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HE WALKED INTO A TROLLEY CAR.

Ex-Mayor Stovel of Walkerton Met Death Yesterday Afternoon.

Never Regained Consciousness After Being Struck by the Motor and Died Shortly After—Unfortunate Man Arrived Only Last Saturday From Ottawa—Walkerton People Shocked—Inquest Will Be Held To-Night.

Charles William Stovel, one of the most prominent and well-to-do citizens of Walkerton, met his death in the city yesterday afternoon by walking into a trolley on Front-street, at the corner of Bay-street.

Mr. Stovel, accompanied by his wife, had arrived in the city last Saturday morning from Ottawa, where he had been attending the annual convention of the Canadian Ticket Agents. On their return home they stopped off at Toronto, and went to visit the deceased's nephew, Mr. A. E. Stovel, 20 Sylvan-avenue. It was their intention to have continued their journey last night.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Stovel had left his nephew's residence with the intention of going down to see some friend. Owing to the very heavy rain and wind storm that prevailed, he was well muffled up, and carried an umbrella. He came down Bay-st. on the east side, and on reaching Front-street placed his umbrella so that it would ward off the rain that was blowing from the east. By so doing he was unable to see any object in front. He walked half way across the street.

West-bound Church-street trolley No. 450 was passing at a moderate rate. He walked right into the rear end of the car with fatal results. The force of the car threw him violently to the ground, and rendered him unconscious.

The Motorman's Story.

John Piper, the motorman, says that he saw Mr. Stovel walking in the direction of the car, and immediately turned off the power and put on the brakes. Conductor Sam Young stated that the car was quickly stopped. However, the first knowledge that either had of the accident was when they saw the injured man lying in a heap on the devil strip. Neither knows how the accident really occurred.

Mr. Stovel was quickly picked up and the ambulance summoned. He was removed to the Emergency Hospital.

The time of the accident was nearly 4.50, and about 6.20 p.m. he died, never regaining his senses. After he was taken to the hospital. Dr. Spencer was called, and assisted by the house physician, Dr. Sutherland, every effort was made to save the spark of life that remained, but without avail.

Up to that time no person was able to identify the body until his effects were searched, and a pass on the Canadian Pacific, signed "C. W. Stovel and wife, Walkerton," was found. By this notice it was certain that Mrs. Stovel had accompanied her husband, and messengers were despatched to search the hotels and likely places where she might be found. It was nearly 7.30 o'clock before her whereabouts were located at 20 Sylvan-avenue.

The Widow Prostrated.

In the meantime Undertaker Alexander Millard removed the remains of his establishment on Yonge-street. Mr. A. E. Stovel and the wife of the deceased were sent for by Mr. Millard, but Mrs. Stovel, who had heard the news of her husband's tragic death from Mrs. A. E. Stovel, was so affected that it was deemed better that she should not view the remains until she had recovered from the shock.

Mr. Stovel was 65 years of age, and leaves, besides a widow, three daughters and two sons. His children are Mrs. Frank A. Brusky of the Merchants' Bank, Brampton, Mrs. F. J. McGowan of the Bank of Commerce, Walkerton; Miss Edith Stovel, who is at present visiting her sister in Brampton; Mr. William Stovel of Walkerton, and Mr. Charles Stovel of New York. Both the sons are single.

Telegrams of Condolence.

Deceased had been very prominent in many circles, having been Mayor of Walkerton for three years, and was General Ticket Agent of the Canadian Pacific, and also an agent for the Western Assurance Company. A number of telegrams of condolence were received last night from friends throughout Canada.

No arrangements for the funeral have as yet been made, and will not be until after the inquest this evening at 8 o'clock by Coroner Spencer.

It is likely that the remains will be taken back to Walkerton for burial. Mr. Sherman E. Townsend of this city is a brother to Mrs. Stovel, and feels the fatality very keenly.

Walkerton People Shocked.

Walkerton, Ont., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—The citizens of Walkerton were startled this evening by learning that Mr. C. W. Stovel, one of our most prominent citizens, was accidentally killed in Toronto by a trolley car. The painful news gave a great shock to the community, and caused a universal expression of regret from all classes of our people.

Mr. Stovel was an Englishman by birth, and was about 65 years of age. For 35 years he had been local agent for the Western Assurance Co., and carried on a large business in that line. He had been Mayor, reeve and councilman since the town was incorporated. Mr. Stovel was a good-hearted man and kind to the poor. He leaves a widow and grown-up family in comfortable circumstances.

A GREAT DAY IN KINGSTON

Two Important Functions Carried Out in the Limestone City.

Earl and Countess of Aberdeen and Sir Wilfrid Laurier Attended Both the Convocation of Queen's University and the Consecration of Archbishop Gauthier.

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 18.—The full Convocation of Queen's University took place this afternoon in the City Hall. Among the guests were Lord and Lady Aberdeen and Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Chancellor Fleming presided. Rev. A. Strachan, Brockville, made the opening prayer, after which the scholarships were distributed. The Chancellor introduced Lord Aberdeen, a warm friend of education and of Queen's, who came to say farewell prior to his departure for home. His Excellency made touching reference to the late Rev. D. J. McDonnell, whose reading of the scripture, at a former convocation, was a sermon not soon to be forgotten. He referred to Sir Wilfrid as the distinguished visitor of the day, and assured the students that it was a golden fortune to be a young man of the nineteenth century. He extolled the religious liberty that now existed.

Lady Aberdeen made a sprightly address, chiefly emphasizing the need of domestic science instruction. She would like Sir Wilfrid to make a law compelling young women to pass examinations in the conduct of a home, the care of its inmates and learn to cook before they could marry.

Principal Grant introduced Sir Wilfrid Laurier, LL.D., as representing the best spirit of the two races whose union is necessary to the upbuilding of Canada.

Sir Wilfrid was happy in his reply and said he honored the degree of Queen's above all others received and all because he loved Canada the best. He eulogized the study of English and said it was fast superseding all others. It was 4 o'clock when the proceedings terminated.

The City's Welcome.

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 18.—To-night the City Hall was thronged to listen to the city's greeting to Lord and Lady Aberdeen and Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The platform was reserved for the distinguished party, civic authorities and leading citizens. Mayor Livingston presided. The corporation tendered a farewell address to Lord and Lady Aberdeen and greetings to Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Mayor Livingston read both addresses. Mrs. Hugh Fraser read an address on behalf of the Women's Council to Lady Aberdeen. Each of these personages replied in most felicitous terms and were heartily cheered. Lady Aberdeen especially dwelt upon the work accomplished for women by the Women's Council of Canada.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier was entertaining. He chiefly dwelt upon the St. Lawrence as the great waterway of Canada and the United States. His aim was to make it such in reality. He touched on the conference at Quebec, and hoped for the richest results. Canada would do all it could to secure an end to difficulties with the United States, but it would not sacrifice national dignity in securing a treaty.

Later the Viceregal pair and Sir Wilfrid passed out to Ontario Hall, where for an hour or more they received the citizens and their wives. Bands played softly while the proceedings were going on. In the evening dinner was provided by Lady Cartwright in honor of the city's guests.

CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION.

Late Archbishop Cleary's Successor Enthroned in the Gorgeous Cathedral of St. Mary.

The reception of Most Rev. C. H. Gauthier on his arrival in the city last evening was a large and magnificent one. Bright and cool weather, with a strong east breeze, greeted the large crowds that swarmed the old city to-day to witness the consecration services.

In the gorgeous Cathedral of St. Mary the solemn services were conducted in the presence of the prelates of the church, several hundred Canadian priest and the vast audience that thronged the church. After his 31 years of church work the new Archbishop took the oaths that bind him irrevocably to guide and direct the destinies of the diocese of Kingston, the oldest in Ontario.

Representing the Dominion Government were Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier and Hon. R. W. Scott. Hon. William Harty represented the Provincial Government.

Dignitaries Present.

Among the dignitaries in attendance were: Archbishops Bruchesi, Montreal; Langevin, Winnipeg; Duhamel, Ottawa; Begin, Quebec; O'Brien, Halifax. Bishops—Quigley, Buffalo; O'Connor, London; O'Connor, Peterboro; Gabriels, Ogdensburg; Ludden, Syracuse; Mechand, Burlington, Vt.; Emard, alleyfield; Dowling, Hamilton; Macdonnell, Alexandria; Larocque, Sherbrooke; Decelles, St. Hyacinthe; Lorrain, Pembroke. Mgrs.—Kennedy, Syracuse; Campeau, St. Polycarpe; McAvoy, Hamilton. Vicar-Generals—Brown, Port Hope; McCann, Toronto; McAuley, Coaticook. Deans—O'Connor, Mount Forest; O'Connor, Chesterville; Harris, St. Catharines; Nolan, Masseua, N.Y. Canons—Boillon, Ottawa; Morrison, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; Foley, Almonte. Archdeacon Casey, Campbellford.

The consecrator was Archbishop Duhamel of Ottawa, assisted by Archbishop Begin, Quebec, and Bishop O'Connor, Peterboro. The sermon was an eloquent oration by Archbishop O'Brien of Halifax. The music was grand in its effect, and the vast audience was bound in speechless wonder by the solemn grandeur and striking magnificence of the consecration service.

This afternoon there was a reception in the Opera House to Archbishops Gauthier and O'Brien, Halifax, by the C.M.B.A. Prominent speakers delivered addresses.

LADIES WAITED ON MR. FISHER.

National Council of Women Propose an Exhibit at the Paris World's Fair in 1900.

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—The Hon. Sidney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, received an important deputation from the National Council of Women of Canada, regarding a Canadian Women's section in the Paris Exhibition of 1900. The deputation was introduced by Her Excellency the Countess of Aberdeen, and was composed of Lady Laurier, Lady Thompson, Lady Tilley, vice-president for New Brunswick; Lady Davies, vice-president for Prince Edward Island; Mrs. Charles Archibald, vice-president for Nova Scotia; Mrs. Boomer, vice-president for Ontario; Mrs. English of London; Madame Routhier, representing the Province of Quebec; Mrs. Edward Griffin of Ottawa; Mrs. Dingnam of the Dominion Woman's Art Association; Mrs. Willoughby Cummings and Miss Edgar of Toronto.

It was explained to the Minister by the president, the Countess of Aberdeen, that the National Council of Women, which is composed of associations relating to every interest in the lives of the women of Canada, is in a position to arrange for a fully representative exhibit, including statistics and papers bearing on women's education, position and work of the service of the community, under the direction and with the assistance of the Dominion Government. Mr. Fisher said that if a women's exhibit were determined on, he would fully consider the matter in all its bearings and, after consulting his colleagues, would ask the committee to confer with him again at an early date.

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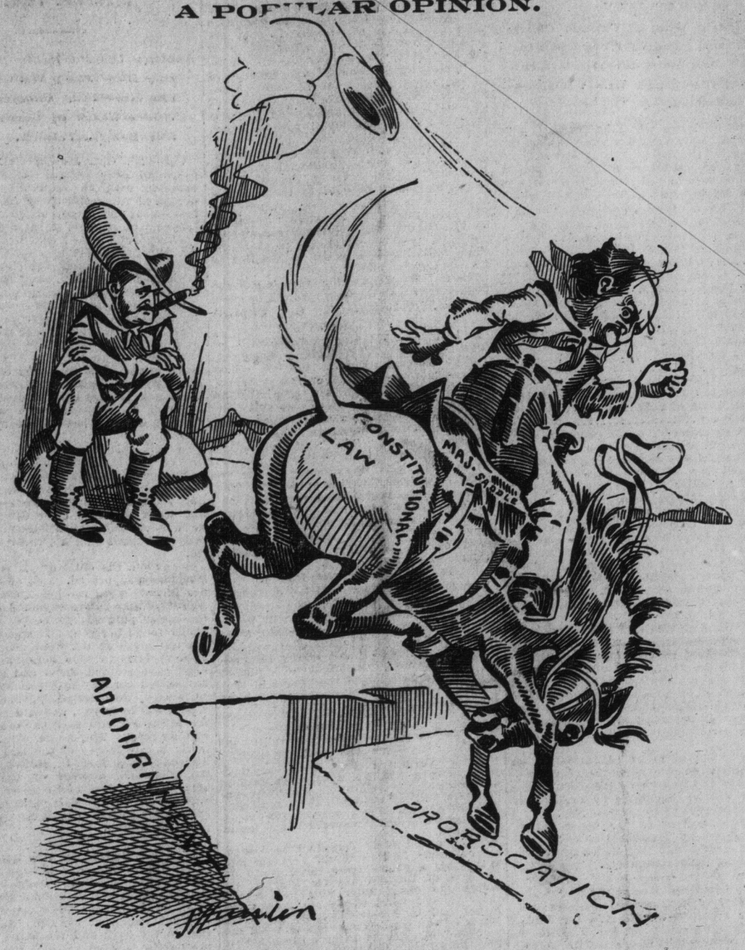

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THIRTEEN WERE DROWNED.

Fierce Storms on the East Coast of England.

Lighthouse Destroyed and Many Vessels Wrecked—Railway Traffic Delayed—Burial of the Mohegan Victims — Miss Noble's Long Swim—The Cuban Debt.

London, Oct. 18.—The sea fronts of the east coast towns have suffered severely. At Leith, the port of Edinburgh, the breakwater, the parade and half the principal pier have been washed away.

The Sunderland lighthouse, at the mouth of the River Wier, ha been destroyed.

At West Wemiss, on the Firth of Forth, north of Edinburgh, seven foreign colliers broke their moorings and all were wrecked.

The torrential rains are interfering greatly with traffic on all the northern railways.

A Norwegian vessel was wrecked on Salt Soard Rocks, near Leith, and thirteen were drowned.

THREE HOURS IN THE ICY WATER.

Miss Noble's Fight for Life When the Mohegan Sank—Wants to See Her Mother.

London, Oct. 18.—Miss Katherine Noble of Baltimore, one of the rescued passengers, whose courageous conduct is highly praised, is now the guest of Mrs. Spry at St. Keverne. She says that after the shock of the ship's striking she hurried on deck and found that preparations were being made to lower away the lifeboats. She went to her cabin and got a life-belt and some wraps. When she returned to the deck she was horrified to find that the men were unable to get the boats clear of the ship. An attempt was made to get the women and children into the rigging, but before it succeeded the vessel listed and a wave swamped everybody.

Miss Noble added: "Finding that my wet clothes prevented me from climbing, I doffed my skirts and boots. A sailor came and fastened a life-belt around me. The fourth officer then came along and told me to hold on to a hatch with him, adding that help was sure to arrive. A wave came and separated us. I was washed overboard and did not see him again. After a time I managed to grasp a plank, and I clung to it with all my strength. I was washed and knocked about by the sea. I could hear others crying as they sank on all sides. I thought several times that I must let go of the plank. Then I remembered that the young woman who was saved at the time of the loss of the North German Lloyd steamer Elbe, in the North Sea, was in the water five hours. Surely, I said, if she did that I can do as much, and at times something seemed to assure me that I should be saved for the sake of my mother, for I am her only child.

"But for the recollection of the woman saved from the Elbe, I do not believe that I could have held on hour after hour. When I had been there three hours a lifeboat rescued me, and I was taken to a fisherman's cottage, where every possible kindness was shown me, until Mrs. Spry was good enough to bring me here. I now feel me that I shall remain here and will not cross the sea again, but I am anxious to see my mother. I am bruised considerably, but otherwise I am none the worse for my experience."

Burial of the Victims.

Falmouth, Eng., Oct. 18.—After a simple service at the parish church here to-day, the remains of 16 victims of the Mohegan disaster were buried in a large pit in the churchyard.

Friends of the drowned passengers have caused placards to be posted at Falmouth, offering large rewards for the recovery of the bodies.

Part of the surviving passengers have started for London. The survivors of the crew will probably leave this evening. Efforts to assist the members of the crew are being made at St. Keverne, as some of them have not enough money to pay their fares.

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That Conductor's Reply.

Editor World: I read with some feeling of pain in your issue of to-day an article referring to the "brutal" conduct of a street car conductor towards a lady who was a passenger by Winchester-street car No. 564. Now as I am the conductor referred to I feel it my duty in order to protect my honor and position (of both of which I am very jealous) to reply to the charges which the writer deemed fit to make against me. In the first place I have never, during the 4 years that I have been on the cars, so far forgotten myself as to be impertinent or insolent towards ladies. In the second place I make bold to say that the writer could not have heard my conversation with the lady at the time or he could not have expressed himself as he did on the matter. The fact is, the lady had evidently got on the wrong car and asked me for a transfer to College west, which I gave, but later on she again asked for a transfer, and I assured her as politely as I could that I had already given her one, but as she still held that I was mistaken I handed her another one. Now, Sir, this is all that transpired, and I can call gentlemen who were on the car, and who were witnesses of this "brutal" affair, to testify to the correctness of my statement.

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DEATHS.

COLE—At 12 Stewart-street, on Monday, Oct. 17, Wilfrid Leslie, son of Mr. Walter Cole, aged 11 months and 8 days.

Funeral private on Wednesday, the 19th inst., at 2 p.m.

ESMONDE—On Oct. 17, at his residence, 118 Vittoria-street, Ottawa, Joseph A. Esmonde, Collector of Inland Revenue, aged 52 years and six months.

HANNIGAN—Suddenly, on the morning of the 18th inst., John Hannigan, late boot and shoe maker of Yonge-street.

Funeral from the undertaking establishment of E. Hopkins, 520 Yonge-street, today (Wednesday), at 4 o'clock.

MALLON—At St. Joseph's Convent, on Oct. 18, 1898, Sister Clare Mallon (sister of the late James J. Mallon), in the 80th year of her age.

Requiem Mass and funeral on Thursday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Joseph's Convent.

McCARTER—At Deer Park, Oct. 17, John McCarter, in his 65th year.

Funeral Wednesday, the 19th inst., at 3 o'clock p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

WATKINS—Passed away at the residence of her sister, Mrs. A. Peacey, 192 Ossington-avenue, Clara A. Watkins, third daughter of Alonzo Watkins, in the 25th year of her age.

Funeral from above address on Thursday, 20th inst., at 3 p. m. to Mt. Pleasant.

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Dr. Cochrane's Funeral.

Brantford, Oct. 18.—The funeral of the late Rev. Dr. Cochrane will take place at 1.30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20.

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Pastor of New St. Andrew's Accepts the Windy City's Call.

Everything is Now Arranged for His Transfer, Except the Formal Acquiescence of the Presbytery—A Sketch of His Career.

There is no doubt that Rev. Mr. W. J. McCaughan will go to Chicago. Nominally the decision as to whether the clergyman may accept the call of the Third Presbyterian Church will be left to the Presbytery, which meets to-morrow. However, as a prominent member of the Presbytery stated last night the attitude of acceptance of Mr. McCaughan will be largely considered. The reverend gentleman himself stated that, as has already appeared in The World, he intimated his desire to accept the call in the telegram to the Board of Management on Wednesday, and that the only thing he could not now tell me was when he would start. The remaining business, therefore, will be only formal.

Instructed Not to Oppose.

The committee that met recently decided to instruct the delegates who will be appointed at to-night's congregational meeting not to oppose the transfer before the Presbytery, that, consisting of over 100 members, meets on Thursday afternoon, solely for the purpose of considering it.

Mr. McCaughan reiterates his former statement that his memorable financial sermon was prompted by no ulterior motive. Simply that he followed his usual custom. The fact that the call existed served to irritate the minds of some, hence the imputation.

Mr. McCaughan last night lectured before the members of Queen-street east Presbyterian Church, in Dingman's Hall, on "The Life of William III." Despite the distance and the bad weather, quite a few of his congregation were noticed amongst the audience.

Rev. W. Frizzell occupied the chair, and Miss Leah McCutcheon, accompanied by Miss Clara Lavelle, rendered "The Irish Emigrant," responding to an encore.

At the conclusion a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the lecturer.

Sketch of His Life.

Rev. W. J. McCaughan was born near an historic spot, the Giant's Causeway. His birthplace was Moyecraig, the date 1859, and his ancestors belonged to the old Clan O'Cahan, which, modified by intermarriage with Scotch settlers, now takes the present form. The wall of the keep of the old Castle Dunsevrick, built on a huge rock, that frowns at the entrance of the Giant's Causeway, is still standing. The name literally means, "The Castle of the Shamrock." The Clan McKeown, at feud with the O'Cahans, invited the latter to a banquet and there massacred them, in a glen, which is still called "The Glen of the Shriek."

His father died when Mr. McCaughan was a boy 10 years of age and he went to live with one of his uncles. The first school he attended was a ladies' school.

A College Man.

He matriculated from Magee College, Londonderry, at the age of 15, graduating in arts, and went to teach school in Erdington, near Birmingham, England, where he remained for two years, then going to college in Edinburgh, where, after taking a theological course, he was licensed by the Presbytery of Poute, existing in its ancient form, and ordained in Wellington-street Church, Ballymena, on the Maine. He took charge of this large congregation, composed of 500 families, at the age of 23. Remaining there less than two years, he was called to Mountpottinger Church, Belfast, to take charge of a very small congregation, but before he left it had grown to be among the largest in Ireland.

Of a Human Turn.

He here connected with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, and had charge of the sustenation fund, which had under its care about $3,000,000. Mr. McCaughan took a great interest in the hospitals of the city, was secretary of the Saturday night, and Sunday night hospital funds.

He remained eleven years there and was then called to take charge of St. Andrew's Church in this city.

Notwithstanding the historic ancestors, scarcely any of the name now exist in Ireland. Mr. McCaughan has relatives in Philadelphia and Louisville, Kentucky.

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Queen's, Rossin, Arlington and Walker House to Join Interests.

Self-Preservation is the Object Aimed at—McGaw, Winnett & Co. Will Probably Be the Name and Style of the Firm and the Syndicate Will Be Capitalized at $900,000.

The respective directorates of the four big hotels, the Queen's, the Rossin, the Arlington and probably the Walker, have all but agreed upon a basis of amalgamation. Colossus-like, a big hotel trust is about to bestride and overshadow the city, to improve and remodel the hotels mentioned, and thereby to control the more luxurious traveling clientelle. Self-preservation is the keynote entirely of this big movement. The prospective million-dollar palace hotel looms up before the proprietors of the existing high-grade houses, and they have concluded that fusion is the only way to meet the embryo giant. Of late years the competition between the four rivals has been as keen as it has been profitless. It has resulted to the advantage of the travelling public, but it has been correspondingly hard on dividends. Messrs. McGaw, Nelson, Chewett, Beacham and Walker, the respective proprietors of the hotels above-named, have looked about them, and in their fancy seem or seemed to see rates in Toronto lower for corresponding advantages and conveniences than in any city of half its size on the continent. And they are continuing to drop.

They've Been Meeting at the Queen's

The result has been a series of meetings at the Queen's. The situation has been talked over, and at the last conference, held there yesterday afternoon, amalgamation was practically decided upon. All but Mr. Walker of the Walker House were present. It was decided that Toronto was getting behind in the metropolitan hotel race. To keep up with the up-to-date requirements it was conceded that all should unite upon a scheme of general renovation and improvement. The contemplated removal of the wharfage centre from the foot of Yonge-street to the foot of York-street will naturally result in a centralization of the transit tourist trade near the latter quarter. It has hitherto been monopolized by restaurants further east. Under the new deal it is proposed that the Rossin House shall reap the advantages thereby accruing, and look after tourists landed at York-street.

The Rossin to Be Refitted First.

It is proposed, therefore, that first of all some $100,000 or $150,000 must be spent upon the Rossin. The plans have been already drawn, and they provide for the tearing down of the first and second floors to make way for a big rotunda 50 x 87 feet, after the fashion of the Russell House at Ottawa. It is to be surmounted by a huge dome, 50 feet in height. It is proposed, also, that the bar should be extended to front on King-street, and that it should be supplemented by a cafe to

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Jessie Alexander, Margaret Huston in Song and Story, Massey Hall, Friday.

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UNSETTLED WEATHER.

A Bad Spell Probable for Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Oct. 18.—(11 p. m.)—The western storm centre has moved very slowly, almost due north; while the high area has moved equally slowly south-eastward from the St. Lawrence Valley.

Severe easterly gales have prevailed on the lakes; but the rain, which has been very heavy in Western Ontario, has not yet extended to Kingston. Present indications are that a developing low area, now near the South Atlantic Coast, will move northward, and probably cause bad weather in Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Edmonton, 28—34; Prince Albert, 26—30; Qu'Appelle, 24—32; Winnipeg, 32—36; Port Arthur, 46—50; Parry oSund, 40—50; Toronto, 46—52; Ottawa, 30—48; Montreal, 30—48; Quebec, 30—44; Halifax, 36—54.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Strong winds; continued unsettled, with occasional rain.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Strong winds; rain.

Lake Superior—Unsettled, with rain today, followed by northwest gales, and a change to colder weather.

Manitoba—Very strong northwest winds; colder, with snow flurries.

It is said that partridges are unusually plentiful in Muskoka this season. Hunters will enjoy their fall's shooting much better if they are properly clothed. Oak Hall is showing some special lines of clothing, made purposely for sportsmen, at very moderate prices.

Steamship Movements.

Oct. 17.	At	From
Lake Ontario	Father Point	Liverpool
Sarmatian	Father Point	Glasgow
Monterey	Bristol	Montreal
Nymphea	Memel	Sydney, C.B
Halifax City	London	St. John
Lake Huron	Liverpool	Montreal
Labrador	Liverpool	Montreal
Britannic	Sharpness	Montreal
Kensington	New York	Antwerp
Ancidria	New York	Glasgow
Cephalonia	Liverpool	Boston
Nomadic	Liverpool	New York

Hear a "Sermon to Husbands" by Jessie Alexander, Massey Hall, Friday.