

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR

BRANTFORD, CANADA, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1914

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STREET RAILWAY DEAL APPROVED LAST NIGHT BY BOARD OF TRADE

Inaugural Address of President Scarfe - Discussion on the Street Railway Situation Showed Unanimity of Opinion - Committee Elected.

The inaugural meeting of the Board of Trade was held last night in the city council chambers...

who asks you for your consideration and hearty support. I, with four other members of the Board...

The secretary's report was read and adopted and the report of the scrutineers recommending the year 1914...

As the directors of the Associated Boards of Trade were reported fully in the daily press, no doubt you have all read them carefully.

THIEVES MAKE A CONFESSION

Gang of Looters in Norwich District Are Rounded Up.

WOODSTOCK, Ont., March 4.—Calmly admitting that they were three members of an organized gang of looters...

Among these was Fournier and when he was brought into court this morning on a charge of perjury...

Hon. I. B. Lucas delivered his Budget speech in the Legislature. Over thirty Rutenhians received sentences in an Austro-Hungarian court for incitement to rebellion.

We're Not In Big Show Yet

AUBURN, N.Y., March 4.—The national board of arbitration of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues...

They Escaped From Jail At Chatham

Two Prisoners With Long Terms Made a Get Away.

CHATHAM, Ont., March 4.—Henry Dart, the Toronto forger sentenced to two years in Central prison and David Grant, sentenced a few days ago to seven years in Kingston for highway robbery...

COMMENT ON GREY'S SPEECH SHOWS TEMPER OF BRITISH PEOPLE IN KILLING OF BENTON

LONDON, March 4.—The Mexican situation and Sir Edward Grey's pronouncement of the views of the British Government in regard to the deadlock in the investigation into the circumstances of the death of William S. Benton...

ence being mistaken for indifference it would introduce an element of grave disadvantage into international politics. In conclusion the Pall Mall Gazette says: "Every reason of moral and international right requires of the United States that the punishment of Benton's murderers shall be undertaken without avoidable delay."

The United States is bound to exert that predominant and exclusive influence which it claims for putting an end to things which it claims have become a danger not merely to the United States itself, but to the civilized world.

SCORES CHURCH FOR MODERN ATTITUDE

New York Speaker at Social Congress at Ottawa.

No Progress Made During the Last Ten Years.

OTTAWA, Ont., March 4.—Speaking on "The Call of the New Day to the Old Church" at the Social Service Congress...

Whether the Brantford Gas Company will turn off its gas or run the chance of being fined \$100 daily by not turning off the sulphur will depend on the result of conferences between Mr. E. Sweet and head of the officials of the company.

Figures that seemed appalling were presented to illustrate the divorce problem. In every twelve marriages in the States there was one divorce and possibly one separation secured by those who could not afford a divorce.

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CANADIAN NORTHERN WILL BE BUILT THRO' BRANTFORD ACCORDING TO STATEMENT

OTTAWA, March 4.—In the Commons Railway Committee today Mr. Ruel, counsel for the Canadian Northern Railway, asked leave to change the route of a line from a point on Lake Erie, between Dunnville and Port Dover, through Brantford and Berlin to a point at or near Owen Sound or Meaford on Georgian Bay and to permit it to be routed to go through Kincardine.

"I don't suppose you have any intention of building any of these roads anyway," he said. "We do intend to build," said Mr. Ruel. Mr. Bennett found ground for suspicion in the fact, which he referred to triumphantly, that there were no marginal notes in the bill to indicate along these lines had been hanging fire.

GAS COMPANY UP AGAINST IT

Can be Fined \$100 Daily on Sulphur Nuisance Charge.

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Called Girls Fanatics in North of Ireland

MONTREAL, March 4.—Describing his experiences with Protestants in the north of Ireland, Rev. Thomas Murphy, S.J., now conducting a lenten mission at St. Patrick's church last night asserted girls insulted priests on the streets.

"In the north it is a sad story. I have not been out preaching missions for many years in the north as well, and what I tell you I have seen with my own eyes. I have seen Protestant girls, meeting a priest in the street, insult him in a manner which I would not describe. I have received the same insults while walking with the parish priests in the locality where I was preaching, and as nothing like this is seen in the south, I believe I am justified in saying that there is little or no bigotry in the south, and that there is a good deal in the north. The girls I alluded to were not bad girls, but simply fanatical."

"I am sure that no legislation would ever be enacted by the Dublin Parliament inimical to the religious liberty or to the temporal interests of the Protestants of Ireland. I believe that John Redmond would be the first man to frown down any such injustice if it were attempted."

Hugh Adams' Disappearance

Burford Township Farmer Drops Mysteriously Out of Sight.

Search has been launched by the authorities for Hugh Adams, a farmer who resided on the tenth concession of Burford, and who disappeared rather mysteriously a few days ago. Adams drove to the city with his team, and driving out again he stopped near D'Aubigny Creek, where his outfit was found. The owner's footsteps were traced across the river, and he was last seen at the Grand Trunk depot, where he purchased a ticket for Toronto. Since then no trace of him has been secured. His wife has laid a charge of desertion against her husband, and efforts are now being made to locate him.

YOUNG GIRL DISAPPEARED

But She Turned Up Again To-day After an Unexplained Absence

A young girl's disappearance over the week-end caused the local authorities to suspect that all was not well and that something serious had eventuated but it was happily cleared up this morning when the girl appeared looking quite well at the local Children's Shelter. The girl, by name Ethel Dunn, is at once attractive and 18. She had borne an excellent reputation and being a good appearance and slim build it was feared she had fallen into evil hands and no effort was spared in the search. She left the home of her employer Mrs. Noble Brant Ave., about 8 o'clock and it was understood she was going to the Brant Theatre with a male acquaintance and she did not return. Days passed and still she was missing and Mrs. Noble had grown extremely anxious when the girl was reported safe this morning.

WORK STARTED

The pile driver commenced work this morning at Loane Bridge driving piles at the bottom of the Terrace where a retaining wall is to be built. This wall is for the protection of the Terrace and will stretch from Colborne St., along to the old bathhouse. Out in the country between her and Paris the bridge gang is completing its job erecting bridges and by Saturday of this week this department of the work will be completed ready for the track laying. The rails are now laid for a considerable distance this side of Paris and will reach Brantford by the end of next month at the latest.

CITY WILL PROTECT MR. E. B. STOCKDALE SHOULD CATARACT SUE HIM

City Solicitor Henderson Points Out Way in Which Power Contract Can be Broken--Amendment Made to Draft Agreement for Purchase.

TORONTO, March 4.—City Solicitor Henderson has gone over the tentative agreement drafted by the receiver's counsel, and approved by the bondholders' committee, for the purchase of the Grand Valley by the city of Brantford, and an amended form has been received by those interested here from Brantford's vigilant watchdog of the law.

"You will observe," writes Mr. Henderson, "that I have altered the terms to make them agree with the provisions of our offer of purchase. The only amendment to it suggested by the bondholders was that we should assume the liability, if any, of the receiver, as such, under the contracts for power with the town of Galt and the Western Counties Electric Co. It was not suggested that we should assume the liability under these contracts of the Grand Valley Railway Company."

Mr. Henderson's amendment is not likely to cause any very serious conflict. A vital clause in Mr. Henderson's agreement form is this:

"It is understood that contracts were in existence at the date of the appointment of the receiver between the Grand Valley Company and the Western Counties Electric Company, and the Grand Valley and the town of Galt, for the supply of electrical power, and that during his term as such receiver power under said contracts has been supplied by the Western Counties Company and the town of Galt for operating the railway, but without any contracts or arrangements being entered into by such receiver. Upon such understanding, the corporation of the city of Brantford undertakes to indemnify Receiver E. B. Stockdale from any liability attaching to him on account of such power having been supplied during his possession of the railway system, but without admitting that any liabilities attached to him. It is agreed that if any proceedings shall be taken against him in respect of personal liability under said contracts, the city shall undertake the defence of such proceedings and indemnify him against same and costs."

All this, of course, is conditional upon two things: The ratifiers of Brantford must say "Yes," and the Legislature of Ontario must empower the municipality to make the purchase.

Why Not? And Then Some

Mayor Spence, in his address at the Board of Trade regarding the Street Railway, gave figures regarding other places, but had not received those from Berlin. They reached him to-day, and show that the municipal system there last year earned nearly \$56,000, some \$20,000 more than earned by the Brantford plant. After allowing for interest, sinking fund, operating and general maintenance, \$6000 was set aside for depreciation, and then there was a net profit of \$4160. If a place the size of Berlin can do that, why can't Brantford, and even more so?

INCENDIARY BUSY ON THE RESERVE

Several Fires of Very Queer Origin Are Reported--Investigation to be Made.

An arrest is to be made in connection with the fire that occurred during the week on the Indian Reserve when many barns were burnt to the ground. It is suspected that the conflagration was the result of an incendiary act. The fact that the barns should take fire during the present weather was considered strange and investigations have revealed several circumstances which will stand inquiry.

No Truth in Rumor

Rumor was rife in the city to-day that the Apollo motion picture house was to be closed up. Ernie Moulé of the Brant Theatre who also has charge of the Apollo emphatically denied the statement saying he had no intentions whatever of closing that theatre as it has the best location of any theatre in the city. Mr. Moulé said, "That theatre will be running when all the others are close up and you can tell the public that!" A new theatre manager has been secured by Mr. Moulé from London who will devote all his time to booming the theatre and it is Manager Moulé's intention to put on the best class of pictures at this theatre that can be secured.

Several firemen and others were severely injured in a terrible explosion at Niagara Falls.

WHOLE GANG IS TO APPEAR ON THURSDAY

Mutilation of Brant Ave. Trees is Deplored by Authorities.

Is it Now a Case of Fixing the Responsibility Therefor.

The residents of Brant Avenue will have some satisfaction in knowing that to-morrow the whole gang of men who did damage to the trees on that avenue will appear before Magistrate Livingston to answer for their deeds, so ruthlessly committed.

Two hefty looking men answered to the names of H. Burin and James Craft, when they were called to answer the charge of damaging trees on Brant Avenue. There were three on the list, but one, John Wanamaker, had the misfortune to break his leg, whilst following his work, and consequently could not appear. They were charged at the instance of E. P. Park, who resides on the avenue, and were not defended by any attorney. Mr. Henderson represented the city and said he did not want to take any advantage of the defendants, if they desired a lawyer they should say so. Tiny Solicitor said that he did not want to have them sent to prison without a fair chance, although there were several citizens on Brant Ave. who would have them in jail if they could, and he could not blame them. "Not in jail," said the Magistrate, "in an asylum." Then Burton spoke up and said he did not see why one man, who happens to be a citizen, should be picked upon whilst many others from the east were left to get away. He was agreed with by the court and he volunteered to give what names he could, although he suggested they could get a complete list from headquarters. However the other defendant gave a complete list as he happens to be a foreman. Burton's defence was that he was acting under instructions and, therefore could not be held responsible. His fellow defendant, then said he gave orders for trimming of the trees, but he had said nothing about

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