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LONDON MEN OFFICERS

Messrs. Wright and Martyn Elected by
Builders' Association.

[Canadian Press.]
OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—The Provincial
Builders' and Supply Association, at
their annual convention today elected
the following officers:

President, George Gander, Toronto;
first vice-president, R. W. Wright, London;
second vice-president, Charles
Chapman, St. Catharines; secretary, A.
E. Fowler, Toronto; treasurer, George
Skelley, Jun., Toronto; executive com-
mittee, J. S. Webster, Galt; G. A. Crain,
Ottawa; George Metcalfe, Hamilton; J.
Norton, Starns, C. Bulley, Toronto; M.
R. Bogart, Chatham; J. Shutt, Brant-
ford; J. L. Youngs, Stratford; J. Green,
St. Thomas; Casper Braun, Berlin; H.
F. Nicholson, St. Catharines; L. H.
Martyn, London; and O. Bogue, Peter-
borough.

The association will ask the Govern-
ment to do all in its power to carry
on as much building as possible during
the hard times to encourage the use
of Canadian materials and labor and
to discourage foreign labor and ma-
terial.

**GERMAN EAST AFRICA
CUT OFF FROM SEA**

[Canadian Press.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—A formal
announcement was made today at the
department today of Great Britain's
decision to declare a blockade of the
coast of German East Africa, from
midnight, Feb. 25.

The British ambassador at this capi-
tal has informed the department of
state that his Government has decided
to declare a blockade of the coast of
German East Africa, as from midnight
Feb. 25. This blockade to extend along
the whole coast, including islands, that
is, from latitude 4 degrees 41 minutes
south to latitude 10 degrees 40 min-
utes south, four days' grace from the
time of the institution of the block-
ade being given for the departure of
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**B. S. A. MINSTREL SHOW
DRAWS GREAT CROWD**

Clever Performance Staged by a Fine
Cast.

A capacity audience greeted the British
Social Union minstrel troupe in its
performance in Hyman Hall last night.
Mirth entered with the rise of the cur-
tain and throughout the rollicking pro-
gram the audience was kept in roars of
laughter by the quick crossfire of new
jokes and catchy song hits. Last
night's show was the first appearance
of the minstrels, but there was nothing
to indicate the work of beginners.

The entire program was carried
through with a snap and vim that kept
the audience gazing stageward at all
times. The soloists were good, and all
received many encores. The chorus
showed the result of being well drilled,
the work of the singers being remark-
ably consistent throughout the pro-
gram.

Mayor Stevenson was among the citi-
zens who attended the show.
The work of Harold Peach, as mus-
ical director, was all that could be de-
sired, while Miss Powe made a splen-
did accompanist. Staging and effects
were looked after by W. Gilbert and
G. Hughes.

Following are the members of the
troupe: Chairman, W. Gilbert; secre-
tary and interlocutor, W. Garratt;
troupe leader, M. Quinney; A. Williams,
Hanson, L. Hughes, Mrs. W. Gilbert,
Mrs. R. Hanson, Miss M. Wigham, J.
Rawson, M. Billington, A. Clark, F.
Farris, G. Hughes, Miss C. Wakington,
Mrs. S. Snape, Miss Rawson, Miss M.
Garratt, Miss E. Wakington, Miss M.
Wakington, Miss C. Garratt.

The program follows:
Opening chorus, by the entire troupe;
"Mississippi," G. Hughes; "Skipper,"
H. Peach; "Jungle Town," W. Gilbert;
"Tippary," R. Hanson; "Silver
Threads," F. Farris; "Rinking Rose,"
A. Williams; "Rosary," A. Clarke;
"Roses in the Air," L. Hughes; duet,
Misses W. Wigham and C. Garratt;
"Colonization," M. Billington; "O Canada,"
entire troupe; quartette, H. Peach, A.
Clark, J. Rawson and R. Hanson; "Old
Black Joe," W. Garratt; dialogue, Bro.
Hughes, duet, Mrs. S. Snape and M.
Billington.

**EQUITABLE LIFE'S
GOOD YEAR**

The statement of The Equitable Life
Assurance Society of the United States
gives evidence of the company's con-
tinued progress. Increases are shown
in Outstanding Insurance, Admitted
Assets, Surplus Income from Invest-
ments and Payments to Policyholders,
accompanied by a decrease in expenses
of the 5,464 Domestic Death Claims
paid during the year, 84 per cent were
settled within one day after receipt of
due proof of death. The Mortality Rate
for the year was 74 per cent lower
than the average for the last fifteen
years. The Payments to Policyholders
in 1914 aggregated \$56,700,000, over Two
Million more than was received in
premiums from policyholders during
the same period. The insurance on the
company's books now aggregates nearly
One Billion and a Half, an increase of
\$2,000,000 for the year. The new in-
surance paid for during 1914 totaled
\$126,867,000, exclusive of additions, in-
creases and revivals.

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**City and Railway
Still Disagree on
Track Extensions**

Attempt to Reach Compromise Is Fail-
ure—Manager Has New Plan.

The attempt to reach a compromise
with the street railway company, the
matter of track extension for the pre-
sent year, has been finally abandoned
so far as the special committee which
has had charge of the negotiations is
concerned, and the council will be ad-
vised to this effect and recommended
to call upon the company for the com-
pletion of the following work this sum-
mer: The extension of the Hamilton
road line as far as East street, the
double-tracking of that portion of the
route between Easton and Horton
streets, the construction of a line on
Mount Pleasant avenue from Wharn-
cliffe road to the cemetery and the
extension of the Quebec street route to
the C. P. R. Station.

Two Additional Miles.
The additional trackage involved in
this scheme, including a double-
tracking of the part of the Hamilton
road indicated, would be about two
miles, whereas, if Assessment Commis-
sioner Grant's figures are correct, the
present population of the city would en-
title London to four and a half extra
miles. However, as Mr. Grant's figures
are not official, and as a new census
would have to be taken to substantiate
a claim for the whole of this track ex-
tension, the committee thought it ad-
visable to cut the amount in half.

Manager C. B. King was present at
the meeting and submitted an alterna-
tive proposal to that submitted last
week. This new proposition was that
the street railway company should ex-
tend the Hamilton road line as far as
West street without double-tracking
any part of the route, in consideration
for which the city, in drawing up a
bylaw embodying this scheme, should
fix the population at 49,000 as a basis
for determining the amount of track-
age to which they are entitled at the
present time.

Won't Accept Figures.
This did not meet with the approval
of any of the members of the commit-
tee. Apart from all other considera-
tions, they expressed themselves as
unable to agree to themselves up to the
population figure of 49,000, and possibly
prejudging their rights to further track
extension in the future.

Tid Chairman, A. Tancock, suggested
that this point be waived and that the
company, in addition to making the ex-
tension on the Hamilton road, should
build a line on Mount Pleasant avenue,
but he was met with a flat refusal to
consider any such compromise by Mr.
King.

The refusal of the company to agree
to the double-tracking of the Hamilton
road route from Horton street to
Barton street, also proved a stumbling
block which the city was unable to sur-
mount. The city's way to surmount
this way to surmount. The year's pro-
gram, it was pointed out, included the
paving of this portion of the road, and
the alteration of the street grade, the
city of having to tear this up again
in a year or two when double-tracking
became an imperative necessity, would
be satisfactory.

Hot After Company.

Aids, Palmer and Lerner were in-
clined to think that the negotiations
should be broken off and the company
compelled to give the city everything to
which it was entitled, but the counsel
of the majority, who pointed out that
to enforce this the expensive business
of taking a census would have to be
undertaken, prevailed, and a motion
was passed along the lines mentioned.

The question of Sunday cars was
taken up, and Mr. King reiterated his
statement made at the previous meet-
ing, that the company would not con-
sider any arrangement more onerous
than that which was in force at present.
The city's suggestion that nine tickets
be sold for 25 cents, and that ten per
cent of the gross profits be handed over
to the city, he said, would not be con-
sidered by the directors at all.

Aid, Lerner then suggested that per-
haps the company would be willing to
meet the city half way, conceding the
point as to the number of tickets to be
given for a quarter, if the city would
forego its demand for any percentage
of the profits, but Mr. King declared he
had made the best offer he was author-
ized to make.

Keep Sunday Cars.

Mr. Lerner then declared that he was
for refusing to renew the Sunday by-
law at all, expressing the opinion that
"if the company can afford to discon-
tinue the service, the city can." The
other members of the committee were
not in favor of this. They felt that the
citizens wanted the service and, as the
existing bylaw already was out of date,
an extension of it in some form or
other should be put through at once. As
a compromise, it was decided to recom-
mend that the existing bylaw be ex-
tended for a term of two months only,
so that, in case any new point is raised
within that time, it can be amended
thereafter.

The bylaw already has been prepared
by the city clerk, and it will be sub-
mitted to the council at a special meet-
ing, which has been called for this after-
noon. If they adopt it, therefore, and
it is expected that they will, Sunday
cars will be able to run next Sunday
and there will be no break in the Sun-
day service.

A proposition for a Sunday service to
Springbank, at least during the sum-
mer months, was mooted by Aid, Pal-
mer, but again Manager King failed to
see things from the same point of view
as the alderman. He declared that such
a scheme could not be made to pay,
as it was pointed out that this mat-
ter was not urgent, it was dropped for
the time being.

Refused Application.
After the street railway questions had
been disposed of, the members of the
finance committee present held a meet-
ing, at which Clerk Baker announced
that he had been informed by the city
solicitor earlier in the day that the
railway board had refused the city's
application for more protection at the
Dundas street east crossing of the
Grand Trunk Railway, but had ordered
that the speed of all trains at this
point should be not more than ten miles
an hour.

NEW VILLAGE BLACKSMITH.
LAMBETH, Feb. 25.—Mr. Harold
Owen Sound, will open a blacksmith
shop in Lambeth on March 2.

**German Method
of Specializing
Is Detrimental**

Education System Wrong, Says L. C. I.
Principal—Don't Favor Home
Work.

At a well attended meeting of the
Canadian Club, held in the Tecumseh
House last evening, Principal Rogers, of
the Collegiate, led what developed into
a lively discussion on "Misconceptions
In Our Education System."

Germany's Failure.

"In the past six months," he said,
"we have been struck by the fact that
many of our best theories and cults have
received some very rude shocks. The
matters of international honor, German
culture especially, and even Christian-
ity itself, have suffered. We have seen
a much vaunted culture shown up in its
true colors. There must be something
wrong with the education of Germany
or with its ideal. The German ideal
has been specialization, and the system
lost the idea of the development of the
whole man. The English have had dif-
ferent ideals. English universities teach
a gentleman how to be a gentleman. Too
many of our educational ideals have been
modelled after the German ideal. We
want to be careful we don't fall into the
same troubles that Germany has. We
must make every effort to prevent
our educational ideals following this
course."

Remove "Dead" Stuff.

"I wish I were minister of education
for awhile, and I would soon remove a
lot of the lumber that is now over-
burdening the curriculum. A whole lot
of the Greek, Latin, geometry and high-
er mathematics is not essential to
education and could be replaced with
things more practical in life. Educa-
tion should make every one a hard
worker. If it does this it does as much
as can be done in a school. The
educated man is not the man who has
a lot of facts, but one who can get up
against a new job and use the facts he
has, so that he will not fall down."

Mr. Rogers argued that home work
could and should be done away with
and parents would bles teachers for
not doing it. The present system of
apparatus, which citizens have paid
for, the schools should be kept in opera-
tion constant. The London evening
night there should be 1,000 people at-
tending special classes. The present
educational system, he said, exists be-
cause of three things: one, a hard
worker, one, a body of learning and a body
of teachers who can do it. Mr. Rogers
thought that in many instances good re-
sults would follow, if the same teacher
took charge of the pupils throughout
the whole of their public school course
instead of the pupils getting new ones
every year.

In the discussion that followed, the
speakers were Rev. H. H. Bingham,
Father John J. McDermott, Aid. Daly,
Dr. C. T. Campbell, Postmaster Dr. Mc-
Donald, Prof. Stevenson, Father Foley,
Claude Gaudin, City Auditor Jewell,
W. Martin, Aid. Ashplant and L. A.
Buchner.

**PLEASING RECITAL IN
DUNDAS CENTRE CHURCH**

Was Under Auspices of the Ladies' Aid
Society.

The recital given in Dundas Centre
Methodist Church, Thursday evening,
under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid
Society, of that Church, in aid of the
Red Cross work, was an unqualified
success from beginning to end, and a
snug sum resulted as a result of the
concert.

The floral decorations were extremely
pretty and tastefully arranged by Mrs.
H. H. White. The choir, with their
flowers interspersed with different
colored electric lights, added greatly to
the effect of the draped platform.

Miss Anna Cochill scored in all her
numbers, especially so in "Good-bye,"
as did also Miss Hazel Colles,
who, with a view to establishing a
definite diagnosis and the likely dura-
tion of disability.

SEWING SOLDIERS' SUITS

Regimental Tailors, at Queen's Park,
Are Busy Men of Camp.

The regimental tailors at Queen's
Park are the busiest men in the camp
making for suits that have been
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[Canadian Press.]

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Headquarters, 1st Division, London,
Ont., 25th Feb., 1915.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF.
No. 39, Protection of Public Works,
Buildings, Etc.

Sergt. J. E. Knapp, A.M.C., is de-
tailed for duty with the detachment
from the 22nd Regiment on guard at
the wireless station, Tobemorey, Ont.
from the 22nd instant, replacing Staff
Sergt. Murtagh, XV F.A.C., A.M.C.,
who has been withdrawn.

No. 40, Strength.

Lieut. P. D. Shannon, one sergeant
and one private (Can. Postal Corps)
are detailed for duty with the expedi-
tionary force unit mobilized at Lon-
don, Ont., from the 1st March, 1915.

No. 41, Medical Board of Officers.

A medical board of officers, com-
posed as under, will assemble at Camp-
bell, Ont., on Wednesday next, 3rd March,
1915, at 2 p.m., for the purpose of re-
examining Sergt. H. K. Black, Corps
of Guides, with a view to establishing
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