

## EMPLOYERS REFUSE REQUEST CIGARMAKERS STRIKE MAY 16 MEN ISSUE THEIR ULTIMATUM

A Committee This Morning Visited the Different Factories and Made a Demand for an Increase of Ten Per Cent—Employers Declare They Cannot Stand the Pressure and a Big Fight Will Result.

The local cigarmakers will strike on May 16. They will quit work on Friday, which is pay day, and the strike will be officially declared on Monday.

A committee composed of Mr. J. McKenzie, Mr. C. E. Booney, and another member of the union, visited several shops today, and laid the claims of the organization before the manufacturers.

They are asking for an increase of 10 per cent in wages, or they will go out on strike on May 16.

### INCREASE REFUSED.

In practically every case the increase was refused them, and a number of other shops will be seen today.

The union men declare that they will insist on the increased scale or walk out. The manufacturers say they cannot pay the high wage, and refuse to accept the ultimatum.

### THE FIRMS AFFECTED.

Among the cigar manufacturers affected in the city are:

W. Atkins & Co.  
Canada Cigar Company.  
James Donnelly.  
Dyer Cigar Company.  
J. Gaste Company.  
Havana Cigar Company.  
George Kelly Company.  
McLeod, Nolan & Co.  
J. McNee & Sons.  
S. R. Manness & Sons.  
Osborne Cigar Company.  
Joseph Smith.  
Stirton & Dyer.  
G. E. Patrick.  
Victoria Cigar Company.  
William Ward.

Some of these shops are non-union, and some are open shops, but all will be more or less affected by the walk-out, it is stated.

### THE UNION STRENGTH.

The union has on its roll about 200 or 300 members. There are fully 1,000 men and women employed in the business in the city, and the money paid out each week sums up to a considerable total.

London is the second largest cigar centre in Canada, Montreal being the largest.

There has been no trouble in the cigar trades in this city for some years. Montreal is free from trouble also, although there was a strike some years ago in which the manufacturers came out best.

### PREPARED TO FIGHT.

"We told the committee that we would not agree to the raise," said one manufacturer. "We cannot stand it, and we are prepared to fight rather than submit. The strike will hit some manufacturers more than others. Some of the big shops are union altogether, while others are open shops. There are some non-union shops also. The trade may be affected somewhat, but we will submit to that, rather than be held up."

The men say that conditions are such that they must have more money. They claim that the manufacturers have been busy, and have all made big money.

They also claim that they are well organized, and are prepared to stand a long battle with the manufacturers.

## MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE WILL WORK WITH ANGLICAN CHURCH

At a Meeting in the Auditorium This Morning an Amicable Arrangement Was Reached—Service Will Be Held at Same Time as Similar Service in Old London.

At this morning's session of the city Ministerial Alliance everything was satisfactorily arranged for the civic memorial service in memory of King Edward.

Canon Dann was present and it was agreed to call off the proposed memorial service in the Armories under the auspices of the Ministerial Alliance and unite with the Anglican churches, to hold a civic memorial service under the joint auspices of the city Ministerial Alliance and the Anglican churches, in St. Paul's Cathedral.

The meeting was held in the Y. M. C. A. parlors and lasted but a short time.

**Committee Named.**  
A committee composed of Revs. Dr. Manning, Dr. Ross and W. M. Walker, was appointed to confer with Canon Dann in arranging the details of the service. This committee met immediately after the close of the regular session.

## TWO CRIMINAL CASES FOR JUNE SESSIONS

John Prodder May Also Come Up, if He Is Committed for Trial.

Only two criminal cases have been entered so far for the sessions of the county court and general sessions of the peace in June.

They are King against Michael Tierney for alleged indecent assault on two charges.

King against George Whiting for alleged seduction.

If John Prodder is committed for trial he will also appear at the same court.

**Contractor Fined.**  
A South London contractor was found guilty this morning by Magistrate Love of fouling the street by allowing excelsior to blow from a wagon. He was ordered to pay \$1.50.

## LOCAL AUTOIST WAS IN HURRY FOR SUPPER

Exceeded the Speed Limit and Was Fined Five Dollars in Police Court.

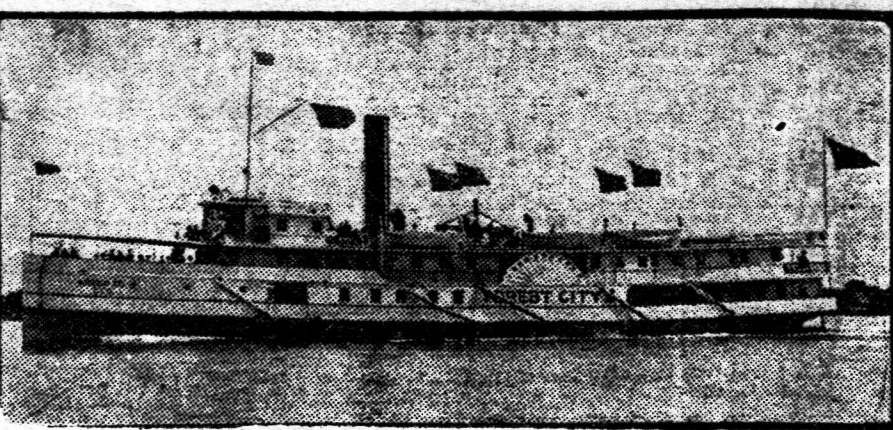
A local autoist, who was fined \$5 in court this morning for exceeding the speed limit, offered the unique excuse that he was very hungry and was in a hurry to get home and get his supper.

"You must have been perfectly ravenous," said the court, "as I understand you were going about 30 miles an hour."

"If the policeman says so I guess it must be right," said the gentleman.

The policeman said that the auto went a block in 14 seconds.

"That is too fast," said the court. "Five-dollar fine."



THE STEAMER "FOREST CITY."

This boat will ply on Lake Erie this year between Port Stanley and Rondeau to Cleveland.

## KING GEORGE V. FOR FAIR PLAY CITY CLERK TELLS OF FIGHT

When a Lad of Fifteen He Saw Two Boys Fight in Old London and Gave Them Both "a Show"—When It Was Over Prince Gave Each a Sovereign.

City Clerk Baker tells a characteristic story of the new King, George V. In 1880, Mr. Baker was going through Westminster Park in London, England, with a friend, when they came upon two young lads fighting. The boys were about 12 years of age, and apparently had a grudge to settle. Mr. Baker and his companion went over to where the boys were, and presently they were joined by Prince George, then a lad of 15, and the young Duke of Roxborough, who happened along.

The fighters went ahead with their fight, the prince keeping the crowd back, and giving the lads every chance.

**Called the Fight.**  
In a short time, one boy demonstrated his superiority, and the prince signalled the fighters to cease. He took one lad, and Mr. Baker the other. When they were separated, the prince took a couple of sovereigns from his pocket, and sent the boys on their way, bruised but happy.

"The prince enjoyed the scrap immensely," said Mr. Baker. "He insisted on fair play, and the boys settled their differences right away. His highness took hold of one chap, and I took hold of the other when they had fought long enough to demonstrate that one was the better, he gave each of them a gold sovereign, and sent them on their way. Quite a crowd was attracted by the fight."

## PORT ARTHUR ENGINEER WILL LIKELY GET LONDON POSITION

J. A. Antonisen Has Resigned His Position and Is Now On His Way Here—Water Commissioner Pocock Says He Is the First Choice of the Commission.

Port Arthur, May 9.—J. A. Antonisen, city engineer, recently appointed manager of public utilities, has resigned, and it is expected that he will accept the position of city engineer at London, Ontario.

Mr. Antonisen is on his way to London, and will be here on Wednesday or Thursday. A wire was sent to him on Saturday night giving the information that he asked for regarding the duties required of a head engineer, and fixing the salary at \$4,000 per annum. The understanding was that, if Mr. Antonisen thought himself fitted to give the city satisfaction, on learning the duties required of him, he would agree to a personal interview.

No definite word was received from Port Arthur as to what action he had taken on the receipt of the telegram, except what is contained in the dispatch from Port Arthur.

**The First Choice.**  
"If that is the case," said Commissioner Pocock, "Mr. Antonisen will probably be in the city tomorrow or Thursday. We wired him the information he asked for, and it was on Saturday night giving the information that he asked for regarding the duties required of a head engineer, and fixing the salary at \$4,000 per annum. The understanding was that, if Mr. Antonisen thought himself fitted to give the city satisfaction, on learning the duties required of him, he would agree to a personal interview."

## KEEP THE PUP IN OR YOU'LL BE FINED

Sad Story of a Canine and a Long Green Two Dollars.

Because his pup went out the front door and in a side door without its muzzle on Lewis Roberts, of the London House, was found guilty by Magistrate Love this morning of allowing his dog to be at large without a muzzle and was fined \$2.

W. D. Mahon, W. J. Wilson, John McNichol, Mary Barrett and Ira Link were each fined \$2 for a similar offence.

The case of Gladys McConnell, the little Irish girl, charged with stealing, was enlarged another week.

## SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED CHANGES WAS PREPARED

Equalization Committee of County Council Met at Court House This Morning.

The equalization committee of the county council was in session this morning at the court house, endeavoring to arrive at a satisfactory adjustment of the assessment in the various townships of the county.

A schedule of proposed changes has been prepared, and this was discussed at great length. A proposal to increase Dorchester's assessment by 51 per cent met with strong opposition from the representatives of that township. There was a general proposal of increased assessments all around, and the members of the committee were not by any means unanimous in adopting the schedule.

The committee adjourned until 2 o'clock, to further thresh out the matter.

Those present were: S. F. Glass, London Township; C. M. McPhee, Ekitrid; Warden Campbell, Adelaide; John McFarlane, Adelaide; R. Banks, Dorchester; James Murray, Westminster; John Jones, Delaware; Hugh Brodie, Caradoc; W. D. Moss, Glenoe; R. Yates, Wardville; James Brown, Metcalfe; J. F. Buttery and F. W. Atkinson, Strathroy; George Elliott, West Williams; J. C. McDonald, East Williams; Thomas Munroe, Parkhill; John Morgan, Alisa Craig; Marshall Miller, McGillivray; A. K. Hodgins, Blidulph; C. W. Hawshaw, Lacan; John McGuigan, Lobo.

## A Good Excuse

Toronto, Ont., May 10.—A pupil in one of the public schools, who had been absent from school, returned yesterday and presented the following written excuse to her teacher: "Please excuse Sarah. Her mother had twins. It shall not occur again.—Father of Same."

The note was forwarded to Inspector Hughes.

## OPERATION PERFORMED ON EX-MAYOR WILSON

"Condition Is Practically Unchanged," Dr. Niven Stated to The Advertiser Today.

Drs. Wishart, Niven and Hadley Williams performed a slight operation on Dr. John D. Wilson this morning and removed some of the poison which had localized in the vicinity of the knee.

"Dr. Wilson's condition is practically unchanged," said Dr. Niven to The Advertiser this afternoon.

The physicians are hopeful, however, that more of the poison will be removed, the doctor's chances for recovery will be much better.

## ROUNDHOUSE EMPLOYEE VERY BADLY SCALDED

Plug Blew Out While Fred Jones Was at Work On a Locomotive.

Fred Jones, of Rectory street, an employee of the G. T. R. at the roundhouse, was badly scalded about the face and neck this morning while at work on a locomotive, when a plug blew out within a few inches of his head.

Jones was adjusting the plug when the head of steam forced it out. He was taken to the office of Dr. Seaborn where his injuries were attended, and later he was removed to his home. He will be laid up for some time.

## IRISHMEN CABLE THEIR SYMPATHY

Message to Colonial Secretary Regarding the Death of Edward VII.

DR. WILSON REMEMBERED

Resolution of Sympathy With Him in His Illness Was Passed—Also a Resolution in Regard to Death of Mr. Jas. Egan's Sister.

"Sir Edward Grey, Colonial Secretary, London, England:

"The Irish Benevolent Society of London, Canada, deeply deplore the death of His Majesty King Edward VII., and extend most profound sympathy to bereaved Queen Alexandra, and desire to express to His Majesty King George their unswerving loyalty to himself and the empire."

The above cable, signed by President Stevely and the secretary, was sent to the Colonial Secretary last night by the Irish Benevolent Society.

The resolution was passed by a unanimous standing vote at a special meeting of the society, called for the purpose. It was moved by Mr. Denis Mason and seconded by ex-Alt. John Forrietal.

President Stevely called the meeting to order, and briefly explained the reason for the session. He spoke feelingly of his late majesty, and asked Mr. Forrietal to move the resolution.

The latter paid an eloquent tribute to the late monarch, one of the wisest, most broad-minded and lovable the empire had as yet known.

Mr. Forrietal referred to the many good qualities of King Edward, and especially alluded to the broad spirit

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## FORMER LONDON MAN GOES TO JACKSON PRISON

John Munroe Sentenced to From One to Five Years in Jackson.

Pontiac, Mich., May 9.—John Munroe, formerly of London Ont. was sentenced to Jackson Prison for from one to five years today for larceny.

Munroe confessed to taking \$50 from Alexander Noble of Tyrone Ont.; while Noble was on his deathbed here. Munroe is an uncle of the notorious Jim Munroe, now serving a fifteen-year sentence in Jackson for burglary.

## DRUGGIST WILL COME UP NEXT TUESDAY

Lawrence Stevenson Charged With Selling Candy On Sunday.

The case of Lawrence Stevenson, of the Grand Opera Pharmacy, charged with selling candy to minors on Sunday, will be heard next Tuesday morning.

"There is a peremptory summons to that effect," said Magistrate Love this morning, "and there is no use holding this thing off any longer."

Wesley Brown, an Indian lister, who took the first drink yesterday that he has had in some months, was fined \$10 and \$2 costs or 31 days.

Robert Wark, another Indian lister, charged with being drunk, said he did not know he was on the list. He had been away, he said, on and off for some time. The case was adjourned some tomorrow morning so that Inspector Galpin may be present and give the facts of the matter.

## THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—FAIR.

FORECASTS.  
Toronto, May 10—8 a.m. west winds; a few scattered showers, but mostly fair.

Wednesday—Fresh northwest winds; fair and cool.

TEMPERATURES.  
Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Max. Weather.  
Calgary. 44-54. 28. Clear.  
Winnipeg. 44-54. 28. Clear.  
Port Arthur. 44-54. 28. Clear.  
Parry Sound. 44-54. 28. Clear.  
Toronto. 44-54. 28. Fair.  
Ottawa. 44-54. 28. Fair.  
Montreal. 44-54. 28. Fair.  
Quebec. 44-54. 28. Cloudy.  
Father Point. 44-54. 28. Cloudy.

RAIN HAS BEEN GENERAL IN QUEBEC AND IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES, AND SCATTERED SHOWERS HAVE OCCURRED IN ONTARIO. FROST OCCURRED THIS MORNING IN MANITOBA AND IN PARTS OF SASKATCHEWAN AND ALBERTA.

**MONDAY'S WEATHER.**  
A disturbance which was north of Lake Superior on Sunday night has moved eastward with increasing energy to the Province of Quebec, and is now causing strong winds and showers in the Gulf and the Maritime Provinces. The weather yesterday continued fair and warm in the Western Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 44-54; Dawson, 24-56; Atlin, 28-40; Victoria, 44-54; Vancouver, 46-58; Edmonton, 34-56; Battleford, 32-52; Moose Jaw, 31-55; Qu'Appelle, 30-40; Winnipeg, 35-55; Port Arthur, 44-54; Toronto, 44-54; Ottawa, 50-58; Montreal, 52-62; Quebec, 46-70; St. John, 44-50; Halifax, 40-50.

**TODAY'S PROBS.**  
Maritime Provinces—Strong southwest and west winds; showery.

Lake Superior—Fresh to strong west and northwest winds; fair.

Manitoba—Strong northwest winds; fair and cooler.

Saskatchewan—Fair and cooler.

Alberta—Fair and cooler, followed by showery weather.

## CITY'S CONSENT NOT NECESSARY TO OPERATE SUNDAY CARS

At Least That Is What the Mayor Thinks After Reading a Communication From City Solicitor Meredith in Regard to the Pere Marquette Railway.

"Why do you ask if the consent of the city is necessary to allow the Pere Marquette to operate cars on Sunday over the London and Port Stanley?"

This significant question in a letter from City Solicitor Meredith to Mayor Beattie clearly denotes the attitude of Mr. Meredith to this matter, and is tantamount to an admission that there is no necessity for the consent of the municipality to enable the company to operate cars on Sunday to Port Stanley.

His worship wrote, saying that the council desired a full statement of their position in reference to this matter, and Mr. Meredith will furnish that opinion in a few days.

**They Have the Right.**  
"It seems apparent that the company have the right to operate cars on Sunday," said Mayor Beattie. "My understanding of the question is that the city has no control—that it is entirely

in the hands of the Dominion railway commission.

"However, we want an opinion from the solicitor as to our exact position, and that we expect to have as soon as Mr. Meredith can possibly give it to us."

The company will not make an effort to run the cars until the position of the city is defined. It is doubtful whether or not they would run them without the consent of the city.

**A Delicate Question.**  
Some of the council would welcome the announcement that the matter was absolutely removed from their hands, as the question is a somewhat delicate one, in many respects, and it could be more easily settled by such a court as the Dominion railway commission than by a body such as the council.

So far nothing further has been heard regarding the promised opposition to Sunday cars to the Port, and it is likely the agitation has ceased.

## IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

[Associated Press.]

Washington, May 10.—That systematic advertising of the country in the interests of immigration as carried on by Canada is shown by official reports received at the office of Daniel J. Keefe, commissioner-general of immigration of the United States. The result is that the Dominion gets a large number of farmers from the western prairies. The farmer is followed by the merchant, then by the manufacturer.

For the year ended March 31, 1910, 103,789 people from the United States immigrated to Canada, and 57,930 came from that country. During the preceding year, 149,960 immigrated to Canada from all countries, of whom 42,865 were farmers and farm laborers from the United States. Only 3,268 persons of the same class came from Canada to this country. During the same period 2,066 clerks and merchants, and 6,100 persons with occupations immigrated from United States to Canada, while 1,634 clerks and merchants, and 22,320 persons with occupations not classified came from Canada. Thirty per cent of the immigration into Canada during the last eight years was eight per cent Scotch, 33 per cent from United States, and 4 per cent Italian.

## WORKMAN DIED DANCING A JIG

Tragic Death of William Young of Goderich, in East London Last Night.

EMPLOYED BY THE G. T. R.

Gang of Men in a Box-Car, When One Picked Up a Fiddle and Young Started to Dance His Death Followed in a Few Seconds.

While dancing an Irish jig for the amusement of his fellow workmen in a Grand Trunk boarding car in the East End yards last night, William Young, of Goderich, one of the bridge and building gang, was overcome, and, sinking into a chair, died immediately of heart failure.

Young had been working with the other members of the gang all day near Hyde Park, and in the evening the men were sitting around after supper, singing songs and telling stories.

One man picked up a fiddle and began to play, and Young got up and started to dance a jig. He had only danced a few steps when he was overcome.

Dr. Seaborn was called at once, and found that death was due to heart failure.

Mr. Young was 35 years old. Pending the coming of relatives to this city, the funeral arrangements have not been made.

The remains were taken to Smith, Son & Clarke's undertaking-rooms.

## LATE KING HER IDEAL

Woman Found Dead With Story of Edward's Death in Her Hand.

Minneapolis, Minn., May 10.—With a paper in her hand relating the details of the death of King Edward, Mrs. Sarah J. P. Mobley, aged 70, was found dead here at her home. The coroner attributed her death to heart failure brought on by reading of the King's death. Mrs. Mobley was an ardent admirer of the late King, and on the walls of her rooms were hung portraits of Edward, picturing his life from boyhood to manhood.

"King Edward is my ideal of a man," she often said to her neighbors.

**STABBED HIMSELF.**  
Hamilton, May 9.—What may prove to be a fatal accident took place this afternoon when Albert Chilcott, a shoemaker, living at 648 Barton street east, accidentally stabbed himself. He was paring sole leather and while drawing a keen knife towards him his hand slipped and the knife struck him over the heart, inflicting a wound that narrowly escaped his heart. With blood streaming from his chest, Chilcott ran to the surgery of Dr. Parry, where it was seen the wounded man's condition was critical.

The wound was sewed up and the report from the City Hospital tonight is that injured man may not live.

When he first saw the doctor Chilcott said he had been stabbed.

## SANDWICHES WILL GO UP IN PRICE TONIGHT

No More Cheap Lunches—The Dinners Will Also Cost More.

After tonight all kinds of sandwiches supplied at local restaurants will advance in price from 5 cents to 10.

Dinners will be raised next week from 25 to 30 cents.

"We have got to do it," said the proprietor of one of the largest restaurants this afternoon. "Ham is advancing steadily, and meats of all kinds were never higher than now. Provisions of all kinds are dearer, and help is costing more."

## WIDOW SUES COMPANY FOR \$5,000 INSURANCE

Writ Issued by Mrs. Ed. Martyn Against the London and Lancashire Co.

A writ has been issued in the case of Martyn vs. the London and Lancashire Life Insurance Company.

The widow of the late Edward Martyn, who died some time ago through blood poisoning, is suing the insurance company for \$5,000 insurance on the life of her husband, which the company has refused to pay, alleging that proper notice was not given.

It is a high court action. The writ was issued by Mr. George C. Gibbons.

## MURDERS GIRL HE WISHES TO WED

Schenectady, May 10.—Because Mrs. Josephine Lippincott refused to consent to the marriage of her sixteen-year-old daughter, Angelina, to Lucano Milano, Milano pulled a revolver from his pocket this morning and shot the girl through the temple, causing almost instant death, shot the mother through the throat and then, after futile attempts to cut his throat with a razor, took poison. The mother and Milano may possibly recover. Both are in the hospital.

**TROTTER CASES.**  
New York, May 10.—Action on several important cases is expected today by the board of review of the National Trotting Association, in session in this city. Reinstatement applications comprised the greater portion of them.

The leading case being that concerning Thomas Nolan and Thomas Murphy, trainers, and the judges of the Lexington meeting. The trainers were fined \$250 each during the progress of a race. Afterwards it appeared, the judges decided there had been error in imposing the fines, and they were remitted.

**ATE EDITORIAL.**  
Quilman, Miss, May 10.—R. L. Page, Jun., who edits a weekly paper several days ago published an editorial on society folks. He called the dancing "public hugging" and intimated that no virtuous woman would indulge in such practices. Page, after an absence of several days, returned, and was met by citizens and forced to eat a clipping of the editorial. Page had his assailants and left the