

WILL LONDON GET LINE FROM SARNIA TO BUFFALO?

Largely Depends Upon the City Say Pere Marquette Officials.

They Will Build Short Route Through From Sarnia.

Vice-President Erb and General Manager Carpenter Speak of Their Plans.

Four prominent officials of the Pere Marquette Railroad arrived in this city last evening on their tour of inspection which they are making of the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway. These were Mr. Newman Erb, vice-president; Mr. M. J. Carpenter, vice-president and general manager; E. Summerfield, of New York, and Mr. J. T. Odell, of New York. They were traveling in two special cars, which were attached to No. 5, arriving from Niagara Falls at 6:15, last night. For a few hours in the evening they talked over matters with local officials of the D. E. and D. R. R., inspecting, as far as time allowed, the facilities and connections of the road which they control, and as a result it is expected that important changes may be made during the coming summer. Before leaving at an early hour this morning for Sarnia, via St. Thomas, they were interviewed by an Advertiser reporter.

The general manager and his secretary were having early breakfast at their elegantly appointed car, when the newsmen made his call, while the rest of the party were in the other car performing the same pleasant duties. Both the first vice-president and the general manager expressed the opinion that the facilities for handling freight were not sufficient at this terminal, and thought something would need to be done in this respect. Mr. Erb also spoke of the matter of building a line from Sarnia to Fort Erie, and the extension of the present L. E. and D. R. R. east of St. Thomas. He said, in part:

"We are at present on a tour of inspection and have just come from Buffalo, where we have been looking over the ground with a view to acquiring a right of way into that city. We have, or the Lake Erie and Detroit River road, have a charter now to construct a road from St. Thomas to the Niagara frontier, and it is our intention to push this matter as soon as possible. Plans are being made so that while the grade will be for single track, the future will be anticipated in the matter of bridge and these will be built for double track purposes. Then if our traffic increases to any extent, and we hope it will, we can double-track the system without any trouble at all."

LEASE TOO SHORT.
"What changes do we contemplate in regard to the London and Port Stanley road? Well, as the lease stands at present we cannot do a great deal. Certain it is, from the short lease, that we have made that it is our intention to increase track facilities for freight. The passenger business will be attended to very well, and I see no need for building new lines of anything of that kind. But I think that it might be well for us to enlarge our freight-handling capacity. We should like to make extensive improvements all along the line, and no doubt would here in the city of London, if it were not that the lease will run out in such a short time. It would seem to me that in making large investments and expending large sums of money in improving the London and Port Stanley road with only about ten years to run, we are not being sufficiently long lease, no doubt we should do these things. As it is, however, I expect that it will be necessary for us to do something in respect to this freight business. Of course, we are in hopes that it will be necessary, for we hope that the business will go on increasing."

"The outlook is very good, and the boat traffic as well as the road traffic we hope to see increase. Whatever is necessary to the carrying trade, the Lake Erie shall have attention. We intend to continue the Shenandoah No. 1, and expect that the coal-carrying business will increase materially, so that we may find it advisable to put on another ferry there."

JOTTINGS FROM NEARBY PLACES

NORTH DORCHESTER.

North Dorchester, March 12.—The North Dorchester teachers' meeting at the Dorchester Station on Friday, March 6, with the president, Mr. Dale, in the chair. Opening devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Mr. Veale. After the president's address the following papers were given: "Method of Teaching Phonics Reading," Miss Howard; "Elementary Arithmetic," Miss McLean; "Grammar," Mr. McLean; "Advanced History," Mr. Dale. The papers were followed by lively discussions, in which many able opinions were given. During the business meeting the election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, Miss McLean; vice-president, Mr. Dale; secretary-treasurer, Mr. Stanley; committee, Miss Riddick and Mr. Warren.

MOUNT BRYDGES.

Mount Brydges, March 11.—Mr. and Mrs. G. Woods, of Kewwood, were the guests of the former's brother, Dr. Woods, last evening. The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church will give an oyster social at the church next Tuesday night, the 17th inst. Admission, 25 cents. A good programme will be prepared for the occasion.

Mr. S. Bond has rented his harness shop to Mr. Lamont. We wish him success.

Mr. W. Lockwood has moved to the village and there are other farmers looking for houses.

The Misses McCugan have established millinery parlors in this village. Their opening days will be the 25th, 26th and 27th of March. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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ANGIER CHEMICAL COMPANY, BOSTON, MASS., U. S. A.

A COMFORT TO THE AGED GRAND ORANGE LODGE MEETING

Though 80 Years of Age Mr. Kennedy Was Made Well and Kept Well by the Use of

DR. CHASE'S KIDNEY-LIVER PILLS.

As age creeps on it is almost invariably the kidneys and liver that get sluggish and deranged, leave poisonous impurities in the system and cause rheumatism, lumbago, lame and aching back and limbs and disorders of the digestive and excretory organs.

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills have proven themselves the greatest comfort to the aged, entirely freeing them from the sufferings arising from these derangements and insuring the return of good health. This letter is a sample of many at this office:

Mr. Robert Kennedy, of Wingham, Ont., a respected citizen, 80 years of age, writes: "About this time last year I was suddenly taken sick with severe pains in the bowels. I got so ill that my wife became alarmed and sent for the doctor. I drank some hot water, and soon after the doctor came I began to throw up. The doctor treated me for two weeks and I was very sick."

"I then began using Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and soon got better. Ever since then I have taken Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills regularly, and with me, every week, I feel better and more healthy. I am in as good a state of health as can be expected at my advanced age. I give credit for my good health to the use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills."

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25 cents a box. At all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

WABIGOO POISON CASE

The Postmaster of Dalhousie Has Been Rearrested.

Dalhousie, N. B., March 12.—The little town of Dalhousie is in the throes of excitement over an alleged second phase of the postmaster robbery case. Postmaster Johnson has been rearrested and held on suspicion of having sent poisonous confectionery to Wabigoon, Ont., where a man, Geo. Chiverton, was sent after the \$500 was stolen from the town postoffice.

MANITOBA LEGISLATURE

Business Is Being Rushed—An Early Closing Expected.

Winnipeg, March 12.—The Roblin Government franchise act, the Manitoba Bill, Hon. Thos. Greenway, Premier Roblin and Messrs. Young, Greenwood, Neilson and Lyons taking part. Mr. Greenway moved a resolution favoring a return to the old system of preparing voters' lists, but it was voted down by 23 to 10. Business is being rushed through, and an early closing is expected. The Midland railway bill has been reported from committee.

SHOOTING WITH INTENT

Belleville Man Will Have to Explain Before Assizes Court.

Belleville, Ont., March 12.—In the assize court here yesterday the case against James Oliver, charged with shooting with intent to kill, occupied the court all day. Complainant Skelton testified that on the 28th November last the prisoner asked him for a drive to his father's in the country north of Belleville. After driving some distance, the prisoner asked Skelton to take the lines. Skelton after Skelton was shot, the ball entering the right side of the head, passing out under the left eye. At the time Skelton thought they were being attacked, but hearing the prisoner's revolver behind his back he turned and grabbed the revolver in prisoner's hands. A struggle ensued, and Skelton got possession of the revolver and tried to shoot him. The case failed to disclose any motive for the crime. Oliver gave evidence on his own behalf, and stated that on the night in question, Skelton drew a revolver and tried to shoot him. In the struggle the revolver was discharged, and Skelton was shot. The jury found the prisoner guilty, but recommended him to the mercy of the court.

THE LANCET AND TOBACCO

Extract From "Liquors et Tabacs," July, 1902.

A recent number of the English medical journal, the Lancet, contains a long article on the cigarette. After stating that of all the methods of smoking, the cigarette is the most spread to its convenience, our confrere thus concluded:

"This being recognized (the growing general use of the cigarette) it is important to ascertain if its use is more dangerous than that of the cigar or the pipe. One fact which militates in favor of the cigarette is that it gives a much lighter smoke than a pipe. Moreover, the cigarette, from one end to the other, is in direct contact with the air and the combustion is absolutely complete. It is also objected against the cigarette that the combustion takes place near the nose, and the smoke from the end is constantly inhaled, and that through the lips objectionable matter may penetrate, a reproach attaching, but in a less degree, to the cigar. The employment of a cigarette holder obviates these two inconveniences, the inhalation of the smoke and the flow of tobacco juice into the mouth. A long pipe, kept constantly lit, is a great active source of danger. Nevertheless, smoked rationally, it is certain that the cigarette is the most injurious way of using tobacco. Thanks to its convenience and its cheapness it is easy to understand the immense favor it enjoys throughout the world."

The young people of Westchester, a suburb of New York, have formed what they call the Anti-Coal Trust Club. Their first public entertainment is about to be given, and the price of admission has been fixed at one pound of anthracite coal, the patron not being restricted to that amount, of course, it being merely the minimum weight.

Nickel coins similar to those used in Belgium, Germany and the United States are shortly to be introduced in France. The value of the coin will be 25 centimes, equal to 5 cents in the United States. At present there is no intermediate money between the 10-centime and the half-franc.

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"Dear Sirs,—I was received, and I had no trouble in making use of the recipe as directed, and can truthfully say it is a boon to weak men. I am greatly improved in size, strength and vigor."

All correspondence is strictly confidential, in plain sealed envelope. The recipe is free for the asking, and they will every man to have it.

Mr. Saunders' Visit.

Woodstock Express: The recent talk on birds given in this city by Mr. Saunders, of London, served to stimulate interest in a very important matter, and already there is a demand for another visit from Mr. Saunders, and for more light. Like all genuine enthusiasts, Mr. Saunders is going with his knowledge, and it is not improbable that he will pay another visit to Woodstock before long.

In this connection it may be interesting to note what has already been accomplished in the United States for the protection of birds. A membership of 90,000, largely through their efforts laws have been adopted in all the New England States, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Arkansas and Wyoming. The Midland railway at any time of non-game birds. It is the intention to carry on the campaign until the birds have legal protection in every state of the Union.

THAT SAME OLD PAIN IN THE BACK

May Lead to Diabetes or the Dreaded Bright's Disease

Unless It Is Promptly Banished by Dodd's Kidney Pills—Berlin Man Talks About It.

Berlin, March 11.—The remark "My back is bothering me again," is so frequently heard nowadays that aside from pain in the back as something too trivial for more than passing notice. They forget, and after a while the pain is one of the earliest symptoms of Kidney Disease, and unless cleaned out of the system will almost inevitably lead to Bright's Disease, Diabetes, or some of those other terrible complaints which are but Kidney Disease in a more advanced stage.

This is what makes the case of Andrew Hauss, of this place, of particular interest. "I had been troubled with a pain in my back for over a year," says Mr. Hauss. "I tried everything I could that I could get to rub or to take inwardly, but could not get relieved from it. One day I was advised to use Dodd's Kidney Pills, which I did, and I got better from the time I started to take them. I had finished one box, when I was completely cured."

All Kidney pains and dangers fly before Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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Had Palpitation of the Heart and Loss of Sleep.

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THE TWO EXTREMES

About the time children begin to go to school they are liable to be confronted with one of two extremes—they may either grow too fast or not grow fast enough. In the former case nature makes unusual demands upon bone and blood; vital organs are overtaxed and growth continues out of proportion to their age. Here is where Scott's Emulsion finds scope for its best workings.

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The Northern Life Assurance Company of Canada.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT.

At the annual meeting held in the offices of the Northern Life Assurance Company of Canada in London, Ont., on Monday, the 9th day of March, the following report was presented:

To the Shareholders of the Northern Life Assurance Company of Canada: The directors beg leave to submit the sixth annual report, and with pleasure refer to the advancement made by the company during the past year.

The amount of insurance written during the year was \$1,119,725 00. The total amount of insurance in force on the 31st day of December, 1902, was \$2,192,535 00.

The total assets of the company now amount to the sum of \$322,044 71, being an increase during the year of the sum of \$47,773 66, and being \$118,184 13 in excess of the paid-up capital stock of the company. This fact will be gratifying to the shareholders. It shows that the capital stock has earned, since the company commenced business, more than 50 per cent after payment of all expenses and death claims, and although as yet no dividend of the capital stock of the company, and it is necessary to be so held as a reserve for the security of the policyholders according to law.

The cash income during the year amounted to the sum of \$110,022 55, being composed of first premiums received \$34,646 58, renewal premiums \$64,843 82, and interest \$10,532 14. The increase over last year being \$25,266 63.

During the year investments have been made which the directors deem perfectly safe and which increased the amount of interest earned.

The claims paid for deaths occurring up to the present time are well within the expectation of loss.

The same cautious energy which characterized the management of the company from its commencement was continued during the past year, and the directors believe the right course is being pursued in the management of the company's affairs.

The books of the company have been regularly audited and a synopsis of the assets with the previous year's pay is given below as well as some comparisons with the previous years' accomplishments.

The managing director and staff both at the head office and in the field have loyally and assiduously labored to secure the best results they could for the company, and it will be to them as well as to the directors and shareholders a source of gratification that they have met with so good a share of success.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID MILNE, President.

General Statement for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1902.

The following is a synopsis of the income and expenditure as compared with the year 1901:

Surrender value	51,076 65	
General expenses		
Total expenditure	\$ 65,370 90	\$

Excess of income over expenditure, 1901.....	\$
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Gain in 1902	\$

	BALANCE SHEET.	ASSETS.
Stocks and debentures	\$75,737 60	
Real estate mortgages and other interest bearing assets	190,184 13	
Loans on policies	1,378 75	
Cash in bank and office	6,141 57	
Interest due and accrued	2,426 30	
Premium notes, premiums deferred and under collection	35,007 31	
Other assets (full reserves thereon included in the liabilities)	17,479 15	
Total	\$322,044 71	

	LIABILITIES.
Reserves on policies according to the Government standard	\$177,291 69
Surplus and additional security for policyholders	154,753 02
Total	\$332,044 71

	ASSETS.
Total amount of assets	\$322,044 71
Amount of capital stock paid-up	\$213,850 00
Excess of assets accumulated	\$118,194 71

JOHN MILNE, Managing Director.

The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Hon. David Mills, Justice Supreme Court, Ottawa; T. H. Purdom, Esq., K. C. London; Thomas Long, Esq., Toronto; Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, London; England; Matthew Wilson, Esq., K. C. Chatham; N. H. Stevens, Esq., Chatham; W. S. Calvert, Esq., M. P. Strathroy; M. McGugan, Esq., M. P. Mount Brydges; John Davis, Esq., Windsor; J. D. Balfour, Esq., M. D. London; John Ferguson, Esq., London; Lieut.-Col. F. B. Leys, London; Francis Love, Esq., London; John Purdom, Esq., London, and John Milne, Esq., London.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors the following officers were re-elected: President, Hon. David Mills; first vice-president, Thomas H. Purdom, Esq., K. C.; second vice-president, Thomas Long.

Full reports of the annual meeting will shortly be issued in pamphlet form for distribution to our agents, and may be obtained on application.

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