of influenza being reported. Three cases of acute influenzal pneumonia and two cases of acute primary pneumonia were reported. Mumps heads the list with fourteen cases. There are three cases of diphtheria and two cases of chickenpox. This makes a total of 45 cases of disease during the week.

CHOPIN RECITAL TONIGHT.—Music lovers have been looking forward with pleasure to the recital to be given by Mr. Viggo Kihl, the Danish pianist, at the London Institute of Musical Art tonight. The program will consist of Chopin number and will include the G minor ballade, B flat minor Sonata and eight shorter forms of piano pieces. Mr. Kihl has few equals as an interpreter of Chopin and Liszt, and the program for tonight will give him ample opportunity to display his marvelous powers as a virtuoso.

NEW COMFORT STATION. — An underground comfort station at Adelaide and Dundas streets, costing $7,500, will be considered with the city estimates during the next two weeks. Ald. G. B. Drake has been working on plans with City Engineer H. A. Frazier for some time, and announces that the work could be done for thisr amount. He claims that only the first cost of the plan would have to be considered. No attendant would be required. If one is considered necessary the cost will be several thousand dollars more.

"FOX" IS DESTROYED.—"Fox," after serving the city valiantly for fourteen years, has been painlessly destroyed. Fox was well known to many, having been on duty night and day with no Sundays off for fourteen years. He has served under three masters and scores of men have taken great care of him during his long service. "Fox" is a fire horse, and has served at different fire stations in the city. He was getting old and feeble and instead of selling him to someone unknown who might treat him unkindly, the kind-hearted firemen decided that he would be better treated and more happy in the animal heaven. Owing to his size he was not buried in the firehall buzying ground, where "Mike," the fire hall dog now rests beneath a wooden cross.

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ROBSON BELIEVED

commission as to the appointment of experts.

Recently the board has added to its duties that of newsprint control. It has been found that as a result of the length of rope given by the former paper controller to the paper manufacturers, the board's duties in that respect arer extremely difficult. Price Bros. are being prosecuted, but have disregarded the order of the board to appear.

Several Methods Available.

There are several methods by which Price Bros. can be dealt with. In the first place, they may be proceeded against under common law, and indicted for a breach of the combines and fair prices act. In the second place, they may be tried by the board of commerce, pronounced guilty, and sent to a criminal court for conviction. In the third place, they may be committed for contempt by the board as a court of record. In the fourth place, they may be proceeded against by the exchequer court for contempt, inasmuch as the order of the board has been made a rule of that court. Again, they may be ordered by the board to cease and desist from continuing to break the law, and for every day of continuance thereafter may be fined $1,000 a day and costs. Moreover, the company and each and every member of the company, and each director and each officer personally cognizant may be made liable severally and cumulatively. In such case, should there be 50 members of the firm, the fine would be $50,000.

With all these methods at its disposal it would appear to be fairly easy to deal with the recalcitrants.

Amendments Expected.

Whether Price Bros. will come voluntarily or not will be known today. It is stated that they will come, if not willingly, by force. It is probable that the board of commerce act and the acts under which the board operates will come in for important amendments during the coming session. It has been suggested that a good deal of authority could all be turned over to local authorities. In the meantime it is not known who will be the new chairman. Mr. O'Connor framed the act, and his promotion might be anticipated. On the other hand, the resignation of Judge Robson may lead to reorganization on an extensive scale, with a change of powers.

WELL-KNOWN TORONTO MINISTER IS DEAD AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Toronto, Feb. 25.—A short illness of pneumonia resulted in the death this morning of Rev. John McPherson Scott, who for 33 years had been pastor of St. John's Presbyterian Church in Toronto, piloting successfully its fortunes since its origin. On December 23, 1914, Harry Asher, a former Rumanian missionary, made a murderous attack on Mr. Scott as he was leaving his house to attend prayer meeting. Of the six shots fired, one would have been fatal had it not been deflected by a steel spectacle case carried by the minister.

The late Mr. Scott is survived by Mrs. Scott and one son.

FIFTEEN THOUSAND FLU CASES IN PROVINCE

Toronto, Feb. 25.—Although hopeful that the crest of the influenza epidemic has been passed, Dr. J. W. S. McCullough, provincial officer of health, stated today that reports received from various parts of Ontario give slight indication of a falling off thus far. More than 15,000 cases have been reported to the department up to last week.

There were 187 cases of smallpox reported last week, as against 162 the previous week.

LABOR BUREAU NOW HAS CLEARING ZONES

New System Adopted in Order To Secure Work For Employer.

To facilitate the placing of the unemployed and the relieving of the shortage of labor at different points in the province, clearing zones have been established by the Ontario Labor Bureau. The province has been divided into five districts. London is to be the clearing station, with W. Tutt as representative. Western Ontario zone, which includes the cities of Sarnia, Windsor, St. Thomas, Chatham, Guelph, Kitchener and Galt.

There are many applicants in the different towns who are willing to work in any place in the province, and in some places there are positions that cannot be filled by local help. To alleviate this trouble and to systemize the work of the bureau all points in each zone will report the cases of unemployment and vacancies to the clearing centre. Here the different reports will be matched up, and notifications will be sent to each office concerned to arrange such transfers as may be possible.

Any order or application which cannot be matched up within the zone will be forwarded to the provincial clearing house in Toronto, and they will be included in the bulletin which will be issued at least weekly. The plan has already been put into operation and results have already been obtained by the local clearing house.

CANADIANS GATHERED BY LABOR BUREAU MADE GOOD ABROAD

Employed To Erect a Great Wireless Tower in France.

Canadians are reported to be excellent and efficient workmen, in a letter received this morning by W. Tutt, superintendent of the local labor bureau, from the company which erected the steel towers ou the wireless station at Bordeaux, France, which is said to be the largest in the world. The latter also praised highly the work done by the labor bureaux throughout the province in securing the workmen for the company.

Last summer the bureaux recruited in 70 to 80 steel workers, which were taken to France by the construction company, to work on the steel towers. The men are now returning home and are reported to be highly pleased with the experience and the treatment received while in France. In commenting on the service given by the labor bureau the letter said that the men were secured much more rapidly in this province than a co-operating company got men by extensive advertising in the United States.

HOME RULE MEASURE GIVEN FIRST READING IN BRITISH COMMONS

Government's Latest Bill Is Presented Today.

London, Feb. 25.—The Government's bill for Irish Home rule was presented in the House of Commons today. The measure at once received its first reading.

MAY CONSIDER ASKING LEGISLATURE TO GRANT HIGHER CAR FARES

No. 1 committee of the city council may this afternoon consider asking the Ontario Legislature to grant higher fares to the street railway company, in accordance with a motion of Ald. John Ashton at the last council meeting. If there is a comparatively small attendance at the meeting, however, the question may be left in abeyance.

Mayor Little is absent from the city as well as Ald. John Bridge. This may make it impossible to proceed with several important items of business, including consideration of estimates.

MAYOR IS IN TORONTO; MAY TALK WITH DRURY OVER LONDON AFFAIRS

Mayor Little is in Toronto today. Ald. F. E. Harley is acting in his place. While no announcement has been made, it is presumed that the mayor will interview Premier H. C. Drury in regard to several changes in municipal affairs which have been recommended by London. Among these is proposal to change the municipal elections to an earlier date in the year. Another is to permit commercial travelers the privilege of voting before the regular date if they expect to be out of the city.

PARTNERS IN COURT OVER BUSINESS PACT

Annis vs. Annis, a supreme court case, has been transferred from St. Thomas to London for trial. James Annis of 82 Woodward avenue, and formerly of this city, is seeking to have Sadie Annis carry out an agreement, to which he claims that she was a party. The plaintiff also is seeking an injunction preventing the defendant from disposing of her property or contracting any debts against it.

Last summer at Port Stanley the plaintiff claims that he made an agreement with the defendant, by which he was to be manager of a restaurant, of which she had charge. He claims that he was to receive one-half of the profits of the place.

On June 25 last he claims she refused to let him come into the place of business, and also to be manager.

The defendant claims that the plaintiff represented to her that the document in question was a new lease on the restaurant, and that she, not speaking or understanding the English language, did not know differently. She is a Greek.

W. G. R. Bartram for the plaintiff, W. C. Fitzgerald for the defendant.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—Hogs—Receipts, 16,000; higher; bulk of sales at $13 90@14 60; top, $14 80; heavy, $13 65@14 25; medium, $14 15@14 65; light, $14 50@14 80; light lights, $14 25@14 75; heavy packing sows, smooth, $12 40@13; packing sows, rough, $12@12 40; pigs, $13 25@14 50.

Cattle—Receipts, 6,000; steady; beef steers, medium and heavy, choice and prime, $13 75@16; medium and good, $11 25@13 75; common, $9@11 25; light, good and choice, $11 60@15 25; common and medium, $8 50@11 60; butcher cattle, heifers, $6 50@12 50; cows, $6 50@11 25; canners and cutters, $5@6 50; veal calves, $15@16 25; feeder steers, $7 50@11 50; stockers, steers, $6 75@10 25.

Sheep—Receipts 15,000 head; steady; lambs, $17 50@20 65; culls and common, $14@17 25; ewes, medium, good and choice, $11 25@14 50; culls and common, $6@10 75.

PREMIER DRURY SAYS STORY IS PIPE DREAM

Declares Report Concerning Commission Is Without Foundation.

Toronto, Feb. 25.—Premier Drury today denied the report appearing in a Toronto paper that a commission named by the Massey Foundation of Toronto University had been appointed to report on reconstruction of the educational system.

"It is absolutely a pipe dream," said the prime minister. "I thought the Ontario temperance act was being fairly well enforced, but after reading this I have my doubts.

"It is true that an offer has been made to the minister of education by the Massey Foundation, and is now under consideration by the Government, but no decision has been reached as to whether it will be accepted or rejected. When a commission is appointed, it will be by the Government, and not by the Massey Foundation. The Government will also, in all probability, bear the expense of the inquiry. If anything is going to be done, this Government will do it."

Premier Drury denied most emphatically the suggestion that the resignation of Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education, was likely. "There is no variance of opinion between Mr. Grant and myself on this subject," he stated. "As for the suggestion that Hon. Nelson Parliament is to succeed Mr. Grant, I cannot deny it too emphatically."

Cinderella Ball

MASONIC TEMPLE,

next Saturday, will be one of the events of the season. It will be a friendly, good feeling sort of a feel-at-home ball, where everyone will be satisfied with the time spent. Just this same feel-at-home, friendly confidence is expressed at John A. Nash, My Jeweler's store. Everyone who buys there seems perfectly satisfied. He sells that better class of jewelry and his store is 206 Dundas street, "where you will eventually buy." "Meet My Jeweler and wear diamonds." b

GALT APPLIES FOR 530 ADDITIONAL H. P. HYDRO COMMISSION

The Preston Methodists Plan Building of New Sunday School.

GALT, Feb. 24.—The public utilities commission has taken advantage of an offer of the Hydro Commission to secure more power, and has applied for an additional 530 h. p., which, however, will cost a higher figure, as it is a part of the additional 20,000 h. p. purchased by the commission.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL.

While the campaign of the Preston Methodists to raise $20,000 to erect a new Sunday school does not start until March 1, already several handsome subscriptions have been received. It is hoped to break ground for the new building in the spring. The congregation plans at a later date to build a new church.

G. T. R. TRAINMASTER.

J. Allword has been appointed trainmaster of the Grand River Railway, with headquarters at Preston.

License Inspectors Elliott and Beckett raided the store and house of a Preston foreigner and seized eleven cases and some barrels of liquor. Police court proceedings will follow.

TORONTO.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.] Toronto, Feb. 25.

	Asked.	Bid.		Asked.	Bid.
A Sugar	91	90	Spanish	80	79
do pfd.	125	..	do pfd.	..	120
Barcel.	61½	61¼	Stl Can.	77	76
Brazilian	42¾	42	do pfd.	100	..
B C Fish	60½	59¾	Tooke...	75½	72½
Bell Tel.	106	104	Tor Ry..	44½	43
Burt ...	106	105	Tre'wey.	47	46
do pfd.	106	105	Tucketts	50	48
C Bread	28½	28	Tw City.	..	35
do pfd.	86½	..	W'Pour.	140	135
C Car..	..	55	Win Ry.	33	30
do pfd.	100	..	Banks, etc.—		
Cement.	65	64	Com'rce.	193½	192½
C S L...	73	72¼	Domin...	206	204
do pfd.	81⅝	81½	Hamil'n.	191	189
CGElec.	104½	104	Imperial.	194	192
C Loco..	..	98	Merch..	189	188
do pfd.	90	..	Molsons.	..	187
C P R...	144	140	Mont'l.	208	205
C Salt..	135	..	NScotia.	270½	..
C Dairy.	62	60	Royal...	..	215
do pfd.	99	95	Stand...	..	214½
Coniag's.	305	300	Toronto.	193	190
Smelters	28½	28	Union...	158	156
Con Gas.	142	..	C Land.	..	145
Cr Res..	39	37	C Fern	..	172
Cr Nest.	48	..	Col Inv.	70	..
Dome .	1300	1275	H Prov	..	146
Canners.	57½	..	H & E..	113½	112½
do pfd.	88½	..	do 20%	..	105
DSCorp.	68½	67¾	L Bank	..	140
Dom Tel	..	91½	NTrust.	..	205
Duluth..	29	..	Ontario.	..	159
In Pet..	..	70½	do 20%.	149	..
Larose..	50	49	REstate.	..	96
Mackay..	78½	77	TGTrus.	..	208½
do pfd.	70	69½	T Mort.	..	135
M Leaf..	185	..	C Bread	..	93
Monarch	60	..	C S L...	79¾	..
do pfd.	..	88	Canners	95	92
N S Car.	7½	6	Elec Dev	92½	..
do pfd.	35	30	Penmans	90	89
Nip'g..	1250	12	P Rico.	82½	..
NSSteel	..	66	Ontario.	..	87
P Burt..	87	..	Quebec..	67	..
do pfd.	83	..	Rio Jan.	73	70
Penman.	118	..	Sterling.	..	80
P Rico..	34	..	S Paulo	..	75
P Paper	..	80	Spanish	68	..
do pfd.	..	90	Stl Can.	98	..
Quebec..	27¼	27	War Loan.		
Riordon.	174	173	1925...	95¾	95¼
Rogers..	70	65	1931...	95½	95
do pfd.	101	100	1937...	99¾	99⅝
Russell..	86	..	Victory.		
do pfd.	..	88	1922...	99	98
Sawyer.	20	..	1923...	99	98
do pfd.	66	65	1927...	100	99
SWheat.	..	140	1933...	100	99
do pfd.	..	90	1937...	101	100

STANDARD STOCK SALES.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Feb. 25.—Morning sales: Boston Creek, 200 at 18; Dome Extension, 1000 at 29½; Dome Lake, 1000 at 10½; Gold Reef, 2000 at 4⅜; Keora, 600 at 23, 2000 at 23½; Kirkland Lake, 1000 at 72; Lake Shore, 500 at 116 ;McIntyre, 1000 at 206; Porcupine Crown, 5500 at 29½, 2500 at 30 200 at 29; Teck-Hughes, 500 at 18½, 1500 at 18¼; Krist, 1000 at 6½; Beaver, 1000 at 63½; Bailey, 2000 at 5¾, 3000 at 5½; Crown Reserve, 3000 at 38½; Hargraves, 500 at 4; La Rose, 2700 at 50; Nipissing, 100 at 12.30; Peterson Lake, 1000 at 21¼; Temiskaming, 4000 at 43; Trethewey, 2575 at 46¾. Total sales, 45,875 shares.

BUTTER AND EGGS.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—Butter—Market is unsettled; creamery, 43@65c.

Eggs—Higher; receipts, 16,957 cases; firsts, 50@50½c; at mark, cases included, 47@49c.

CHICAGO GRAIN FUTURES.

[Jones, Easton, McCallum Company.] Chicago, Feb. 25.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Corn—				
May	$1 34	$1 36	$1 33¼	$1 36
July	1 30	1 31⅛	1 28¾	1 31
Oats—				
May	80	80⅝	79¾	80¼
July	73	73	71¾	72⅝

WINNIPEG GRAIN FUTURES.

Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—Close: Oats—95½c; July, 90⅝c.

Flax—May, $5 08; July, $4 77½.

WALL STREET.

New York, Feb. 25—Wall Street, 1:30 p.m.—Announcement that the local federal reserve board was in session, and an advance in call money to 9 per cent, caused further price recessions at midday. Steels and equipments were among the shares most affected by further pressure, but no part of the list was exempt.

GAME INSPECT. MAKES HAUL OF FISHERMAN'S COMPORT ON ISLAND

The Windsor Council Refuses Grant To Salvation Army by Five To Four Vote.

NOT OUT OF DANGER

Man Shot by Japanese On Thursday in a Serious Condition.

WINDSOR, Feb. 24. — One hundred bottles of whiskey were found by Ramond Laframboise, fish and game inspector for the north riding of Essex, while he was patrolling Fighting Island. The liquor is supposed to have been left there by some whiskey-runners, who were evidently too heavily laden to make the American side of the river. The whiskey has been turned over to License Inspector Mousseau, who is investigating the case.

NO GRANT FOR S. A.

By the close vote of five to four, the city council at its meeting Monday night voted down the proposal to submit the question of granting $25,000 the new Salvation Army hospital to the people. The reason for the defeat is given in that the two strongest supporters of the project were absent from the meeting and the apparent change of heart of Ald. Harvey. The vote occasioned considerable "fireworks" between the two factions.

After some hesitation, it was decided to apply for a further housing loan of $750,000 for the city. The passing of numerous bylaws completed the session.

IN SERIOUS CONDITION.

Andy Moffie, alleged to have been shot by Sakaam Koyamma, a Jap, in a drunken brawl on Thursday morning, near the river front in Sandwich East, is not yet out of danger, according to the hospital authorities, who said today that his feet were in a bad condition, having been frozen while Moffie lay in the snow after the shooting. Koyamma, who is held at police headquarters, will appear again in court on Thursday, but will be again remanded until Moffie is able to appear against him. So far, Moffie has refused to make any charge.

SHORTAGE OF LABOR.

According to the Government bureau of employment here, there is a grave shortage of various kinds of labor in the border cities. Building laborers are most in demand, and considerable building is being held up on account of the scarcity of help. The bureau also has demands for carpenters, farmhands, salesmen, clerks, bench and machine workers. More than 130 persons were placed in positions last week, but the demand far exceeds the supply.

VERBAL TILT IN COURT.

The police court this morning was the scene of frequent verbal clashes between Magistrate Miers and Barrister W. H. Furlong, while acting Crown Attorney R. S. Rodd figured in at times. It was in the case of Robert Spindleman, who was identified by two government "spotters," Cutts and Henry, as the man who sold them a bottle of whiskey last Thursday night in the Imperial Hotel. The defence produced evidence to show that Spindleman was not in the neighborhood of the hotel at the time of the alleged offence. Magistrate Miers reserved his judgment until Thursday, at which time he will give his decision on more than 20 similar cases.

WANT CARNEGIE LIBRARY.

Walkerville will make an attempt to secure a Carnegie library for the town. This was decided at the meeting of the library board Monday night.

The round-up of Detroit thugs continues here. Police are showing no leniency to those Detroiters who insist on coming to Windsor and imbibing too freely of the forbidden fruit, and Magistrate Miers assists by tacking on large fines until the municipal coffers are considerably swelled.

BLAMES PARENTS.

In his address to the grand jury at the opening of the assizes in Sandwich Monday afternoon, Justice Kelly declared a large share of the blame for the prevalence of crime rested with guardians and parents of children. He declared that many do not fully realize and assume the responsibility with which they are entrusted.

According to the health authorities, influenza is decidedly on the wane in the border cities. While several new cases have been reported, the number is falling off considerably, while the number of deaths has decreased accordingly.

TORNADO DESTROYS HOUSES AND CHURCH

Madrid, Feb. 25.—Thirty houses and a church have been destroyed by a tornado which swept over the town of Benicarlo, on the eastern coast of Spain, 80 miles northeast of Valencia.

ADVOCATES GREATER DEVELOPMENT OF ALL CANADA'S RESOURCES

Prof. McIver Advises This As Better Policy.

Toronto, Feb. 25.—Terming an "economic fallacy" the belief that Canada would be benefited if the people were to purchase only goods made in Canada, Professor R. M. McIver, economics master of the department of social service, University of Toronto, today urged the greater development of Canada's natural resources as a better policy than that of attempting to compete with other countries in manufacturing. He pointed out that should the manufacturers become overstocked, as might easily occur through overcompetition within Canada, men taken on to meet a temporary demand would be the first to be paid off and even were they so inclined most of them would lack the necessary capital to start on farms.

EQUITABLE LIFE CONTINUES PROGRESS

New Insurance in 1919 Totalled $454,839,000—Average Policy Being $3,229.

The sixtieth annual statement of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States gives evidence of the company's continued progress. The new insurance in 1919 totalled $454,839,000, and the outstanding insurance reached the $2,270,000,000 mark on December 31; $73,990,000 was paid to policyholders and beneficiaries in death claims, matured endowments, dividends, annuities, etc., during the year. The average policy issued was $3,229, as against $2,743 in 1918. A large increase was made in the number of policies payable on the monthly income plan, as well as those taken to protect business interests and to provide for inheritance taxes. Of the total new insurance issued $79,573,000 was group insurance for the protection of employees of several hundred mercantile and manufacturing establishments, for which all premiums were paid by the employers. Notwithstanding a heavy increase in the number of claims handled early in the year due to the influenza epidemic, 97 per cent of the total was paid within 24 hours after receipt of proofs of death. b

ANCIENT ROME GROWS MODERN

Carnivals, Feasts, Fairs Give Way to New Order As War Aftermath.

Rome, Feb. 25.—Rome changes fast: it is getting modernized. Though its citizens who now hang on to antiquated street cars by their eyelashes may have to wait ten years for a comfortable subway, the fact remains—daily life in this old city is rapidly getting to be as prosaic as New York's.

The war killed old customs—too many to mention, and peace has failed to do anything except put a stone on their graves. Gone is the old noisy Befana (Epiphany) toy fair, when children got their "Christmas" presents. Romans predict that stockings will actually be hung up by the children if things go on like this.

Carnival Is Gone.

Gone, too, is the carnival, with its races, masques, confetti and noisy mirth. The Feast of St. John on June 24, when every decent citizen ate snails and garlic and sang Roman ditties outside of St. John's Church, is no more. And many other feasts and fairs and customs which delighted citizens as well as tourists, have been swept away.

But Romans, whether Italian or American, no matter where they happened to be born, consoled themselves with the thought that Aragno was left. Aragno is the biggest cafe in this city—the club, debating room and rendezvous where you look for anybody you happen to want. No sane man seeks a long-lost brother on the telephone or by means of the local "Who's Who." He keeps to Aragno—and finds him there.

U. S. OFFICERS AND SAILORS ENTERTAINED BY QUEBEC PEOPLE

Quebec, Feb. 25.—(Canadian Press).—Some 200 American officers and sailors, who are wintering in Quebec, were entertained here last night in the Knights of Columbus Hall, at a smoker which was given specially for them. The program included boxing and vaudeville and was brought to a close with the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner," "La Marseillaise," and "God Save the King."

PATRIOTIC FETE AT VERDUN.

Verdun, Feb. 25.—Verdun is organizing a patriotic fete for June 23 to commemorate the extreme limit of the German offensive in 1916. Delegations from all regiments that took part in the battle on the banks of the Meuse will be present.

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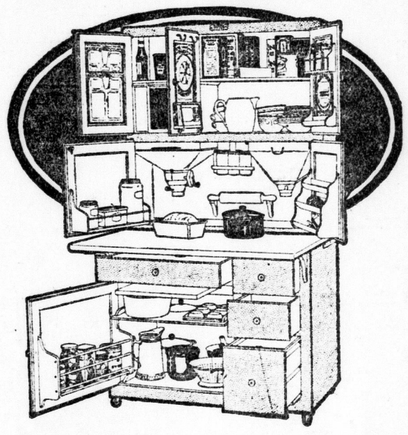

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New York, Feb. 25.—Fire which broke out shortly before midnight in the Robert Jacobs shipyards at City Island destroyed several yachts and three buildings. Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger for the American cup, Shamrock IV and the American trial yacht Vanitie, were endangered by the flames, but were saved by a shift in the wind.

The boats burned were the Irolita and Queen, respectively 85 and 126 foot schooners, owned by E. W. Clark of Philadelphia, the Mystery, a 125 foot schooner, owned by Wm. H. Farwell of New York; the Veona owned by Mrs. George Luther of Philadelphia; the Aurora, owned by Capt. John L. Peterson and three smaller craft.

The bronze and steel hulls of the vessels were considerably warped and the interiors completely wiped out.

Early estimates placed the loss at nearly $1,000,000. 65 sailing craft were stored at the yards. The origin of the fire is not known.

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