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A large mail bag, filled with Advertisers, fell off the 1:40 to Komo yesterday afternoon and was cut to pieces under the wheels. Consequently, several hundred Advertiser readers of the Komo district did not get their favorite paper. Extra copies of The Advertiser, containing the results of the European trip contest, were run off and mailed at once to all subscribers who failed to receive their paper yesterday.

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City and District

Why Will They Forget?
Two East Missouri items (written by the same person), an obituary and a wedding notice, are left out today. There is nothing to show who is responsible for them, and one of the stories is two weeks old.

Reception for Pastor.
A reception was tendered the Rev. J. W. Hodgins, of St. Paul's Church, Stratford, the other evening. An excellent programme was given. Among those taking part was Miss Anna Cochran, of London, who sang three numbers in a pleasing voice. She also sang a solo at the evening service Sunday in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Stratford.

A Denial.
Mr. William Quick, of Duchess avenue, wishes to deny the statement that he has not heard from his son since he went away. He has heard from him many times where he is. Letters have been sent to the general delivery at Detroit and answers received. He is at a loss to understand how the story originated that he does not know the whereabouts of his boy.

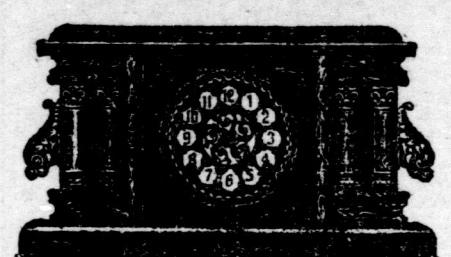
A Record Business.
Grand Trunk officials state that notwithstanding that there is a lull in business just now, their shipments are considerably in advance of what they were at the same time last year. The first two weeks in February the company did a record business, but since then there has been a gradual falling off. It is expected, however, that the spring shipments will begin very shortly and that traffic will again become as brisk as ever.

Shoes Stolen.
On Monday evening sneak thieves obtained entrance to the shoe shop of Mr. David Tripp, 96 King street, and a number of pairs of shoes were stolen. Apparently the shop was entered by means of a skeleton key, as after a thorough investigation the police could find marks about the doors or windows. The detectives are working on the case.

Convalescent Home.
The monthly meeting of the Convalescent Home was held Tuesday morning. Owing to Mrs. Boomer's absence, the chair was taken by Mrs. Niven. They acknowledge with thanks those who so kindly remembered the home during the month, also a donation from the Dalton trust and \$25 from Hiram Walker & Co. Reports of the different committees were very satisfactory and encouraging.

Death Deeply Regretted.
Hamilton Times: After an illness of nearly three months, Mary A. Cusack, wife of Mr. George A. Cusack, died away Monday at her home, 134 street north, in her 27th year.

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PRACTICAL FURRIER.

Cerebral hemorrhage was the cause of death. Deceased came to this city from London about ten months ago, and during that time had made many friends, who will sincerely regret her death. The remains were sent to London Tuesday morning at 9:05 o'clock via the G. T. R., and the funeral will take place there on Thursday at 2:30 o'clock.

GRAY-SMILLIES.
A very pretty but quiet wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Smillies, second concession, Brooke, when their only daughter, Mary Elizabeth, became the wife of Mr. Andrew E. Gray, a prosperous young farmer of Brooke Township. Promptly at noon the bridal party entered the parlor to the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss Pearl Spearman, cousin of the bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Neil Campbell, minister of the Presbyterian Church, Inwood, in the presence of the immediate relatives. The bride looked handsome attired in a princess gown of white satin. She was assisted by Miss Kate Lamont, who was similarly attired, while Mr. Joseph Black was groomsmen. After a sumptuous repast the happy couple left Alvinston on the afternoon train for Toronto amid showers of rice and with the good wishes of their many friends. The bride travelling suit was navy blue broadcloth with hat of white beaver. On the return of Mr. and Mrs. Gray they will take up their residence in Moss Township.

A PIONEER SHOE STORE TO GO.
One result of the extensive alterations the Ontario Loan and Debenture Company intend making to their building at the corner of Dundas street and Market Lane, is the enforced move of Hubert Ashplant, shoe merchant, from the basement story, which he has occupied since the erection of the building in 1880.

With the knowledge that such alterations were pending, Mr. Ashplant, some three years ago, purchased the building now occupied by the Royal Shoe Company, at 148 Dundas street, from Mrs. Pratt, of Toledo, Ohio, an ex-Londoner.

At the expiration of his present lease, Mr. Ashplant will occupy that store and carry on his present business under the name of Hubert Ashplant & Sons.

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ADDITION TO THE WORTLEY RD. SCHOOL

Will Be Built This Year—Kindergarten Proposed for Grand Avenue School.

There was considerable routine business transacted at the regular meeting of the board of education yesterday afternoon.

The annual report of Inspector Edwards was submitted. In this he pointed out that during the year the work of the schools had been carried out in an efficient manner. He spoke of the special efforts to improve the pupils in arithmetic and writing, and to encourage a love of reading. A number of books had been recommended, and the results were most gratifying.

The schools in Buffalo had been visited, and considerable information had been obtained. Inspector Edwards referred to the visit of Miss Jean Laddlaw and Miss Munro to England, and the excellent reports of educational matters received from them. A course of lectures had been delivered under the auspices of the Froebel Society, and the Teachers' Guild, by Earl Barnes, Howard Griggs, James L. Hughes and President Falconer. Mr. Edwards paid a tribute to the good work being done by Mothers' Clubs in connection with the schools. The teachers had shown loyalty and devotion to their work, and education. Inspector Edwards spoke of the improvements to the several schools during the past year, and declared they added to the health and comfort of the pupils.

Some Statistics.
The following statistics as to the attendance and cost per pupil were also submitted:

In 1908 there were enrolled in the public schools 6,198 pupils, and in the kindergarten 1,469 pupils, a total of 7,667, as compared with the total of 7,606 for 1907, an increase of 61.

The aggregate attendance for 1908 was \$50,607, and for 1907, \$40,698, an increase of \$9,909.

The aggregate attendance in the kindergarten for 1908 was 116,841, and for 1907 it was 107,638, an increase of 9,203.

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The matter was referred to No. 2 committee to report on.

The Male Teachers' Association asked that telephones be installed in all the schools of the city. No. 2 committee will report on this.

Four-Room Addition.
It was decided to build a four-room addition to the Wortley road school. Plans will be prepared at once and tenders called for.

It was also decided by the board to pay 25 per cent on all plans for public schools up to \$250.

The bill of Architect Murray for \$112.30, was criticized somewhat. Trustee Teasdale thought this was considerable money.

Trustee Gammage pointed out that the work was done by the old board, and represented 3 1/2 per cent of the outlay for the Lorne avenue school, as well as the heating in St. George's and Chesley schools. The agreement had been made, and the board had to pay the account.

The Art Superintendent.
The salary of the art superintendent, Miss Mulveny, occasioned a little discussion.

Trustee Teasdale thought that some of the high art taught in the schools was too high. He did not see the necessity of teaching the colors to the pupils of the public schools. Not one in a thousand would make an artist. The whole question of art teaching should be brought before the board and discussed from the standpoint of the greatest good to the greatest number. The supervisor should make a report.

Mr. Edwards' Defense.
Inspector Edwards defended the teaching of art, and stated that it had a great deal of value in practical education. Toronto and London ranked high among the schools of Ontario in this regard. Some of the pupils did really marvelous work. There is a great variety of work taught, and it is all of much value.

Miss Mulveny's salary was fixed at \$900.

New Kindergarten.
Trustee Graham asked if arrangements had been made for a kindergarten in Grand avenue school, and Chairman Westervelt said it would be looked into.

Trustee Gammage moved that the use of the assembly room of the Collegiate for a meeting of the Horticultural Society be granted. The motion carried.

Trustee Strong moved that the thanks of the board be tendered to Inspector James L. Hughes for his lecture. This motion carried.

Trustee Gammage stated that the Horticultural Society would duplicate up to \$10 to each school any money spent by the board in permanent improvements.

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improvements to the school grounds. The offer was accepted.

Playgrounds.
On the suggestion of Trustee Weekes, No. 2 committee will inquire into the advisability of opening the school grounds for playgrounds after school hours.

Inspector Edwards reported that the number of pupils on the roll, both in the kindergarten and public schools, for February, 1909, was 5,657, an increase of 40 over the same month of 1908. The average attendance was 4,988, an increase of 191 over February of last year.

Collegiate Report.
Principal McCutcheon reported that the attendance at the Collegiate Institute for the month of February was as follows:

Upper school, on roll 58, average 57. Middle school, on roll 148, average 141. Lower school, on roll 503, average 472.5. Commercial school, on roll 123, average 112. Total on roll 832, average 783.5.

He suggested that some of the boys who have considerable time on their hands be provided with lumber and tools to do some practical wood work. No. 2 committee will look into the advisability of this.

Tenant Officer's Report.
Tenant Officer Weir reported that he had visited the schools and had served five notices and had three persons in the police court during the month.

Those present were Chairman Westervelt, Trustees Strong, W. W. Gammage, Rev. D. S. Hamilton, Dr. Teasdale, Dr. Wyckoff, C. M. R. Graham, Dr. Muggan, John M. Gunn and G. N. Weekes. Inspector Edwards, Principal McCutcheon, Tenant Officer Weir, and Secretary McElheran.

London Township Resident Dead.
The death occurred at her residence, lot 22, con. 1, London Township, this morning, of Mrs. Mary A. McVey, Mrs. McVey was 77 years old and had lived in London Township all her life.

She is survived by two sons, Messrs. Joseph and Fred Fortner, of this city; Messrs. Thomas and George Fraleigh, the chair was taken by Mrs. Niven, Emma Scott, of London Township, and Mrs. Anderson, of 250 Queen's avenue, up to \$10 to each school any money spent by the board in permanent improvements.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

Technical School.
Mr. Spotton thought a first-class technical school would be the proper thing for London, as it was an important manufacturing centre. The present commercial building might be appropriately form part of the technical school. This would relieve the crowded condition of the Collegiate, and place London in the forefront of educational centres.

There was no discussion on the question, but the report was submitted to the several committees. The board of works will deal with the question of turning the assembly room into two classrooms at the next meeting.

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