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# TIRED OF LIFE, OLD MAN DIES THOS. RAWLINGS GAVE UP FIGHT

#### Suddenly Drew Himself Up and Dropped Dead-It Is Alleged To Be a Case of Carbolic Acid Poisoning--Investigation Is Proceeding.

Tired after a long and fruitless struggle with his enemy, drink, Thomas Rawlings, of this city, is supposed to have ended his life by taking carbolic acid about 11 o'clock this morning.

Rawlings was well known about London, being for many years hostler in a number of hotels here.

His habits were very irregular, his worst enemy being himself. WENT INTO HOTEL.

Rawling entered the Harrison Hotel this morning shortly after 10

He passed quickly through the bar into the lavatory, and in a few minutes emerged.

He then asked the bartender for a glass of ale, which he drank. Rawlings immediately entered the sitting-room, taking a chair near

Suddenly Mr. Harrison, the proprietor, saw the old man twitch, and an ashy paleness come over his features.

FELL TO THE FLOOR.

He attempted to stand up, but fell in a heap on the floor. Mr. Harrison called Dr. Teasdall, but the old man died shortly after the

BOTTLE FOUND. On investigation, it is said, that a two-ounce bottle that had contained

carbolic acid was found lying on the lavatory floor. Rawlings is supposed to have taken the poison shortly after entering the

The late Mr. Rawlings was about 65 years of age, and had been in

He was born in Norfolk, England, coming to London many years ago. He amassed a considerable sum of money, but fell into bad habits and soon was a hotel roustabout

EMPLOYED AROUND HOTELS.

Rawlings was known about many of the hotels, where he was given more or less steady employment, his drinking habits preventing him from keeping a job any length of time.

Lately his employment has been very intermittent, and he had been morose and despondent. He was a bachelor.

PITIABLE APPEARANCE.

Rawlings presented a very pitiable appearance this morning. His cloth-On one foot was an old shoe, and on the other a dilapidated overshoe.

His coat and other garments were ragged and torn. An old felt hat pulled down over his ears almost covered his unshaven

Not a cent was found in his pockets.

LOOKS LIKE SUICIDE. "It looks like a case of suicide," said Dr. Teasdall to The Advertiser. "I am investigating it, but have not yet formed a final opinion. There are circumstances that would lead me to believe that it was a case of suicide, but I cannot say as yet."

Neither Coroner MacLearen nor Coroner Ferguson have been notified of Rawlings' death.

Relatives in the city have taken charge of the remains.

### He has a brother living in London Township, and other distant rela-Western Fair Board Want \$2,000

#### Council Will Be Expected To that the estimates are going to be so Hand Over This

Sum.

The estimates of the Western Fair board called for the expenditure of a

About \$7,000 will be spent on en-

The board will ask the council to make a grant of \$2,000 to paint the Estimates for the cost of the painting were submitted by Col. Gartshore

ture of \$2,600 for this purpose. However, it was felt that the council would hardly spend that much

very high this year, and a considerable amount of pruning will have to \$2,000 Will Do It.

The sum of \$2,000 is thought to be

just about the correct thing, and the Western Fair directors will be delighted if they get that sum of money. They intend making all the imconsiderable sum of money this com- provements for which estimates have been drawn up.

Col. Gartshore expressed himself as hopeful that the Western Fair will Toronto, Winnipeg and Sherbrooke already receive such grants, and Cal-

gary also has an application in. It is thought by the board that the last night, and asked for the expendimake a grant similar to that of Toronto for the Western.

Word is expected shortly on that money this year in view of the fact matter.

## Municipal Election New Year's Day Nomination Day Ten Days Previous

#### Council Last Night Decided Upon the Change-Matter Now Goes To Legislature.

The Legislature will be asked to amend the London bill so that the fate of election in future will be New Year's Day, and nomination day ten

last meeting that this should be done, the workingman. and as predicted there was little op-

regarding the day of nomination, but elers could not. it was decided to make the date of nomination ten days prior to New favor, and the Legislature will be Year's Day.

Nomination Day.

nominations ten days before New If nominations was held on Christ-

mas it would spoil the day for a very benefit but few.

That was the reason he would suggest a different date. He thought it would be a splendid jail last night. thing to have the elections held on New Year's Day.

Opposed the Change,

Ald. Greenlees opposed the change. He thought that while it would convenience a few to make the change it harm, and he acted worse last night present time." would inconvenience a great many. Ald. Moorhead thought that the

Ald. Parsons favored the change, He thought many citizens could put up There was considerable discussion with the inconveniences, but the trav-

asked to amend the act, making New Year's Day election day, and ten days Ald. Beattle was in favor of making prior to that date nomination day.

Big Whist Match.

Tonight the big whist match belarge number of people, and would South London Liberals will take place ley. in Hyman Hall. All are invited.

## DOGS ATTACKED A HORSE ANIMAL DIED OF WOUNDS Ex-Ald. Gillean Turned Over he

Was Hitched To a Sleigh and Was Being Driven By Its Owner, Who Was Also Attacked By the Brutes in West London-Police Have Been Notified.

One of the most ferocious attacks that have ever been made by vicious dogs was reported this morning when it was learned that on Saturday af-London, was driving to his home his horse was attacked on Woodward CIVIC PARTY ARE ternoon, as Mr. Charles Bayes, of Edinburg avenue, Oxford Park, West avenue by three dogs, two of which were bulldogs and one a large collie.

ATTACKED THE HORSE. It was stated to The Advertiser that the dogs attacked the horse in the most vicious manner each of the bulldogs gripping one of its hind legs while the collie fastened its teeth in the animals nose.

The horse has belonged to Mr. Bayes for many years and was used for light work around his farm.

It was utterly unable to resist the attack of the dogs which bit it a number of times before they were finally driven away by Mr. Bayes. ATTACKED THE DRIVER ALSO. It is stated that the dogs also made an attack on Mr. Bayes, but he

drove them away with his whip. The terrible wounds caused by the dogs' teeth were dressed by the wner of the horse, but to no purpose, and, after suffering intense pain, the animal died on Saturday morning.

It is alleged that the bulldogs belong to a Mr. Boyce who recently left

The police are working on the case, and it is likely the dogs will be

### Opening Session of Spring Presbytery Rev. T. A. Watson Selected Moderator

The regular spring meeting of the of Aylmer, and now of the United sions this morning at 10:30 in the the synod for advice. Ross, Munro, Nixon and McCrae, min- mission on the Hamilton road. Best, Stuart, Stewart, Gibson, Cameron, appeal to the synod of a minority of

Presbytery of London opened its ses-sions this marning at 10:20 in the First Presbyterian Church. There was Dr. McCrae was appointed to

a large attendance, among whom were represent the Presbytery at the home noticed Dr. McDonald, Glencoe, moder- mission committee in Toronto this ator; Clerk A. Henderson, Rev. Messrs. month. Rev. Jas. Rollins, on behalf of Rollins, Nichol, Pidgeon, Orr, Reid, the lKng Street session, asked permis-Weir, Moffat, MacKay, Scott and Drs. sion to hold regular services at the isters, and Messrs. Young, Gilmour, Documents in connection with the

Patterson, McArthur, Law, Waugh, the congregation against the induction Woods, McVicar, Jelly, Watson and of Mr. Campbell to the eldership were read. Though there had been an ir-Rev. T. A. Watson, Thamesford, was regularity in the matter, the appeal etery on Sunday afternoon and was tions, which spoke in anything but new official, who evidently thinks he elected moderator for the next six was allowed. The synod will have to very largely attended. months. The Presbytery expressed its defece whether the appeal is com- The funeral was held under the and his inspection. gratification and thankfulness to God petent. The Presbytery apointed a auspices of St. John's Lodge, No. 20, committee consisting of Rev. A. Hen-Shearer, of Melbourne. There was derson, W. Woffat, for. Barnett and

#### manse of the Rev. Mr. Rae, formerly before the synod. Suggest Work To Some Prisoners And They Become Suddenly Ill

"Suggest work to some prisoners, wood unless the wrist has become and they at once become violently ill." much worse. Such was the statement given at he county jail today in answer to a

shirking, and feigning illness. At present there is a prisoner at For Improvements To Buildings the jail who is doing time for drunkenness. Recently he was asked to assist the other short time men in pil- mentioned the affliction rapidly grows took place this afternoon at the resi- in special and current bank accounts ing some wood which had been cut. | worse. "I've got a terrible sore wrist here," he replied, exhibiting the member, ming," said the physician today, "but the late Hiram Comfort, Esq., to Fred-duction in the figure is largely ac-

Today the jail physician visited the we hate to do." man and examined the wrist again. the prisoner.

swelling, but decided to give the man ways been and always will be prison- Thomas. the benefit of the doubt. However, ers who will sham anything to get out tomorrow he will be compelled to pile of doing manual labor.

This One Had Rheumatics. At the county jail is a woman pris

time came for taking her away along with some other women prisoners, she became badly afflicted with rheumatism. At times she gets better of her trouble, but whenever the Mercer is

"I am positive that she is sham-

labor harder while doing time than sant left on a trip to New York. On The doctor could find no signs of when at freedom, but there have al- their return they will reside in St

# them more attractive. and making receive a grant from the Dominion Mr. Price Wants To Buy the Property

Since it is impossible to lease the opinion of City Solicitor Meredith be importance of the Western Fair will the purpose of extending their elevator sell the property. lead the Department of Agriculture to facilities. Mr. R. W. Price, and his the property outright.

land at Port Stanley from the city for obtained whether or not the city can "The communication will be sent to associates are now anxious to purchase the city solicitor at once for his

opinion," said Mayor Stevely, "I do They have written to Mayor Stevely not know what rights the city has in to that effect, and ask that the this matter, but we will find out."

# Hartwick Is Still a Raving Maniac

The prisoners in ward 1 at the but he still makes the night hideous ounty jail are a weary looking lot with his yells and mutters incoherenttoday, for there was little or no sleep ly to himself during the day." for the inmates of that portion of the

James Hartwick yelled and shricked grounds of insanity?" was asked. hausted.

impression that someone will do him to take such action myself at the than he has for sometime. No. 1 committee recommended, at its change would be a great benefit to when asked whether Hartwick could be a non-committal manner this morning tor smiled. cured of insanity.

pears to be fairly strong," he said, the circumstances."

"Is it not possible to commit Hartwick to the asylum right now on the almost all night long, and only ceased "Yes," was the reply, "I think that this morning when he became ex- if information were sworn out charg- Montreal ing him with insanity that he could be Father Point .. 14 The old man seems to be under the committed. However, I am not going

Commit Him to Asylum.

"How about the feelings of the other The jail physician shook his head in prisoners?" was suggested. The doc-"Well, they are not here on a special

invitation, and I guess they will have "He is eating fairly well, and ap- to put up with what they get, under

# The ten days suggestion met with Would Take Over Pt. Stanley Ground favor, and the Legislature will be

Parks Commissioner Pearce, of this improve the hill and make it a better city, has written to the London and Port picnic-ground than it is at present. Stanley board, asking for permission to

The matter will come up at the next tween the Central Rooms and the take charge of the grounds at Port Stan- meeting of the London and Port Stanley board. It is understood that he is anxious to

There is no salary in connection with it.

## SACRED CONCERT

Ex-Ald. Gillean today turned over he proceeds of the sacred concert, held n Bennett's last Sunday evening. Half of the sum went to Inspector McCallum for relief, and the rest to the Children's Aid. Another concert will be given next Sunday evening for the orphans'

## OFF FOR TORONTO

homes in the city.

Mayor Stevely May Kill Two Birds With the One Stone.

Mayor Stevely, Ald. Booth and Ald. Stewart left today for Toronto, where they will attend the tuberculosis con-

It is expected that the city of London bill will come up in the Legislature on Thursday. If it does Mayor Stevely will stay over as the bill is very important.

#### TAKING SNOW FROM THE CITY STREETS

Manager King Has Put a Number of Men at Work.

Manager King of the London Street Railway has a number of men taking away the snow from the city streets, as directed by City Engineer

"There is not as large a number of men as I would desire, but I expect Mr. King will increase the number," said City Engineer Graydon this morn-

#### FUNERAL OF MR. J. H. COOKE HELD SUNDAY

Cemetery With Masonic Honers.

The funeral of J. H. Cooke, who died night to protest against the report. recently in Denver, Colorado, was held from the residence of his brother, 1040 Mary street, to Mount Pleasant Cem- a couple of very pointed communica-

some discussion as to whether the Alex. Stuart, K.C., to defend its action regular services, while the Masonic services at the house and at the grave were conducted by Rt. Worshipfu Brother A. B. Greer. The pall bearers were Rt. Worshipful Brother O, Ellwood, Worshipful Bro-

ther James O. Weldon, Dr. Seaborne, Brothers Talbot and Hyatt and Ald. Among the floral offering were many beautiful tributes from the Masonic orders of the city. About eighty mem-

#### bers of the lodges were present. FESSANT--COMFORT

question in reference to prisoners in Mercer Reformatory. When the Well-Known London Accountant Wedded to a St. Thomas Lady.

(Special to The Advertiser.) dence of the bride, Wellington street, was \$3,497,239.62, and at the close the and Company, of London. The cere- two loans the Government raised \$8,-Many of the prisoners, of course, are mony was performed by the Ven. "It is still pretty sore," volunteered most willing workers, and ofttimes Archdeacon Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Fes-

Seventh Recruits.

Those desirous of joining the Seventh Regiment should make application to the commanding officer at once, as the non-commissioned officer and recruit classes begin this week, the object being to have no raw recruits when the regiment goes to Quebec.

#### THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW-SNOW OR SLEET. FORECASTS. Toronto, March 3-6 a.m. Today-Fresh northwesterly winds, fair and moderately cold. Wednesday—Easterly winds, cold, snow leet before night.

Local Temperatures. YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES. The temperatures recorded at the local observatory up to 8 p.m. yesterday were Highest, 29.5 above; lowest, 23 above. TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Calgary ...... Winnipeg ..... 18 Parry Sound .. Ottawa .... 18 Minus (-) means below zero.

The first column in the above table re cords the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous. WEATHER NOTES.

The low area which was centered near Lake Ontario yesterday has passed eastward to the Maritime Provinces, and the vestern high pressure has spread over the great lakes. A general and fairly heavy snowfall has occurred from the Ot- opinion. tawa Valley to Nova Scotia. The weather continues cold throughout the Dominion YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES. Dawson, 24 below-2; Atlin, 14 below-4 Victoria, 34-48; Vancouver, 36-47; Battle ford, 10 below-14; Prince Albert, 2-14 Calgary, 6 below-12; Regina, 6 below-12 Winnipeg, 4-16; Parry Sound, 16-26; Toronto, 20-30; Ottawa, 14-20; Montreal, 14-20; Quebec, 12-16; St. John, 18-26; Half-

## MONEY DIVIDED NO TICKETS BEING SOLD **POINTS NORTH STRATFORD**

Railwaymen Report the Snowdrifts as the Worst in Many Year -All the Plows of the District Are at Work Opening Up the Lines.

Railroad men are sincerely hoping that Sunday's storm is the last of the season, and are unanimously of the opinion that this winter has been the worst for blockades in the history of Canadian railroading.

and by such a regular series of storms as during the last six weeks. The loss already amounts to more than half a million dollars, and the loss of trade consequent upon their not being able to move goods is very

Never, they claim, have the roads been tied up for such long periods

STILL PARALYZED.

The lines north of Stratford are still paralyzed and an order has gone forth to ticket agents to sell no tickets for points north of Stratford. It is many years since anything like this has occurred, but this winter

the company has been compelled to issue the order several times. The Bruce line has fared a little better, and this morning the first train since Saturday evening got through.

All the available Grand Trunk snowplows are being concentrated in the district north of Stratford, and it is expected that by tomorrow morning

trains will be got through. Sunday's storm appears not to have been general, as the eastern and western connections are running fairly close to schedule.

### Lively Time Over Askin St. Report Warm Attack On Architect Nutter

Deputation Waited On the City Council Last Night and Lodged Complaint.

The Askin Street Church trustee poard is not in good humor over the Body Interred in Mount Pleasant report of City Architect Nutter regard- placed over steel beams and could not

The deputation was accompanied by complimentary terms of Mr. Nutter must condemn the first building he

Not Yet Complete.

One communication declared that the school room was not yet com-Mr. Nutter, in his official visit, had spent but a few minutes on the plans,

and did not look upon the specifications or contracts. The woodwork was not so dangerous as had been pointed out, as it was e dangerous.

city council last that of Wesley Church, Toronto, which was considered perfectly safe.

Victim of a New Official.

"We think we are the victims of a

#### Continued on Page Nine. Rev. William Lowe conducted the Ontario Government Presents Budget Claims a Surplus of \$606,173.58

(Special to The Advertiser.) Toronto, March 2 .- A surplus of receips over expenditures amounting to \$606,173.58 is disclosed by the public

cates that the revenue collected during the period amounted to \$8,320,658.81 and the expenditures were \$7,714,245.61. At the commencement of the year the St. Thomas, March 3.-The wedding balances to the credit of the Province

1840,004 for the construction of that important public work some time ago. The Total Revenue.

By the advance of the sum menaccounts of the Province of Ontario tioned above, the provincial treasurer for the year 1907, which were laid on extension of the Government railway has been able to provide funds for the the table of the Legislature yesterday without resorting to the expedient of afternoon by Hon. Mr. Hanna, the floating a loan. The total revenue for provincial secretary. The financial 1907, including balances, was \$11,817,statement for the year's business indi-have risen steadily in the past few years. In 1905 they were \$6,016,176, and the expenditures were \$5,396,016; in 1906 the revenues were \$7,149,478, and the expenditures \$6,720,179.

The Dominion Subsidy, The statement of revenue shows of Mrs. Maud May Comfort, relict of balances totaled \$1,674,084.05. The re- that the Province received from the which showed slight signs of being the only way she can be taken away crick Attwood Fessant, accountant of counted for by the advance of \$2,429,- as compared with \$1,339,287 last year, swollen. This was several days ago. is by carrying her to a hack, and that the wholesale firm of D. H. Howden 329.15 to the Temiskaming Railway. By on account of subsidy of population.

### London Children Must Attend School

his own in persuading the youths of stopped.

Recently he was notified that certain shining and doing odd jobs. children were not attending, and when he inquired of the mother was told the

Truant Officer Welr has troubles of | they went one afternoon and then Now they refuse to go any more and

persist in hanging around hotels, shoe-The children's father is serving a term in prison, and the inspector intends asking the magistrate to turn the refractory youngsters over to Inspector

#### He procured shoes for them, and Sanders to deal with. Writ Issued in False Arrest Case

Mr. E. W. Scatcherd, on behalf of one of the probable defendants in this Mr. Joseph Mitchell, of Dorchester, this afternoon issued a writ for un- taken in charge recently by Detective stated damages for alleged false ar-

Mr. Mitchell alleges that he was Niekle while in Joseph Fox's pawnshop, and held at the stationhouse for rest against Detective Nickle, of the half an hour on suspicion of having city police force, and Joseph Fox, a stolen a watch from an east end man. Mr. Mitchell is a respectable Dorlocal pawn broker. By mistake the chester farmer, and feels that he name of Mr. Thomas Fox was men- should be reimbursed for the reflec-

#### tioned in yesterday's Advertiser as tion on his character. Has the City Right To Deed the Site?

The matter of the site of the hy- "I brought the matter up for thi gienic institute came up at the council reason," said Ald. Beattie. "The Onneeting last night, when the question tario Government wants the site on the Ontario Government was dis- which the building will be erected of the city's right to deed a site to The question of the council's right to Ald. Beattie brought it to the at- deed this property was brought up.

tention of the council, and it was re- and I thought that the opinion of the ferred to the city solicitor for his city solicitor should be obtained be-

fore the matter went any farther.'

warding affidavits in the case. The Salt Lake City, March 3.-Because culprits fled from Brigham City. Utah did not have the money to bring Utah, more than a year ago with more back two embezzlers from Japan, the than \$16,000 intrusted to them for Mikado's Government not only tried safekeeping by seventy-five Japanese and convicted the offenders for a laborers employed in the beet fields. crime committed in this state, but The men were tracd to Japan and arhas paid Utah for collecting and for- rested there.