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79,000 PEOPLE IN THREE DAYS WESTERN FAIR HUGE SUCCESS BIG CROWD ON GROUNDS TODAY

President Reid and Secretary Hunt Are Now Able to State That the Exhibition Will Be on the Safe Financial Side—47,000 People Were at the Big Show Yesterday.

ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK.

Monday—Afternoon, 7,500; evening, 3,500; total.....11,000
Tuesday—Afternoon, 15,000; night, 6,000; total.....21,000
Wednesday—Afternoon, 30,000; evening, 17,000; total.....47,000

Grand total.....79,000

The Western Fair will be a decided success. The attendance has been most gratifying so far, and the indications are that it will be better than the average.

The figures will not reach the standard of last year, however, when all records for every day in the week were broken.

Not that there will be a great deal of difference, but nevertheless, the mark will not be up to last year's.

WEDNESDAY A BIG DAY.

Yesterday was the big day of the week, of course, and it was better than hoped for in view of the rain.

Secretary A. M. Hunt estimated the attendance yesterday afternoon was about 30,000, while in the evening there were about 15,000 people on the grounds.

Last year's figures were better than that for Farmers' Day, almost 35,000 being on the grounds in the afternoon, although the evening attendance was not quite so large.

BIG CROWD TODAY.

Today's attendance should be in excess of the same day of 1908. So far the attendance of city people has not been quite up to the mark. On Wednesday the rain kept the majority of Londoners away from the fair.

They will be there this afternoon and evening, however. The number of visitors today is above the average.

A PRONOUNCED SUCCESS.

"The fair is a pronounced success," said President Reid. "We are confident we will come out with a balance on the right side. While the attendance is not quite so large as last year, when we broke all records, nevertheless we have more people here than usual, and the receipts should be something above the average."

"If we have the right kind of weather for the rest of the week we will have an attendance equal to that of every other year, with the exception of last year," said Secretary Hunt.

DIRECTORS MEET.

At the directors' meeting today, 11 the business was transacted. Dr. Routledge, chairman of the horse committee, reported that he had appointed two independent judges to rejudge the hackney stallion class, owing to the protest of E. Leach, of St. Thomas, and that the former award had been confirmed.

One exhibitor asked that the ponies be rejudged, and this will be complied with.

Among those present were: President W. J. Reid, W. McNeil, W. Moore, R. A. Carrothers, George Scattergood, J. W. Jones, W. W. Gammage, George G. McCormick, W. M. Spencer, A. L. Moorhead, John Pringle, Col. Cartwright, R. Hardy, R. Oke, C. E. Trebilcock, A. J. H. Saunders, Jas. Murray, Secretary A. M. Hunt and others.

WOMAN'S MIRACULOUS ESCAPE WAS SAVED BY A POLICEMAN

Failed to Notice a Car Coming and Fell in Front of It—Was Partly Under the Fender When She Was Dragged Out by the Officer.

Prompt action on the part of P. C. John McNulty, who is on duty at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, was all that saved an unknown woman from being run over by one of the big Springfield cars yesterday afternoon.

The woman was well up in years and was endeavoring to make her way through the crowd which was rushing for the cars to the fair. She failed to notice a car coming from the east and was knocked down on the pavement.

Both the woman's limbs went under the fender and the car was only going slowly, the wheels pushed them

MICHIGAN MAN IS SEEKING A RELATIVE

Dr. Clyde E. Splan Is Looking for Mrs. Douglass, of This City.

Dr. Clyde E. Splan of North Branch Mich., is looking for a Mrs. Douglass, a relative of his who lives in London. He explains that he has recently come into a legacy, and wants to collect it. In order to do so he must find Mrs. Douglass. He does not know anything of her except that she was a daughter of Capt. William Walter Gray. He asked the mayor to send him a list of the Douglasses in London, and it is presumed he will sort out the right one by the process of elimination. Splan is a well-known horse trainer and driver.

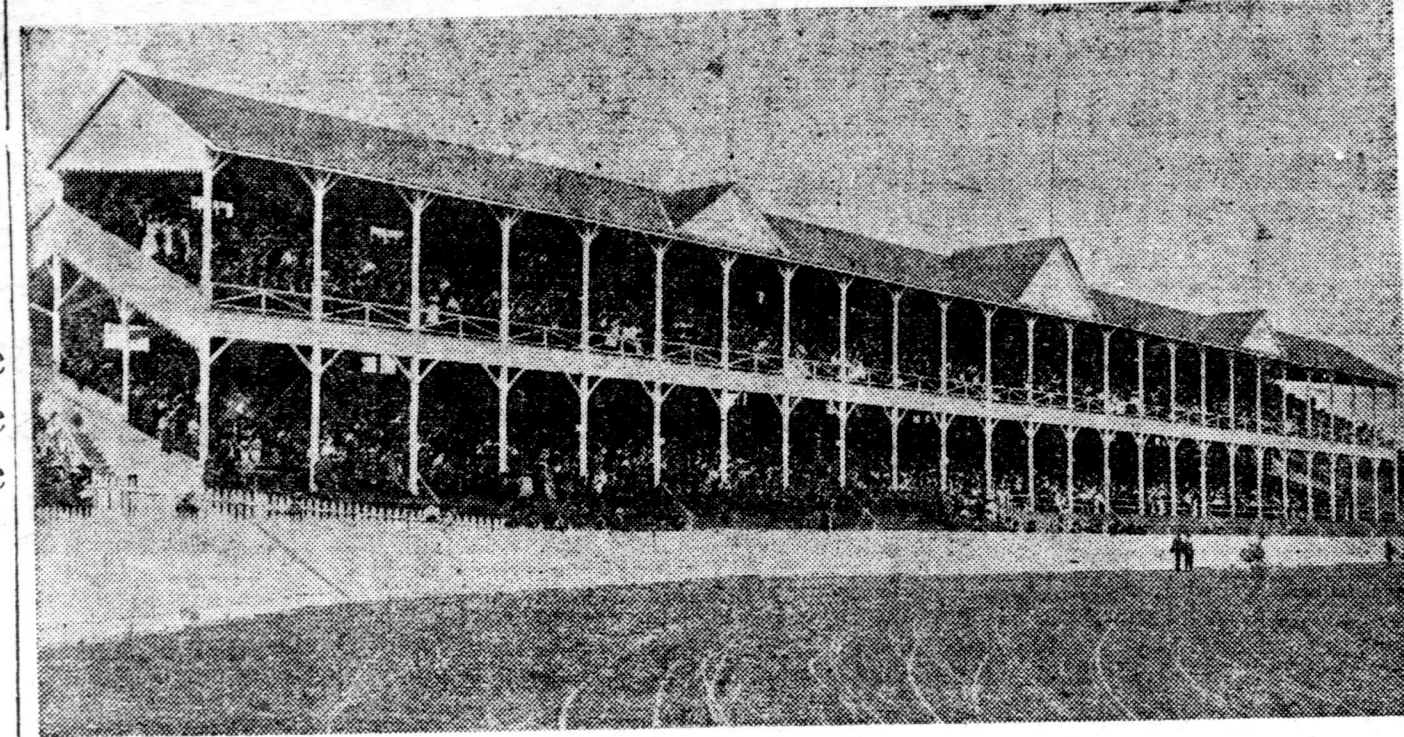
STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Sept. 15.—Reported at Cape Race—St. Louis, from Southampton; Campania, from Liverpool.
At New York—Majestic, from Southampton; President Lincoln, from Hamburg; Taormina, from Genoa; Principe di Piemonte, from Genoa.
At Point Amour—Corsican, from Liverpool; Canada, from Liverpool; Corinthian, from Glasgow.
At Fame Point—Empress of Ireland, from Liverpool.
At Baltimore—Rhein, from Bremen.
At Queenstown—Saxonia, from Boston.
At Plymouth—Teutonic, from New York.
At Marseilles—Roma, from New York.
Father Pointe-à-Que, Sept. 16.—Steamship, Manchester, Spinnaker, Manchester, ship, from Manchester, inward at 9 p.m. yesterday.

MRS. MORRIS DEAD.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—Mrs. Nelson Morris, widow of the Chicago packer, died today at Sainte Elen, a small town near Paris, as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident according to word received here by relatives. No details of the accident were received except that the machine in which Mrs. Morris was riding was overturned.

47,000 PEOPLE WERE AT THE FAIR WEDNESDAY.



GRAND STANDS FILLED TO OVER FLOWING.

The photo from which the above cut was made was taken by The Advertiser photographer at three o'clock yesterday afternoon. The stands were filled to capacity, and the big crowds were enjoying the special attractions in the ring.

BYLAW FOR A NEW CIVIC BODY

It Will Be Sent to the Council Within a Very Short Time.

FOR POWER AND WATER

Commissioner Darch Does Not Have to Seek Re-Election—Make-Up of the Commission.

A bylaw for a public utilities commission to handle the water and power will be presented to the council within a short time. The new commission will consist of five members, four elected, and the mayor, an ex-officio member.

The term of office will be for two years, two retiring each year. At the coming election three will have to be elected. Commissioner Darch will not be re-elected, and a successor will have to be named. In addition, there will be the two new members. The term of one of the three will be but for one year, and he will retire at the same time as Commissioner Darch. He will be selected by lot.

"I will give instructions to have the bylaw prepared as soon as possible," said Mayor Stevely. "The Legislature gave us authority at the last session, and we must now put it into force."

PROMINENT BARRISTER OF ST. THOMAS DEAD

Mr. John McLean Passes Away in His Eighty-First Year.

(Special to The Advertiser.)
St. Thomas, Sept. 16.—John McLean, of the firm of McLean, McLean & Cameron, barristers, died this morning of paralysis, aged 81. He had been one of the most prominent men in the city, occupying many important municipal offices.

He was born in Kilmarnock, Scotland, and came to Canada in 1854. He was city treasurer of St. Thomas for twelve years, and inspector of public schools for twenty years. Mr. McLean was married to the late Mrs. W. K. Cameron, of this city, also six brothers: Adam, of Aldborough; William, of London; Andrew, of St. Catharines; Robert, of Wardsville; Matthew, of Aldborough; and George, of Winnipeg. Mrs. Roger Miller, of Toronto, and Mrs. Duncan G. of Oxford, are sisters. Mr. McLean's mother died here four years ago, aged 99 years and 6 months.

A very quiet week at the city hall. Many meetings should be held. But they will all be postponed.

A VERY QUIET WEEK AT THE CITY HALL

Business at the city hall is practically at a standstill. The hall is deserted these days, and few of the aldermen are to be found there.

Some of them are busy at the Fair Grounds, while others are engaged in other pursuits. The extension of the water works this week, but they will all be postponed until Friday night, when all that can be done will be arranged so that the council meeting may be held on Monday night.

From indications there will be little or nothing done. Few controversial subjects remain to be settled this year. Construction work has commenced on the power plant, the water question is settled for some time to come, local improvement work has been practically finished, and there is left but little more than routine to be taken care of.

The extension of the Bell telephone franchise is yet to be considered, but this matter will be arranged within a short time. The time of elections is approaching, and the aldermen will be busy for the rest of the time in municipal fence building. The majority of them will seek re-election.

LUCAN GIRL SHOT AT THE FAIR PLAYING NEAR SHOOTING BOOTH

Bullet From a Rifle Found a Billet in Her Foot—Child Was at Once Rushed to Victoria Hospital—The Metal Was Extracted by Physician.

Eva Denham, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. Edward Denham, of Lucan, was shot through the instep at noon while playing behind one of the shooting booths, across from the Machinery Hall, at the Fair Grounds.

The little girl was quite close to the booth when the accident occurred, and as far as is known a bullet from one of the rifles came through the boards and entered her foot just at the instep.

The child was hurried to Victoria Hospital in the city ambulance, and Dr. Seaborn extracted the bullet after it had been located by means of the X-ray machine. It will be several days before the girl will be able to go home.

RUSH WORK ON ELECTRIC LINE POLES WILL SOON BE PUT UP

Engineer Sifton Says the Material Is Here and It Will Only Be a Short Time Till Operations in Local Hydro-Electric Scheme Will Commence.

Work will commence next week on the line for power distribution in London. At the present time, the poles and other material are being unloaded in the Grand Trunk yards.

Next week, Line Superintendent W. C. Alford will take charge, and he will at once commence to prepare the poles for putting up.

Two weeks from that time large gangs of men will be busy with the erecting of the poles, while other gangs will follow stringing wires and getting ready for the rest of it.

Assistant Engineer Roberts is busy preparing plans, and specifications for the underground system.

By-Law in January. At a recent meeting of the Council it was decided to have the plans prepared with an estimate of the cost, to be submitted to the people in the form of a by-law in January next.

Mr. Roberts is busy with the underground plans, and will take charge, and will have a gang of men trimming and fixing the poles for erection. In about two weeks' time the work of digging the holes and erecting the poles will be commenced. We will rush it so that it will be ready this fall.

COMBINED PUMPING AND POWER PLANT

Work Is Being Rushed by the Contractor, Mr. Ben Hole.

Work is being rapidly rushed forward on the building for the combined pumping and power plant.

Contractor Hole is busy with a large force of men, and will have the substructure completed well within the time.

Tenders for the brickwork are being called for, and the contract will be let shortly.

The whole building should be finished by Christmas, and the plant will be in running order by May 1 next year.

STEAMER BURNED.

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 16.—The steamer Islander, owned by the Thousand Islands Steamboat Company and valued at \$25,000, was burned to the water's edge at Alexandria Bay, N. Y., during the night. Capt. John Bertrand had a narrow escape in getting through the flames from his cabin.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—SHOWERS.
Toronto, Sept. 16.—8 a.m. Moderate to fresh westerly to southerly winds; fine and comparatively cool today; a few scattered showers during the night or on Friday.

TEMPERATURES.
Stations. Today. Yesterday.
London.....51.....50
Ottawa.....48.....47
Toronto.....46.....45
Winnipeg.....42.....41
Calgary.....40.....39
Edmonton.....38.....37
Vancouver.....36.....35
Montreal.....60.....59
Quebec.....58.....57
Halifax.....54.....53

Invitation for the Mayor. Mayor Stevely has received an invitation from the mayor of St. Louis, Mo., to attend the centennial anniversary of the incorporation of the city of St. Louis as a city. The celebration is to be held on Oct. 1 to 5. His worship will not be able to get away.

Bank Clearings. Clearing house figures for the week ending Sept. 16 were \$1,175,253, those of the corresponding week last year being \$1,041,697.

WESLEY SCOTT AT THE FUNERAL MURDERED MAN LAID TO REST

AGED FARMER WAS INJURED IN RUNAWAY

Accident to Mr. Joseph Aches, of London Township, on King Street Today.

Joseph Aches, aged 70, a farmer living at lot 4, con. 11, of London Township, near Poplar Hill, had his hip broken in a runaway accident this morning.

Mr. Aches had transacted some business down town and had driven to the Harrison House stable-yard, on King street, when his horse took fright and suddenly bolted. Mr. Aches was thrown out and fell heavily. He was unable to move, and as quickly as possible was removed to Victoria Hospital in Griffith's ambulance. Owing to Mr. Aches' advanced age, it is impossible to tell at present how the injury will terminate.

MACHINERY NOT EQUAL TO TASK

Plenty of Water in the Artesian Wells, But It Cannot Be Pumped by City.

WANT NEW COMPRESSORS

Capable of Giving the City One Million Gallons of Water a Day—The Situation to Date.

In spite of the fact that the city water supply is short, there is plenty of water available for city use.

It is not from the lack of water that the citizens are suffering, but from the lack of adequate machinery to handle that supply.

There are four wells capable of putting at least a million gallons of water a day at the disposal of the water commissioners, but only three are being pumped.

These wells yielded that quantity for many weeks, and are still capable of delivering the goods.

Machinery to Blame. The difficulty is with the pumping machinery. The present air lift has a capacity of 400,000 gallons. When the commission took over the wells, there was a 1,000,000 gallon air lift, but this was broken, in two weeks.

If a proper sized lift were installed, say of a million gallons capacity, there would be no shortage, but there would be abundant for all purposes.

The present lift is the one which was used at the McGregor wells, and was loaned to the commissioners by the gentleman behind the McGregor scheme when the air lift which had been installed by Mr. Beck, was broken.

When the smaller lift was installed, the commissioners thought that the drought was ended, but since that time there has been little or no rain, and consequently the springs at Springfield are yielding a considerably less than normal amount.

Much Water Being Used. Added to this is the fact that a great deal of water is being used in lawn services. The C. P. R. is also using considerable water. The commissioners trusted to a wet autumn, and so far it has failed to materialize.

It was impossible to obtain a larger air compressor. The commissioners state, and they have been saying that the dry season would pass without serious difficulty. "The air compressor is not large enough, there is no doubt of that," said Engineer Moore.

"We have been trying to obtain one for some time, but so far we have been unable to obtain a compressor of large enough capacity to handle a million gallons of water. You must understand that there are not many of them in use in Canada and we would have to wait until one is made. This week there has been an abnormal demand on the water supply, and we have had to be careful. If we had a large compressor, we could pump enough water to protect us no matter what the demand."

"We are still trying to get a large compressor, and are hopeful of obtaining it soon."

VERANDAH THIEVES BUSY IN LONDON

Many Mean Thefts Continue To Be Reported to the Police.

Verandah thieves still continue to operate in the city, and seem, if anything, to be becoming bolder. On Tuesday night a cage containing several prize canaries, and hanging in a shed place on the verandah of Mr. C. N. Norman's home, at 384 Hamilton road, was robbed. In this instance the thieves only took the young birds, and succeeded in making away with several. An arrest is expected shortly in connection with the matter. The detectives warn citizens that it is not advisable to leave things out at night, as a great deal of petty thieving has been perpetrated lately.

NO CHANCE OF SUNDAY CAR VOTE

Population of the City Is 500 Short of 50,000 Mark.

There will be no vote on Sunday cars in January.

The population of the city is considerably short of the requisite 50,000 necessary for such a vote.

To be exact, there are 49,563 people in the city, and that is practically 500 short of the necessary number.

It is understood, however, that the agitation will be continued until a vote is taken.

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Remains Were Interred in Clipperton Cemetery Yesterday.

MRS. SCOTT IS
MORE COMPOSED

Relatives Visited Her, But the Morbidly Curious Are Kept Out.

The first strain of the excitement following the shooting of her father-in-law, is gradually wearing off and Mrs. Scott is reported to be in a very greatly improved physical condition.

For the first time since her imprisonment, she slept well last night, and has begun to take sufficient nourishment. She is very evidently an improved condition, the nervous symptoms that were beginning to be alarming, owing to the woman's run down condition, have abated somewhat, although it is evident that she has not yet recovered from the shock consequent to the shooting.

Mrs. Scott spends the majority of her time reading quietly, and if she is troubled by her detention, she does not show it. She is very tractable and pleasant, causing practically no trouble to those in charge of her, and making few demands upon their patience. In fact she is rapidly becoming quite a favorite among those who come in contact with her.

Had Visitors. Yesterday, Mr. R. Bains, of West Nisour, a brother of Mrs. Scott, and another brother and sister, were admitted to see her, in company with her lawyer. It is evident that they were considering the case.

During the day there were a great number of people called on the jail to see her. Many of these were personal friends, who had come for the purpose of saying a kind word to hearten the accused. But there were also a large number of others who were brought thither by a morbid curiosity to see the person, who had committed the terrible crime of which she stands accused. Of course, these latter were given scant attention by the jail authorities, and as her neighbors were not permitted to see her, partly because the discipline of the jail would not allow it and partly because the woman's physical condition rendered anything that might cause extra excitement to be inadvisable.

It is commonly reported that the neighbors and friends of Mrs. Scott are interesting themselves in her behalf in a very practical way. A subscription list has been started, to aid in the defense, and it is evident that no pains will be spared to secure the most favorable consideration of her case.

Murdered Man's Funeral. The funeral of the late Harvey Scott, who was murdered on Monday last, was one of the most largely attended in the history of the Township of West Nisour.

The pall bearers were John McFarland, John Johnston, William McDougall, E. Fitzgerald, Matthew Barber, and Charles Lee.

Practically all the relatives of the deceased were in attendance, including Mr. Scott, a brother of the murdered man, his two sons, Albert and Wesley, his wife, and all his nephews and nieces.

From different parts of the township and even from far outside it, people, who had known the deceased or his family, had driven to the house to be present at the funeral. The service was conducted by the Rev. C. Cousins. (Continued on Page Eleven.)

GILLIES LIMITS GO FOR A SMALL SUM

Toronto, Sept. 15.—The provincial mine, in the Gillies limit, has been sold to F. M. Connell, of Haliburton, for \$12,111. Of 20 other portions of the lot offered for sale, 15 have been sold for \$108,943.50.

WILLIAM YOUNG ACQUITTED OF CHARGE

Stratford, Sept. 15.—William Young, who was arrested on Aug. 8, charged with shooting a man named McClellan, near Milverton, appeared before Magistrate O'Leane this afternoon, and was acquitted. The evidence did not prove that Young had fired a shot from the rifle he was carrying, but it was said that when McClellan had dropped to the ground, after someone had fired, a revolver was found beside him with one cartridge exploded.

RIZZO NOT THE MAN

Police Say He Did Not Kill the Utica Children.

Utica, N. Y., Sept. 16.—Michele Rizzo, arrested last evening under suspicion that he may have been the murderer of the two Italian children Sunday night, has not been identified as such, and the police this morning have come to the conclusion that the crime can not be laid to him.

JOHNSON BETTER.

Rockester, Minn., Sept. 16.—Dr. Mayo gave out a bulletin at 8:30 o'clock this morning that, in spite of a restless night, Governor Johnson's condition is much improved and every hope is entertained for his recovery.