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SUNDAY CARS FOR TRACTION CO.

Application To Be Made to the Legislature at This Session.

SEVERAL PETITIONS TO BE PRESENTED

If the Traction Company Can Run Cars to Port, P. M. Wants the Same Privilege.

The Southwestern Traction Company will ask the Legislature for power to run cars on Sunday.

This action will be followed, it is said, by a similar action on the part of the Pere Marquette Railway, who will ask that they be given the same competitive rights as the Traction Company.

This matter has been under consideration ever since the vote on Sunday cars was announced.

Those Who Will Ask.

The petition for Sunday cars will be backed up by deputations from Port Stanley, St. Thomas and London. In addition, the Legislature will be visited by deputations from Port Arthur, Fort William, and probably other centres, on the same errand.

As a result, Sunday cars will bulk large in the business of the Legislature at this session.

Pere Marquette, Too.

"The Southwestern Traction Company has made application, or rather, has announced that they will make application to run cars on Sunday," said a prominent railroad man. "If that is the case, the Pere Marquette will also ask for the same rights as the Traction Company, and will make application for Sunday cars. The department has had this matter under consideration for some time. The city's road should at least be given the same rights as the Traction Company."

The matter is exciting not a little interest in railroad circles.

CITY WILL PUT IT UP TO MR. BECK

Mayor Stevely Does Not Believe Two Wells Are Guarantee of a Water Supply.

The water commissioners are going to put it up to Hon. Adam Beck on his well proposition.

Mr. Beck is of the opinion that he has done sufficient, in that he has proved to his own satisfaction, and also of many others, that the well proposition is a success, and that a supply of water can be obtained from wells.

"I think I have done my share," said Mr. Beck. "It is not right that I should do more. I have demonstrated that the water is there, and now the commissioners should get busy, and prepare a scheme for submission to the people. I am not quitting on the scheme. I will start another well immediately, and then another. But the commissioners should take this up as a scheme, and give the people water before the summer time."

Mayor Stevely's Opinion.

Mayor Stevely thinks that Mr. Beck should go ahead with his twelve wells before the commissioners take any part in the question.

"Will we take up the scheme now?" he said. "Not because Mr. Beck has two good wells. That does not prove the scheme a success. We have no authority from the citizens to put this water in the mains. We certainly will not take the question up now. Let Mr. Beck sink the rest of his wells, and demonstrate beyond a doubt that there is sufficient water. We will not take the matter up now. We will wait a little."

THE WEATHER.**TOMORROW—MILD.**

FORECASTS.
Toronto, Feb. 4—S. a.m.
Today—South and southwest winds; cloudy and mild.
Friday—Mild; light rain or sleet.
TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	Today.	Yesterday.
Toronto	32	29
London	32	29
Calgary	28	42
Winnipeg	24	14
Port Arthur	20	6
Parry Sound	22	9
Toronto	24	22
Ottawa	2	2
Quebec	10	4
Father Point	10	6
Dawson	36	22
Vancouver	33	40
Kamloops	38	29
Edmonton	38	14
Battleford	4	8
Moos Jaw	8	20
St. John	4	10
Halifax	4	18

What promises to be an important disturbance is now developing west of the Great Lakes.
The weather is comparatively mild in Western Ontario and throughout the Western Provinces, and is becoming milder in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

A BIG BATTLE IN SIGHT OVER NORTH END EXTENSION

London Street Railway Will Insist That the Present Line on Wellington Street Be Removed to Richmond Street—People Are Opposed to the Move.

The north end extension of the street railway has again become a live issue, and will be taken up seriously between the company and the city in a very short time, probably within the next few weeks.

Mr. T. H. Smallman will represent the company in the negotiations, and will lay their case before the council. He will insist on the removal of the Wellington street line to Richmond street. He will oppose any effort to have a line on Wellington street, and another on Colborne street, as proposed by some of the residents of the north end. This, it is pointed out, will be utterly useless so far as the company is concerned, and will prevent a satisfactory service being given the citizens.

Can Give Better Service.

By running the present Wellington street line up Richmond street, the

officials of the company maintain that a better service could be given, as the many turns militate against good time. The line will be easier to operate, and will give better satisfaction.

A number of the aldermen were canvassed on the proposed change, and the majority of them were of the opinion that much better results would accrue both to the city and the company, by removing the Wellington street line.

Battle in Sight.

There will be a battle over the change, however. The residents of Wellington street will oppose any effort to remove the line, and declare they will put up a stubborn resistance to any such move.

Mayor Stevely stated that he would get the city and the company together early next week, probably.

LINEMAN FELL FIFTEEN FEET

Accident to William Todd, of 76 St. George Street, a Bell Telephone Employee.

William Todd, of 76 St. George street, a lineman employed by the Bell Telephone Company, met with a serious accident this morning while installing a telephone in a house on Hellmuth avenue.

Mr. Todd was up on a ladder stringing a wire, when he missed his footing and fell a distance of fifteen feet. He was picked up by his companions and taken in the ambulance to Victoria Hospital, where it was found that his leg had been broken, and that he was severely shaken up. The fracture was set, and it is expected that Mr. Todd will be around again in a few weeks.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN WAS IN LONDON

Gentleman Who Is the New Manager of Grand Trunk Pacific.

Mr. E. J. Chamberlain, recently appointed to succeed Mr. Frank Morse as general manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, passed through the city in his private car Grand Trunk Pacific, attached to No. 1 express, at noon today.

"I may say," he stated to The Advertiser, "that I am not in touch with the Grand Trunk Pacific work yet, being on my way to Winnipeg now. I expect to look over the ground and return again in about three weeks to Montreal. I do not think that there will be any change whatever in the policy that has been pursued."

Friend of Mr. Morse.

Speaking of Mr. Frank Morse, Mr. Chamberlain said he was a warm personal friend of his, and the only reason he knew for his retirement was the condition of his mother's health. Mr. Chamberlain stated that he had been connected with the Central Vermont for fifteen years.

Asked regarding conditions, he said it was generally conceded among railroadmen that they were improving rapidly.

NO ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING A BISHOP

Local Priest Says It May Be Expected at Any Time.

There has been no announcement as yet regarding the appointment of a bishop of London to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Bishop McEvay to the archdiocese of Toronto.

"We are expecting the announcement of the appointment at any time," said a local priest this morning. "But we have had no intimation as to who will secure the honor. We know nothing further than that which has already been announced in the papers."

The names of Dean Mahoney, of Hamilton, and Rev. Father Hand, of Toronto, are mentioned for the position. Archbishop McEvay will be in Hamilton on Feb. 14, it is said, and the appointment of Dean Mahoney may be announced then.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—An order-in-council has been passed bringing all telegraph companies under control of the railway commission.

It was provided in an amendment

EARNINGS SHOW SMALL INCREASE

Figures Received at the Annual Meeting of London Street Railway.

The financial report of the London street railway was submitted yesterday at the annual meeting.

It shows an increase in gross earnings of \$2,655.81 over the previous year.

The earnings amounted to \$235,022.40, as compared with \$232,376.59, in 1907.

The number of passengers carried reached 6,444,598, as compared with 6,321,294 in 1907, an increase of 123,004.

The total number of transfers was 1,062,306, while 1,039,362 were issued in 1907, an increase of 22,944.

The Mileage.

The total mileage traversed was 1,427,322 in 1908, as compared with 1,435,292 in 1907.

There are 30 miles of tracks in the city, and none was added during the year.

The company spent \$26,810.64 in betterment of the company's plant during 1908. This sum does not include the cost of renewing the rails of the Dundas street line.

The policy for the year was discussed at the meeting, and certain improvements talked of.

Directors Re-Elected.

The directors were all re-elected for the ensuing year, as follows: P. W. D. Brodick, London; H. A. Everett, Cleveland, Ohio; H. S. Holt, Montreal; E. W. Moore, Cleveland; T. H. Smallman, London; W. M. Spencer, London; C. W. Watson, Cleveland.

Mr. Smallman Vice-President.

At the subsequent meeting of the directors, Mr. H. A. Everett, of Cleveland, was re-elected president; Mr. T. H. Smallman, of this city, vice-president; Mr. George Benson, secretary-treasurer; and Mr. C. B. King, manager.

Everything was found to be running in a most satisfactory manner, and all the company's rolling stock was in good repair.

Mr. E. W. Moore, of Cleveland, who represented the American capitalists interested, left on the evening train for his home.

LONDON ITALIANS VERY GRATEFUL

For the Manner in Which Londoners Helped Messina Sufferers.

The contributions for the Messina relief fund still continue to pour in, increasing the total to \$1,820.90. The following further donations have been received: C. T. Apple, \$1; Joe Russell, 50 cents; J. P. Riddell, \$1; J. McGee, \$1. The local Italians express their sincere gratitude and profound appreciation of the liberal manner in which Canadians are responding to their distressed countrymen.

"London is to be praised," said an Italian gentleman, "for the worthy manner in which she came to the rescue. Toronto, a city of nearly six times the size of London, has only contributed \$2,000."

Annual At Home.

The annual "at home" of the employees of the D. S. Perrin Company will be held on Feb. 12, in the new dancing auditorium of Dayton & McCormick, in Oddfellows' Hall. The committee in charge of the affair have spared no energy to make it a thoroughly successful event, and have arranged a most delightful series of dances, two-sets, quadrilles, etc., to be opened with a grand march.

Telegraphs Controlled By Commission**OVERCOME BY FIT WHILE IN COURT**

Was Answering to the Charge of Having Assaulted His Wife.

The principal case at this morning's session of the police court was that of a man who was charged by his wife with assault. The same parties have been in court before, and a separation had been agreed upon, but they have been living together more or less peacefully until last evening, when another row took place. The man had a fit in court this morning, and the affair caused no little commotion. He was remanded, and the case was enlarged for a week.

He Was and He Wasn't.

Edward Fountain, charged with being drunk, didn't want to admit it, but when he understood that a charge of stealing some meat was likely to be laid against him if he did not, he changed his mind and thought he must have been intoxicated. The man from whom the meat was taken did not wish to press the charge, so Mr. Fountain was fined \$10 for being drunk.

Breaking stones evidently did not agree with Frank Cody, for he was arrested again yesterday on a charge of vagrancy, after having been sent to the stone mills by the magistrate. Cody promised to go to work if he was let go and the court decided to give him another chance.

Fred Kinsmann, for trespassing on the C. P. R., was fined \$1 and \$25 costs.

Lillian Prior, the young girl remanded last week for vagrancy, was again remanded for a week while the police investigate her career.

Ben Goodacre, a drunk, who has been coming up pretty frequently, was remanded for a week.

BOAT SERVICE FOR PT. STANLEY

Mutual Steamship Company's Ships Will Call There Next Summer.

CITY OF LONDON WILL BENEFIT

Half a Dozen Steamers at Least Will Make the Port at Stated Intervals.

Port Stanley will have a fine boat service this coming summer. Already arrangements have been made for the Mutual Steamship Company, of Montreal, to stop there, and if the programme is carried out, as it is expected it will be, at least a dozen steamers will make Port Stanley a port of call.

Montreal to Port Arthur.

The company's boats ply from Montreal to Port Arthur, and they have some fine boats in commission. Among them are the steamers Canadian and the Acadia, one built at Newcastle, and the other at Glasgow, and the W. W. Edmondson, Beaverton and Headington. There are now two more being built in the old country, and it is expected that at least twelve vessels will stop at the Port.

Will Stop at Port.

"Yes, we will stop at Port Stanley this summer," said Capt. H. N. Stevens, of this city, who commanded the Canadian last year.

"We have made arrangements for our boats to make regular calls at the Port. There will be twelve steamers on our line this summer, and we will make an effort to build up a large lake-carrying traffic from that place. We carry large quantities of freight for the International Harvester Company, and other firms, and we are confident of building up a good trade from Port Stanley."

A Big Elevator.

It is also understood that a company is being organized to erect another large elevator at the Port. At present there is one there, but that is running to capacity, and the necessity of erecting another is felt.

The announcement will be made as to the capacity, etc., of the new elevator in a short time.

Pere Marquette Behind It.

The Pere Marquette, it is understood, is behind the move to develop the freight and passenger carrying trade of Port Stanley.

A line of steamers from Cleveland to Port Stanley is also being mooted, and if the scheme pans out as anticipated, there will be at least a weekly service from the Port to the big Ohio city.

The development of the Port trade will be of great benefit to London.

COMMON'S CHAIRMAN

Mr. Honore Gervais to Sit at Head of Debates Committee.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 4.—This morning Honore Gervais, member for St. James, Montreal, was chosen chairman of the debates committee. Other chairmen have not been named, but it is understood that Hugh Guthrie will again be named for railways, A. H. Clarke for the public accounts, H. Miller banking and finance, and J. A. C. Ethier, private bills. The probable successor to Chairman MacKenzie of the agricultural committee, is M. S. Schell.

Several hundred persons attended the services at St. Peter's Cathedral last evening at 7:30, when Fathers Aylward, O'Neil and White blessed the throats of the members of the congregation, yesterday being Candlemas Day, or the feast of St. Blasius.

BUSINESS MAN DIED SUDDENLY

R. D. B. Nicholson Succumbed to Heart Disease Last Evening.

A VERY SUCCESSFUL LONDON WHOLESALE

Had Been About as Usual and His Death Came as a Great Shock—A Splendid Career.

Mr. R. D. B. Nicholson, of the firm of Dickson, Nicholson & Co., wholesale milliners, Richmond street, and one of London's best-known and most highly-esteemed businessmen, died very suddenly at his home, 360 Queen's avenue last night, about half-past seven.

Mr. Nicholson had suffered from an affection of the heart for some time, but it had not interfered with his usual activities. His death will be a sad surprise to a very wide circle of friends, not only in London, but throughout the Dominion.

Born in Montreal.

Mr. Nicholson was 55 years old and was born in Montreal, being a son of the late Robert Nicholson.

Early in life he entered the employ of the firm of W. J. McMaster and later went with McKay Brothers. His keen business ability and sterling character advanced him rapidly and he became buyer for the firm of Gordon MacKay & Co., of Toronto, one of the largest firms in the Dominion.

Mr. Nicholson acquired a most thorough knowledge of all branches of the drygoods and millinery trades and twenty-eight years ago started in business in this city at the age of 25 years, with the late Mr. Dickson.

A Prosperous Businessman.

The business grew steadily and the name of Dickson, Nicholson & Co. is known all over Canada. It has denoted the same high standards of integrity and honor which always distinguished Mr. Nicholson in his personal and private relations, and won the admiration of all with whom he came in contact.

He married Miss Ada Blinn, daughter of the late Hiram Blinn, manager of the Canadian Loan and Savings Company, of London. Mrs. Nicholson died some years ago.

A Good Man.

Mr. Nicholson was a member of St. Paul's Cathedral. Few men gave more in a quiet and unostentatious manner to all who were suffering or in need. He was one of the first to contribute in the movement to establish a consumption hospital for London.

He was not connected with any societies.

Mr. Nicholson is survived by one daughter, Ruth, two brothers, W. I. Nicholson, of the firm of Robinson, Little & Co., John S. Nicholson, of New York; two sisters in Montreal, and another sister, Mrs. J. W. Little, of this city.

Last Public Act.

His last public act was to attend a meeting of No. 1 committee last Friday afternoon, when the question of a grant for the London Health Association was being considered.

The funeral will be held on Friday afternoon from the family residence, 360 Queen's avenue, to Woodland Cemetery. The services will be conducted by Rev. Canon Dann.

NESBITT-GLOBE LIBEL CASE

Defendant's Counsel Claims Justice Has No Jurisdiction.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Feb. 4.—More argument in the Beattie Nesbitt-Globe libel case was heard by Mr. Justice Latchford in the criminal assizes this morning. N. K. Rowell, K. C., for the defense, began proceedings by arguing that his lordship had no jurisdiction to try the case.

"The case is dead by failure to prosecute or to traverse," he said. "Was no order of any kind made?"

"Absolutely nothing of any kind, my lord."

He contended that under common law, under which criminal matters were prosecuted, it is necessary for a case to be continued from court to court.

"If defendant puts in an appearance at court, and arrangements are made the case is rightly continued. Such has not been done," said Mr. Rowell.

Mr. Rowell's second reason why the court had no jurisdiction is because it is one of general jail-delivery.

"But Mr. Macdonald is neither in jail nor out on bail, so the case against him is dead as far as this court is concerned," concluded Mr. Rowell.

Blessing Their Throats.

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BUILDING PROSPECTS ARE VERY BRIGHT

Permits Issued During January Were Very Satisfactory.

Building promises to be excellent during the coming year. Judging from the number of permits issued during January, 1909 will be one of the best building years in the history of London.

Last month 15 permits were issued, for a total of \$24,335. During January, 1908, only two permits were issued, with a value of \$1,500. The increase is very heavy, and as all the builders declare that not for a long time have prospects been better, it looks as if there will be plenty of work for the building trades.

February continues the good work, and yesterday the following permits were issued: T. B. McCormick, for a one-story house with mansard roof, a brick-vener, on Burwell street; W. A. Spearman, 1½-story, brick-vener, on Eva street; the Ontario Furniture Company alterations to their premises at 228-230 Dundas street, and Ed. H. Blakemore, for a one-story frame house on Mabel street.

LONDON TO SARNIA BY ELECTRICITY

Application for a Charter Will Be Made to the Ontario Legislature.

LONDON MEN ARE BEHIND THE SCHEME

Niagara Power To Be Used and Will Be Purchased From This City.

Application will be made at the next session of the Legislature for a charter for an electric road from London to Sarnia.

It has been sent in, and it is expected that it will come before the Legislature very shortly.

"The exact route of the road could not be learned, but it is expected it will run to Lobo Village through Arkona and Warwick to Sarnia."

A branch line will be run from Lobo Village to Grand Bend via Parkhill.

Londoners Behind It.

A number of citizens of London are behind the move, and it will be well backed.

It is expected that Niagara power will be used by the company, which will be supplied by the city.

"Our application for a charter has gone in," said one of the promoters. "It will appear in the Canadian Gazette on Saturday. We have everything in readiness to float the company, and if the Legislature grants our request, we will have a new radial out of London in a very short time."

Looks All to the Good.

Several roads have been mooted along this route, but this is the first one that has had the marks of success on it.

It will traverse a very rich country, and the promoters are confident that it will prove a success.

15,000 GALLONS IN ONE HOUR

The New Well on Horton Street Appears To Be a Great Success.

The second test well sunk on Horton street continues to show excellent results.

This morning the air compressor was at work and a large flow of water resulted.

It was put at full speed for one hour, and 15,000 gallons of water were pumped without lowering the well a particle.

The first well continues to show a good flow, and there is no doubt that there are at least 400,000 gallons of water to be had from the two wells.

Test on Friday.

Hon. Adam Beck will return from Toronto tonight, and tomorrow a complete test will be made with Engineer Farncombe and others present to watch it.

"There are about 450,000 gallons capacity from the two wells," said Mr. Robert Lyons, who was in charge of the pumping this morning. "We are just running easy now, with but little pressure, and still the new well is flowing 8,000 gallons an hour. We can add nearly as much again from the well if we want to."

TRIP TO EUROPE LATEST COUNT

Record of the Voting in the Contest Up To Tuesday Night.

SPECIAL BALLOT PUBLISHED TOMORROW

It Will Be Good for Ten Votes—A Question Box Opened.

The Advertiser herewith presents the trip-to-Europe vote up till Tuesday night. Some of those whose names were near the foot of the list on Saturday have improved their position materially, and no one has yet been outdistanced.

In this connection it is well to remember also that the contest is yet young, and there is plenty of time for the lowest on the list to become a leader in the ranks.

Special Ballot Tomorrow.

Tomorrow (Friday) it has been decided to publish on page ten a special ballot, good for ten votes, and it behooves all the contestants to make sure of these extra ballots.

A Question Box.

There have been so many questions coming to the office, regarding the condition of the contest that it has been decided to open a question box, in which the readers and candidates may find some useful information. Any questions presented will be gladly answered in this column.

The following are some of the questions that have already been presented:

"Will a subscriber have to change their paper boy and have their paper delivered direct from The Advertiser office in order to be assured of receiving their vote?"

Answer—No. The same boy or agent can deliver the paper and The Advertiser Company will pay them at the end of each week until the expiration of the time for which the customer pays. "Have the nominations closed?"

Answer—No. A candidate may be nominated any time before March 1, 1909.

"Can a subscriber receive votes by paying arrears of subscriptions?"

Yes. Any money paid on subscription account, whether in arrears or in advance will be credited with votes."

Subscriptions also can be paid for as far in advance as the subscriber wishes and votes will be given for the same.

"How can a subscriber who receives his paper from an agent's store be credited with votes?"

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