MAJOR THOS. BEATTIE, M. P.,

Fearful Fire at Cornwall This

Morning.

WAS ENTERED BY THIEVES

Jewelry and Clothes Taken From

Home of Mrs. E. M.

Connor.

Thieves broke into the house of Mrs.

E. M. Connor, 463 Maitland street, on

Wednesday evening, and succeeded in

getting away with a number of articles

Entrance to the house was obtained by

breaking a pane of glass in the din

ing-room window and loosening the

fastener. The entire upstairs was ran-

sacked, and just what has been taken

cannot be learned for certain yet

Mrs. Connor was out for the evening

and did not notice the broken window

went upstairs that she discovered what

they found a man's coat in the yard,

WILLIAM MCFARLANE,

list at Western Medical College.

Will Soon Leave the G. T. R.

There are many rumored changes in

connection with the Grand Trunk ticket

It is reported that Mr. E de la Hooke,

and that Mr. E. Ruse, at present sta-

tion ticket agent, will be appointed to

Mr. Ruse's successor has not been

named as yet, but it is expected that

either Mr. Bert Hayes or Mr. Fred

Higginbotham will be given the ap-

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FAIR. WARMER.
FORECASTS.
Toronto, April 29—8 a.m.
Today—Fresh to strong southeasterly winds, shifting to southwesterly; cool and showery.
Saturday—Some local showers, but mostly fair and warmer

WEATHER NOTES.

A depression situated this morning over Dakota and Minnesota is causing rain over the lower lake region. It has also given showers in the Western Provinces, more generally in Manitoba than else-

where. Cool weather prevails generally. THURSDAY'S WEATHER.

A few showers occurred vesterday in eastern parts of Nova Scotia. But the weather in Canada was for the most part fine and colder than Wednesday from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces.

tario to the Maritime Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:
London, 34-53; Dawson, 32-44; Vancouver, 35-57; Kamloops, 49-54; Calgary, 49-48; Edmonton, 36-58; Moosejaw, 36-58; 42-79; Qu'Appelle, 40-76; Winnipeg, 34-66; Port Arthur, 32-68; Parry Sound, 26-46; Toronto, 32-45; Ottawa, 28-44; Montreal, 30-46; Quebec, 28-38; St. John, 34-40.

TODAY'S PROBS.

Gulf and Maritime Provinces—Northwesterly and northerly winds; fair and cool.

Lake Superior — Fresh northeasterly winds; generally fair; stationary or a little higher temperature.

Manitoba—A few local showers, but mostly fair and a little cooler.

Alberta—Fair; not much change in

Cloudy

mostly fair and warmer.
TEMPERATURES

 Calgary
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 Winnipeg
 62

 Port Arthur
 38

 Parry Sound
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 Toronto
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Father Point.....

Stations.

Of 23 Edward Street, the Gold Medal

MR. E. DE LA HOOKE

offices in the city.

Upon investigation

on her return, and it was not until sh

had happened. She telephoned

police at once.

f jewelry and a quantity of clothes

Who Had a Narrow Escape in

46TH YEAR. NO. 19966

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PRICE TWO CENTS.

# OR BEATTIE FACED DEATH IN CORNWALL HOTEL FIRE THAT WIPES OUT NINE LIVES

Mr. J. L. Johnson, of a Local Firm, Also Caught Asleep by Fire That Destroyed Hotel Rossmore This Morning, Taking Terrible Toll of Life and Doing Quarter Million Dollar Damage.

Among those who had a close call for life in the Rossmore Hotel fire at Cornwall, was Major Beattie, M. P., London. Major Beattie, who reached Ottawa at noon, says he was in a room on the second floor, and about 3 o'clock he was awakened by a feeling of suffocation. He found the room filled with smoke. He opened the door and found the corridor full of flames, cutting off his escape. There was luckily a rope in the room, which he secured, and throwing his clothes into the street, he slid down the rope in his pyjamas. The skin was torn from his hands, sliding down the rope, and he was considerably shaken up. He found his clothes in the street and promptly got into them.

Mr. J. L. Johnson, of 371 Princess avenue, the senior partner in the firm of Johnson & Barbour, wholesale crockery dealers, of this city, was another of the guests in the burned hotel. Mr.Johnson left London about six weeks ago on a trip to Halifax, and, it is believed, arrived in Cornwall last night from Montreal, on his way home, as his family heard from him on Tuesday, and he stated that he would come home shortly. This morning a telegram was received from him stating that the hotel had been burned, and that he had lost everything except his trunk. All his samples, which had been spread out in the hotel for exhibition, were

[Special to The Advertiser.] Cornwall, April 29. - A disastrous fire broke out in the Rossmore Hotel, here, this morning, and before the flames were quenched nine lives were wiped out, and property valued at \$250,000 destroyed. The victims were all sleeping in the hotel. The list of missing, all of whom, it is feared, have per- his brother was absent from Lon-

ished, includes: C. A. Gray, of Montreal; his wife and two children.

W. Hulme, porter. E. Bullen, bellboy.

Mrs. Taylor Archibald.

Charles Gagne, teller in the Sterling Bank.

Ben Fielding, accountant, Bank of Montreal.

The flames jumped across the street and destroyed the Colquboun

A GALLANT RESCUE. Had it not been for the coolness and presence of mind of Wm. Fitz- at the address given. In the meangibbons, the well-known president of the Cornwall lacrosse club, several time the injured stranger called, but more would have perished. Mr. Fitzgibbons woke up Fielding, who must was given nothing pending the report. have become confused, and made for the regular exit, which was cut off. called by London. Fitzgibbons then rescued three of the dining-room girls by breaking a Thomson," said the voice.

skylight, and getting the ladies out on the roof by means of a ladder. He a slight lisp, and Mr. Beck became then escaped over a roof in his night-clothes.

n escaped over a root in his hight-clothes.

The fire got great headway before it was noticed. His Honor Judge like him. O'Reilly, with his wife and son Harry, had a narrow escape. The boy has "I've investigated and found that been ill with pneumonia, and was dragged out of the room and over the Dale is all right. His wife is much roof of Larmour's drygoods store by his father. Judge O'Reilly saw Mr. Gray, who was apparently mixed up, and was told by the judge now to escape. Mrs. Gray was a delicate woman, and it is supposed that when Mr. Gray returned for his family he was overcome by the smoke and suffocated. ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

Cornwall, April 29.—Cornwall was visited early this morning by one of the worst fires in its history, property damages to the amount of \$250,000 being done, while ten lives are believed to be lost. The fire started in the distance operator and found that he Rossmore Hotel, Pitt street, which with the annex, Bailey's Jewelry Store, C. P. R. telegraph office and the Bell Telephone office, was destroyed, while the Colquboun block and adjoining buildings on the opposite side of the street from the hotel were badly damaged.

Because Improvements Have

Noi Been Made to the

Court House.

last visit had been undertaken.

tem is installed

Dr. R. W. Bruce Smith, inspector of

that drastic measures will have to be

proceeded with within a reasonable

The Hitch.

The inspector went away with the

impression that the hitch arose be-

under present conditions he could only

look to the county council to have

them completed, leaving them what-

ever recourse was available against

He instanced the case of the county

of Peel, where the recommendations

of the inspector had been openly dis-

regarded, with the result that the pub-

lic works department took the matter

in hand, completed the improvements

and collected the amount of the ex-

STEAMERS ARRIVED

New York, April 28.—Arrived: San Georgic, from Naples. Boston—Arrived: Canopic, Genoa. Glasgow—Arrived: Hesperian, Boston. Plymouth—Called: Prinz Friedrich Wil-

Rotterdam-Arrived: Rotterdam, New

York.
Naples—Called: Pannonia, New York.
Genoa—Arrived: Virginia, New York.
Amerika, New York.
Cape Race—Signalled: Caledonia, Glasgow; Carmania, Liverpool; Philadelphia, Southampton.
Quebec—Arrived: Fremona, Naples.

have not yet been completed.

penditure from the county.

olm. New York.



CYRIL IMRIE, Whitehall, Michigan, Who Won the Third-Year Scholarship at the Western Medical College.

### BRITISH BUDGET GETS ROYAL ASSENT

Bill Becomes a Law On the Anniwhile the power to compel the county to proceed with the changes was ample he did not recognize any impediment versary of Its Introplaced in the way by the city as justi-

duction. [Associated Press Cable.]

London, April 29.-The budget, which has kept politics in a turmoil during the city. the past year, received royal assent this morning, thus becoming a law on the anniversary of its introduction.

The House of Lords and the House of Commons met in formal session today, not more than a dozen members being present to hear the royal assent read. Both Houses adjourned until

#### LAKE GIVES UP DEAD

Body of Another Victim of Steamer Bessemer Recovered. Port Colborne, April 29 - The body of one of the crew of the steamer Bessemer No. 2, which was lost last fall was found yesterday on the lake shore about three miles east of here. The man was apparently about 35 years old, and had on a suit of blue Death of Mrs. Bloom. jeans. There was a large scar over his right eye. He had a life preserver on with the words Bessemer No. 2. The body was taken to the undertak-the best beth Bloom. Mrs. Bloom was in her 77th year. The funeral arrangements Of London. There was a large scar over

## TRIED TO FLIMFLAM A DETROIT MAN

An Alleged Londoner Sought to "Work" a Brother of Hon. Adam Beck.

## SCHEME PROVED FAILURE

Name of Mr. Warren Thomson, the Local Miller, Was Used, in Order to Help Along the Deception.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Detroit, April 29.-The "Spanish prisoner" swindle has been attempted unsuccessfully several times on Detroit's men of prominence, but entirely a new game was tried on George Beck, of the Beck Cereal Company, the other day.

"I'm in great distress," a male voice faltered over the 'phone into Mr. Beck's ear. "I'm from London **MAITLAND STREET HOUSE** Ontario, and have been assaulted and robbed. They took my watch and all my money and fractured two of my ribs." It was a pitiful voice, and held a slight but unmistakable lisp. "That's too bad," sympathized M:

"Are you a brother of Hon. Adam Beck, of London?" the voice went Mr. Beck replied that he was, and the stranger went on, professing great friendship for Mr. Beck's brother and other prominent Londoners of Mr. Beck's acquaintance. He ended with a pitiful appeal for just enough to take him home." said his name was Dale.

A Distressed Londoner? Beck said he was willing to assist the distressed Londoner, but don at that time and could not He then inquired reached handily. whether Mr. Dale knew anyone else, for instance, Walter Oh, yes, Mr. Dale knew him Mr. was told that be communicated Thomson would with, and on his recommendation be assisted back home. Mr. Thomson was called on the and it is supposed the thief made long distance, and said he did not change and left his old one behind. know Mr. Dale, but would inquire They are still working on the case. "This is Walter

Furnish nim with all he needs and i will be O. K," said the lisping voice.

A Tell-Tale Letter,

He knew Mr. Thom-

On the same day a letter was Thomson saying no one named Dale had ever lived at distance operator and found that he had not been called by London. Shortly after Mr. Dale called on

the phone and inquired whether Mr Beck had heard from London, "Yes," DRASTIC MOVE NECESSARY Mr. Beck replied, "you called from London a short time ago, Mr. Beck replied, "you called me THINKS BRUCE-SMITH I also had a letter from there which I will be glad to read to you if you vill hold the receiver a moment." But only a click was audible at the Gov't. Inspector Is Disappointed other end.

Mr. Warren W. Thomson, of Walter Thomson & Son, of this city, confirmed the above story.

"I have no idea who the fellow car be," said Mr. Thomson. "Mr. Beck wrote me regarding the chap, but I could find out nothing concerning him It looked like a rather good attempt Dr. R. W. Bruce Smith, inspector of to swindle Mr. Beck. I wrote Mr. prisons, made his official visit to the Beck saying that I could find no trace iail Wednesday and expressed consid-scheme was not successful in erable surprise that none of the im- of the individual mentioned. The

#### provements recommended after his event." He stated that as far as the county jail in London was concerned he felt PASSING OF BUDGET taken unless the improvements were

The provincial auditor has found The Situation Had Threatened to considerable dissatisfaction with the heating of the jail, and has ordered that the share borne by the province, Involve the Crown in amounting to about 25 per cent, be Disput?. withheld until a more economical sys-

London, April 29.-Premier Asquith yesterday was given an audience with cause of the disinclination of the city the King at Buckingham Palace. The o join with the county in effecting action of the Lords in passing the the proposed changes, but stated that budget on the first reading last night has greatly relieved the political intensity. King Edward is highly pleased, as the situation had threatened to involve the crown in dispute. If the improvements were demanded



G. EDWARD BUTTERWICK. Silver Medallist at Western

# M'FARLANE WON THE GOLD MEDAL

Butterwick Is Second and Secures Silver Medal in the Medical College Exams.

A SPLENDID HONOR LIST

Twenty Out of Twenty-Four Candidates Pased the Graduation dates Passed the Graduation the Students.

GRADUATES.

William H. McFarlane, city.

Gordon L. Jepson, city.

George E. Butterwick, city. J. C. Wilson, city. W. Marshall, city. T. Blake Ramsay, Hyde Park. George A. Ramsay, city. W. H. Taylor, city. Hadley Robinson, city. Harry E. Johnston, city. Bernard R. Mooney, Windsor. A. E. Shore, White Oak. Charles T. Riley, Avonbank. Perry O. King, St. Thomas. Herbert Wall, city. Calvin T. McCallum, Kintore. Thomas Sawden, Edgley. W. H. McGuffin, city. J. D. Collins, city. James O'Brien, Wyoming.

GOLD MEDALIST. W. H. McFARLANE, CITY.

SILVER MEDALIST. G. E. BUTTERWICK, CITY.

THIRD-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP.

C. G. IMRIE, WHITEHALL, MICH. SECOND-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP. J. MORIARTY, ORILLIA.

FIRST-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP. A. MUTERER, INGERSOLL.

HONORS. Fourth Year. McFarlane, Butterwick, Jepson, Wilich, Marshall, B. Ramsay.

Third Year. Imrie, A. Duncan, Knight. Second Year. Moriarty, Bouglas, Glenn, McAuley,

Rice. Birks, McRoberts, Yealland First Year.

Muterer, Turner, S. Jones, Brereton Elliott.

The results of the recent examinaions at the Medical College were made known this morning, and the reports show that out of a class of 24 candidates 20 were successful.

This is a very high percentage, and the results are all the more gratifying to the faculty from the fact that without exception those who passed took a high standing.

The Medalists. Mr. W. H. McFarlane, of 23 Edward street, wins the gold medal. His course has been an exceptionally brilliant one throughout, and every year he has led his class. The examiners **MAY RETIRE SHORTLY** state that he had a handsome lead brighter. over Mr. G. Edward Butterwick, of Said That Well-Known Ticket Agent London, formerly of Strathroy, who

wins the silver medal The third-year scholarship was won by Cyril Imrie, of Whitehall, Mich., and Mr. J. Moriarity, of Orillia, wins the second-year scholarship. A. Muterer, of Ingersoll, heads the first-year class and takes the scholarwho has been city ticket agent for

many years, will be retired on pension, ship. Splendid Honor List.

It is many years since there was such a splendid honor list as there is this time. "No college in Canada passes

higher percentage of its students than the 'Western,'" said a member of the faculty this afternoon to The Adver-"The results are most gratifying. Students from the London College are to be found all over the world. We have them even in China and Africa, doing mission and medical

Convocation on Monday. The convocation will be held in the Auditorium on Monday afternoon at

'clock. In a few weeks the members of the graduating class will be scattered all over Canada and the United States. Dr. J. Cameron Wilson, son of Dr John D. Wilson, took a brilliant stand ing, coming fourth in the list of graduates. He, it is stated, will go to Victoria Hospital as chief house sur-Drs. W. A. Marshall and W. Riley

will in all probability be the house surgeons at St. Joseph's for the coming year. Dr. Gordon Jepson and Dr. W. H. McGuffin will go to Victoria Hospital

as members of the house staff. Dr. A. E. Shore left vesterday for Jackson, Mich., where he has been appointed chief house surgeon in the big general hospital. Dr. C. C. McCallum will, it is stated,

a position in a hospital there. He intends settling in the west. Dr. McFarlane, the gold medallist, and Dr. Butterwick will be appointed on the staff at Victoria Hospital, the former being slated for assistant pathologist. Dr. George Ramsay will also be appointed house surgeon at Victoria FOURTH YEAR. Pathology.

First Class Honors-Butterwick, Jepson, McFarlane, B. Ramsay, Wilson. Second-Class Honors - Marshall, King, Mooney, Collins. Pass-Robinson. Johnston, (Taylor, Sawden, Shore, G. Ramsay), Riley, (Continued on Page Nine.)

If Absurd Statements Continue in Local Paper, the Relations of the Government and the University Must End-Deputation Waited On the Premier Today-Says University Should Take Over the Medical College.

special to The Advertiser.] day by a deputation of representative sity as if it had been done in Toronto, men from Western Ontario, who came Much Cheese-Paring. men from Western Ontario, who came on behalf of the Western University of London to ask for the second time that grant to the institution. Among those versity; Mayor Beattle, George C. Gibbons. K. C., his Lordship Bishop Williams, Matthew Wilson, K. C., of Chatham, Hon. Adam Beck, and others. Mr. Justice Meredith was the chief spokesman, and said that at the last interview the deputation was at a dis-

views of the cabinet on the question. The Premier's Position. Sir James said the opinion of the cabinet had not been expressed, but briefly it was this, that the provincial university, which, unfortunately, was situated in Toronto, either had to looked after or dropped entirely. When the Government came into power, it was found that something would have to be done for Queen's, and the Gov-given \$40,000 each to Queen's and to the Western University, and in ernment assisted that institution, and the Government, he said, would have done more for the provincial university if it had not been for Queen's and the Western Universities. Bishop Williams said conditions had changed completely, and something should be done to decentralize the ed-

Premier Peevish. "I wish you wouldn't use that word centralization, so much," said Sir

ucational system.

Continuing, Bishop Williams said something should be done to form a centre for higher education in the most populous portion of the Province. Mr. Justice Meredith said the Wrst. ern University did not wish to detract in any way from Toronto University. The intention was to hand graduates to Toronto or take up post-graduate work. Then there was the question of Western University. He said the grad-

uates from the Western Medical Colo Toronto, April 29. — Sir James P. lege were among the best in the Dominion, and the same applied to the Whitney and his colleagues in the cabinet, were interviewed, at noon to-

This was being done on a very small sum of less than \$20,000 a year, and the Government make a provincial the result was that there had to be a lot of cheese-paring. The money need-ed would hardly be a drop in the bucen the deputation were Mr. Justice ed would hardly be a drop in the buc-R. M. Meredith, chancellor of the uni- ket for the Province. The surplus was

several million dollars.
"Yes," said Sir James, "and there are millions after it." The chancellor suggested that any money over \$500,000 derived from succession duties, at which figure has been placed the grant to Toronto Uniadvantage, as it did not know the versity, should be given to the West ern University.

Judge Meredith said Western University was a public institution, and suggested that the Government maker a per capita grant of \$75 a year per head. Also he suggested that a grant of \$15,000 be given towards medical faculty.

What Government Has Done. Sir James said the Government had London a building had been erected which was still standing empty. the Government gave more the western institution would be getting the money twice over.

Hon. Mr. Hanna said the people of London had agreed to take over the hygienic institute and maintai nit if the Government would build it and give \$5,000 a year towards the maintainance. This promise had not been carried out

Mr. Beck's Position. Hon, Adam Beck defended the ment who had given the promises to the Government. The city of London had: done its part, he said. When the medical faculty was formed it was decided that it would be better to have the medical faculty take building than the city, but it was what amount should be given to the found that it would be absurd to run (Continued on Page Eleven.)

# DR. WILSON STILL HAS FIGHTING CHANCE

Physician Was Resting Better This Afternoon and His Pulse Had Improved.

FEVER IS LOWER TODAY

Ex-Mayor Fights Hard for His Life-Citizens Are Deeply Interested in the Open-Hearted Irishman Who Lies at Death's Door.

Dr. John D. Wilson has still a fighting chance for his life. He had a good morning, and at 3 o'clock was resting better, and was

is less fever, and he was After the chill and fever of last night, he had a most profuse sweat towards morning, and evidently rid his system of a great deal of the poison. "He still has a fighting chance for his life," said one of the attendant physicians. "His pulse is better, his

mind is clearer, and his fever lower. The Advertiser was simply deluged with inquiries regarding Dr. Wilson's condition today, and the favorable reports were most thankfully received.

III Since April 15.

Dr. John D. Wilson took ill on Fri-

day, April 15. Some days previous he had performed an operation on a patient. While excising one of the tonsils of the patient, he pricked his Finton, of Stoney Creek, who was found finger with the point of the instrudead behind his barn with a deep wound ment. He finshed the operation, and in his head, is that the old man never when driving home he felt a slight pain in his finger and mentioned the fact to his assistant.

"I believe I pricked my finger dur-ing the operation," he said.

An examination was made, but the abrasion was extremely slight, and no anxiety was felt over it. (Continued on Page Eleven.)

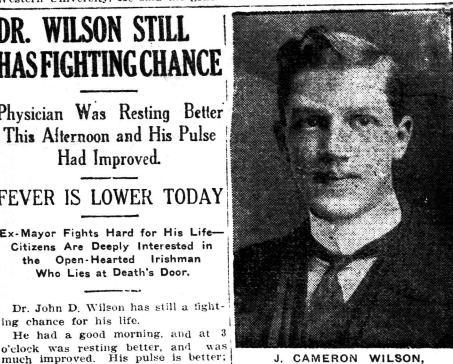
# TWO LONDON GIRLS

But Police Chief Greene Remembered Them.

[Special to The Advertiser.] St. Catharines, April 29.-In the police court this morning appeared two good-looking, well-dressed girls, charged with vagrancy. They were arrested last night, and as soon as Chief Greene saw them he recognized in McMurray vs. Trustees S. S. No. 3 leave shortly for Vancouver to take them as Hazel McNeil and Madeline Smith, They said they had just come

the chief, who is from London him-

The girls admitted it. The McNeil 3, 1909. girl said she was 20 and the other one 19. Chief Greene says the McNeil girl is only 16 years of age, and that contract for the year 1908 for wrongfu year ago, when he was on the Lon- dismissal and for \$199 damages and don force, she created much excitement by disappearing from her home. The whole province was searched for court costs. Defendants' appeal from her. The chief this morning had the that judgment. two prisoners remanded for a week to Judgment-Appeal allowed and judggive him time to communicate with ment set aside and action dismiss London. Without costs. No costs of appeal



J. CAMERON WILSON, on of Dr. John D. Wilson, Who Will Be Chief House Surgeon at Vic-

# FINTON'S DEATH MAY HAVE FOLLOWED ROW

The Theory Advanced That He Was Done to Death in His Barn.

in his head, is that the old man never left the barn alive. Chief Twiss, of Dundas, has the dead man's boots, and with the exception of a little mud on the soles and heels they are free from any soil. Finton's farm was covered with deep mud, and it is evident, therefore, that after leaving his house he went to the barn and never left it alive, else his boots would have been covered with mud. The authorities attach considerable importance to this, as their view is that the old man may have had a long conversation in the barn with the ARRESTED AT ST. KITTS long conversation in the barn with the man who later murdered him. The log-lical sequence of that view is that the two men had a quarrel, ending in the murder of Finton. The dragging of the body to the spot where it was found outside would have been a comparative-live easy matter.

#### THE TEACHER LOSES

Judgment in His Favor Set Aside on Appeal of Trustees, Whom He Sued.

In divisional court, Toronto, before Chief Justice Meredith and Justices as Britton and Clute, decision was given East Nissouri. This was an appeal by defendants from the judgment of the over from Toronto.

"But your home is in London?" said judge of the county court of Essex. sitting for and at request of the judge of the county court of Oxford of July Plaintiff, a teacher, sued the trus

tees, defendants, on an alleged verbal costs. At the trial judgment was given plaintiff for \$50 damages and divisio