

COMING BATTLE TO SETTLE FATE OF THE BALKANS

Crisis Is Near As Result of Operations Near Kutchana.

Big Armies Are Being Concentrated For Decisive Fight of the Campaign.

[Canadian Press.] London, July 8.—The Times correspondent in the Balkans writes from Sofia as follows:

No bulletins were issued today, but severe fighting continues west of Kutchana, where the fourth Bulgarian army, under General Koutcheff, the war minister, is being reinforced by the fifth army, under General Tosheff, which is advancing from Kustendil. The fate of the campaign will probably be decided by the result of the operations in this quarter.

Meanwhile, the third army, under General Racho Petroff, is advancing in two columns on Vranja and Proot, on the latter place by way of Tsaribrod. The Servians have destroyed the railway between these places.

Kutcheff is advancing.

In the north, General Koutcheff is reported to be advancing up the Timok Valley. General Ivanoff is now being reinforced, the weakening of his army having been the initial error of the campaign. Had General Savoff's plan been adopted at the outset, these reverses by the Greeks might have been avoided, but complete confidence exists in the final result.

Within the last few days Istip has been twice taken by the Servians and twice retaken by the Bulgarians, and hard fighting is still reported around Kutchana. Small Servian detachments have made raids on Bulgarian territory to the north of Kustendil and carried away a number of women and children. A Servian column advancing on Belogradchik from the Timok Valley has been routed with the loss of five guns.

BULGARIANS GAINING.

[Canadian Press.] Vienna, Austria, July 8.—The Bulgarian troops, after repulsing several small Serbian forces, have succeeded in penetrating to Vrenja, the war commissariat station of the Serbian army, according to a dispatch from Sofia, the Neue Freie Presse. The Bulgarians, it says, are now advancing along the Morava River. If this information should prove to be correct the Bulgarians have, by their advance, cut off a huge body of Serbian troops from Belgrade.

LOST 15,000.

[Canadian Press.] New York, July 8.—A cable to the Tribune from London says:

It is stated in Belgrade that the total Serbian casualties in a week of fighting have amounted to upwards of 15,000 killed and wounded.

The Greeks admit they have lost 10,000 officers and men. From the Bulgarian side there is no corresponding estimate, but presumably they were in proportion.

On the other hand, information which has reached London asserts that the whole story of the fighting, desperate resistance, and so forth is much exaggerated, and that nothing like a real battle has yet occurred.

Between these two highly divergent statements it is no more possible to judge at the moment than it is possible to discriminate between the conflicting claim of victory put forward by the parties to the new war.

The Bulgarians maintain that they have had the best of the struggle. So far it is positively declared in messages received in official quarters from Sofia that the Timok division of the Serbian army has been routed, with enormous loss around Oviche Polje, but here again the Servians deny they have sustained any such disaster.

Exactly similar discrepancies are evident between versions given out regarding the fighting of the Greeks and the Bulgarians. For example, while telegrams from Athens portray the army of King Constantine pursuing an unchecked career of unadvised victory, it is affirmed from Sofia that the same army of the 80,000 men has been defeated and dispersed.

Under these conditions it is useless to attempt any estimate of the actual situation, so far as the eventual outcome of the amazing clash of rivalries and hatreds.

Turkey's Attitude.

The attitude of Turkey is becoming more clearly defined. It is evident that she means to take advantage of her own advantage. The Porte formally demanded that the territory within the Enosmidia line shall be evacuated by the Bulgarians at once, and there are even rumors that an effort will be made to recover Adria. Not too much reliance need be placed on this latter report, for it is difficult to see how the Ottoman army can advance over the 100 miles that separates Chatalia from the lost fortress, but it seems certain that military preparations are being made and all officers have been ordered to rejoin their forces at Chatalia.

SERVIAN LINES THREATENED.

London, July 7.—The most important news from the seat of war today is the report, confirmed from Sofia, of the appearance of a large Bulgarian force at Vranja, threatening the Serbian line of retreat.

Still more significant, as tending to confirm the belief that the Servians are suffering defeat, is the announcement from Belgrade that only meagre reports are being received from the Serbian army headquarters, and that the Government has decided to publish reports only on alternate days. In addition, a rigid censorship on the newspapers is being enforced and the publication of special war editions has been stopped.

Inhuman Treatment.

The Servians wounded describe the battles as almost inhuman in their ferocity, the men throwing away their firearms and using their bayonets as daggers. This accords with the information from many sources of the sanguinary character of the fighting and the wholesale slaughter witnessed in the present struggle.

Whatever the policy of his European powers may be, little is now

Greeks of London Help Those at War.

The Greeks of London this morning commenced a subscription for the families of soldiers engaged in the renewed Balkan struggle, and a considerable amount of money was secured.

While the Greek Government has ample funds for conducting the war, much is needed for the relief of refugees and for the maintenance of soldiers who are left without means of support by the hostilities.

The Greeks are not asking for a public subscription, but those residing in London will be glad to receive any amount their Canadian friends may see fit to give. Any of the Greeks in London will receive the money and apply it to the general fund.

A number of Greeks from this city are, if they have not been killed or wounded, engaged in the battles with the Bulgarians. Among them are John Pernokis, James Kapeas and Nick Kastel.

STRIKE FAVORED ON EASTERN RYS.

Ninety-Four Per Cent of the Men Voted For Walk-Out—Railways' Statement Says Course Is Absolutely Unjustifiable—Trouble May Possibly Be Averted By Arbitration.

[Canadian Press.] New York, N. Y., July 8.—Ninety-four per cent of the members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and of the Order of Railway Conductors of 76,683 participating in a strike vote in the wage dispute with the eastern railroads, are in favor of a strike.

These figures were announced today at a joint meeting of union representatives and a committee of railroad managers.

When the conference convened the Erie Railroad announced that it had withdrawn from the proceedings on the ground that it would be unable to meet any advance which might result. This practically invites a strike.

Detroit, July 8.—The conference committee of railroad managers has issued a statement.

If the 100,000 railroad conductors and

trainmen in the eastern territory carry out their threat to strike because the railroads will not grant them an increase in wages of \$17,000,000, or 20 per cent, per annum, some 50,000 miles of railroad in the United States will be tied up.

More than 50,000,000 people depend on these railroads. These same railroads pay annually for labor over half a billion dollars—more than one and one-half millions of dollars every working day.

Thousands Affected.

There are about 680,000 employees on the railroads in the eastern territory. Every one of these will be affected by a strike, not to speak of the serious effect upon the public, which is of even greater importance.

The conductors and trainmen in the eastern territory have practically uniform wages and working conditions.

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ALL HOPE IS GIVEN UP FOR CHIEF'S RECOVERY

Head of Cuban Police Was Shot By Governor During Pistol Fight.

[Canadian Press.] Havana, July 8.—General Armando Riva, chief of the Cuban national police, was still lying this afternoon, but the surgeons declared that there was no hope of his recovery from the bullet wounds he received last night during a pistol fight on the Prado.

Complete order has been maintained everywhere throughout the republic, and the Government's precautions which continue without relaxation are believed to be fully adequate to prevent any disturbance, although partisan excitement runs high.

Riva was released to General Ernesto Asbert, governor of Havana Province. Senator Vidal Morales and Representative Arias, who were arrested for participating in the fighting which was brought about in consequence of a raid by General Riva on the Asbert Club on Saturday night, when many members were taken into custody for gambling.

The case against the accused has been placed in the hands of a judge specially appointed by the supreme court to consider what form the prosecution shall take.

SARNIA GIRL WON HER CASE

Detroit Real Estate Firm Was Trying to Keep Money Back.

SOLD LOTS FOR HER

[Special to The Advertiser.] Sarnia, July 8.—Miss Mabel Cameron, daughter of Immigration Inspector Cameron, of Sarnia, recently purchased some lots from a real estate firm, and before all the payments were due the lots were resold by the same firm on instructions from her a good profit.

The firm refused to pay over all the profits to the girl, and she, acting on legal advice, entered an action to collect the balance due her.

On the day the trial her lawyer persuaded her to conduct her own case. He assured her that she could win without his assistance. She reluctantly consented to do so, and presented her case with some ability, and after a mild tilt with the opposing counsel the judge awarded the payment of the balance in full.

THE WEATHER.

The temperature by The Advertiser thermometer at noon today was 76.

TOMORROW—FINE AND WARMER.

Forecast.

Today—Moderate winds; fine. Tomorrow—Highly variable winds, mostly fair and warm, with local thunderstorms.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Place	High	Low	Weather
London	74	50	Clear
Victoria	68	50	Cloudy
Calgary	72	48	Clear
Winnipeg	62	46	Clear
Toronto	76	56	Clear
Ottawa	64	50	Cloudy
Montreal	64	54	Cloudy
Quebec	62	50	Clear
Father Point	58	46	Clear

Weather Notes.

Disturbed conditions are again in evidence to the westward of the Great Lakes.

Showers have occurred in Manitoba, but over the greater part of the Dominion the weather of the past day has been fine and moderately warm.

RUNS ON BANKS ALL EASILY MET AT PITTSBURG

All Depositors Paid \$50 and Will Be Given Rest Later.

Big Failure Has, So Far, Caused Little Trouble in the States.

[Canadian Press.] Pittsburgh, Pa., July 8.—Financial Pittsburgh showed little outward evidence today of yesterday's crash in banking circles, involving the failure of the First-Second National Bank, with \$32,000,000 of deposits, the First National Bank of McKeesport, an allied institution, and the appointment of receivers for the American Water-works and Guarantee Company, the largest concern of its kind in the country, and for the banking house of J. S. and W. S. Kuhn, Inc.

Rushes Easily Met.

No unusual scenes were observed, with the exception of a run on the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings, another bank controlled by J. S. and W. S. Kuhn, who controlled the majority of yesterday. The run on the savings institution that was started by the failures yesterday was resumed this morning possibly in somewhat larger magnitude, but the same method as adopted yesterday was pursued today. All depositors were paid \$50 at once, and notice of 30, 60 and 90 days for larger amounts were required.

With the assurance of several millions in cash and quick assets on hand the run on this bank is not looked upon as likely to result seriously.

OFFICERS RESIGN.

[Canadian Press.] Pittsburgh, July 8.—J. S. and W. S. Kuhn this morning resigned as president and vice-president respectively of the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings, at which time they were being directed.

The following officers were elected to take charge of the bank: W. J. Jones, president; L. M. Plummer, vice-president; A. N. Voegtly, secretary and treasurer.

The First National Bank of McKeesport, controlled by J. S. and W. S. Kuhn, which was closed by the directors yesterday, today was formally closed by the order of the controller of the currency at Washington.

WAS MISMANAGED.

[Canadian Press.] Washington, July 8.—John Skelton Williams, assistant secretary of the United States treasury, who represented Secretary McAdoo at the closing of the Pittsburgh First-Second National Bank, today declared that the institution had been seriously mismanaged, and the extent of the mismanagement would be determined by the department of justice.

Millionaire Club Will Motor to City

W. E. Stalnaker, president of the Chicago Motor Club, and J. O. Olinier, of the Chicago Motor Club, were in London Sunday arranging for hotel accommodations for members of the Millionaires' Vacation Tour, which arrives in London Aug. 12. The tour leaves Chicago Aug. 4, and covers over 1,500 miles of Canadian and American highways. The members are business men of the Chicago, and represent a wealth of \$25,000,000. The tour is not a pleasure or reliability contest, simply a pleasure trip with the object of "seeing America first."

STOLE \$500 WORTH OF "DOPE."

Hamilton, July 8.—George Oram, a pale-faced youth, picked up by the Buffalo police yesterday, today admitted stealing \$500 worth of opium from the National Drug Company. He presented a pathetic figure. The magistrate remanded him for a week.

Strange Pranks in the Lottery of Love

He—Aged 69—Was the Inmate of Aged People's Home and She—Aged 59—a Domestic in Same Place—They Met and Loved and Are Going To Live Happy Ever After.

Romantic unions effected and destined decided. When a formerly well-known London dentist, white-haired and bent with the three score years and ten allotted to humanity by the Hebrew psalmist of old, broken in health and afflicted with severe nervous and other trouble, was sent to Victoria Hospital last fall, he did not dream that within a few short months his life's shadow would all change to sunshine and the springtime of youth and love be his again. Without funds and incapacitated from work by ill health and age, he more likely had premonitions of cypress wreaths than sprays of orange blossoms.

Love Won Hands Down.

But Time and Fate and Love and Death play a merry game for human souls and human hearts, and neither moved by human hopes or human fears. This time Fate and Love were partners, and won hands down.

After being a short time in the hospital the aged hero of this little romance was placed in the Aged People's Home through the efforts of friends who became interested in his case.

Among the domestic employees of that home was a certain kind-hearted maiden lady of fifty-nine, from the country, who became interested in the broken-down old gentleman, and sympathized with his misfortune. The couple have not yet decided whether they will live in the city or in their suburban villa, but they firmly avow their affection for each other, and declare that life is beginning for them.

And up at the Aged People's Home there is room for another elderly gentleman and another domestic employee.

DRANK CARBOLIC ACID WHILE WIFE WAS OUT

James Reynard, of Thorndale, Died 12 Hours After Being Found—No Inquest.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Thorndale, July 8.—James Reynard, aged 59, a farmer residing two miles south of Thorndale, died at his home here Monday afternoon as a result of having drunk a quantity of carbolic acid. His wife, who was out milking, found her husband moaning when she came in, and on investigating found him in one of the rooms with a partially-emptied bottle of carbolic acid beside him. She called help, but nothing could be done, and after suffering intensely for many hours Reynard died Monday. Coroner Dr. Ferguson, of London, was notified, and after viewing the body decided not to hold any inquest, Reynard leaving only his wife. No reason is known for his act. The funeral will be held Wednesday to Brown's Cemetery.

BOY BURGLARS LIVED IN WOODS LIKE OUTLAWS

Robbed Magistrate's House and Then Fled Into the Forest For Two Days.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Durham, July 8.—For committing burglary on his own premises, Police Magistrate J. P. Telford sentenced two young boys, Charles and Ernest Wright, to three years in the Industrial School at Mimico.

Mr. Telford and family were away from home at the time of the robbery, and the two boys, who live close by, entered the house, took a quantity of cash and valuables belonging to him.

For two days the boys absented themselves from the locality, living like outlaws in the woods. They then surrendered themselves to the constable and were tried.

It is alleged that the boys have also committed offences prior to this time.

ASK RECALL OF COUNCIL

Vancouver Electors Allege Extravagance and Incompetency of Whole Body.

[Canadian Press.] Vancouver, July 8.—Steps are to be taken immediately to endeavor to have the entire municipal council of West Vancouver recalled.

Serious allegations have been made against members of that body, and the probability is that the question will be carried to the courts.

Extravagance and incompetence are two of the principal grounds on which 90 per cent of the electors are making demands.

Dubin claimed to have helped the man because he was a fellow countryman, but the magistrate, in giving judgment, held that the evidence was too strongly against the other way—that Dubin was a confederate of the actual pickpocket, and had the money passed to him.

When Elizabeth Foley, who had been passing as Crowley's wife, attempted to make her way back to Chicago she was stopped by the American immigration department and sent back to Canada, she having been born in Essex Centre. Her marriage to Crowley in the jail last night now makes her an American citizen, and she has been again deported, this time to the United States.

Fatally Injured by Enraged Husband

Father Was Ejected When He Went to Take Children Away.

[Canadian Press.] Winnipeg, Man., July 8.—Wm. Courtney shot and probably fatally injured Wm. Moore in a dispute over the possession of the former's children last night.

The trouble started when Courtney visited his wife, who it is alleged was living with her amorous.

Courtney demanded his children, aged twelve and eight, and was ejected from the premises by Moore, who pulled a thirty-two calibre revolver and shot Moore four times.

The bullets lodged in shoulder, chest and hip, and Moore lies in the hospital in a serious condition. Courtney was captured after a short struggle on the street.

KILLED IN MILL.

[Canadian Press.] Hamilton, July 8.—Wong was received here today that Hugh White, 24 years of age, a well-known Hamiltonian, had been killed in one of the steel mills at Hamilton, Pa.

JAIL FOR DUBIN AND DEPORTATION FOR COMPANIONS

Crowley Cleared of Theft Charge, But Broke Immigration Regulations.

Last Chapter of Interesting History of Gang of Alleged American Crooks.

André Dubin and Charles Crowley's experience of Canadian law, as administered in London, is hardly one that could be termed pleasing to either gentleman. Three weeks ago they were arrested as suspected "dips" when the Barnum & Bailey circus was here. Last Thursday night they again came into the hands of the law, this time as suspects in the pocket-picking of a Russian.

When Police Magistrate J. C. Judd handed down his judgment in court this morning he sentenced Dubin to six months in Central, while Crowley was discharged on the charge of being implicated in the robbery of the foreigner. He was, however, found guilty of a breach of the immigration act—entering the country through fraud, was fined \$75 or three months, and deported by the immigration department. On the expiration of Dubin's term he, also, will be deported to Russia.

Both Men Arraigned.

Magistrate Judd's summing up of his judgment in both cases was an arraignment of the men of the law. He declared that while the evidence in the case of Crowley was insufficient for conviction, had it been strong enough for the latter three years in Kingston Penitentiary would have been his sentence.

When the second charge against Crowley—that under the immigration act, he was pressed, the prisoner pleaded guilty. In this case, too, three months, the magistrate expressed his determination of preventing the entry into Canada of men of his class, whose only object was to pursue their criminal calling.

Suspended sentences were imposed in the case of Crowley's wife, whom he married at the county jail last night, she, too, having pleaded guilty to having aided and abetted the fraud.

Both Crowley and his wife were deported by the immigration officials, Travelling Inspector D. H. Reynolds, of the immigration department, sending them back to the American border with immigration officer Bell of Saratoga.

The Last Chapter.

The sentences imposed this morning are the last chapter in an interesting criminal history of the Crowleys and Dubin since they arrived in Canada last June. They were first arrested here as suspected pickpockets when the circus was in the city. Later they followed the circus to Hamilton, where Dubin and Crowley were again arrested, the latter having spent two weeks in jail there, after having escaped with a \$10 fine in this city. Last Thursday night the men were arrested at the Grand Trunk depot. A foreigner complained to the police that he had been robbed of \$23 and a ticket to Chicago. The money had later been returned by Dubin as well as \$15 to pay for his ticket. Detectives Nickle and Egerton rounded the two up, and they were again in the London police's hands.

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TO PROBE PRISON

Affairs at Kingston Penitentiary To Be Investigated Shortly.

[Canadian Press.] Ottawa, July 8.—It is announced that two of the members of the Kingston Penitentiary investigation commission will be S. A. Armstrong, head of the prisons branch of the provincial secretary's department, and Joseph Downey, director of Orillia Asylum. The third man is to be a lawyer, and the whole prison system of the province will be re-opened.

GOVT. LEASES FINE COAL MINE TO BIG AMERICAN INTERESTS

Company Will Sell to German Govt. to Supply German Naval Stations in the Pacific—Secured Big Area For a Mere Song.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, July 8.—The Canadian Government just leased one of the finest coal areas in the world to American interests.

The area was recently discovered, and was staked by Dr. Reinhold Hoppe, of Oakland, California. It is located in the Province of Alberta on the Smoky River, 40 miles from the Grand Trunk Pacific, and about 200 miles from Edmonton.

The area is of great extent, and the deposits are anthracite of a better quality than the famous Pennsylvania hard coal deposits.

Sugar Magnate Interested.

Dr. Hoppe, who is a man of extensive means, has associated with him in the development of this splendid coal field, Mr. Paul Isenberg, a sugar magnate of Honolulu. They secured the

area for the regular rental of a dollar an acre, and will pay a royalty of five cents a ton after they begin operations.

Last season they secured a charter for a railway, which will enable them to tap this area. The road is incorporated as the Athabasca and Grand Prairie Company. It runs from the G. T. P. in the vicinity of Jasper Park.

Supply Germans.

Within a year the Canadian West will be supplied from this field with unlimited quantities of the best grade anthracite coal. Large shipments, it is expected, will be made to the Pacific coast.

Among customers which have been secured is the German Government, which wants the coal for its naval stations on the Pacific in the Samoa Islands, as soon as the Panama Canal is completed large shipments will be made to Germany for use on the German fleets.

DROVE BLACKS TO WORK WITH LEVELLED RIFLES

Situation in South African Mining Strike Is Assuming a Most Threatening Aspect—Thousands May Join Walk-Out Shortly.

[Canadian Press.] Johannesburg, South Africa, July 8.—Six thousand native black laborers from the Rand, joined in the labor upheaval today, and should the disaffection among them spread to the other 250,000 natives employed on the reef it will mean that the white inhabitants will be confronted with the reappearance of the "black peril," which has been quiescent for some years.

The natives refused to descend the mines until granted an increase of wages, and 1,000 of them employed in

one mine broke out of their compound. They were, however, awed by the levelled rifles of the troops, who had been immediately posted to deal with the serious development, and they returned to their quarters.

Most of the blacks have donned red rosettes in imitation of the white strikers, who, they believe, struck for higher pay and obtained it. The natives argue that they can do the same thing.

Apart from this development the situation on the reefs is greatly improved, and most of the white strikers have returned to work.

MANY ROUTES COVERED BY THE GARBAGE COLLECTOR

Operation of the Incinerator Is Proving Satisfactory So Far.

The civic garbage collection system began on Monday, and Superintendent W. C. Dodd reports that satisfactory progress is being made. It will, however, require several days or a week before everything is working as smoothly as is desired.

Printed placards giving directions for leaving garbage in cans in readiness for the collectors were distributed on Monday and today to every household in the collection zone. Collectors covered a dozen routes yesterday, but half a dozen additional cars, which have been ordered, have not yet arrived. So far the incinerator has worked satisfactorily. As soon as the additional cars arrive the collection zone will be covered by a regular semi-weekly collection service.

TEST PULMOTOR ON EMPLOYE OF WATER COM.

Call Out For Volunteer Who Wanted To Be Semi-Executed.

In Order To See Just How Life-Saving Machinery May Bring Them Around.

WANTED—Volunteers who don't mind being choked to death or half electrocuted.

Hardly an attractive program, but some heroic persons may be willing to take chances on having music at their homes that they won't be able to hear, when the city electrical department calls for volunteers, as per above.

Test Pulmotor.

The request grows out of the pulmotor that Water Commissioner H. A. Stevenson and William Wyatt ordered purchased at the last session of the commission. It is now about that pulmotor. The machine is now in the city, and a test is to be made at the Horton street pumping station one day this week.

According to General Manager H. J. Gault, some of the employees at the plant will likely be the "testers." However, anyone who fancies a view of the other world will be welcome. In some cities, where tests of the pulmotor are made, the "patient" or "subject" or whatever other moniker might be attached to the hero, is choked into insensibility—then restored to consciousness by the use of the machine. Here, however, the scheme will be tried on more up-to-date methods.

According to the G. M., the subjects will be first shocked with electricity and then restored. Anyone training for the electric chair is invited to attend. At the same time, it is hardly likely that special police detachments will have to be called out to keep the applicants for subjects in line.

Machine Is Needed.

There has been a serious agitation for the pulmotor. One death by electrocution, two by drowning, are claimed to have occurred already this summer that would have been prevented had there been a pulmotor here. The sacrifice of human life caused the water commission to overcome its scruples over the \$25 increase in price of the machine would be kept at the Horton street station. One of the employees there will be trained in its operation, and it will be at the service of the citizens generally in cases of asphyxiation, drowning and electrocution. One of the motor cars of the water commission will be pressed into immediate service on a request for the machine, and with its "expert" attendant, it will be sent out wherever needed.

FORESTALLED STRIKE.

[Canadian Press.] Edmonton, July 8.—Forestalling an impending strike of the electrical workers, the Burnham North Company locked out forty men. Other firms are following suit today.

BLUTH YOUTH WAS RESCUED

Buried Under Two Feet of Gravel For Over an Hour.

WAS DUG OUT UNHARMED

[Special to The Advertiser.] Blythe, July 8.—Considerable excitement was created in Blythe today when it was learned that Herbert Dexter, aged 23, was under a cave-in in the gravel pit on Mr. Tamm's farm, adjacent to the town.

A large number of citizens rushed out, and after a strenuous hour and a half's work he was freed from his perilous position, little the worse for his mishap.

He was covered with over two feet of earth and how he escaped instant death was a puzzle to all who saw the cave-in.

Building Permits Show Big Total

Figures for 1912 Already Outdistanced by Several Thousand.

Building permits for 1912 to date total \$1,117,000. For the month of July so far the permits total \$43,350. Already the total for 1912 has been distanced by several thousand.

A building permit has been issued for a \$4,000 parsonage for Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church on Hill street.

Tenders for city hall purposes were awarded Monday by the city hall committee, as follows: Plumbing, T. Partidge, \$2,760; roofing, Philip Carey Company, \$255; vault doors, Ford & Featherstone, \$55; brickwork, Northey & Tulett, \$3,500.

GIVEN AN ACCLAMATION.

[Canadian Press.] Portage la Prairie, June 8.—Hon. Arthur Meighan will be returned by acclamation, the Liberals deciding not to contest the seat.