

## EARLY SETTLEMENT OF TRACK PROBLEM

Council and G. T. R. Likely to Sign Agreement Within a Few Days.

As soon as the city solicitor and the collector of the G. T. R. have gone over the proposed amendments, a meeting of the railway committee will be called to consider the documents.

Around the city hall today it was said that everything points to a settlement, and that the city and company will be sure to get together within a fortnight at the latest.

A clause in the agreement stipulates that the new depot must not cost less than \$100,000.

It is thought that the company will be induced to give an opening of 90 feet at Colborne street, as well as at Wellington, but the best the city hopes for at Waterloo street is 56 feet.

When the agreement was being discussed on Saturday Mr. McGuigan remarked jokingly:

"There is one thing that has been forgotten. What about the amount the city is to pay to the company for all these improvements?"

Some of the aldermen almost slid out of their chairs under the mayor's ask.

"Didn't somebody say something about \$300,000?" Mr. McGuigan asked.

This was too much. Even as a joke the aldermen fell over themselves in their hurry to apprise the manager that nobody had said anything about money. And the joke was allowed to pass.

Ald. Matthews has been absent from two or three meetings of the railway committee lately, and his conferees are wondering where he can be the matter.

"Look out for an explosion," one of the aldermen said today. "Dick appears to be playing a lone hand."

Saturday one of the aldermen attempted to have a clause in the agreement which would provide for the elevation of the tracks east of William street when the city grows sufficiently to justify the elevation, but Mr. McGuigan absolutely refused to have the clause in the agreement.

"When the tracks need to be elevated, it will be time enough to talk about it," he is reported to have said.

## VAUDEVILLE CLOSED

London May Have a New House Before the Fall.

The second year of successful vaudeville in London has just come to a close, and Bennett's Theatre will be dark for the summer. Manager Bennett is now hard at work carrying out the plans of the company for next season. Building operations will begin shortly on the new theaters at Montreal, Hamilton and Ottawa, and it is understood that London will have a new vaudeville house, the location of which will probably be announced in the course of a few days.

The success of vaudeville as presented by Mr. Bennett in London has been remarkable. From the opening week until the closing of the present season there has been a steady growth in the business, and a constantly improving grade of acts presented. Next season, with a circuit of up-to-date ground-floor theaters, the outlook is very bright.

Some of the finest vaudeville acts appearing before the public will be available next season, because of the four weeks' engagement the company will offer, and Canadian patrons of vaudeville are assured of a series of vaudeville entertainments in every respect up to the standard set by the great American circuits.

## WILL LEAVE LONDON

Dr. Bethune's Appointment Means Removal to Guelph.

Rev. Dr. Bethune was officially notified on Saturday of his appointment by the Ontario Government as professor of entomology and zoology at the Agricultural College, Guelph.

Dr. Bethune's appointment will necessitate his removal from London, which will be sincerely regretted by his numerous friends. He came to this city from Port Hope seven years ago, and has been unusually active in the work of the Entomological Society and the London Horticultural Society. It is in the former that he will be particularly missed, as he is one of the foremost entomologists of Canada.

San Francisco doctors are interested in the case of a man who has lost the power of speech, they think, through the habitually mixing kerosene with his whisky, though sometimes he took the whisky straight and used the oil as a "chaser."

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## FINE SURPLUS IN BRITISH BUDGET

Liberal Chancellor of Exchequer Has Surprise for House of Commons.

London, April 30.—In the House of Commons today the benches were full when the Chancellor of the Exchequer rose to introduce the first budget of the new Liberal Administration. Mr. Asquith began by reviewing the past financial year, pointing out the cheering fact that the revenue was larger, and that the expenditure was smaller than the estimates, hence the country was in the happy position of having realized a surplus of \$17,333,000.

Among the budget announcements made was the export duty on coal which will be completely repealed on Nov. 1.

The duty on stripped tobacco will be reduced by 5 cents, and on tea by 2 cents, from July 1.

## THE SPRINGWOOD SHOOT

Teams Had a Close Match on Saturday Afternoon.

The Springwood Gun Club held a practice shoot on Saturday afternoon. The weather conditions were perfect, and some excellent scores were made.

The shoot was held, the sides being captained by Day and Glover. Day's team winning by six shots. The scores:

Each man 25 targets—Team shoot—  
Day ..... 23  
Webb ..... 19  
Walker ..... 20  
Marsh ..... 15  
Bowman ..... 17  
Joe ..... 25  
Total ..... 112

Glover ..... 24  
Breckon ..... 20  
Arey ..... 20  
Tillman ..... 21  
Bryce ..... 17  
Hedley ..... 6  
Total ..... 108

Event No. 2, 25 targets—Glover 25, Day 24, Tillman 22, Marsh 21, Bryce 20, Webb 17, Walker 15, Averages—

Shot at. Hit. P. C.  
Glover ..... 50 48 96  
Day ..... 50 47 94  
Tillman ..... 50 43 86  
Marsh ..... 50 36 72  
Webb ..... 50 35 70  
Walker ..... 50 25 50  
Breckon ..... 50 29 58  
Arey ..... 50 24 48  
Bryce ..... 50 25 50  
Bowman ..... 50 25 50  
Hedley ..... 50 25 50

## CARNEGIE AT CAPITAL

Hears an Address of Thanks for Gift of Public Library.

Ottawa, April 30.—Mr. Andrew Carnegie spent this morning quietly resting at Rideau Hall, and at noon took luncheon as the guest of Sir Sanford Fleming. This afternoon at 3 o'clock he formally opened the Carnegie public library here, which was erected at a cost of \$100,000. Mayor Ellis presided at a civic address of welcome and thanks for Mr. Carnegie's munificent gift. Mr. Carnegie made an appropriate reply. He congratulated the city on the style and finish of the building. The affair was informal, there being but very few invitations issued. It took place in the open air, the distinguished party occupying a position on the broad stone steps leading to the library.

## BIRTH RATE DECREASED

While Number of Deaths in London Showed Increase.

There were 74 births, 22 marriages and 48 deaths in this city during April. In the same month a year ago there were 84 births, 29 deaths and 57 marriages.

## "STOMACH WONDER" QUILTS

Decides to Cease Effort to Corner Nail Market.

Paris, April 30.—Americans who have visited Paris will recall a giant, tall man with a red beard who, on fete days, stood before the cafe terraces and swallowed "any old thing" for the amusement of people who had "souls" to give away. His name was Bruneau, and he has done with swallowing. He began in this way:

Accidentally he swallowed a cork one day, and found that his stomach immediately rejected it. He tried a few nails, and discovered that he could bring them up at will. That decided him to change his profession from accountant to "stomach wonder."

Sometimes he failed to recover the swallowed object, but since he suffered no unpleasant results he did not bother. His specialty became nails and pebbles, some of the latter veritable cobblestones, has his advertisement read. On the day of Mi-careme he outdid himself by swallowing a pike, or by trying to do so. But it stuck in his esophagus and he had to go to the hospital. There he told him he must be operated on at once. He declared he only needed an enema and repaired to another house of mercy, where they took hold of him and operated on his stomach by force.

In it they found seven nails more than two inches long, fourteen "veritable cobblestones," and a number of empty spoons, the whole weighing nearly two pounds. Bruneau changed his profession again, on the assurance of the doctors that he had had a marvelous escape.

Special attention paid to spring wedding orders. Hueston's Livery.

## RUSSIA PUSHES INTO MONGOLIA

Expedition "for Purely Scientific Purposes," But Designs Are Deeper.

St. Petersburg, April 30.—In spite of the defeat of her ambitions in Manchuria and the obstacles met with by M. Pokotloff, the Russian minister to China, in his negotiations at Peking, Russia is steadily pushing forward with the purpose of occupying the eastern provinces of Mongolia, covering the route of the proposed railroad from Balkal to Peking, which has been given over to the Russo-Chinese Bank.

Under the guise of the innocent-sounding name of a "geographic and ethnographic expedition for purely scientific purposes," a party headed by Col. Novitsky, one of the brilliant young members of the general staff, leaves St. Petersburg in May to survey the hitherto unexplored region between the Manchurian frontier and Unga.

The region to be explored nominally is to be under the auspices of the Imperial Geographical Society. It will be financed and officered by the general staff, and its composition will be almost purely military.

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## LONDON LACKS GOOD PLAYS

Managers Hard Hit, New Productions Proving Unsuccessful.

London, April 30.—Discussing the numerous failures of the recent new productions on the London stage to attract the public, some managers and critics attribute to the dearth of good authors. Last year, in response to a pathetic plea of the great unacted, the Players' Club organized a competition on the understanding that if a suitable play were found Philip Carr would produce it at the West End Theater.

Two hundred and fifty plays were received, read and considered, but, although a careful system of rejection had been adopted, the attempt was eliminated all but two from the competition, the committee and Mr. Carr agreed that even these were not of a nature to meet the requirements of a London theater.

Turning to the music halls, the keen competition, amounting in many instances to a fight for very existence, has just received a fresh object lesson. The Lyceum, the home of the late Sir Henry Irving, for many years, after the elimination of a bid for popularity as a variety theater, has been forced to close its doors. Now it appears that London's biggest and most magnificent house of entertainment, the Coliseum, has reached a crisis. An attempt was made to run in that house four performances daily. That failed, and the performances were cut down to three, and now only the raising of more capital can avert a disaster.

This is the purport of the report of the directors, who state that they have done everything in their power to maintain the credit of the company and to raise capital, having become personally responsible for large sums.

"It is obvious, however," continued the report, "that unless a large amount can be raised, and that on an early date, the company will be obliged to prevent the creditors resorting to extreme measures."

The directors have satisfied themselves that the necessary capital can be raised only on prohibitive terms, if the company is to be able to pay the shareholders. The directors are asked to subscribe \$11 25 per share of \$25. These \$25 ordinary shares are now quoted as low as \$7 50, while the \$25 preferred are down to \$12 50 and a very nominal quotation at that.

Out of 30 west end theaters, excluding variety shows, there were up till Thursday only seven which this season produced new plays, and of these only three were only a moderate success. I am not referring to musical comedies, as they are called, and which seem to be drawing most of the money, but actual plays.

For a comparatively small expenditure London could have a supply in capable of contamination. A water supply was the very essence of municipal life.

ENTERTAINED BY BRIGADES

Paris Woman Says She Has Converted Them to Probity.

Paris, April 30.—Mme. Crespin Du Gast has returned from the dangerous wilds of Morocco, where she has traveled for several months under the protection of Bu Hamara, pretender to the Moorish throne. It turns out that "the most extraordinary woman on earth," as her friends call Mme. Du Gast, sought Morocco for adventure's sake. She was not captured by brigands, as has been reported again and again, but was entertained by them with the warmest hospitality.

"I have received the baptism of fire," she gaily tells her intimates. "I have learned to sleep happily in a litter of straw; I have made the life-long friendship of the bravest and most delightful brigands; I am loaded with presents bestowed on me by the pretender and his warlike vassals—gifts which they acquired more or less honestly."

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disorderly conduct. Heaman was let go, and Smith paid \$3.

William Michener, who has lately returned from a tour of the west, will also sing. Mr. Wheeler will add some choice organ numbers, and the choir and soloists will be heard in a carefully selected program.

Jennie Brown got drunk on Saturday. It cost her \$10 or 20 days.

Three first-time drunks were discharged.

## CITY HALL WITH A LIST

Big Chicago Edifice Endangers the Lives of Pedestrians.

Chicago, April 30.—Chicago's city hall has settled to such an extent since the completion of the excavation for the adjoining new county building that it was found necessary to rope in the entrances to prevent pedestrians from being killed by the falling sections of coping and cornices. At the south end of the building at Washington street the cornices have sunk several inches, while the entire building has assumed a list in the direction of the hotel which the new building will cover.

During the day several pieces of stones fell, and two employees narrowly escaped being killed as they were entering the building.

## LONDON'S NEXT PLAQUE

Bad Water Will Bring About Another Terrible Epidemic.

London, April 30.—Replying to the toast of his health at a house dinner of the Municipal and County Club Sir Alexander Blinnie made some very significant remarks about London's water supply.

Sir Alexander said he still adhered to his scheme of London obtaining a water supply from Wales, at a cost of £20,000,000.

The future destinies of the water supply of London had been placed in the hands of a body which had repeatedly proposed a bill in Parliament on the ground that it was dangerous for the people of London to drink water supplied from the old East London Company, a polluted source.

They were seconded in that opinion by no less a body than the Conservative members of the House of Commons, who said that it was dangerous for the people of London to drink water to continue to drink the water.

It might not be in his lifetime, but as sure as the sun will rise, a time when, as in times past, there would arise among the teeming millions of London an epidemic that would startle the world.

Chemists might tell them that the water was pure, but Sir George Buchanan informed the commission, it was a well-known fact that pollution might go on drinking a polluted source of water for a long time. Ultimately, however, from causes which could not be detected, it took upon itself certain qualities, and the people died by the thousand.

He was confident that London would have to look for its increased supply to an area where there was an ample rainfall of something like 48 or 50 inches.

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## AUCTION SALE

Having received instructions from Mrs. M. Thirwall to sell on Wednesday, May 12, at 189 Simcoe street, contents of house, comprising in part: Purple furniture, carpets, pictures, curtains, sideboard, extension table and glass, bathroom, contents of five bedrooms in suites, Sovereign range, kitchen utensils, outdoor effects, Sale at 10:30. NEIL COOPER, auctioneer. 140

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New York, April 30.

Amalg. Copper	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
American Sugar	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
American Tobacco	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Atchafalpa	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Baltimore	107 1/2	107 1/2	