

SOME LUCK IN TROUBLE.

Disaster Narrowly Averted at the Pumping Station.

What Engineer Fellows Said About Hamilton's Great Danger.

City Solicitor Has Report on the Morris Suit.

That the pump at the Beach station, which broke down yesterday, was not ripped to pieces is due more to good luck than anything. For a week or so the employees noticed that something was wrong. Shortly before the break yesterday the pump was stopped. When it was started again it had not made more than half a dozen revolutions before it was discovered what was wrong. Had the pump been going full speed when the shaft broke the cylinder would have blown out and it is doubtful if the pump could ever have been used again. It is hoped that yesterday's accident will stir the Fire and Water Committee to action. It was suggested to-day that at least one pump should be ordered at once and the city could then afford to wait until the power question is straightened out before completing the plant. The plans for the new pump house have been prepared.

The city officials to-day pointed to the testimony given by Assistant City Engineer Fellows, of Toronto, in the Barton suit as the best evidence of the serious position Hamilton is in with its pumping plant even when its four pumps are working. Mr. Fellows said, "I think myself the City of Hamilton is in a very dangerous position as regards a conflagration. If that should take place when the maximum amount is being pumped, the city would be unable to cope with it. Certain sections of the city would be left without water." Mr. Fellows pointed out that the reservoir is comparatively small. He stated that it was an acknowledged and regular understood rule among engineers that where a municipality depended upon pumps for a supply the city should have at least 50 per cent. in reserve and if possible a duplicate plant and that no engineer would feel that he was doing his duty if he did not recommend such a system. There was no doubt, he declared, about the dangerous position of Hamilton. "If a large fire should occur during the summer months," he said, "I have no doubt that there is not enough water to protect the city with." Mr. Fellows also pointed out that when the old pumps were installed they were expected to pump 70 gallons per revolution. Later they were strengthened to pump 120 gallons against 50 pounds. At present they are expected to pump this amount against from 105 to 110 pounds which increases the pressure on the connecting rod from eight to ten tons. Nothing has been done since to strengthen the pumps and Mr. Fellows expressed the opinion that they were liable at any minute to break down without warning. The boilers, he explained, were twenty-five years old while the average life of a boiler is from 15 to 20 years. He declared that Hamilton should have a pumping capacity of from 20 to 24 million gallons to meet the demands of a city this size in periods of stress or fire.

Martin Malone is complaining about the way the Board of Works has been carrying on street repairing around the vicinity of Locke and Herkimer streets. Two years ago, he says, Herkimer street was stoned and covered with clay from Queen to Locke. This year the board put down stone from Herkimer to Charlotte avenue on Locke. Two days after the work was completed the street railway came along and tore up the stone, while repairing tracks at the corner of Locke and Herkimer streets. The stone, he says, was piled up on the street and carted away by some one possibly to improve private property. Then the Board of Works found it necessary to procure new stone again, and lay a new roadbed. He estimated that from \$8000 to \$10,000 of the city's funds had been wasted in this way, and thought some check should be put on such uncalculated expenditure.

City Solicitor Waddell to-day received word from Holman, Drayton & Monaghan, who are assisting the local legal department in the action brought by R. S. Morris to upset the Hydro by-law, that the defendant has been ordered to give within four days the particulars of the alleged bribery and irregularities, by reason of which he claims an injunction restraining the city of Hamilton from entering into a contract with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario in the terms of a resolution passed by a special committee of the Hamilton City Council. His Lordship directs that particulars be furnished of all the clauses except No. 15, in the statement of claim, and if such particulars are not given in four days the clauses in question are to be struck out.

Building permits were issued to-day to J. H. Williams for a brick house on Jackson street, between Locke and Poullette streets, to cost \$1,350, and for a brick house on Argue street, between Delaware and Cumberland avenues, to cost \$1,800.

Cut Rates.

Special service Saturday, Macassa and Modjeska. Round trip 50c all day.

Green Root Ginger.

For pear marmalade has arrived. This is the first shipment of green root ginger to arrive in Canada this season, and our New York agents report that the stock is specially selected for high-class trade and is vastly superior to shipments of former seasons. That is a fact worth remembering when you require ginger.—Feesble, Hobson Co., Limited.

A GOOD SERVICE.

The Hamilton Ferry Company is arranging a special service for the benefit of north shore people during the Toronto Exhibition. Early morning boats will be run to make connection with the Hamilton Steamboat Company's steaming and the Turbinia. Late special boats will also be run at night, connecting with the Toronto boats on their return from Toronto. The Ferry Company's boats will carry passengers direct to the docks of the two companies, so that no time will be lost in transferring.

THE COOLEST SPOT.

One of the largest crowds that ever attended a performance at Mountain Theatre saw the Summers Stock Company's production of "The Guardian" last evening. This is indeed a bright play, and it furnishes good, wholesome amusement for two solid hours.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

The Bank of Hamilton will hold a branch in Burlington about October 1st.

Ald. Applethorpe and Ellis were present at the Kenilworth fire last night, and rendered valuable assistance.

On Saturday afternoon the Women's Institute, of Burlington, will hold a picnic at the Hamilton Sanatorium.

Robert F. Crayler, 255 Park street north, reports to the police that his watch was stolen from his room yesterday.

One of the heavy MacKay wagons upset in front of the police station on Napier street, throwing the load of beds on to the horse.

YACHTS MUST PAY DUTY.

Reasons Why Toronto Yachts Cannot Escape Customs.

The First of Canada's Navy to be Built in Britain.

Sir Wilfrid Can't Visit Alberta and British Columbia.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 26.—The yachts which recently came under the eye of the Toronto Customs officers and for which ten thousand dollars in duty was paid under protest are The Teckla, owned by John C. Eaton; The Oriole III, owned by Geo. H. Goodwin, and The Sehara, owned by Aemilius Jarvis. The boats were all bought in the United States and brought into Canada this spring. The said owners did not get a Canadian register, but kept the boats under American register. There is a clause in the Customs Act which allows touring yachts to come into Canada without payment of duty, providing they go back by October 1. It is understood that one of the yachts was entered as a tourist and it is understood the other two sought permits at Toronto, but were refused. The duty was collected on the ground that the boats were bought outright and are for use as yachts. It is not thought that any protest will succeed. The value of the three yachts, as appraised by the customs authorities is understood to be forty thousand dollars. Mr. Eaton's yacht, The Teckla, is the most valuable, being placed at twenty thousand dollars. The duty is twenty-five per cent.

While the Canadian naval programme has not been decided upon yet, and will not be until Hon. Mr. Brodeur and Sir Frederick Borden report the result of the Imperial Defence Conference, it is certain that Canada will not be behind the Australian programme of an armored cruiser. Three other cruisers, six destroyers and a number of submarines. The fleet will be built to meet the special needs of the Canadian situation and for a number of years the orders for all Canadian vessels will be placed with British builders. Eventually an effort will be made to establish shipyards on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, which will be able to produce suitable craft, but Canada's navy will not be in Canadian yards.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has decided that he will be unable to this year accept the invitation of Alberta (Sask.) and British Columbia to pay them a visit and lay the corner stones of the capital buildings. Sir Wilfrid will have to devote all his time for some weeks to the Cabinet meetings, which will be held to prepare for the session, which opens in November.

IN BAD SHAPE.

Public Swimming Baths In Need of Attention.

The need of more accommodation at the public swimming baths at the foot of Bay street is being more and more emphasized. Yesterday about forty boys and young men were enjoying a swim as best they could in the cramped quarters. It is dangerous to swim out into the bay, as the weeds are thick. Lockers are scarce at times and one may have to wait for some time before securing a one.

In the centre of the pool stands two posts, and they are very dangerous to persons diving. The bottom of the pool is also rather dirty, and could stand improvement. What is needed is that they be enlarged, the bottom improved, the posts removed, more lockers erected, and the weeds in front of the place cut so that the strong swimmers can at least get out into the bay without danger. A couple of diving boards would also help.

THROWN OUT.

St. Catharines Man Had Narrow Escape For His Life.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) St. Catharines, Aug. 26.—John Carlson, the well-known St. Paul blacksmith, and inventor of Carlson's mixture for spraying fruit trees for San Jose scale, has reason to congratulate himself to-day that he is alive. As he was driving along St. Paul street yesterday his horse became frightened at an approaching trolley on the N. S. & T. railway. The animal backed up and attempted to turn around, and on doing so threw Mr. Carlson, who is a heavy man, weighing about 250 pounds, out upon the brick pavement and across the railway track. Motorman William Nesbitt, quickly brought the car to a standstill, and the unfortunate man was picked out from under the fender, having had almost a miraculous escape from death. He sustained only a few slight bruises.

PLAYED BALL.

Charlton Avenue Bible Class a Ansie Woods.

A very pleasant time was spent at Ansie Woods yesterday afternoon, when the Charlton avenue adult Bible class held its first annual outing. There were about eighty people present, and all had a good time, judging by the hearty way in which they entered into the various amusements. Indoor baseball was played until supper time. It was worth something to see the players fanning the atmosphere, and the batteries, which were changed frequently, trying to make a noise like ball players. John Tope, on the coaching line, or digging up the ground trying to play cricket, was worthy of especial mention. The committee was composed of Mr. Kneeshaw, J. Tasker and Geo. Monteith. The president, Mr. Platt, gave an address of welcome to the new pastor. Rev. Mr. Smith also spoke.

FRESH AIR OUTING.

As guests of the Hamilton Ferry Company and local philanthropists, several hundred "kiddies," representing practically all the local orphan societies and homes, are enjoying an outing at Oaklands Park this afternoon. A programme of games was arranged for their entertainment. After luncheon they will have a sail around the bay before returning home.

—Dave Fraser, 35 King William street, was arrested this morning accused of stealing peaches from W. S. Morgan, 303 Main street east.

DEATHS.

WEATHERSTON.—At Fergus, on Thursday, August 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. E. Weatherston, a son.

MARRIAGES. ROGER—ROPER.—At the residence of Mrs. William Carey, "Bluest," Hamilton, Canada, on Wednesday, 23rd August, 1909, by Rev. Beverly Ketchen, Margaret Crawford, younger daughter of the late J. H. Roper, of Peterborough, to George Morris-Roger, of Cobourg, junior judge of Northumberland and Durham.

DEATHS. BLACKMAN.—In this city on Wednesday, August 25th, 1909, Helen, beloved wife of Charles Blackman, in her 72nd year. Funeral from her late residence, 110 Locke street north, on Friday at 2.30 p. m. to Hamilton Cemetery.

CAMPBELL.—In this city on Wednesday, August 25th, 1909, Penelope Campbell, relict of the late Kenneth Campbell, aged 80 years. Funeral service at the residence of A. Tufford, 403 York street, on Thursday evening at 7.30. Interment at Mornington, Ont., leaving Hamilton Friday at 4 a. m. Friends please accept this intimation.

BOYLE.—In this city on August 25th at her late residence, corner York and Inchbury streets, Johanna Boyle, aged 89 years. Funeral Friday morning, the 27th, at 9.30 from Dwyer's undertaking rooms to St. Mary's Cathedral, thence to Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

McCOWELL.—In this city on August 25th, 1909, Thomas J., eldest and beloved son of Sarah and the late John T. McCowell, in his 26th year. The funeral will take place from his mother's home, 39 Dundas street, on Saturday at 10 a. m. to Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Friends will please accept this intimation.

IN MEMORIAM. NISBET.—In loving memory of Robert Nisbet, who died August 25, 1897. Gone, but not forgotten.

THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS.—Moderate to fresh westerly to northerly winds, cooler to night and on Friday.

WEATHER NOTES. Heavy thunderstorms occurred during the night in many portions of Ontario and showers have been more or less general in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. In the Western Province the weather is fine. Great heat has prevailed in the lake region.

DANGEROUS SHORTAGE.

(Continued from Page 1.) of the engines. We never had a shaft break before.

"Then you regard the situation as really serious?" he was asked. "I have regarded it as such for several years, and have time and again pointed it out," was the reply.

A significant fact in connection with the break-down is that the break occurred just where the shaft was least expected. City Engineer MacCallum has been asked to regard the old, patched-up boilers as the weakest part of the system. Mr. MacFarlane said to-day he never thought of the shaft going. "It shows," he said, "that you can't just tell where a break is going to occur."

The death occurred yesterday afternoon of a young and popular resident of this city in the person of Thomas J. McCowell. He was born and educated in this city, was a dutiful son and loving brother, and had hosts of friends, who admired him for his fine, manly qualities. Deceased had been a member of the Ambulance Corps of the 13th Regiment for three years, when his failing health caused him to retire. He also belonged to the I. C. B. C. He leaves a widow and was 64 years of age. She leaves a husband, one sister and four brothers to mourn his early demise. The funeral will take place from his late home on Saturday at 8.30 to St. Mary's Cathedral. Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Much sympathy will be extended to Charles and Mrs. Bradley, 72 Ferguson avenue south, in the death of their little son, Charles Harold Bradley, last evening at the age of 3 months and 17 days. The funeral took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock to Hamilton Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Arde officiated at the house and grave.

Susanna Buttrum, wife of Fred Buttrum, passed away last night at her residence, 57 Market street. She was born in Dundas and was 64 years of age. She leaves a husband, one son, Frank, and one daughter, Mrs. E. Rollins. The funeral will take place from her late home on Saturday at 2 p. m. to Hamilton Cemetery.

Charles Frederick Martin, infant son of Christopher Charles and Mrs. Martin, died at his parents' residence, 123 Young street, yesterday. The funeral will take place from the parents' residence to Hamilton Cemetery to-morrow.

The funeral of Miss Mary Cleghorn took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, 56 Elgin street, to Hamilton Cemetery, and was very largely attended. Rev. J. A. Wilson conducted the services at the house and grave. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful.

The remains of Myrtle Irene Frayne were laid at rest in Hamilton Cemetery yesterday afternoon, the funeral taking place from her parents' residence, 354 King street north. Rev. H. G. Livingston officiated at the house and grave, and the pallbearers were Harold Guice, Robert Geddes, Robert Hobson and J. Woodward.

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J. J. Murphy, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Murphy, died at the parents' residence, 159 Park street north, aged 1 year and 2 months. The funeral will take place to-morrow from the parents' residence to Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Fralick & Co. Feature Emphatically. Men's suits at \$17.50, \$13.50 and \$9.98. Guaranteed them the best in the city for the price. John E. Stetson's \$5 hats at \$1.50, and the famous Fitwell hats at \$2.50, new styles just in.—Fralick & Co., 13 and 15 James street north.

Henry Hall, 24 Margaret street, fell and injured his spine while working at the Garthshore-Thomson foundry this morning. He was removed to his home in the ambulance. His injuries were not serious.

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Your account is invited no matter what its size.

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Owing to the break-down of one of the principal pumps at the Waterworks it is necessary to stop street watering and lawn sprinkling, and citizens are hereby notified that

All Lawn Sprinkling Must Be Stopped Until Further Notice

Citizens are requested to use as little water as possible until repairs are made.

CELESTEN'S FRENCH VICHY

It will cure indigestion. Price \$3.50 a dozen quarts.

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OBITUARY.

Death of a Former Member of Ambulance Corps.

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Consisting of parlor set, mahogany dining room table and chairs, leather seats, hall tree, brass and iron beds, springs and mattress, sideboard, carpets, rugs, blinds, curtain, linoleum, dressers and stands, kitchen furniture, gas range and coal range, with host of other goods.

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Virgilian—At Point Amour, from Liverpool. Iberian—At Point Amour, from Glasgow. Iberian—At Point Amour, from London. Marion—At Queenstown, from Philadelphia. Adriatic—At Plymouth, from New York. Corinthian—At London, from Montreal. P. Y.—At Cherbourg, from Montreal. Monastat—At Barcelona, from New York. Berlin—At Naples, from New York. Abruzzi—At Naples, from New York. Graf Waldersee—At New York, from Hamburg. Dominion—At Belle Isle, from Liverpool.

AMUSEMENTS

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Free show this week—The Three Jordans in marvellous acrobatic and trapeze work.

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Leave Hamilton 9.30 a. m., 5.30 p. m. Leave Toronto 2 p. m. daily; 8 p. m. Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday; 10.30 p. m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Macassa and Modjeska tickets are honored on Turbinia.

CHANGE TIME TABLE

Commencing Monday, August 30th

Steamers Macassa and Modjeska

Leave Hamilton, 8.00 a. m., 2.15 and 7.00 p. m. Leave Toronto, 8.30 a. m., 11.00 a. m. and 6.00 p. m.

TURBINIA

Leave Hamilton, 10.45 a. m., 5.30 p. m.; Saturday, 6.30 p. m. instead of 5.30 p. m.

Leave Toronto, 8.00 a. m., 2.00 p. m.

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Early morning calls at Cemetery and Bay View are cancelled.

Leave Brown's Wharf, 7.40 a. m.; Oaklands, 7.45 a. m., for Toronto via Hamilton Steam Boat Co.

Leave Brown's Wharf at 9.00 a. m., Oaklands, 9.05 a. m., for Toronto via Turbinia S. S. Co.

Leave Hamilton upon arrival Turbinia at 2.30 p. m., and Hamilton Steamboat Co.'s boat 5.45 p. m.

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