CREDITS ANTITOXIN WITH SAVING LIFE OF LITTLE LONDONER

Medical Officer of Health So Informs Board.

INTERESTING TREATISE

Precautionary Doses Recommended as Insurance Against Tetanus.

Dr. H. W. Hill, medical officer of health, has given an interesting history of lockjaw, and the methods of combating it. The treatise was presented at the meeting of the board of health on Tuesday afternoon, and is as follows:

Recovery from lockjaw was the unusually happy ending of Eddie di Palmo's experience with a nail through his foot.

Running barefoot on August 19th, this little London lad drove the nail in deep just back of his toes. Nothing much resulted during the next few days beyond the usual pain and discomfort. His parents supposed the trouble was all over, but the lockjaw germs thought differently. On August 28th, about noon, the little lad could not swallow. His jaws were set. Ordinarily the dreaded lockjaw, thus developed, means death. But the parents, making up now in haste for their previous delay, summoned a physician, who recognized that there was but one chance, and that a slim one, tetanus antitoxin, in high doses. Through the local M. O. H. as the law provides, tetanus antitoxin was obtained from the provincial board of health on a telephone call to Dr. McCullough, the chief officer of health for the province. Twenty-two thousand, five hundred units at one dose, some into the affected muscles, some into the veins, some into the spinal canal—and then repeat and repeat daily. Touch and go it was, for the ominous tremors and jerks came on and spread until at times the whole of the little body was twisted with the savage poison. But strong as the poison was the antitoxin was stronger, the high doses gained ground "by sheer weight of numbers" and at last the enemy was routed, and the little dark-haired bambino was restored to the parents' arms.

Early, Often and Powerful.

"Antitoxin, early, often and in high doses," say the provincial experts—and his case shows they are right. Capt. E. Fitzgerald, head of the Hygiene Department of Toronto University, who makes the lockjaw antitoxin (for tetanus antitoxin to give it the expert's name), for free use throughout the province, was immensely interested in this case, and has asked for all the records in it. Tetanus is usually fatal, once the jaws are set, and it is considered a triumph that this case was saved. Nothing but the prompt and fearless action on the part of the attending physician, who thrust 93,000 units of antitoxin between the boy and death.

Had the parents known the dangers of the nail driven into the foot, a modest dose of 1,500 units, given at the time of the accident, followed by another about a week later, would have prevented all the trouble, pain, risk and sorrow. "Never again," say they. "Next time, safety first." Incidentally the provincial board would have saved the other 90,000 units, but this is a side issue.

Precautionary Doses.

Already people who run nails in their feet are taking this small dose at once as a precaution. This is the way all wounds are treated at the front in the great war, because of the large amount of tetanus there. Since this treatment was adopted in France tetanus amongst the wounded has practically disappeared. Lockjaw or tetanus is not the result of the rust on the rusty nail, but usually of horse or cow manure on the nail or the barefoot, or even on the boot through which the nail is driven. This germ, shaped like a tiny drumstick, is one of the very few that resist sunlight and drying. Flourishing in the horses intestine, sometimes in the cow, it is spread broadcast in manure. Taken into the mouth as in dust or milk, it is harmless. But if it enters a deep wound, just the kind of wound a nail makes, it is shut away from the air and grows, making one of the deadliest poisons we know in its growth.

MAJOR-GENERAL LESSARD HERE FOR INSPECTIONS

Puts 153rd Through Stiff Program Today, But Makes No Comments.

Major-Gen. F. L. Lessard, inspector-general of forces in Eastern Canada, arrived in the city at 11:15 this morning, and proceeded at once to Wolseley Barracks.

Major-Gen. Lessard's visit is purely a routine one. This afternoon he inspected the 153rd Battalion. That unit was put through a strenuous course of drill in battalion, company and platoon manoeuvres. The inspector-general had no comments to make on the Wellingtons.

Tomorrow he will inspect the 160th (Bruce) Battalion.

CITY BREVITIES

CHOIR CORN ROAST.—The annual picnic of the Cronyn Memorial Church choir will take the form of a corn roast this evening at Wonderland.

ANOTHER HOLD-UP.—"The juice that failed," otherwise hydro, held up the street railway system for about fifteen minutes shortly after 9 o'clock this morning.

FIRST MEETING.—The members of the Aberdeen Mothers' Club will hold their first meeting of the season on Thursday, September 21st. Refreshments will be served.

ANOTHER COLD NIGHT.—Londoners experienced another stretch of coolness last night when the temperature went down to 29. The usual coal order rush followed today.

GRAND TRUNK EARNINGS.—Grand Trunk traffic earnings from September 8 to 14, 1916, were $1,253,629, and for the same week in 1915, $1,044,808, an increase of $208,821.

WRIT FOR $250.—A writ was issued in county court yesterday by Scandrett Bros. against Charles Stevens, to recover $250 the amount claimed due by plaintiffs on a promissory note given by defendant on December 6, 1913.

MEETING ON THIS EVENING.—The regular monthly meeting of the board of the Young Women's Christian Association is being held this afternoon. Important business is under discussion affecting the future of the organization.

EXECUTIVE MEETING.—The executive committee of the synod of the Diocese of Huron meets on Thursday of this week at 11:30 o'clock in Cronyn Hall. Included in the committee are 60 clergymen and laymen from all parts of the diocese.

SEASON OPENED.—The Wortley Road Mothers' Club opened the fall season of its work on Tuesday night by a social evening held in the kindergarten of the school. Miss Brenton, former kindergarten supervisor, was a visitor. A fine musical program was rendered, and light refreshments served.

MAY BE NEW OFFICIAL.—Miss Lukes, who has been prominently identified for some time with Young Women's Christian Association work in Montreal, is in town for a few days. Her name has been mentioned in connection with the general secretaryship of the London association, vacant at the present time.

TO SPEAK ON HOSPITALS.—The first regular meeting of the Simcoe Street Mothers' Club will be held on Thursday, September 21, at 8 o'clock. Nursing Sister Davis of the C. A. M. C., who has spent nearly two years in the service, will speak on hospital work of Canadian nursing sisters in Canadian hospitals in England and France. Parents and friends are invited to attend.

SALVATION CHIEF COMING.—Quite an event in the experience of the local Salvation Army corps will be the visit next Sunday of Col. McMillan. The colonel is second in command of the Salvation Army in Canada, occupying the position of chief secretary. His early experience in army work was gained in Canada, then he was transferred to Australia, where for twenty years he has held positions of responsibility. The colonel will be accompanied by Mrs. McMillan and will conduct three services in the Citadel on Clarence street. In the afternoon his subject will be "Around the World With the Salvation Army."

SAY FAIR EXPENSES AMPLY JUSTIFIED

Baptist Ministers Pleased With Gospel Tent at Exhibition.

A meeting of the Baptist Ministerial Association was held Tuesday to wind up business in connection with the gospel tent this year at the Western Fair. The cost in connection with the tent—for location, tent, furnishings and printing—amounted to about fifty dollars, an expenditure which the association was unanimous in declaring amply justified.

Rev. J. H. Boyd of Adelaide Street Baptist Church had general supervision of the tent, which opened daily at 9 a.m. and was kept open till 10 p.m. Two services were held each day, one at three in the afternoon and another at 7 o'clock in the evening. Between times, the tent was used as a rest and lunch-room and rendezvous. All day long it was filled and sometimes so large were the crowds that it was necessary to open the service before the appointed hour.

People who dropped in to call at the tent remained to pay a visit and returned again and again. Among these visitors were people from Owen Sound, Orillia, all parts of the province, in fact. Many declared the evangelistic tent was "the best thing on the grounds." For one thing, Mr. Boyd reminded that it was one absolutely free attraction. Not a single collection was taken all week.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Lind and Miss Lind, Colborne street, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Lind, St. Marys.

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Mrs. (Rev.) S. J. Thompson of Victoria, B. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. R. Reid, 428 Dufferin avenue.

GROCERS MAY USE CO-OPERATION IDEA IN THEIR BUYING

Discuss High Cost of Living at Local Meeting.

SOME PRICES TOO HIGH

No Definite Stand Taken, but Concerted Action Seems Likely.

Grocers of London may institute co-operative buying in an effort to reduce the present cost of many lines of produce now carried in the retail stores of the city. The scheme was informally considered at a meeting of the retail grocers on Tuesday evening and while no definite steps were taken the formation of such a scheme is generally regarded by the interested grocers as not only possible but more than likely.

High cost of living does not appeal to Mr. Householder, the ultimate consumer, any more than it does to the grocer. Last night's session of the retailers revealed this fact. Every grocer present was able to contribute a little more "experience" to the general story of high prices and scarce goods.

Practically all lines of groceries are scarce and dear now, but this is more especially true of vegetables. There is no reason, say the local retailers, why so many vegetables should be as expensive as they are. They point to the fact that cabbages are bringing as high as $2 per dozen on the local market and the fact that the market does not always meet their requirements in supplying vegetables for the retail trade.

Fruits are another grocery line against which the retailers expect to wage war in an effort to reduce what they consider excessive prices. By pooling their buying it is expected that the fruits and vegetables can be secured not only cheaper than under the present system, but delivery will be immeasurably better and cheaper as the same individual effort to "corralling" vegetables on the market square will be eliminated.

142ND COMMANDER GETS CAPTAIN'S CERTIFICATE

Included in List of Those Announced Here.

In the list of those officers who have been granted captain's certificates following the provisional school of infantry instruction that was held in London from August 7 to September 2 appears the name of Temporary Lieut.-Col. C. M. R. Graham of the 142nd Battalion. Col. Graham went with the 142nd to Camp Borden when the battalion was ordered there shortly after the 1st of July.

The others in the captains list follow:

Lieut. H. B. Edward, 27th Regiment.
Lieut. W. A. Wykesmith, 27th Regiment.
Lieut. S. M. Johnson, 28th Regiment.
Lieut. W. H. Wright, 30th Regiment.
Lieut. G. V. Cooke, 30th Regiment.
Lieut. S. N. Lord, 30th Regiment.
Lieut. E. G. Rowley, 30th Regiment.
Lieut. R. C. Rowland, 32nd Regiment.
Lieut. R. S. Stone, 2nd Field Company, C. E.
Lieut. R. W. Garrett, 7th Field Company, C. E.
Lieut. R. A. McLellan, 7th Field Company, C. E.
Lieut. W. H. Robinson, 7th Field Company, C. E.
Lieut. H. F. White, 7th Field Company, C. E.

Lieutenants Class.

A list of those officers and non-commissioned officers who qualified as lieutenants in the school held here from July 10 to September 2 was announced at the same time as the captains. It follows:

Prov.-Lieut. R. D. Swift, 27th Regiment.
Prov.-Lieut. S. G. Stokes, 27th Regiment.
Sergt. A. M. McPhatter, 160th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F.
Sergt. W. H. Eldt, 160th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F.
Sergt. H. C. Harcourt, 160th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F.
Sergt. F. B. James, 160th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F.
Sergt. E. H. Johns, 160th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F.
Sergt. P. T. Siebert, 160th Overseas Battalion, C.E.F.

B. C. VOTE RECOUNT HAS BEEN CALLED OFF

Extent of Task Leads Bowser to Concede Defeat.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 20.—The final count of the ballots in Thursday's elections, which had been demanded by E. A. Lucas, for Premier Bowser, was called off by Lucas after the extent of the task had been made known to the premier.

The candidates agreed that they had no desire to put the province to the expense of a final count, and therefore the demand was dropped.

LOTS OF WATER TO NORTH DECLARES OLD RESIDENT

Recalls Old Militia Report on Oxford Street Source.

Apropos London's water shortage of the past summer and the investigations now under way to ascertain possible increased sources of supply, an old resident comes forward with the suggestion that the water sources to the north of the river, along Oxford street and near the Jewish Cemetery, be investigated.

This resident, who lays claim to more than 70 years' residence in London, backs up his statement that there is abundant water there, by referring to an old report made years ago when London was a garrison city of the imperial army Royal Engineers, in garrison here, were sent out to the site he mentions to report on a possible camp site there. They were instructed to test the quality and quantity of the water supply and reported that there was sufficient of the purest water to meet the requirements of 100,000 men.

The Advertiser's information declares that the water supply is indicated by the spring creeks that cross the road in several places on their way to the river, while the purity of the water was indicated by the fact that young Londoners of years ago used to hook speckled trout in hundreds from these streams.

WHITMAN VICTORY SHOWS STATE FOR HUGHES' ELECTION

Progressive Vote Solidly With the Republicans.

THIS IS PERKINS' VIEW

Calder Leads Bacon at Present In Contest For U. S. Senate.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Sept. 20. — Republican leaders today attached great significance to the success of Governor Whitman in winning the progressive nomination for governor in yesterday's New York State primary election over Samuel Seabury, who was unopposed for the Democratic nomination for that office. The 3,995 districts thus far counted give Whitman 2,430 to Seabury's 6,389. The governor ran ahead, according to these returns, both in and out of New York City.

The Republican leaders declare that Whitman's victory in the Progressive primaries proves that the bulk of the Progressive vote in New York State will be Republican at the coming national election.

New York Certain for Hughes.

George W. Perkins, the Progressive national leader, who indorsed Mr. Whitman's candidacy in the Progressive ticket, said: "The real effort on the part of the Democrats was to have Seabury carry the Progressive primaries and endeavor to show thereby that Wilson was stronger in New York than Hughes. Mr. Whitman's victory disposes of this claim, and assures the state of New York to Hughes beyond any shadow of a doubt."

Governor Whitman was opposed for re-nomination in the Republican primaries by State Senator William M. Bennett. Returns from 4,331 districts out of 5,719, give Whitman 183,648, Bennett 32,472.

William F. McCoombs, formerly chairman of the Democratic national committee, won the Democratic nomination for United States senator by a majority of about two to one over his opponent, Thomas F. Conway of Plattsburgh, formerly lieutenant-governor.

Calder—Brown Fight Close.

The incomplete returns fail to decide the fight for the Republican nomination for the United States senate between Robert Bacon, former ambassador to France, and William M. Calder of Brooklyn, a former member of Congress. The vote in 4,446 districts out of a total of 5,719, gave Calder today a majority of 4,272, but Bacon's campaign managers claim that later returns from outside New York City would wipe out this lead. Yesterday's election also named candidates for the House of Representatives, state senate and assembly, a chief judge and one associate judge of the court of appeals and a number of county and municipal offices.

OVER 2,000,000 MEMBERS.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Sept. 19.—The sovereign grand lodge of Oddfellows in session here today heard reports of officers showing the membership of the order to be 2,188,458; total paid out for relief funds $5,975,508; total receipts for the past year, $17,322,992.79, and total expenses of grand and subordinate lodges, $9,860,670.96.

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RUTHLESS WAR

passed between Admiral von Tirpitz and Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg in regard to the affair.

From the letters it appears that in a private conversation, Prof. Valentin asserted that Admiral von Tirpitz had misled the Reichstag in regard to the number of available submarines and the possibility of a submarine campaign. The admiral demanded that the chancellor discipline Prof. Valentin. Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, in his reply frees von Tirpitz from Valentin's charges, but decides that the professor is not subject to his disciplinary powers.

SOCIALISTS MEET TODAY.

New York, Sept. 20.—A news agency dispatch from Berlin, published here today, says: Supported by Field Marshal von Hindenburg and the majority of the German people, Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg is expected to weather the storm that will probably break in the Reichstag when that body reconvenes on September 28.

The campaign for a resumption of submarine warfare has been renewed by the Reichstag critics of Bethmann-Hollweg. The submarine advocates, who have never been able to forgive the chancellor for yielding to the United States, are expected to make trouble, and some are already proposing the formation of a coalition ministry.

Three hundred Socialists met here today in a most important session preceding the Reichstag gathering. The Socialists, who supported the chancellor during the submarine disputes, are being urged by their leaders to forget factional differences and present a solid front in view of the coming crisis.

The attention of the whole country is centred on the Socialist meeting.

WELL-KNOWN LONDON MEMBER OF 70TH IS SERIOUSLY ILL NOW

Advertiser Illustrations.

PTE. DAVID GRAY, 353 Oxford street, today listed as seriously ill from gun shot wounds in the face.

LONDON BAKERS SAY UNCLE SAM CANNOT CHANGE BREAD COST

Don't Believe Wheat Embargo Is Possible.

BROOKLYN MEN ASK IT

Request Wilson to Call Special Session of the Congress.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Sept. 20.—President Wilson will be asked to call a special session of Congress to declare an embargo upon the exportation of wheat, and federal and state investigations of the increase in the price of flour will be demanded by resolutions adopted by 200 brokers of Brooklyn yesterday. It was asserted that flour would be sold at $14 a barrel, and bread at 20c a loaf next spring unless an embargo is imposed.

When the foregoing dispatch was read to London bakers today they declared that Uncle Sam could not accede to the request of their fellow-manufacturers in Brooklyn.

"United States cannot put any embargo on the exportation of wheat for the simple reason that she hasn't got any hard wheat at all this year and all that is used in the production of flour comes from Canada and other countries," declared Fred Parnell of the Parnell Bread Company.

"Furthermore, the miller of today is justified in asking the price that he is for flour. Last year it required four and a half bushels of wheat to produce a barrel of flour. This year it is five. This is due to the fact that the wheat is not up to the standard of last year. There is little No. 1 Northern obtainable and it is because of this that United States can't put on that requested embargo.

Markets Regulate Price.

"Markets and stock exchange dealings regulate the price of wheat. Incidentally this regulation of wheat prices and directly the price of bread. However, as I have said, the prevailing milling conditions now justify the present prices that are being asked and obtained for flour.

"I know that they have been conducting investigations on the other side of the line into the cost of living and foodstuffs, but on the Canadian side of the border the price advance in bread that has been made has been absolutely justified. At selling bread at eight cents the bakers are not making what they should out of it. Everything has gone up in price but bread, because it is on the table three times a day, seems to be one commodity that has been singled out for general abuse.

Bread manufacturers have to make a living as well as everyone else and the advance that has gone into effect here means that they are simply adopting the only means they can of breaking even. There is absolutely no money in a seven-cent loaf now under present conditions.

Prefer Lower Prices.

"I know that bakers would prefer, if it were possible, to sell their products at a lower price, for that would mean increased and greater business, but it is absolutely impossible under the present circumstances."

WILSON IN CAMPAIGN AFTER WEEK'S LAPSE

Will Meet Attacks of Hughes and Turn on Big Guns.

Long Branch, N. J., Sept. 20.—President Wilson swung into campaign form today. With his plan for discussing public questions before non-partisan organizations instead of making campaign tours fully decided upon, he actively took up his political plans after a lull of more than a week caused by the death of his sister, Mrs. Anne E. Howe.

Administration leaders here predict that from now on there will be plenty of activity in the Democratic campaign. The attacks of Charles E. Hughes will be fully met by the president himself and members of his cabinet and Democratic leaders who will tour the country.

Vance C. McCormick, the chairman of the Democratic national committee, held an early conference with Mr. Wilson this morning.

HOLLAND PROVIDES MONEY FOR SUBS

The Hague, Sept. 19—Via London, Sept. 20.—The budget for 1917, presented at the opening of the Dutch Parliament today, provides for 800,000 florins as the first instalment for the construction of three submarines, which are to cost 19,000,000 florins each, and a mine-layer at 70,000 florins.

The total expenditure in the budget of 1917 is estimated at 200,000,000 florins, but for the extraordinary crisis expenditure of 36,000,000, only 2,000,000 appear in the budget. Should the necessary amount surpass 2,000,000 then a supplementary credit will be asked.

In order to cover the deficiency in ordinary expenses of about 4,000,000 florins, an additional tax on incomes will be levied, which, it is estimated, will yield about 3,000,000.

LOCAL CASUALTIES REFLECTING DRIVE OF BRITISH FORCE

Somme Offensive Adds Six to Lindon Roll Today.

ONE OFFICER IS KILLED

Former City Engineer's Son Dies—Lieut. French Reported as Wounded.

KILLED IN ACTION

Lieut. Thomas Leonard Tracy.

SEVERELY WOUNDED

Pte. William Newman, 15 Rathmine street.
Pte. William Wheeler, Knollwood Park.

WOUNDED.

Lieut. John P. French, Mounted Rifles.
Pte. William John Dicker, 394 Grey street.

WOUNDED AND ILL

Pte. David Gray, 353 Oxford street.

The British drive on the Somme, in which the Canadians have so brilliantly distinguished themselves, is being reflected in the heavier local casualty list each day.

The list for today names six London men, or men who trained here. One was killed in action, two seriously wounded, two wounded, and one reported seriously ill and wounded.

Well-Known Londoner.

Pte. David Gray, late of the 70th, who was reported as seriously ill in No. 13 Stationary Hospital, Boulougne, on September 18, with a gunshot wound in the face, in a telegram to his wife, Mrs. Annie Gray of 353 Oxford street, is a well-known London man. He is a brother of James Gray, of Gray's Limited, and with him in the 70th was Pte. Ronald Gray, son of James, his nephew.

Although well up in years Mr. Gray was determined to do his bit, and enlisted as a private with Lieut.-Col. Towers. He was a carriage painter at John Campbell & Sons, and has a wife and four children here.

Took Lower Rank.

Today's list contains the name of one more officer who trained here who sacrificed his rank that he might reach the firing line. Lieut. John Poyntz French of the Canadian Mounted Rifles is officially reported wounded, but no particulars are given.

He is the husband of Mrs. J. L. French, superintendent of Belvidere Military Convalescent Hospital, and while in London was a captain in the 7th C. M. R., the first mounted rifles organized here. In England he accepted the rank of a lieutenant in the Mounted Rifles so that he might reach the front sooner.

He escaped uninjured until the time of his present wounding, September 15. He and one other officer were the only officers in the corps who escaped uninjured after the engagements of June 2 and 3.

He was not a Londoner, but was well known here. Formerly he was an inspector of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police in Saskatchewan. Besides his wife, two small children also reside here.

Son of ex-City Engineer.

Lieut. Thomas Leonard Tracy, whose name appears in the casualty lists of today, reported officially as killed in action, was a son of Col. Thomas Tracy, former city engineer.

Lieut. Tracy was twenty-five years of age and was only one year old when his parents left this city for Vancouver, where Col. Tracy has since resided.

At the time of enlisting he was attending McGill University, Montreal, where he was taking a course in civil engineering. He enlisted at Ottawa, and asked for a transfer to the 2nd Pioneers, a company of which was recruited in this city.

He left with this unit when it went overseas, but it is known that he was afterwards transferred to the infantry.

Mrs. William O'Brien of 299 Ridout street is an aunt, the only sister of Col. Thomas Tracy.

Went With 34th.

Charles Wheeler of Knollwood Park was officially notified that his son, Pte. William Wheeler, who went overseas with the 34th Battalion, has been severely wounded. The official message says that he was admitted to the Northamptonshire War Hospital at Duston on September 15. His wounds are classified as "wounded in the shoulder."

In a telegram to Mrs. Mable Newman, 15 Rathmine street, Pte. William Newman is also classed as "severey wounded." The report says that he was admitted to the 2nd Southern General Hospital at Bristol on September 11, suffering from severe wounds in the head and shoulder.

Ernest Dicker of 394 Grey street, was officially informed that Pte. William John Dicker, infantry, had been admitted to No. 2 General Hospital at Bologne on September 11, wounded in left leg and side.

BRINGING BACK GIRL FOR DESERTING BABE

Local Police Secure Arrest of Windsor Girl in Toronto.

Dorothy Suchlick of Windsor was arrested in Toronto last night on a warrant sworn to by police here, charging her with deserting her baby three weeks ago by leaving the child on a coach seat on a G. T. R. express train from Detroit.

The woman, it is alleged, left the infant and afterwards took the train for Toronto, and no trace of her had been obtained until a few days ago.

The baby was taken in charge by the Salvation Army Rescue Home and is still being cared for there. It has shown a decided improvement in health since, and will be held there until the courts decide what disposition shall be made of it.

The only marks on the baby's clothing were the letters "D. O. S." worked on the blanket in colored thread, and with this slight clue detectives furnished information to surrounding cities that brought about the arrest of the young woman in Toronto yesterday.

She is only 22 years of age, and during her stay in Toronto has been employed as a telephone operator. It is claimed that she borrowed the money to pay her way from Windsor to Toronto from a friend in the former city and had stated that the child belonged to a sister in Toronto and that she was taking it there.

Detective Egelton left for Toronto at 9 o'clock this forenoon, and will return with the young woman some time today. She will be arraigned in the police court tomorrow morning charged with desertion of her child.

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INFANTILE PLAGUE BAFFLES SCIENTISTS OF STRICKEN LAND

Sweden Has Had Repeated Epidemics of Disease.

ADMIT THEY DON'T KNOW

Transmission by Flies Theory Doubted, Owing to Seasons of Occurrence.

[Canadian Press.]

Stockholm, Sweden, Sept. 20.—What can be done to cure and prevent infantile paralysis?

This question has been put to all of Sweden's leading authorities on poliomyelitis, as the disease is scientifically known and, their answer has been the same: "We don't know."

This answer is the more discouraging in view of the fact that Sweden, almost alone among European countries, has been repeatedly scourged by the epidemic, and as a result has a number of physicians and bacteriologists who have devoted themselves for years almost exclusively to the study of the disease.

No Certain Conclusions.

While the curve of the disease in Sweden in general has attained its highest point in August and September, there have been marked exceptions to the rule and there can be no certain conclusions as to a seasonal incidence of the epidemic. The last large epidemic in the city of Gothenburg began in October and ran through March, and there have been small local outbreaks in midwinter in latitude 66 degrees north. This, incidentally, is one of the facts that incline the Swedish scientists to doubt the transmission of the disease by flies. They admit the possibility, but consider it highly improbable.

Utterly Helpless.

Dr. Wilhelm Wernstedt of Malmo, one of the country's leading authorities on poliomyelitis, confessed to the correspondent his and his colleagues' utter helplessness against the disease. Their chief efforts at the outset of an epidemic are directed to the achieving of as strict an isolation of afflicted families and districts as possible.

These precautions no matter how thorough are rendered largely nugatory by the fact that, in the words of a report by Dr. Carl Kling, Professor Person and Dr. Wernstedt, "virus carriers are very common, and often in number greatly exceed the clinically positive cases."

"Carriers" Are Healthy.

In three families, in each of which one case of infantile paralysis had occurred, eight healthy members of the families were found to hold forms of the disease in their mouth cavities. Disease carriers are almost inevitably found among healthy members of families where cases of poliomyelitis have occurred.

Nor is this the only unfavorable factor. Investigations by the scientists named proved that the secretions of the mucous membranes of the mouth of a person who had recovered from the disease contained virulent microbes of infantile paralysis 204 days—almost seven months—after the onset of the disease. Investigations with other patients have repeatedly shown the presence of virulent germs of the disease four months, and more after the patient's recovery.

Weakens in 14 Days.

Animal experimentation appears to have demonstrated, however, that the microbe gets weaker soon after the termination of the acute stage of the disease, probably in eight to fourteen days after the onset. Hence, while an isolation of convalescents sufficiently long to permit the virus to disappear utterly is, in practice, impossible, the Swedish authorities advise isolation for some weeks after the disappearance of the acute symptoms.

EIGHTEEN CASES IN NEW YORK.

New York, Sept. 20.—Eighteen new cases of infantile paralysis, a decrease of 17 since yesterday's report was issued were shown in the department of health covering the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today. There were ten deaths, the same number as yesterday.

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Disorganization of Traffic Halts Proposed Asylum Sports.

The Hospital for the Insane sports, to have been held today, have been postponed until next week, owing to the impassable condition of the road for about two blocks on Dundas street east and the inadequacy of the street car service. For about a couple of blocks in front of the McCormick Manufacturing plant and west the long-suffering public has been obliged to walk or remain stationary for something like two weeks. East from there to London Junction only one car has been running in the meantime on a stub line. One car would be totally inadequate to handle the crowds that would go out from the city on such a day as this for the sports, hence the postponement.

The paving and laying of new tracks on a certain portion of Dundas street has disorganized more than the street railway system. The main highway to London Junction and from there to the city has been closed for carriages and automobiles, and those who would drive in have been obliged to go round by Oxford street north or seek a highway farther south.

Manager C. B. King of the street railway has assured Dr. Robinson, superintendent of the Hospital for the Insane, that the cars will be in their usual running order by the end of this week. If the promise is kept, a date early next week will be fixed for the sports.

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BERLIN IS TRYING

the shortage is greater than here in Frankfort. No sugar is served anywhere, the restaurants providing small packets of saccharine. Fish is dearer owing to the new regulations made by the English with the Dutch, but a new experiment is being made of seal meat. Botocki gave a dinner at the Kaiserhof in which it was served in all forms, hot and cold.

"I dare say you have rumors that fat people are dying freely here, but I do not believe them. I think the people grumble more at the bad coffee and greatly deteriorated beer than anything else.

Some Are Gloomy.

"Personally, I do not know what to make of the war. Our croakers, of whom there are always a few, say things are going badly, that Verdun should have fallen long ago, that our submarines for some reason or other are unable to operate. The arrival of English newspapers has been very intermittent lately, although the Matin and the Echo de Paris reach us quite easily via Switzerland."

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