

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY IN BUSY EAST LONDON.

MR. GRAYDON ON SMUT NUISANCE

Says There Is No Cure for It in the East End.

City Engineer Graydon is also striving with the woman question, but at a different angle from City Clerk Baker. The other day a lady residing in the east end of the city wrote to The Advertiser complaining of the great amount of smut in that locality. She declared that it was impossible to hang out washing. The windows were not to be raised, and houses were always disagreeable from the nuisance.

Since that time Mr. Graydon has received several letters from ladies living in the same locality, making similar complaints and asking him what to do about it. "We can do nothing," said Mr. Graydon. "At present there is no smoke nuisance bylaw in the city, and we have no power to take action. I sympathize with these women, because the nuisance they complain of is a real one, and causes them a great deal of inconvenience and worry. It is really disgraceful in some parts of the city, the way the houses are littered with this smut. But I cannot do anything. I am advising them to take a civil action against the people causing the nuisance. They can get even that way. Mr. E. A. Meredith started a suit some years ago on that account, and put the firm out of business. They could do the same."

Mr. J. H. McMechan, who as a member of the board of health has advocated a smoke nuisance bylaw with indifferent success, will probably bring the question up again at the board this year, and it is expected that something will be done, as a great deal of complaint has been made regarding it.

Hospital for Drunkards Is Needed Inspector Galpin Taking Matter Up

Just as Much Need for Such a Place, He Says, as for Tuberculosis Hospital.

Inspector Galpin intends taking up the matter of providing some place where habitual drunkards can be cared for by the authorities, at an early date.

"There is just as much need in this city for a place where treating drunkards can be taken care of as there is for a consumption hospital," he told The Advertiser this afternoon. "I shall recommend that a cottage or building in connection with the asylum be set aside for the treatment of such persons. There are more homes in this city than anyone would ever imagine that are blighted just because some member of the family happens to drink to excess. I think that a great deal

Reid Cases Again Looming Up For Trial at Approaching Assizes

Suits for From \$15,000 Downwards Have Been Entered.

A number of cases have been entered since yesterday noon for hearing before the high court assizes, which open next Monday.

Two actions connected with the Reid disaster of July 16, 1907, have been re-entered from a previous court for hearing at the assizes. They are both jury cases.

Action for \$15,000.

The first is that of Lillian Maud Smith, against W. J. Reid, for damages of \$15,000, due to the death of her husband, Clarence Franklin Smith, who worked in the building adjoining the Reid building, and who was so badly injured that he died from the effects. Mrs. Smith claims that his death was due to negligence on the part of the Reid Company, and is suing for the above-mentioned damages on the part of herself and child.

Mr. J. F. Pauls will act for the plaintiff, and Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons for the defence.

Another One.

The other case is that of James Martin Clugston, the 14-year-old boy, whose father has entered action in his behalf against W. J. Reid & Co., Geo. N. Kernohan and Robert G. Wilson, Young Clugston was an employee of Messrs. Hamilton, Long & Co., clothiers, who had leased part of the Reid building. The boy suffered, very serious injuries at the time of the disaster, and is taking action, through his father, against Mr. Reid, whose building it was, and Messrs. Kernohan & Wilson, contractors, under whose direction the renovations to the building, to which the disaster is said to have been due, was being carried out. The amount of the claim is for \$10,000, and costs of the action.

Messrs. Graydon & Graydon act for the plaintiff; Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons for Mr. Reid, and J. M. McEvoy for Messrs. Kernohan & Wilson.

Other Actions.

Besides these cases there are several others entered for a hearing: Walter Scott is suing S. S. Cooper

PROPOSITION TO CLOSE RECTORY ST.

The East Enders Are Wondering What Will Come of It.

East enders are wondering just what the new council will do with regard to the Grand Trunk's proposition to close Rectory street and the improvement of the Egerton street crossing. The east end has the same representative this year as last, and all are opposed to closing Rectory street. The proposition will, it is thought, not be considered by the council, and the improvement of Egerton street is arousing the greatest interest.

The crossing, which is known as a death trap, has been forgotten for some time, and will in all probability be forgotten until another year is lost. The agitation for improvement of Egerton street has lasted four years, but little or nothing has been done to better conditions.

EPIPHANY IN ALL SAINTS' CHURCH.

Sermon by Rev. T. B. Clark Yesterday.

Epiphany services were conducted at All Saints' Church last evening by the pastor, Rev. T. B. Clark, who also preached a sermon on the three wise kings of the east. The Epiphany is being celebrated much more in the Anglican Church at the present time than in many years. The practice of celebrating the feast was practically dropped for some time, but is gradually being revived.

In accordance with the custom of centuries, the King of England yesterday placed gold frankincense and myrrh on the altar in imitation of the three kings of the east.

WOMEN VOTERS SHOW INCREASE

Sunday Car Agitation Brought Them Out This Year.

There was a larger percentage of women voters at the polls this year than usual.

As a rule the number of women who vote at municipal elections is not large, but the contrary was very small fraction exercise the franchise.

This year a special effort was made to get the women voters out. This was due to the Sunday car agitation, in which the women took a somewhat deep interest.

"I have no figures at hand to back my statement up," said Mr. Baker, "but from what I can learn a larger percentage of women voted this year than usual. I cannot state the percentage just now, but it is quite a bit greater than usual."

A REDUCTION OF LOCAL LICENSES

May Be Asked for By London Temperance People.

It was stated today that the temperance people of the city will ask for a vote to be taken next January reducing the number of hotel licenses in the city from 26 to 20.

Nothing official was given out regarding this, but the information received was from a supposedly reliable source.

It is figured out that Toronto now has 110 licenses for 275,000 people, or 1 license to every 2,500 of the population. London has 26 licenses for about 50,000 population.

It is figured that 20 licenses for London would be sufficient, and would put the city on an equal basis with Toronto.

Three-Fifths Clause.

Of course there is a disposition among some of the temperance people to wait until it is seen what will become of the three-fifths clause, which if it is removed will cause them to ask for a vote on local option.

The Advertiser's informant stated that if there was no change in the clause, a vote for a reduction was almost certain. If the clause were amended it is possible that a vote on local option might be taken.

Mr. McDermid Silent.

Mr. D. A. McDermid was spoken to about the matter, and was entirely non-committal. He stated that nothing had been said about it so far.

"We have not discussed it at all yet," said Mr. McDermid. "We are anxious as to what will become of the three-fifths clause, and its fate will largely determine our action. The temperance movement is making rapid strides, you know, in Ontario. We have not taken the matter up here as yet. I cannot say what we will do."

Non-Jury Actions.

Three cases are also entered for the non-jury sittings of the assizes. They are: The case of William Whitfield, a furniture dealer, of Welland, who is suing George W. Loucks, a furniture dealer, of St. Marys, for fraudulently inducing him to enter into partnership and pay \$1,500 cash, and give a note for \$10,000, for which plaintiff was to have a half-interest in the firm.

The plaintiff later discovered that the defendant's business was not worth \$800 per month, as he had stated. The amount of the note of the plaintiff, which had not been paid.

J. W. Graham, St. Marys, acts for the plaintiff, and J. M. McEvoy for the defendant.

A Millinery Case.

N. L. Martin, assignee for the benefit of the creditors of Eleanor F. Dwyer, is entering action against Eleanor F. Dwyer, Margaret Dwyer and Margaret Carey.

JAMES PIERCE IS BACK AGAIN

Cannot Keep Away From His Alma-No, Castle Carter.

James Pierce, a gentleman of no definite occupation, has returned after about a week's absence, to the simple life of Castle Carter. Pierce seems to find life in the wide, wide world somewhat too exhilarating, and more than once the demon that has, popularly, been believed to reside in the glass has been too much for his wayward feet. Magistrate E. B. Smith of Ailsa Craig, before whom Pierce appeared on the charge of vagrancy, attempted to separate him from a ten-dollar bill so rapidly that the operation would be practically painless, but Pierce frustrated this kind intention by acknowledging that he was suffering from a temporary financial embarrassment that made him look like the wealth of Croesus to him. As a result, Pierce arrived here this morning under the charge of Constable McGuire, to undergo 60 days' hard labor.

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**SOCIETY WILL HAVE
NOTED MEN HERE**

Now in Correspondence With W. Jennings Bryan and Others.

Associated Societies is the name under which a number of Young People's Societies and affiliated organizations of the city are about to organize with, having in mind the bringing to the city noted lecturers. Already those taking an active interest in the affair are in correspondence with William Jennings Bryan, Booker T. Washington, and other men of international reputation. There are already 15 societies in the combination, and they are bringing to the city noted lecturers. The noted American poet, who will give an evening's recital in the Auditorium on Friday evening, Jan. 22, Mr. Cook is president of the International Lyceum Association, and is himself one of the most popular attractions on lyceum courses.

**BLACK DIAMONDS
WILL NOT ADVANCE**

Coal Dealers Had Laid in a Large Stock in Fall.

Local coal dealers state that they had a rush of orders this morning owing to last night's cold snap. Fortunately all are well supplied with the black diamonds, and there is no danger of any shortage. More velvet coal now is the fact, and prices will not advance. The majority of local dealers laid in large stocks of coal early in the fall, making sure of their supply, as it was feared at the time that there might be a shortage of cars.

METHODIST PASTOR MURDERED

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ENGLISH MARKET.

Liverpool, Jan. 7.—Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red western winter, 68 1/2. Futures quiet; March, 78 7/8; May, 78 3/4.

Corn—Spot steady; new American (via Colveston), 55 1/2; do. (via London), 55 1/2; March, 55 1/2; May, 55 1/2.

Hams—Short cut firm, 45s 2d. Bacon—Lumberland cut firm, 45s 6d. Clear bellies easy, 25s.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—Trade good; prices firm and steady. 1,100 loads in today, including 1,707 cattle, 1,887 sheep and lambs, 1,109 hogs and 81 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, medium, 4.50 to 4.75; Export cattle, light, 4.25 to 4.50; Export cows, 4.00 to 4.25; Butchers' cattle, choice, 4.40 to 4.75; Butchers' cattle, medium, 4.00 to 4.25; Butchers' cattle, common, 3.25 to 3.50; Butchers' cows, 3.50 to 3.75; Butchers' bulls, 2.75 to 3.00; Stockers, choice, 3.25 to 3.50; Stockers, medium, 2.50 to 2.75; Stockers, common, 2.25 to 2.50; Stockers, bulls, 2.25 to 2.50; Feeder, heavy, 2.75 to 3.00; Feeder, short-horn, 4.00 to 4.25; Milch cows, choice, each, 40.00 to 50.00; Milch cows, common, each, 35.00 to 40.00; Springers, 35.00 to 40.00; Export ewes, cwt, 3.50 to 3.75; Export bucks, 2.75 to 3.00; Lambs, cwt, 5.00 to 5.25; Hogs, select, cwt, 6.00 to 6.25; Hogs, fat, cwt, 5.00 to 5.25.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Jan. 6.—Canadian cattle are firmer, at 12c to 14c per lb; refrigerator beef is weak at 9c to 9 1/2c per lb.

**LATEST STOCK
MARKET REPORTS**

COBALT STOCKS.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Jan. 7.—Noon quotations were: Beaver, 25; Chambers, 81; Reserve, 2.60; Cobalt Lake, 17 1/2; Connaught, 6 1/2; Foster, 4 1/2; Green-Meehan, 21; Kerr Lake, 2.90; La Rose, 6 1/2; Little Nipissing, 41; Nipissing, 25; St. Marys, 41; Silver Lake, 14; Silver Queen, 39; Temiskaming, 1.63; Tretheway, 1.47.

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Amalg. Copper, 82 1/2, 83 1/2, 83 1/2, 83 1/2.

American Sugar, 12 1/2, 12 1/2, 12 1/2, 12 1/2.

Am. Locomotive, 37 1/2, 37 1/2, 37 1/2, 37 1/2.

American Foundry, 49 1/2, 49 1/2, 49 1/2, 49 1/2.

American Refining, 8 1/2, 8 1/2, 8 1/2, 8 1/2.

Atchafalpa, 10 1/2, 10 1/2, 10 1/2, 10 1/2.

Baltimore & Ohio, 11 1/2, 11 1/2, 11 1/2, 11 1/2.

Brooklyn Transit, 7 1/2, 7 1/2, 7 1/2, 7 1/2.

Canadian Pacific, 17 1/2, 17 1/2, 17 1/2, 17 1/2.

Chesapeake & Ohio, 5 1/2, 5 1/2, 5 1/2, 5 1/2.

Chicago & G. W., 10 1/2, 10 1/2, 10 1/2, 10 1/2.

Col. Fuel & Iron, 4 1/2, 4 1/2, 4 1/2, 4 1/2.

Chicago & N. W., 17 1/2, 17 1/2, 17 1/2, 17 1/2.

Inter-Metropolitan, 19 1/2, 19 1/2, 19 1/2, 19 1/2.

Kansas & Texas, 4 1/2, 4 1/2, 4 1/2, 4 1/2.

Kansas & Tex. Pac., 7 1/2, 7 1/2, 7 1/2, 7 1/2.

Louisville & Nash., 12 1/2, 12 1/2, 12 1/2, 12 1/2.

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