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HON. ADAM BECK CALLS COMMITTEE TOGETHER WILL LAY WELLS PROPOSITION BEFORE THEM

Actual Tenders Secured For Entire Artesian Plant.

OVER 2,000,000 GALLONS OF WATER

High Pressure to Reduce All the Insurance Rates—Pumping Cost All Right.

Hon. Adam Beck has called a meeting of the sixteen gentlemen who were behind him in January last in his water scheme, to consider his plans before submission to the water commissioners.

The members of the committee are Mr. T. F. Kingsmill, T. H. Smallman, C. B. Hunt, Col. J. W. Little, Col. W. M. Gartshore, F. E. Leonard, Col. A. M. Smith, Geo. C. McCormick, John H. Chapman, R. J. Young, C. R. Somerville, W. W. Thomson, John Labatt, ex-Mayor F. G. Rumball and Mr. Thomas Baker.

The meeting will be held in the board of trade rooms, and it is expected that all the members of the committee will be on hand, except Col. Little, who is in Europe.

What Will Be Done.

Mr. Beck is out of the city today, but it is understood that he will produce some very valuable information for the public.

He will furnish 2,500,000 gallons of good water, with a reservoir of 5,000,000 gallons capacity; a steam plant, and electrical plant of the most up-to-date make, and a high pressure system in the downtown district that will undoubtedly reduce the insurance rates, for a sum not much in excess of $100,000.

These figures are based not on estimates but on actual tenders for the work to be done, from some of the best firms in America, as well as from local contractors who are to do a certain portion of the work.

Cost of Pumping.

The cost of pumping will also be given, and the figures will be an agreeable surprise, it is expected, to those who were informed that the cost of pumping would be quite excessive. As a matter of fact the pumping will cost but little.

In this scheme Mr. Beck gives more water than the scheme of last January with a plant just as good, for a cost of about one-third as great.

Mr. Beck has had in consultation with him some of the best water experts in America, and demonstrated that what Mr. Titus could do the city can do just as well without paying Mr. Titus for his experience and material.

The Water Commissioners.

The water commissioners will meet on Monday, and it is possible Mr. Beck will have his proposition ready to be submitted to them.

In the meantime he is going on with well No. 13, and it is expected that before the week is over, it will be pumping water, adding more to the already large supply to be obtained from them.

The McGregor well is being pumped. As was pointed out when the well was first sunk there is a large quantity of water to be obtained from it. The quantity is about half a million gallons.

No Analysis Yet.

No report has been received from Dr. Amyot, the Provincial analyst, as yet. Dr. Hutchinson sent the samples down some days ago, but the analysis has not yet been sent to him.

"I have heard no word from Dr. Amyot," said Dr. Hutchinson. "It takes some days before the return is made on the samples."

The Beck wells, seven of them, are being pumped, and they show a fine flow of water, sufficient to convince any person that the quantity is there and the quality as well.

The McGregor Wells.

There is no probability, so far as can be learned, that the water commissioners will take in the McGregor wells without consulting the people about it.

The transaction would involve a considerable sum of money, as it would be necessary to purchase the McGregor farm, or at least a considerable section of it, in order to get the wells.

Mayor Stevely was seen in reference to the matter this afternoon, but he declared that he had heard no discussion among the commissioners about taking over the McGregor wells without consulting the people.

"We have not discussed it," he stated. "We are waiting on Mr. Beck, as we understand he has a proposition to submit to us. When that proposition is discussed we will do something, I presume."

"You will not take in the McGregor springs in the meantime?" was asked.

"I do not think so," said his worship. "I have not heard that suggested."

FOUND WRECKED CREW

Sealer Just Returned to Halifax Visited Island in the Pacific.

Halifax, N.S., May 11.—The Nova Scotia schooner Beatrice L. Corkum arrived today from the Indian Ocean, having made a catch of 1,200 seals. It is nine months since the schooner sailed from Halifax.

Fernando Noran, an island off the coast of Brazil, was touched at on Sept. 28 for the purpose of replenishing the water supply. This is an island where Brazilian convicts are kept.

At Prince Edward Island, in the South Indian Ocean, a shipwrecked crew was discovered. They were from the steamer Solglimt, a ship hunting whales and sea elephants. The ship had been lost on Oct. 5. The crew had spent a month on the island.

WM. MAHON WANTS A LICENSE COMMISSIONERS REFUSE IT

Alleged That There May Be Some Startling Developments If Mr. Mahon Does Not Get His Money Back—Reported Sale of a Hotel on King Street Takes a Peculiar Turn.

The license commissioners never seem out of difficulty on the license problem, and they are now again in difficulties from their old friend, Wm. Mahon, so the story goes.

Some time ago, he began negotiations for the Clyde House, owned by William Thompson. A price was agreed upon, and the sum of $2,000 was put up to bind the bargain by Mr. Mahon.

MR. A. B. GREER,
Chairman of the London License Commissioners.

Then the commissioners were asked about a transfer of the license.

They did not take kindly to the idea, and so the bargain is hanging fire.

Both parties to the deal have a grievance. Mr. Thompson has been anxious to get rid of the place for some time, and now that he has a purchaser, he thinks that the commissioners should grant a transfer.

Mr. Mahon is equally positive that he should be given a license.

Really No Haste.

In the meantime, the commissioners are not saying very much, but there is certainly no haste in granting Mr. Mahon, the license.

From what can be learned, the commissioners argue that they have done quite sufficiently for Mr. Mahon. It will be remembered that he sold out his former license to the Canada News Company at rather a long price. The transaction was a good one for Mr. Mahon.

It was laid down at the time, it is alleged, that if the commissioners agreed to the transfer to the Canada News Company, Mr. Mahon was not to ask for a license again.

But he has, and there promises to be some interesting things said. The board are saying but little, and are allowing the other fellows to make a move.

In the meantime, the guarantee is up, and it may take some time to get it down. In the meantime, Mr. Mahon, it is alleged, is playing his high cards for the license, and it may be that some startling development will come of it. Mr. Mahon, it is alleged, has been in politics, and knows a thing or two.

THE MINTOS IN PERIL OF HYDROPHOBIA

Hands Covered With Saliva of Mad Dog—Are Taking the Pasteur Treatment.

Simla, India, May 1.—As a precaution against the possible development of hydrophobia, Lord Minto, Viceroy of India, and Lady Minto are undergoing the pasteur treatment.

While the Viceroy and his wife were out walking Lady Minto's lap dog was harassed by a wandering mad dog. Lord and Lady Minto went forward to rescue their pet, and while neither were bitten, their hands were covered with the saliva of the rabid beast. They submitted to the treatment on the advice of their physician. Two of the Viceroy's servants were bitten by the mad dog and also are taking the pasteur treatment.

WILL NOT ATTEND THE CENTRAL CAMPS

List of Western Ontario Militia Corps That Will Train at Headquarters.

Following the announcement made by Sir Frederick Borden in presenting the militia estimates that in order to economize some of the rural corps should receive their annual training at local headquarters, the following corps in the Western Ontario command are now under orders to so train: Military district No. 1—Twenty-fourth Grey's Horse, First Brigade Field Artillery, Thirtieth and Thirty-second Regiments of Infantry. Military district No. 2—Governor-General's Body Guard, "C" Squadron Second Dragoons, Twenty-third, Thirty-first, Thirty-fifth and Ninety-seventh regiments of infantry.

Arrangements have not yet been completed for the exact time and place of the training of each of the above corps. The Body Guard will train somewhere in the vicinity of Toronto at a date not yet fixed upon; the Second Dragoons will train at Burford, date not yet decided; the Twenty-third at Parry Sound, probably Sept. 7 to 18; Thirty-first at Owen Sound, and Thirty-fifth at Collingwood, June 28 to July 10.

The other corps in Western Ontario will train as usual in camp at London and Niagara, these camps being held simultaneously from June 15 to 26. A large amount of money will be saved by this plan in transportation alone, particularly in regard to corps at a considerable distance from the central camps.

BLYTHE MUST HANG

Will Be Executed on Thursday For Brutal Murder of Wife.

Ottawa, May 10.—The cabinet in council had under consideration again today the capital case of Walter Blythe, the Agincourt sectionman, under sentence to be hanged on Thursday next for killing his wife through beating her with a poker while in a rage. It was decided to let the law take its course.

MORE TROUBLE FOR CASTRO.

Caracas, Venezuela, Monday, May 10, via Willemstad, Curacao, May 11.—Cipriano Castro, the deposed president of Venezuela has been condemned by the courts to pay six years rental and heavy damages for the arbitrary occupation of the Miraflores Palace in this city. This building is the property of Senora Joaquim Crespo, the widow of a former president.

COMMONS PONDERS THE CROSSING PROBLEMS

The Minister of Railways Introduces Important Amendments to the Railway Act

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, May 11.—The Commons this morning considered the protection of life at level crossings.

Amended in several respects, Hon. Mr. Graham's bill to amend the railway act, came before the House of Commons this morning. Mr. Graham explained that he had added an amendment, making the provisions of the act apply to railway companies incorporated outside of Canada, but running trains in Canada, and also to railway companies running trains from the United States to any point in Canada.

With respect to the railway crossings section, he proposed to add a section founded on Mr. Lancaster's bill, with one or two stringent provisions. He desired to provide that at any crossing where in the past life has been lost or serious injury caused, no train should run over that crossing at a greater speed than 10 miles an hour until protection is provided according to the railway commission, and that when the commission had made an order for protection of a crossing trains should not run over that crossing at a greater speed than 10 miles an hour until the board's order has been complied with.

Mr. Lennox objected to the railway commission having a free hand in assessing municipalities, and urged the inclusion of a provision in the bill limiting contributions of municipalities.

He also suggested that country contributions should be devoted only to the separation of railway and highways, and that in every case the initiative for redress should be taken by the railway board.

Mr. Lancaster complained that the elimination of crossings was to be accomplished more at the expense of the people than of railway companies. He submitted that the cost should be borne by railway companies and the Dominion exchequer.

BELT LINE CAR STRUCK ICE WAGON

But the "Ice" Did Not Get a Great Deal the Worse of the Impact.

A Belt Line car collided with an ice wagon last night about 5 o'clock at the corner of Dundas and Wellington streets. Now an ice wagon is a rather serious proposition even for a street car to reckon with, and as the wagon stood its ground, the fender of the car was somewhat seriously damaged. The wagon, however, did not get off scot free, and lumps of ice were scattered broadcast, and the harness of the team was somewhat seriously damaged. No one suffered any injuries, however, and the wagon was able to pull away under its own horse power, and the car proceeded a little bit battered, but still in the ring. Fortunately, the motorman in charge had the car well under control, or there might have been more serious results.

WRIGHTS AT NEW YORK.

New York, May 11.—Wilbur Wright and Orville Wright, the aeronauts, arrived here today on the steamer Kron Prinzessin Cecile.

LONDON MAY AGAIN BE IN THE FIGHT

It Is Said Shuberts Are Negotiating for Bennett's Theatre Here

CANADA IS MAIN CENTER

Looks as Though the Theatrical Men Will Make the Fur Fly in the Dominion This Year.

According to latest advices there is every probability of another theatrical war between the Shuberts and Klaw & Erlanger.

It will probably affect London also.

It was rumored today that the Shuberts were negotiation with the Bennett Enterprises for the Bennett Theatre.

The idea was to book these attractions at this house, and run pictures in the interim. That would give London the benefit of all the Shubert attractions.

The Grand Opera House, of course, would continue to book the Klaw & Erlanger attractions.

Mr. A. J. Small, who is the owner of the Grand Opera House, and who controls a very large number of houses througbout Canada, is a prominent member of the Klaw & Erlanger Syndicate, and was prominently identified with the last theatrical war between the rival organizations.

London at that time was a storm centre, and eventually went over to Mr. Small.

May Go in With Bennetts.

The story going the rounds at the present time is that the Shuberts will be identified with the Bennett theatres.

They have secured a theatre in Hamilton. The Royal Alexandra in Toronto is a Shubert house, and it is said that other houses have been secured.

Montreal is accessible to the Shuberts, although Ottawa is closed tightly to them.

This would give the Shuberts at least three solid weeks in Canada, and would assist materially in stretching out their season to a full year with the houses under their control.

Associated with the Shuberts are David Belasco, Max Liebler, William Faversham and several others.

Local theatrical men will not discuss the situation.

They state that there is talk of a war between the different factions, but have nothing to say as to its possible effect on London.

Mr. C. W. Bennett, general manager of Bennett's, is at the present time in New York.

NINETEEN ONE DOLLAR BILLS WERE PAID IN

Bicyclists Continue to Pay for the Fun of Riding on the Sidewalks.

Nineteen $1 bills were piled up on Police Court Clerk Moule's desk this morning as a result of nineteen men on the sidewalks. There are stil a large the sidewalks. There are still a large number of cases of this nature to be disposed of, and it will take some days to get through them all.

A young man, for being drunk, was fined $10 and costs, or 21 days. He wanted time to pay, but the court thought he had better go down and get some of the whiskey out of his system.

Joseph Brierley, charged some time ago with being drunk, has not yet appeared. It was stated that he had left Victoria Hospital, and we will be notified to come up in court.

SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENTS.

Ottawa, May 10. — The Government has given out a supplementary statement as to the financial showing for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1909.

During the month of April $6,023,330 was added to the public debt, which now stands at $313,505,653. It is anticipated that more than $2,000,000 of the assets of the Dominion will be written off by direction of Parliament at this session.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—WARMER.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, May 11—8 a.m.

Variable winds; fine today and on Wednesday, with higher temperature.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Fresh northerly to westerly winds; showery at first, clearing toward evening or at night. Wednesday—Fine, with higher temperature.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fresh winds; rain.

Maritime Provinces — Fresh winds, southerly to southwesterly; showery, local thunderstorms.

Lake Superior—Fine, with higher temperature.

Manitoba—Fine at first; some local showers or thunderstorms at night.

Saskatchewan and Alberta—Some local showers, but partly fair.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
London	41	..	Clear
Calgary	36	34	Rain
Winnipeg	36	20	Cloudy
Port Arthur	42	32	Clear
Parry Sound	40	32	Clear
Toronto	46	40	Clear
Ottawa	36	36	Rain
Montreal	42	42	Rain
Quebec	40	38	Cloudy
Father Point	36	34	Rain

WEATHER NOTES.

The pressure is low in Eastern Canada and in the Northwest States. Elsewhere it is comparatively high.

Rain has fallen heavily in Southern and Eastern Ontario and in Quebec, also moderately in Southern Alberta and in Southwestern Saskatchewan.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

Toronto, May 10.—Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 39—49; Victoria, 44—48; Vancouver, 41—50; Edmonton, 38—62; Calgary, 34—56; Battleford, 34—64; Moosejaw, 26—53; Qu'Appelle, 32—60; Winnipeg, 36—58; Port Arthur, 24—50; Parry Sound, 36—48; Toronto, 43—48; Ottawa, 44—46; Montreal, 46—62; Quebec, 40—62; St. John, 42—48; Halifax, 40—70.

ONE MORE RECORD FOR CANDIDATES

Vote To Be Published Tomorrow, the Last Until Final Results

SATURDAY NIGHT VOTE

One Candidate Adds 26,000 Ballots and Slips Into Third Place — The Standing.

The vote published today is the standing of the different candidates up till last Saturday night (May 8). One or two notable increases are to be noticed. In district No. 4 one candidate adds over 26,000 votes, which brings her from fourth place to third. In No. 3 district, too, one candidate adds over 8,000 votes. Other big advances are noticed in several districts, but as a rule they are pretty evenly distributed.

Tomorrow there will be published the total votes polled up to tonight (Tuesday). After that date no information will be given or published in regard to the standing of the candidates until the final results are made known next week.

DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.

All that territory within the city limits, north of and including both sides of Dundas street, and west of and including both sides of Wellington street.

Miss Katie McLaughlin, 226 Hyman street	136,410
Miss May T. Mountjoy, 126 Mount Pleasant Avenue	112,450
Miss E. Ball, 664 Talbot street	78,796
Miss Maude Underwood, 209 Queen's avenue	5,151
Mrs. Norman Roberts, Richmond and John streets	3,342

DISTRICT NUMBER TWO.

All that territory inside the city limits, east of, but not including Wellington street, and north of and including both sides of Dundas street.

Miss Velma Hayes, 574 Adelaide street	80,697
Miss Annie Fitzpatrick, 763 Maitland street	37,354
Miss Ella Dickie, 860 Hellmuth avenue	27,646
Miss Mabel Connor, 474 Princess avenue	24,641
Miss Nellie Weston, 868 Dundas street	15,493
Miss Annie S. Stevenson, 391 Dundas street	7,125
Mrs. Ronald Emery, 338 Dundas street	102

DISTRICT NUMBER THREE.

All that territory inside the city limits, south of, but not including Dundas street, and east of, but not including Wellington street.

Miss Edna Calhoun, 318 Grey street	137,445
Mrs. Ida Willis, 398 Adelaide street	128,573
Miss Gertie Foley, 543 King street	13,949
Miss Margaret Edgar, 130 Dreaney avenue	9,882

DISTRICT NUMBER FOUR.

All that territory inside the city limits, west of and including both sides of Wellington street, and south of, but not including Dundas street.

Miss Winnie Grimason, 229 Richmond street	126,297
Miss Vera B. Hewer, 8 Ingleside street	122,831
Miss Edith Glanville, 153 Wharncliffe road	111,705
Miss Eva McDowell, 240 King street	111,210
Miss Maude Wheatcroft, 254 Hill street	32,837
Miss Louisa Babbage, 253 Grey street	8,170
Mrs. H. Hundertmark, Jun., 150 Bruce street	2,415

DISTRICT NUMBER FIVE.

The County of Middlesex outside the city limits.

Miss Margaret Simmie, Byron	115,256
Miss Rose Fraser, Poplar Hill	103,242
Miss Margaret J. Kennedy, Ilderton	102,226
Miss Rosa Longfield, Mossley	54,479
Miss Ethel Earl, Egerton street	53,874
Miss Grace Shepherd, Lambeth	50,131
Miss Lily Arthur, Lambeth	21,520
Miss Sylvia Oliver, Kilworth Bridge	12,318
Miss Rebecca A. Wilkins, Adelaide	10,893
Miss Ethel Grant, Chelsea Green	9,298

DISTRICT NUMBER SIX.

The Counties of Lambton, Kent and Essex.

Miss M. Anderson, Wyoming	65,999
Miss Aggie St. Clair, Brigden	50,331
Miss Clara Kipp, Chatham	38,255
Miss Irene Marriott, Sarnia	14,643
Miss Blanche Little, Wallaceburg	6,954
Miss Velva E. Myers, Florence	5,389
Miss Constance E. Cowan, Chatham	3,336
Mrs. Joseph Simpson, Ouvry	1,779
Miss Violet Wood, Mooretown	272

DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN.

The Counties of Elgin and Oxford.

Miss Maude Law, Harrietsville	36,316
Miss Maude Sweatman, Tillsonburg	16,694
Miss Eva Taylor, Port Stanley	12,847
Miss Bertha Sweet, Tillsonburg	7,095
Miss Carrie Field, Tillsonburg	5,005
Miss Pearl Best, Springfield	1,261
Miss Rose Shepherd, Aylmer	1,002
Miss Nellie McWilliams, Thamesford	428
Miss Mattie Moore, Bayham	224
Miss Christine Macdonald, Kintore	55

DISTRICT NUMBER EIGHT.

Counties of Huron, Bruce and Perth.

Miss Mary Gibson, Brucefield	40,984
Mrs. J. A. Rumball, Goderich	34,801
Miss A. W. Sawers, Brucefield	31,434
Miss Clara Holden, St. Marys	24,483
Miss Florence Pope, Hensall	16,196
Miss Alice Mawhinney, Crediton	5,571
Miss Leona Potts, Clinton	341

CHRISTIANITY.

Chicago, May 10. — Henry Vasey, a young Englishman, who fired two shots at Rev. J. K. Fielding when the priest discovered him in an attempt to rob the alms box of Corpus Christi Church, walked from the criminal court a free man today, as Mr. Fielding refused to prosecute.

"This young man was starving when he attempted robbery and murder," explained the priest. "I am going to pay his passage back to England, where his family lives, as they have assured me that they will try to reform him. I do not believe he is half bad."

The case was thereupon dismissed.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES SHOW DECREASED EXPENDITURE

Hon. Mr. Fielding, Minister of Finance, Tables Estimates Asking for Million Dollars—Big Cut in Country's Expenses as Compared With Last Year.

Ottawa, May 10.—Hon. Mr. Fielding, finance minister, presented the supplementary estimates in the House today. They amount to $1,016,689, of which $83,589 is chargeable to capital account.

The supplementaries are the smallest for a number of years. Along with the main estimates brought down earlier in the session they total $111,506,460 for the current fiscal year, of which $81,011,721 is chargeable to consolidated fund and $30,494,739 to capital account.

Further supplementary estimates for the past fiscal year were also tabled, including $100,000 for the Italian earthquake fund, $100,000 for the cost of the cattle quarantine along the international boundary and $10,000 for the expenses of the Canadian representatives to the agricultural conference at Rome.

Decreased Expenditure.

The expenditure which Parliament has been asked to authorize this year shows a total decrease of $21,774,772, as compared with last year—of this decrease $8,611,846 is on consolidated fund account.

The other items in the supplementaries for this year include the following:

The expenses of the conservation commission and to pay the salaries of the office staff, $22,500; to provide for expenses connected with the fisheries arbitration before The Hague tribunal, $50,000; for the Canadian section of royal commission to inquire into trade relations between Canada and the West Indies, $20,000; for seed grain distribution, $20,000; grant to the Quinquennial Conference of the International Conference of Women at Toronto, $1,000; grant in aid of memorial tower at Halifax, $5,000; for a monument to Laura Secord at Queenstown Heights, $2,000; for the removal of squatters from the Cooking Lake forest reserve, $14,000; for Dr. Grenfell's experiments with reindeer in Labrador, $1,000.

Five thousand dollars is provided for the salary of the deputy head of the new department of external affairs. To provide for an increase in pay for the Dominion police $8,000 is asked.

In the department of agriculture there are items of $7,000 to provide for an experimental cold storage station for fruit and an item of $10,00 to provide for the expenses of a commission to investigate the swine industry of Great Britain and Denmark.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST W. SMITH

Alleged He Absconded With $400 of George Granger's Money

RAISED ON A CONTRACT

Which He Was Performing For Bart. Cottam—Prisoner Captured in Ohio.

William Smith, until a few days ago a cotractor living in the north end, was arrested in Haskins, Ohio, yesterday, by Detective Thomas Nickle, on a charge of fraud preferred against him by George Granger, a local contractor.

Smith was brought to the city, and in court this morning pleaded guilty, and will appear again this afternoon, when the case will be disposed of.

Smith, it is stated, was building a house under contract with Mr. Bart Cottam, and on May 8, after, it is alleged, raising $400 on the strength of the contract from Mr. Granger, disappeared.

The local detectives were at once put on the case, and Detective Nickle and Mr. Granger left for Detroit.

There they learned that Smith had been in the city, but had left, and they at once started after him, locating him in Haskins.

The case will be disposed of this afternoon, and it is understood that Smith is very anxious to make restitution.

KINRADES REPORTED BOUND FOR ENGLAND

Reported To Have Left Montreal For Portland and Will Sail Wednesday.

Montreal, May 11.—It is believed here that Florence Kinrade, along with her mother and Montrose Wright, her fiancee, left this city this morning on the 8:30 train for Portland, Maine, and it is presumed it is the party's intention to leave for England on a Dominion Line steamer which sails to morrow. It is believed the party registered at the Queen's Hotel here under the name of Latchford, Washington, D. C. Their movements while in this city were kept very quiet, and everything that could be done to avoid publicity was done.

Hamilton, May 11.—T. L. Kinrade is in the city today. Reporters made efforts to locate him. He did not consult either of his solicitors, and it is supposed that he is in the city on private business.

BUILDING PERMITS CONTINUE BRISK

Many More Have Been Issued by City Engineer Graydon.

Several building permits have been issued by City Engineer Graydon since Monday, among them the following: B. Noble, to alter a two-story frame building on Maitland street, to cost $800; E. Herbert, 1-story brick on Thames street, to cost $1,200; M. J. McCoubrey, to raise frame house on Dundas street, $70; W. J. Crocker, one-story brick addition on Dundas street, to cost $150; I. J. Hole, two-story brick-veneer, on Elmwood avenue, $3,000; Andrew J. Clark, verandah on house on Princess avenue, $125; Martin James, story and a half brick-veneer, on Langarth street, $1,600; T. H. Janes, improvements to his residence on Marley Place, to cost $100, and John T. Russell, absement and roof on frame building on Central avenue, to cost $1,000.

THE BIG HATS STAY.

Guelph, May 11.—In spite of the resolution passed by the Guelph Ministerial Association condemning the wearing of big hats in church, the churchgoing ladies of Guelph positively decline to remove their creations. Only in one church, Norfolk Street Methodist, was there any sign of obedience on the part of the ladies present and here the little company of four hatless women in the morning dwindled down to two at the evening service.

7TH REGIMENT WILL PICNIC IN SARNIA

Boys Will Spend Two Days Under Canvas in Tunnel Town

A PARADE TO ST. PAUL'S

Regiment Will Attend Divine Service in a Body Next Sunday—The Orders for the Week.

It was finally decided at a meeting of the officers of the Seventh Regiment to spend two days, Sunday and Monday, May 23 and 24, under canvas in Sarnia. The idea in doing this is two-fold. In the first place it will give the men what, in every officer's opinion is much needed, actual experience in being under canvas, and in the second, an enjoyable outing.

Other regiments are following the lead of the Seventh. The Twenty-fifth Regiment of St. Thomas, will spend May 23 and 24 at Alvinston under canvas, and the Twenty-fourth Regiment of Chatham will encamp on the shores of Lake Erie.

The Seventh will entrain for Sarnia on Saturday evening and immediately on arriving there will pitch their tents. On Sunday morning the regiment will parade to church, and in the afternoon the men will be free to do as they please. On Monday morning a number of manoeuvres will be performed, and in the afternoon there will be a programme of sports, and the regiment will likely troop the colors. Camp will be struck in the evening.

The wet weather kept the men in the armories last night, and under command of Major Campbell they were put through a number of movements.

Next Sunday morning the Seventh will parade to St. Paul's Cathedral.

The Orders.

The orders for the week are as follows:

Detail—Officer for the week, Lieut. Innes Carling. Next for duty, Capt. Becher.

Strength—The following men, having been duly attested, are taken on the strength of the regiment from the date following and posted to the companies opposite their names, May 3, 1909: Ptes. A. Sheridan, A Company; H. K. Ingram, H Company; L. Summers, H Company; F. C. Bond, D Company.

Promotion — The commanding officer has been pleased to make the following promotions to take effect from the dates following: To be color-sergeant from May 10, 1909, Sergt. Shuttleworth, C Company; from March 27, 1909, Sergt. Shillington, O. R. C.; to be quarter-master-sergeant from March 27, 1905, Color Sergeant Shillington, O. R. C.

The following non-commissioned officer, having served his time, is granted his discharge and struck off the strength of the regiment from this date, Color-Sergeant Penwarden, C Company.

The regiment will parade in divine service order at 10:15 a.m. Sunday, May 16, to attend divine service at St. Paul's Cathedral.

The undermentioned officer is transferred from C Company to and to command D Company, Lieut. F. A. Andrews—Gordon Ingram, captain; acting adjutant, Seventh Regiment Fusiliers.

Sergeant Johnston, drill instructor of the regiment, has a large class of recruits in training, and it is expected they will be far enough advanced in regimental work to go to Sarnia on May 23 and 24.

IT'S ITALY NEXT.

Rome, May 11.—In the Chamber of Deputies today Signor Tittoni, minister of foreign affairs, replying to an interpellation by Signor Scalini, stated that the Government had already vainly tried to open commercial negotiations with Canada, and had also recently repeated its invitation to Canada to conclude a treaty. Canada had now promised to open preliminary negotiations and he hoped this time they would be successful. (Cheers.)