

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY IN BUSY EAST LONDON.

City Interviewed Railway Officials In Regard to Blocking Crossings

Mayor Stevely Believes Nuisance
Will Be Abated By G. T. R.



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The special railway committee appointed by the council at its last session to interview the railway officials regarding the city's blocking of the crossings, especially in the east end, at that time, had an interview this morning with Mr. A. J. Dixon, assistant superintendent of the G. T. R., and W. Killingsworth, chief dispatcher of the C. P. R. Ald. Rose, chairman

of the committee, Ald. Beattie, and Mayor Stevely attended the conference, and were enthusiastic over the interview.

Very Satisfactory.

"It was a very satisfactory interview," said the mayor. "We were given a good hearing, and our case before the officials. They agreed to take the matter up at once with their yard foreman, and an effort will be made to obviate the nuisance. The officials all seemed anxious to do their best to improve conditions in the city."

Will Stop Trouble.

"I have no doubt," said Ald. Rose, "that the difficulties will be removed, or at least reduced, until there is but little reason to complain. We were given a good hearing, and I think that in future we will have less reason for complaint. It was a very satisfactory interview."

Advertiser Correspondence.

Street Railway Transfers.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: I have a few remarks I would like to make public through your valuable paper re London Street Railway transfer regulations, as at present in use.

A party of us came to the corner of Colborne and Horton streets one night this week, about 10:45 p.m., and after three cars had run by, refusing to pick them up, had to walk to Wellington street in the heavy rain then falling. We then got a car and after riding two blocks were notified by the conductor that, "this was the transfer point for Central avenue." Now, do you consider it good policy to leave ladies and young girls standing at a poorly-lighted back street corner waiting for a car when it can easily be done on a well-lighted front street corner? There is no excuse the Street Railway Company can put up at this hour of the night about shopping, etc., as all stores are closed before that time. However, the persons in this case (two ladies) refused to change at Horton and Richmond streets, and the conductor would not give transfers at Dundas and Richmond, and carried these people (strangers) to Richmond and Central avenue, and put them off there to stand in the rain and wait nearly twenty-five minutes for a car to come along.

Now, I do not think if the wife or daughters of any street railway official were on a car they would relish being put off either at Horton and Richmond streets or at Richmond and Central avenue, where they are privileged to transfer where they please. Can there not be some remedy for this suggested, as I, as well as others consider these rules very poor and also unsafe for ladies?

Hoping you will allow space in your paper for this, and oblige.

AN EAST END RESIDENT.

London, Nov. 7.

LARGE CONGREGATIONS ATTEND THE DEVOTIONS

Will Close on Wednesday Morning in St. Mary's Church.

Large congregations are attending the forty hours' devotions being celebrated at St. Mary's Church, Lyle street, and numerous persons form a steady flow of visitors to the blessed sacrament, which is exposed on the altar.

Masses were celebrated at 6 and 9 o'clock yesterday morning, and solemn benediction was sung in the evening. Rev. Father Foster, of Mount Carmel, acted as celebrant, and was assisted by Rev. Father Hussey, of West Lorne, as deacon, and Rev. Father Laurendeau, of St. Augustine, as sub-deacon. Father Foster occupied the pulpit and delivered a splendid sermon.

Masses were celebrated this morning at 6, 7, 8 and 9 o'clock by Fathers McKee, Hussey, Foster and Laurendeau respectively. Rev. Father Goetz, of St. Peter's Cathedral staff, will preach at solemn benediction this evening.

The devotions close with solemn high mass tomorrow morning.

CARPENTER-LYNCH.

Pretty Wedding in St. Peter's Cathedral on Thanksgiving Day.

The bride was attended by Miss Theresa White, Mr. Thomas Walsh acting as groomsmen. Father Aylward officiated.

The happy couple left on the 9 a.m. train for Portland, Oregon.

LADY HAD A VERY NARROW ESCAPE

Attempting to Alight From a Dundas Street Car.

An unknown lady had a narrow escape from serious injury at the corner of Dundas and Rectory streets last evening, when she attempted to alight from a Dundas car while in motion.

She left her seat, and walked swiftly to the rear platform, and missing her footing, swung out from the side of the car, hanging by the hand-rope. The conductor grasped her and drew her back onto the steps. Had she fallen to the pavement it might have resulted very seriously for her.

EAST END HORSE OFF ON RAMPAGE

Thanksgiving Put It in a Very Hilarious Condition.

A horse attached to a light buggy held

Local Items

In view of the Sheffield Choir's concert being announced for Wednesday, the Adelaide Street Church mid-week meeting will be held tonight instead of tomorrow evening.

Bennett's Vaudeville Theatre yesterday broke all records for a matinee audience, when the biggest crowd in the history of the house filled the theatre in the afternoon.

The following marriage license was issued in Detroit yesterday: James Reid, 30, foreman, London, Can.; Annie Porter, 34.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood, formerly of Craig street, South London, spent Thanksgiving Day with Mr. Wood's parents, 644 Richmond street.

—The many friends of Miss Hattie Stark, of this city, will be pleased to hear that she is recovering from a severe attack of appendicitis in Harper Hospital, Detroit, Mich.

—The Sons of Scotland Male Chorus go to Tempio Presbyterian Church to give a Thanksgiving concert this evening. They will be assisted by Miss Jean Robb, pianist.

—Notwithstanding the holiday Empress Avenue held their league service as usual last night. The topic, "Wilfred T. Grenfell and his work among the people of Labrador," was well taken by Mr. Percy Wilkins. Solos, which were much appreciated, were rendered by Misses Catherine Green, Anna Cochran and Gwendoline Ware.

Late James Charles. The funeral of James Charles was held from his late residence, 113 Waterloo street, on Sunday afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery, and was very largely attended. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Ball.

Deputies Wanted. City Clerk Baker wants several more deputy returning officers for the coming elections. He has vacancies in subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 8, 12, 16, 19, 24, 37, 40, 47 and 48. He is awaiting applicants for these positions.

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