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## G. P. & H. CARS ARE BEING OPERATED BY NIAGARA POWER

Interesting Event on Monday Afternoon When the Power Was Turned on By Hon. Adam Beck, Who Says That the Work of Construction Has Been Completed

"First G. P. & H. car to be operated by Hydro-Electric Power." This placard, in large letters, attached to the front of a Galt, Preston and Hespeler electric car, attracted considerable attention when the car appeared on King street shortly after four o'clock yesterday afternoon.

It was the first car on the G. P. & H. line to be operated by the power from the Falls, and the power had been turned on but five minutes before.

The officials of the G. P. & H. since the inception of the Hydro-Electric scheme have been making preparations for its advent, and once it was available they lost but little time in connecting their line.

in making the necessary adjustments. This will, of course, require some time, and consequently it cannot be expected that the line will be in first class condition until a large number of minor defects are remedied.

Asked as to how many municipalities were at present being supplied Mr. Beck said that at present 24 were receiving power from the Commission, and that requests for power, or for information had been received from 57 more.

Engineer Sothman Explains.

A concise explanation of the various interruptions in the service since the power was turned on in Berlin was made by Engineer Sothman.

"This is a mammoth undertaking,"



HON. ADAM BECK.

On the special car yesterday were Hon. Adam Beck, Chairman of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, Chief Engineer P. W. Sothman, Engineer E. Schmalz, Engineer Brundage, President M. N. Todd of the G. P. & H., Rev. Scott, Chairman of the Light Committee of the Galt Council, Ald. Fred J. Clare, chairman of the Light Committee of the Preston Council, and Supt. Matt Kirkwood of the G. P. & H.

On arrival at the junction of the passenger and freight lines the special car was halted, and the party disembarked. A switch had been arranged with which the change from the company's power to that supplied by the Commission was to be made, and this switch was thrown by Hon. Mr. Beck himself, amid the general congratulations of the other members of the party.

The change was made without a hitch, and the tireless energy from the Falls was sent pulsating over the trolley wires between Waterloo and Preston and Berlin and Preston.

For the present Niagara Power will be used only on the Preston and Berlin lines, the delay in receiving a number of transformers making it impossible to use the power on the Preston and Galt line for a couple of weeks.

The power having been switched on the special car was run up to the Town Hall, where a deputation from the Town Council consisting of Mayor Schmalz, Ald. Mills, Ald. Kranz, Ald. Dunke, Ald. Winterhalt, President Seellen of the Board of Trade, Chairman DeBus of the Railway Committee, and Mr. D. B. Detweiler, awaited the distinguished company. The deputation was taken aboard, and the car was run to Waterloo over the freight line. It was here that the car first felt the full force of the power behind it. It moved along with an absolutely steady motion, the current not varying in the slightest degree. The short run was made in good time, and those in the party, competent to speak on the subject, expressed themselves as in every way satisfied with the initial tryout of Niagara Power on the G. P. & H.

After a short visit to the port was again brought back to Berlin, and from here proceeded to Galt.

The line is completed.

During the trip, a Record representative had the privilege of a brief interview with Mr. Beck. Asked as to the progress of the Hydro-Electric scheme the Power Minister said that it was proving a very great success. To operate one or two stations would be a very simple matter, but when one considered the large number of stations at present being supplied, and the high voltage used he felt that the Commission had every reason to feel pleased with the success of the scheme.

"Will the farmers along the line be served with power?" Mr. Beck was asked.

"Just as soon as the main lines are constructed, as well as the branches, any farmer within a reasonable distance can be supplied with all the power he requires," was the answer.

"The power is now completed from end to end," said Mr. Beck, "and the engineers are at present busily engaged

M. N. TODD,

President of the G. P. & H. railway.

he said, "Nothing of a similar nature has ever been attempted in the world before. When we started out with this scheme we had absolutely nothing to go by. There was no precedent and we simply had to go ahead and work out our own scheme. When this is considered I do not think anyone will wonder at the interruptions. Without these interruptions we would have been no further ahead. We were forced to depend upon occurrences of this kind to find out where we had gone astray. At times we found it necessary to turn off the power without warning, and the question has been asked why we did not notify the power users. We did not do this because we did not want the consumers to turn off their power. We wanted to make certain experiments with the full load on, and had we notified the users this would have been impossible.

"The little kinks are being gradually straightened out," said Mr. Sothman, "and while there will undoubtedly be slight interruptions in the future I believe I can safely state that the most difficult conditions have been met and successfully coped with."

Effect on the G. P. & H.

President Todd said that the inception of Niagara Power on the G. P. & H. would have little or no visible effect. The public would probably fail to notice the difference. It meant a great deal to the company, however, to have an unlimited supply of motive power behind it. For some time past the engines at the power house had been overloaded with the result that the speed could not be kept up to standard.

With Niagara Power, a steady current was assured. The engines at the Falls would not slow down simply because a G. P. & H. car was climbing a heavy grade. The use of Niagara power would mean a more efficient service all around, said Mr. Todd, although for the present at least there would be no change in the running time between Galt and Berlin.

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**DON'T KISS BABIES.**

Seville, March 27.—Queen Eugenie of Spain, who is in residence with the King and their royal children in this city, has started a campaign against the promiscuous kissing of children.

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## STAND PATTERS ON RECIPROCITY

I. & L. Council Took No Action At Last Night's Meeting—Officers Elected by Acclamation.

The Berlin Trades and Labor Council stands pat on reciprocity. At a meeting held last night there was a wide difference of opinion when the question came up, and as a result no action was taken.

The meeting was well attended. The principal item of business was the election of officers. Mr. C. C. Hahn received from the presidency and Mr. S. Gofon was elected by acclamation. The retiring president was made the recipient of a gold-headed umbrella, as a token of appreciation for past services.

**Officers for 1911.**

The following are the officers elected. The various offices were filled by acclamation viz:—

Pres.—S. Gofon.  
Vice Pres.—W. E. Gallagher.  
Cor. Sec.—O. H. Zimmer.  
Fin. Sec.—S. W. Wallace.  
Sergeant at Arms—F. Ackermann.  
Treasurer—S. F. Gofon; F. Rauch.  
A. D. Mich.  
Chairman of Committees: Municipal and Legislative: S. Gofon.  
Organization—O. H. Zimmer.  
Label—Geo. Scharlach.

**Prison Labor.**

The Guelph Trades and Labor Council recently passed a resolution requesting the Government to discontinue the practice of using short term prisoners at the Guelph prison farm, for the various trades. This is in view of the short term prisoner upon gaining his liberty is not a finished mechanic and consequently a menace to the trades. The Council has no objection to the long term prisoner being set to a trade, as on the completion of his term, he will be a qualified mechanic.

The local council last night endorsed the Guelph Council's action and will co-operate with them in the movement. In the absence of Secretary Zimmer, who is confined to the house with illness, W. E. Gallagher acted in this capacity.

**THEY MET LAST NIGHT—STARTED THE BALL ROLLING—ANOTHER MEETING ON MARCH 30th.**

Thirteen Georges put in an appearance at the meeting called for last night in the Council Chamber to consider the idea advanced, to have all the namesakes of His Majesty, in Canada, unite in raising a fund for the presentation of a suitable memorial to King George on Coronation Day. The attendance was not as large as it might have been, considering that there are 200 Georges in Berlin.

Mayor Schmalz opened the meeting. He read Mayor Geary's letter and explained that the campaign is being taken up all over Canada. Speaking about the Georges his Worship laconically remarked he had never known a George to be hanged, which caused some of the Georges to throw out their chests.

After His Worship's remarks the Georges got busy and elected a President. Mr. Geo. Lang's name was proposed, but he withdrew in favor of the senior George, Mr. Rumpel. Mr. Geo. Wedd was reached by telephone and he will act as Secretary. Another meeting will be held on March 30th, when all the Georges in town are requested to turn out. The Secretary will notify them by postal card.

The Georges present were: Messrs. Metcalfe, Lang, Clarke, Schreiber, Starnaman, Rumpel, Ziegler, Poppley, Malleck, Messrs. O'Neil, DeBus and Lippert were only able to stay a short time.

Those present will constitute a Committee and reach other Georges and make the campaign a successful one.

From five cents to five dollars is the amount mentioned for contributions.

**SOLD AS LOW AS 16c. PER DOZ.—OTHER PRICES AT THE MARKET.**

Eggs could be purchased this morning as low as 16 cents per dozen, meaning the close of the market and as high as 20 cents. The predominating prices were 18 and 19 cents. Other prices of produce were unchanged from last Saturday's market.

Butter, per lb. 23, 24 and 25 cents.  
Eggs, per doz. 16 to 20c.  
Cheese, per lb. 16c.  
Lamb (case) 25c.  
Lard, per lb. 17c.  
Potatoes, per bag, 50c and 75c.  
Potatoes, per basket, 20c.  
Carrots, basket, 25c.  
Beets, basket, 25c.  
Parsnips, basket, 25c.  
Turnips, 2 for 5c.  
Caulage, per head 5c. and 8c.  
Pork Sausage, per lb. 17c.  
Ham, 18c.  
Bacon, 20c.  
Beef in quarters, 8c. and 10c.  
Pork in quarters, 10c. and 12c.  
Maple Syrup, per quart 10c., per gal. \$1.75.  
Maple Syrup, per 1/2 gal. 90c., a gal. \$1.60.  
Maple sugar, per cake, 5c. and 2 for 5c.  
Hay, per ton, 1st class \$15, medium \$14.  
Wood, per cord, \$5.50, black ash \$7.00.

## A BERLIN MAN'S GOOD POSITION

Ralph Nichol has Charge of the Tax Department of the C. N. R.

Mr. Ralph Nichol of Winnipeg, Man., has returned to the West after a sojourn of a few days with his parents in the Twin city. Mr. Nichol has charge of the Tax Dept., at the head office of Davidson and McKee, General Agents for the Canadian Northern Railway Land and Townsites at Winnipeg. While Mr. Nichol was in Montreal he negotiated the sale of 10,000 acres of Can. Northern lands, in addition to which the company sold 125,000 acres during the week ending March 4th 1911, to Western purchasers. Prices in farm lands have maintained a steady increase and have been free from any booms which guarantee the stability of such investments.

Canadian Northern lands are now selling at from \$18 to \$25 per acre for small purchasers and \$15.00 per acre for blocks of 10,000 acres or upwards, providing the purchaser an area of about 60,000 acres from which to make his selections. This company has branch offices at Duluth, St. Paul, Chicago, Toronto, Vancouver and London, Eng., and from inquiries received at these points, this year's immigration will surpass all previous records in the West.

Mr. Nichol's take him over the three prairie provinces and it is generally conceded that Saskatchewan is the banner province of the West.

**RUMOR HAS IT THAT LOBINSKI**

**MURDER SUSPECT HAS SKIPPED OUT.**

There is a well defined rumor on the street to-day to the effect that one of the men under suspicion as being concerned in the Lobinski murder has left the country.

It is understood that this suspect is one around whom a chain of evidence was being woven.

**TO RECOMPENSE TOTH FOR IMPRISONMENT.**

New York, March 23.—Twenty years in prison for a murder he never committed is likely to bring a Carnegie pension to Andy Toth, the Pittsburgh mill man who was released from the Pennsylvania penitentiary last Saturday. Andrew Carnegie said to-day that he had directed his pension fund agents to investigate Toth's case and make a report as quickly as possible.

Toth was employed in the Carnegie mills in 1901 when a fellow-employee was murdered. Toth and a Hungarian were among the suspects. When they were lined up for examination, the Hungarian stumbled and fell. Toth laughed at him. This so angered the Hungarian that he accused Toth of the murder. On this evidence alone Toth was convicted. The Hungarian recently returned to Hungary, but confessed his part in Toth's conviction before leaving. An examination by the authorities substantiated the story and Toth was released. Carnegie read the story with great interest.

A bill will be introduced in the Pennsylvania legislature shortly, to award \$10,000 to Toth.

**AT OSGOODE HALL.**

Before Cartwright, K. C., Master, Stewart v. Star Whitewear Manufacturer. Poppley, Malleck, Messrs. O'Neil, DeBus and Lippert were only able to stay a short time.

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## LAST HOUR DESPATCHES

Believe Steamer Lost

(Canadian Press.)

Brisbaner, March 27.—The coasting steamer Yongala, with a crew of 70 and 15 passengers is believed to have been lost.

## Fifty Buried Yesterday

(Canadian Press.)

New York, March 27.—Fifty funerals of the victims of Saturday's factory fire were held yesterday, and fifty more are being held to-day.

## Brakeman Was Killed

(Canadian Press.)

North Bay, March 27.—Hugh Corbett, married, a brakeman on the Canadian Pacific, was instantly killed on Monday night by falling under the train at Cartier.

## Despondent, Hanged Himself

(Canadian Press.)

St. John, N. B., March 27.—Ludwig Lorenz and his wife from South Russia landed here two months ago en route to join their son in Chicago. The woman was suffering from trachoma and was detained by the immigration authorities. To-day Lorenz, despondent over the long delay, way found hanging from a hook over a door. He was dead when cut down.

## The Levee Investigation

(Canadian Press.)

Toronto, March 27.—L. S. Levee, president and manager of the T. A. Slocum Medicine Company, proprietors of "Psychine" was again under fire this morning. A number of principals and teachers testified to having been solicited to buy stock in the Slocum Company. Principal Fraser received two letters from Levee inviting him to buy stock. Later the company's canvasser called on him at the school house, and represented that it would be well for him to invest, as Levee was an aggressive member of the School board and would probably be elected chairman.

So prominently as the Slocum Medicine Company kept before the teachers that "Have you bought Psychine?" became a common form of salutation.

## THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ATTEND DEDICATION AT NEW HAMBURG

Trinity Lutheran Church Scene of Largely Attended Services.—Special Train Conveyed Twin Cityites There.—Collection of \$1000.

Sunday, March 26th, marked a new era in the history of the Trinity Lutheran Church at New Hamburg.

The event attracted no less than 5000 people, including people from Berlin, Stratford, Waterloo, Baden and other surrounding places who went by special train. The hotels were crowded while the members of the congregation threw open their homes to the visitors. In fact, the crowd was so large that many were not able to gain entrance to the church. It was found necessary to hold overflow services in the basement. There was also a large representation of the clergy present.

The new church is a handsome structure of white brick and of English Gothic in design. It was erected at a cost of \$15,000. The Trinity Lutheran congregation of New Hamburg is one of the oldest Lutheran congregations in the province.

**GREYS HORSE FIRST.**

It is understood that following out further the suggestion made by General Sir John French in his report on the Canadian militia and approved by Major-General Mackenzie, Chief of General Staff, the training of troops at Niagara camp will be divided into two periods of two weeks each. In the first period, it is said, the 14th Infantry Brigade, consisting of the 23rd, 31st, 35th and 36th Regiments, and the Provincial Cavalry Brigade consisting of the 1st Hussars, the 21st Grey's Horse and the 25th Dragoon, will occupy the grounds and train together.

**A \$25,000 Reward.**

What is probably the largest reward that has been offered for information leading to the capture of fugitives from justice is now being announced by the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles for the three anarchists who destroyed the Times building with a dynamite bomb in October, 1910. The amount offered is \$25,000 for them all. A circular was received this morning by Chief O'Neil. It offers \$5,000 each for information leading to the capture of M. A. Schmidt, alias F. A. Perry, alias J. B. Leonard, alias J. B. Bryson; for David Coolan, alias W. Morris, alias William Cap; and for J. B. Block.

The circular states that the identity of the person giving the information will be kept secret and that the reward will be paid in cash.

Go to the News Record office for Birth Announcement Cards. They are showing a new line.

## Respectfully Submitted

We're not quite so enthusiastic over that new grandstand to-day.

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The Hydro-Electric is to have opposition at Windsor. Still in the face of the opposition already overcome the Windsor affair is a mere bagatelle.

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Galt's Medical Health officer says that it is not safe to use water from the wells in that town. And the poor natives have but one other option—to drink the town water.

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Chas. Sheldon has been arrested after being a fugitive from justice for five months. There's a nice little job waiting in Waterloo County for the clever detective who captured him.

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Man goeth to bed on a fine spring evening and covereth himself with but one blanket. He awaketh in the morning full of rheumatism and with a rebellious spirit fareth forth to shovel snow.

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A young man who says he went to Guelph to have a good time was arrested. He should have known better. Hamilton is the only place where arrests are not made.

## NOT GUILTY

Before Judge Chisholm this afternoon Leighton Huebner was found not guilty on a charge of perjury.

The case arose out of a charge of assault with intent to rob laid by Huebner against Anthony Weaver and on which the latter was acquitted.

Revs. Langholz, Klahn and Voss.

In the evening the services were in English, conducted by Rev. Maass, a former pastor of the church and Rev. Lucas.

The services will continue throughout the week. To-night's services will be for the various societies of the church and will be conducted by Rev. Boekelman of Waterloo and Rev. Hinkel of Pearl Lake.

On Tuesday a reunion of the young people continued at this church will be held when Rev. Linke of Conestogo and Rev. Rembe of Hamilton will deliver addresses.

The services throughout were inspiring, which the sermons delivered were of an impressive nature.

A gratifying feature of the dedication was the large sum of money raised by collection. The church realized the magnificent sum of \$1000.

The special train which conveyed the members of the St. Matthews church left the Berlin depot at nine o'clock returning at 10 o'clock in the evening. There were between 600 and 700 people from the Twin City in attendance.

**Berlin Stands Idle and Sees Lutheran Institution Going to Waterloo.**

The Canada Synod of the Lutheran Church has for some time been contemplating the establishment of a Lutheran Seminary in affiliation with the Toronto University. In view of the County of Waterloo being a central and largely populated section of Lutherans, the Synod Board now deems it advisable for this institution to be erected in the county. In view of this, the president Rev. E. Hoffman approached a number of town officials with a view to entertaining a proposition from the town, for the erection of the seminary in Berlin. He was given no encouragement, in fact the civic officials approached, showed indifference. As a result, the Synod now negotiating with Waterloo and has met with encouragement. The Board of Trade of Waterloo looks favorably upon the seminary as a notable acquisition to the town and has promised the Synod a free site.

"In all probability the seminary will be located in Waterloo, although I myself would like to see Berlin get it," said Rev. Hoffman this morning.

The seminary is being established, so as the Synod will be in position to supply the pulpits of the Lutheran church, which are now largely dependent upon the universities of Germany and it will be seen that such an institution would further develop Berlin's interests.

The Synod Board will meet in Toronto on Tuesday when the final decision as to the location of the seminary will be reached.

**LUTHERAN SYNOD.**

A new Lutheran Synod has been incorporated under the Ontario companies act. Its corporate name is the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Central Canada, and the centre of operations will be the village of Unionville. The new Synod is given power to purchase property, build churches, colleges and seminaries, as well as to establish and maintain a printing and publishing house.

## Street Lighting in Other Towns

The Record yesterday had an opportunity to interview the chairman of the Light Committees of both the Galt and Preston Town Councils and some interesting information regarding the arrangements for street lighting in these towns with Niagara power.

In Preston the incandescent system is being used and chairman Fred Clare states that it is proving satisfactory in every way. A fifty watt Tungsten light is placed on each pole by means of the bracket, and the street is well lighted by this means. Thus a stranger in the town would notice nothing out of the ordinary with the exception that the sidewalks and roadway were well illuminated.

Hon. Adam Beck, who took part in the discussion, was emphatic in his support of a brilliantly lighted business section of a town. "It is impossible to advertise a town better than by having plenty of lights in the business section," he said.

Reve Scott mentioned that the residential section of Galt would be lighted with incandescent lights more than 600 being used for this purpose.