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WEATHER TOMORROW:
Fair and Cool.

LONDON, ONTARIO, TUESDAY, MAY 30, 1911—TEN PAGES.

Sun rises tomorrow, 4:59.
Sun sets tomorrow, 7:51.**FIREMEN HAD NARROW ESCAPE
IN FIRE AT COLD STORAGE CO.**

The Flames Almost Overpowered Them as They Worked on the Roof.

**\$20,000 DAMAGE
DONE BY BLAZE**

**12,000 Dozen Eggs in Building
—Valuable Furs There
for the Summer.**

THE FIRE.
Location—London Cold Storage Company, Bathurst street.
Loss—Estimated \$20,000.
Insurance—\$70,000 on building.
Contents, estimated at \$75,000 to \$100,000.
Cause—Defective motor.
Time—6:30 a.m.

Assistant Fire Chief Scott, Lieut. Miller, Firemen Nicholson, J. Ferguson, Hunter, and T. J. Bolton, all of the central station had a narrow escape from serious injury, if not death, in a fire that did probably \$20,000 damage to the plant and contents of the London Cold Storage Company on Bathurst street at 6:30 o'clock this morning.

The loss to the contents is chiefly by water, and is fully covered by insurance. The flames were extinguished after a three-hour's battle. The fire started in the upper floor or garret, shortly after 6 o'clock. About that time, Watchman James Harris went his rounds, and found no sign of fire. About 6:30 he happened to go around to the front, and saw smoke pouring from the upper windows. He immediately sent in an alarm, and in a short time Fire Chief Atkins and his men were on the scene.

When they arrived flames were shooting out the upper windows in huge volumes. Part of the department went to the rear, and the remainder to the front.

Theadders were run up, and in a very short time six streams were pouring thousands of gallons of water on the blaze.

A Dangerous Job.
Six and half a dozen men were working on the roof, where the flames were shooting out a fanlight. It was decided to cut a hole in the roof near this vent in order to get a better chance at the fire.

The firemen used their axes to cut a hole in the roof, and an opening was soon made. In an instant, a sheet of flame twenty feet high burst through. It was not thought there was any fire there at the time, and the firemen were almost entrapped. It seemed as if they could not escape, but they all threw themselves out of the danger zone and scrambled to safety. The hose was dropped, and it swept water all over them, preventing in a large measure the men from being caught in the flames.

Assistant Chief Scott rallied the "smoke-eaters" and began pouring streams into the aperture. The narrow escape did not dampen the men, who returned to the attack with renewed vigor.

Difficult to Fight.
Six lines of hose were played on the fire. It was a most difficult blaze to handle, as there were only a few openings into the top story, or, any fact, and these were very small. After much hard work the windows were cut sufficiently to allow the firemen to turn in a tremendous volume of water.

Then the hardest kind of a fight followed, and in a short time the flames were driven back from the windows at the rear, and Assistant Chief Scott and his men climbed in. It looked a very dangerous undertaking, but the men did not hesitate. In a few moments, they had secured the other windows, that the other lines of hose were taken in, and then the men were in closer contact with the flames.

Chief Atkins and the remainder of the department were at the front of the building. The same procedure was followed as at the rear, and shortly after the men went into the building from the back, the others entered at the front.

Poisonous Gas.
At this point some quick thinking on the part of the engineer, Wm. Watson, probably saved the lives of the firemen.

Ammonia is used extensively in the cold storage business, and when the fire burst through the upper floor the ammonia pipes were melted. As a result the upper floor was filled with the poisonous gas. The engineer was quick to notice this, and although the engine room was filled with water, he turned on the pumps and drew nearly all the ammonia in the condenser off.

As a result the firemen were enabled to work inside the building, though strong odors of ammonia were traceable. Had the full amount been in the building, it is probable that some of the firemen would have been overcome.

Pressure Good.
With the men inside it was a foregone conclusion that the flames would be overcome in a short time. The pressure was excellent, and with seven streams going full blast at 80 pounds, the fire was completely smothered.

At 9:30 Chief Atkins was able to send some of his department home, as the men had no breakfast. Several lines of hose were still kept on the fire.

**YOUNG MEN
IN HARD LUCK**

Four From Toronto Arrested for Trespassing on the C. P. R. Property.

HELD UP IN DETROIT

Claim They Handed Over Money to Employment Agency There For Jobs They Didn't Get.

Harry Sims, Harry Nicholson, James Neils and one Sylvester, a quartette of fire-looking young fellows, claiming to be en route to Toronto, told a hard-boiled story when they appeared before Deputy Magistrate Graydon at the police court this morning on a charge of trespassing on the C. P. R. property.

The young men were all well-dressed and manly-looking fellows, and when asked the story they told, they said they had just money in Detroit, having given \$6 an agency to get a job and they didn't get it.

The quartette said they had boarded the train at Windsor, they said to be allowed to go and try to look here so that they could get a job in Toronto. The magistrate decided to remand them for a week while the police make investigation to see if they have been in any trouble anywhere.

Who, With Several Men, Had a Narrow Escape at the Cold Storage Fire.

**MR. FIELDING'S TRIP
SOLELY FOR HEALTH**

Expect to Consult Specialist While in Europe—Will Not Attend Coronation.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Ont., May 30.—Hon. W. S. Fielding, who leaves for Europe on Thursday, is going for a rest, and will therefore not attend the coronation while in England. He will visit his daughter, Mrs. McPherson, who expects to consult a specialist in Europe and take treatment for his facial trouble, which has been causing him inconvenience for the past six months.

**WANT TORONTO MAN
TO SUCCEED M'EVAY**

Clergy and Laity Will Unite and Send Petition to Rome.

[Canadian Press.]
Toronto, May 30.—The priests and laity of the Roman Catholic Church want a Toronto man appointed archbishop to succeed the late Archbishop McEvoy. There is a strong feeling that the local priests have been sidetracked long enough, it being 54 years since a Toronto man has held the position of archbishop. At the next meeting of the local priests three names will be selected, which will be sent to Rome and the urgent request made that one of the three get the appointment.

**AN EARLY RUSH
TO THE LAKESIDE**

Post Stanley Season Is a Month Ahead of the Game.

The unexpected warm weather has caused an early rush to Port Stanley and many families are already occupying their summer homes at the lakeside. Many others are busily engaged getting their premises in shape, and as soon as possible they will move down. The season this year is one of the earliest on record and from present indications will be one of the longest.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE.
New York, May 30.—Parades of veterans in both Manhattan and Brooklyn, and patriotic exercises in various parts of the city, marked the observance of Memorial Day in New York. Theodore Roosevelt and Governor Dix are the most noteworthy participants. The former president is scheduled to deliver an address at the memorial exercises held at Grant's tomb on Riverside Drive this afternoon. The governor reviews the G. A. R. parade in Brooklyn and this evening will preside at a patriotic meeting in Carnegie Hall.

The day's events opened with the fifth annual parade of work-horses up Fifth avenue. Nearly a thousand of the city's draft horses were in line.

**100 POUNDS PRESSURE
SECURED IN FEW MINUTES**

Firemen Had No Cause to Complain of a Lack of Pressure at the Cold Storage Blaze This Morning.

The water pressure at the Cold Storage fire was excellent today. As soon as the alarm was sent in Superintendent Glauz had two of the pumps in operation, and there was 100 pounds' pressure in a very few moments at the station. At the nozzle there was 80 pounds' pressure, and the firemen had no difficulty in keeping ahead of the blaze so far as water was concerned.

"We could have put on three pumps had it been necessary," said Superintendent Glauz. "With two pumps, however, we were able to produce a pressure of 100 pounds at the station. We were forcing water through a main at the rate of 2,500,000 gallons a day. That is a test of the efficiency of the pumps. They worked splendidly."

Official Test.
Mr. Glauz scouted the story that the pumps would make a test before the pumps were accepted by the water commissioners.



Photo by Staff Photographer.
THE COLD STORAGE BUILDING DURING THE FIRE THIS MORNING.

**RECORD OF BUILDING IN CANADA
AS ISSUED BY "CONSTRUCTION"**

	Permits, Ad. 1911.	Permits, Ad. 1910.	Inc. Per C.	Dec. Per C.
Berlin, Ont.	121,131	87,881	38.52	...
Brandon, Man.	63,109	39,720	58.86	...
Calgary, Alta.	61,545	78,839	22.88	...
Edmonton, Alta.	1,127,256	603,930	86.65	...
Fort William, Ont.	359,027	252,196	42.36	...
Halifax, N. S.	21,135	26,025	19.39	...
Hamilton, Ont.	11,100	23,650	62.57	...
Lethbridge, Alta.	624,150	282,175	63.31	...
London, Ont.	94,125	100,425	6.28	...
Montreal, Que.	132,374	104,832	25.17	...
Moncton, N. B.	2,711,971	1,775,880	3.60	...
Moosjawa, Sask.	244,255	155,250	59.56	...
Nelson, B. C.	46,880	52,715	10.88	...
Ottawa, Ont.	221,075	340,675	35.11	...
Peterboro, Ont.	82,345	121,201	32.06	...
Port Arthur, Ont.	69,300	107,750	35.68	...
Preston, Ont.	110,300	...	...	...
Prince Albert, Sask.	162,355	1,650	82.69	...
Quebec, Que.	13,000	...	...	...
Regina, Sask.	562,490	307,205	83.69	...
Saskatoon, Sask.	808,440	292,566	115.82	...
St. Catharines, Ont.	18,863	52,168	63.84	...
Sidney, N. S.	39,465	88,025	55.17	...
St. John, N. B.	78,900	52,000	33.73	...
St. Thomas, Ont.	28,650	2,050	151.87	...
Toronto, Ont.	3,272,818	2,522,058	29.77	...
Vancouver, B. C.	1,186,320	1,466,508	18.78	...
Victoria, B. C.	250,110	18,550	354.30	...
Windsor, Ont.	1,922,150	2,320,900	17.18	...
Winnipeg, Man.	137,792,937	111,846,496	15.39	...

**LONDON SHOWS SUBSTANTIAL
GAIN IN BUILDING OPERATIONS**

Figures for Canada Are Very Satisfactory—Resume of Building During the Past Month as Published by "Construction."

Although more decreases occurred than last year, the total investment for building work under contract in Canada for the month of April, 1911, amounted to \$13,792,937, as against \$11,846,496 in the corresponding period last year. Such a gain is a very satisfactory result, considering the high state of development in the period immediately preceding, and the fact that labor did not come in until late in the season. The high state of development in the period immediately preceding, and the fact that labor did not come in until late in the season. The high state of development in the period immediately preceding, and the fact that labor did not come in until late in the season.

**ANNUAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION
DISCUSSES IMPORTANT TOPICS**

Mrs. Thornley and Mrs. Tiley Deal With the Evil of Impure Literature—A Paper on Menacing Evils Among Young.

The annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Middlesex County opened this afternoon in Dundas Centre Methodist Church. Delegates are present from all towns and villages of the county and the convention will continue until tomorrow afternoon.

A paper was read by Mrs. Frank White on "Menacing Evils Among School Children." Mrs. White emphasized the responsibility of the mother in the home.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair and Cool.
FORECASTS.
Toronto, May 30.—8 a.m.
Today—Moderate north and east winds; fair.

TEMPERATURES.
Past 24 Hours.
Sections. Max. Min. Weather.
Victoria. 50. 40. Cloudy.
Calgary. 50. 41. Clear.
Winnipeg. 50. 41. Clear.
Port Arthur. 50. 40. Cloudy.
Perry Sound. 50. 40. Cloudy.
Toronto. 50. 40. Clear.
Ottawa. 50. 40. Fair.
Montreal. 50. 40. Fair.
Quebec. 50. 40. Fair.
Father Point. 50. 40. Cloudy.

WEATHER NOTES.
A pronounced area of high pressure now covers the Great Lakes.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.
Showers occurred yesterday in Eastern Quebec and in Northern New Brunswick, while in all other parts of the Dominion the weather was fair. The temperature was higher than on Sunday in the Western Provinces, and lower in Ontario and Quebec.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 57-79; Victoria, 44-50; Vancouver, 46-70; Kamloops, 48-52; Edmonton, 38-72; Battleford, 42-72; Moose Jaw, 36-68; Winnipeg, 48-70; Port Arthur, 38-70; Perry Sound, 48-70; Toronto, 50-70; Ottawa, 42-74; Montreal, 46-82; Quebec, 50-76; Father Point, 46-82; St. John, 45-56; Halifax, 40-50.

**ADELAIDE ST. BOY
MISSING FROM HOME**

George Stover, a 13-Year Old Lad, Has Completely Disappeared.

LEFT FOR THE SCHOOL

Did Not Go to That Place and Has Not Since Been Seen—Police Are Looking for Him.

George Stover, a 13-year-old boy living at 349 Adelaide street, has been missing from his home for more than 24 hours, and although the river banks have been searched and the river dragged in some places no trace whatever can be found of him.

The lad's disappearance is a complete mystery to his parents and to the police, who were notified and have been keeping a close watch in the hope of finding some clue of his whereabouts.

The boy left home yesterday morning shortly before 9 o'clock, intending to go to school. Inquiry shows that he did not go there, and no one knows where he did go.

When he did not return at noon his parents instituted an inquiry, but notwithstanding their all-afternoon and all-night search, no sign of the missing boy is to be had. His parents are hoping against hope that he may have taken the train away some place, but why he would do so they cannot guess, as he was a very quiet boy and fond of his home. He had not had any trouble of any kind, and when he left home it was with the express intention of going to school. His parents and a number of their friends, together with the police, are still keeping up a vigilant search for the missing boy.

**HYDE PARK DOCTOR
SUES FOR SERVICES**

Sum of \$210 Asked From a Chicago Lady by Dr. Ross.

Two more cases have been set down for the county court session which opens before Judge Elliott at the court house on Monday making a total of eleven civil actions. Besides these there are four criminal charges to be disposed of.

Dr. C. C. Ross of Hyde Park, is suing Mrs. Prudence S. Johnson, of Chicago, Ill., for \$210, for medical attendance upon Mrs. Thurston, a relative, during several months, commencing Aug. 13, 1909. Mrs. Thurston, now at the hospital, W. G. R. Barron for the plaintiff, Macpherson & Perrin for the defence.

Zacharia McIlhargy, of lot 18, con. 16, London Township, is the plaintiff in an action brought by Wm. Ward, a flax manufacturer of Lucan. The plaintiff claims that he made an agreement that he would plant four acres, the seed to be supplied by the defendant and the pulling to be done by himself and deliver the crop at the Lucan factory for \$12 per ton. He states that he delivered 35 tons, 1,546 pounds and that payment of \$429 should have been made.

The defendant states that he agreed with the plaintiff to pull the crop at \$7 an acre and that \$101.75 is therefore due him for 13.75 acres. The tax was of an inferior quality when delivered it is claimed and was therefore worth but \$7 per ton. He will bring \$181.25 and \$29 costs to court if a settlement can be made on that basis. W. Macdonald of Lucan is acting for the plaintiff and Meredith & Fisher of this city for the defendant.

**MANY PEOPLE WERE EXCITED
FEARED THEIR FURS WERE LOST**

Thousands of Dollars Worth of Such Goods Were Put Away for Summer in Plant of London Cold Storage Company.

Ever since the fire at the cold storage plant this morning the phone in the office there has been ringing incessantly, and scores of citizens have eagerly inquired if their furs were burned.

"When the fire was at its height this morning a South London citizen on his way to the station to take an early train dashed up.

"I put \$250 worth of furs in there yesterday," he gasped. "Will they be ruined?"

He was assured that the fire would not reach the building where the furs were stored, and hurried on his way to the station.

Another man was at the station when he heard of the fire.

"I sent my \$100 fur coat down last night," he said, "and started off down the tracks.

A little later he came back assured of the safety of his coat.

The office staff received countless inquiries from women who feared that their furs might have been burned.

**ONE KILLED, ANOTHER DYING
IN HOLIDAY AUTO RACE**

Great 500 Miles Contest at Indianapolis Marred Almost at Start by Fatal Accident—Vast Crowd Witnesses Race.

[Canadian Press.]
Speedway, Indianapolis, Ind., May 30.—The first accident of the 500-mile automobile race occurred on the back stretch of the track when an Amplex car driven by Arthur Greiner, of Chicago, blew a tire, the car leaving the track, killing S. P. Dickson, the mechanic, and perhaps fatally injuring Greiner. Greiner and driven only 30 miles in the race when the accident occurred. He was taken to the hospital, where physicians said his injuries were fatal.

At the end of 50 miles, John Aitken (National), was leading. His time was 44 minutes and 7 seconds. Bruce Simpson (Flat), second, Ralph De Palma (Simples), third.

**SPECIAL PRIDE
ARE DOMINIONS**

Says Lloyd George in Welcome to the Premiers.

WORK OF LIBERALISM

Eloquent Address of British Chancellor Before the Eighty Club.

[Canadian Press.]

London, England, May 30.—David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, at the Eighty Club dinner, in proposing "Our Guests," said:

"We are gathered here to welcome the prime ministers of the great self-governing dominions of the British Empire.

"We welcome them not merely for the great distinction of their careers, but also for the positions they hold and the great peoples they represent.

"This is no party demonstration, none the less it is a demonstration by a party, of welcome.

Self-Government.

"We regard the self-governing dominions with special pride. The conferring of self-government upon great communities of the empire is the greatest of all achievements of Liberalism. Our great statesmen in the past faced misrepresentation and obloquy, dared even political ruin to confer freedom upon the great communities.

"We see with pride how they have grown in strength, influence, and power, but above all, in the arts of self-government, and as a party we feel that we can share in the triumphant vindication of democratic government which they present to the civilized world. We also observe with a glow of satisfaction how, as they assume the form and attitude of independent communities, their attachment to the motherland grows generation by generation, decade by decade, century by century, it flourishes.

"Year by year it has borne fruit, and will bear more abundant fruit in the future, for it has struck its roots deep into the rich soil of liberty." (Cheers.)

An Inspiration.

"It is an inspiration for us to see how the daring spirit of enterprise is extracting humanity from the undergrowth of the social jungle in which it is tangled.

"In this land the growth is older and the denser fibre is sturdier, it is ranker. It is with difficulty and labor and toil that we can clear our way through it, but we are doing it slowly, laboriously, until, I hope, at least, we shall cut away for humanity to march to the light.

"This is an old country, but is not done with yet." (Cheers.) Trade returns, census returns, even the living issues we are fighting upon the floors of the mother of parliaments, all show that this country has not yet come to the end of its great career.

There are still chapters yet to be written, which will thrill with nobler deeds than have yet been recorded even in its great past. The country which founded the greatest empire the world has ever seen, means to prove that it can also rid itself of the social evils which undermine its strength and divide its life.

"The old country is not old one, but if we are not at the end of the greatness of Britain these new dominions are only at the beginning of their greatness. The premiers who have honored us today with their presence, whom we welcome with such pleasure, represent their scores of millions. They have a great unlimited future before them. They may outgrow Britain and will leave an inferior quality when delivered it is claimed and was therefore worth but \$7 per ton. He will bring \$181.25 and \$29 costs to court if a settlement can be made on that basis. W. Macdonald of Lucan is acting for the plaintiff and Meredith & Fisher of this city for the defendant.

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