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Unemployed Immigrants Ask For Work.

Hundreds Assemble at Queen's Park.

Letter From Premier Read at Meeting.

Toronto, Ont., (Special).—Unemployed immigrants to the number of several hundred assembled in Queen's Park in front of the Parliament Buildings this morning and the deputation which interviewed the Premier on Monday called on him to receive his reply to their request for work. On their return the following letter, signed by Hon. Mr. Whitney's secretary, was read:

"I have been directed to inform you that the Government has given careful consideration to the application made by your deputation as well as to several similar applications on behalf of the unemployed in a number of cities and towns of the Province and finds with regret that there is no employment under its control or within its power at the present time, that it can give to those whom you represent. The Government will be glad to facilitate the wishes of yourselves and friends in every way possible, and later on in the season may be able to do this especially by indicating direction in which employment may be found."

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Neck Too Thick.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 19.—Fearing that his neck will grow so large that it will be impossible to put a rope about it and hang him, Stanley Marcavitch, a convicted murderer in the Northumberland county jail, is begging the jail officers to hasten his execution. It is believed that Marcavitch has become insane, as have several murderers confined in the same jail during the last few years. He is constantly feeling his neck and telling the guards that it is growing rapidly, and if they do not hurry and hang him it will not be possible for them to make the rope stay around his neck.

NON-JURY COURT CLOSING TO-DAY.

CAPT. CARSON WANTS \$2,800 FOR BOAT THAT SANK.

Grantham vs. Webber, Over Sale of Old Lister Homestead, Was Finished To-day—Hotest Brant Case Referred. The non-jury sittings will close this afternoon. Carson vs. Reid, the last case on the list, was opened this morning. The plaintiff asks for \$2,800 for breach of agreement, on the sale of a boat. Mr. Carson bought a boat from the Reid Wrecking Company, of Sarnia, for \$750, and gave \$200 cash and his note for \$550. The boat was brought to Hamilton. On its arrival the crew which had brought it down had it belled for wages. Reid heard of the wages claim. Carson claims that Reid sold the boat to A. B. McKay, and while in the latter's possession she sank. The defence claims that Carson asked Mr. Reid to pay off the wages claim, and that it was agreed between the parties that Mr. McKay should hold the boat until Mr. Carson should have paid the wages. A. M. Lewis for the plaintiff and S. F. Kashiington, K. C., for the defendants. Granttham vs. Webber, for \$2,800.93 under an agreement, was disposed of this morning. Mr. C. T. Granttham brought the action to compel Mr. W. B. Webber to pay the balance of the purchase money on the sale of a house at the corner of Victoria avenue and Stinson street. The defence put in a counter claim for compensation, owing to the fact that a street had been put adjoining the residence, known as Webber avenue, and that the defendant suffered by reason of the city passing the by-law allowing this street to be put in. He also claimed damages for the removal of some shrubbery and fixtures. His Lordship allowed the defendant \$255 on the counter claim and ordered him to pay the rest of the purchase money on the house. He also ordered the parties to pay their own costs. P. D. Crear, K. C., for the plaintiff, and W. A. M. Duff for the defendant. The action of Scott vs. Pocock took the entire sittings yesterday afternoon. It was brought by C. S. Scott to set aside a chattel mortgage made by Sol. Pocock in favor of Pocock Bros. The plaintiff held that the mortgage was a preference, and therefore prohibited. Judgment was given in favor of the plaintiff, setting aside the mortgage. Crear, Crear & Bell for the plaintiff and Macdonald & McIntosh for the defendants. The action of Coleman vs. Hotel Brant et al. has been referred to the Local Master to take up the accounts. The

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A COMPROMISE.

G. T. R. and County Come to an Understanding.

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MISS PAULINE FRENCH. A well-known society girl, is engaged to Samuel Wagstaff of New York. The wedding will take place at Newport.

THREW RICE.

Startled the Horses and Bride Now Under Doctor's Care.

Rochester, N. Y., March 19.—A Wolcott special says: A quantity of rice thrown by an energetic guest at the wedding of Miss Fannie Palmer and Gifford Livingston, of Fairhaven, N. Y., held here yesterday, nearly cost the bride her life. Many friends of the pair united after the ceremony in the usual pastime of throwing old shoes and rice at the newly-wedded couple just as they were driving away from the bride's home. Rice frightened the horses, they started to run, the carriage was overturned and the bride, pinned beneath it, was dragged twenty feet before the groom, who held on to the reins, stopped the team. The wedding trip was abandoned, and the bride, painfully bruised, is under the care of a physician.

B. B. B. Glocker Pipes.

The Glocker pipes are so constructed that it is impossible to get any nicotine into the mouth. They are made of the best quality of briar and sold at peace's pipe store, 107 King street east.

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BOY MURDERED FOR HIS MONEY

Was Buried as a Suicide, But Confession Led to Exhumation of Body--Further Particulars.

Pittsburg, March 19.—The body of Charles Bennett, buried last September at Carrick, a suburb, as a suicide, was disinterred yesterday, and an autopsy held which shows that Bennett was murdered. The disinterment and investigation were made by officials of Wheeling, W. Va., at which place Charles Cook, his girl wife, and Joseph White are under arrest, charged with the murder. Cook and his wife are said to have confessed to the crime, implicating White. The alleged murder was committed on the West Virginia State Fair grounds, Wheeling Island, the night of September 21, and robbery was the object. Bennett, who was only 16 years old, was selling novelties at the fair, trying to earn money to take him to college, and he displayed \$45 in a public place. Mrs. Cook, then Lilla Zane, a pretty childlike girl, according to the confession, enticed Bennett to a secluded spot, where he was assaulted and beaten on the head until either dead or unconscious, and his body thrown into the river. Four days later the body was found in Belmont County, Ohio, and after a superficial examination, the coroner rendered a verdict of suicide and sent the body to relatives here for interment. Cook, who had been playing the piano in saloons, and the girl, who gave roller skating exhibitions, according to confession, used the money secured, to defray their wedding and honeymoon expenses. Cook, it is said, gave the first clue to the crime during an attack of despondency while drinking. The confession followed after a sweating process. The examination yesterday revealed serious wounds on the skull, affecting the brain. No trace of bullet wounds was found, and decomposition was too far advanced to decide definitely whether drowning or the blows were the immediate cause of death.

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