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A LOCAL BUDGET

—The carshops here are busier at present than they have been for a long time. The entire force is working full time, with a half-day off on Saturdays.

—Messrs. Charles R. Sayer, secretary of the Y. M. C. A.; Charles Abbott and J. R. Foote leave today for Grand Rapids, Mich., to attend a Y. M. C. A. convention.

—A sofa caught fire at Mrs. Rana-han's residence, Maple street, yesterday morning. The department was called out. The fire was confined to the sofa, which was destroyed.

—Rev. John Crawford, B. A., of Niagara Falls, is in the city, having been called to the bedside of his brother-in-law, Rev. John Munro, Colborne street, late of Kintore, who is seriously ill.

—Wesley W. McKenna, of Chatham, a traveler in the employ of McPherson, Glasco & Co., of Hamilton, was committed for trial by Squire R. F. Lacey yesterday afternoon, on the charge of embezzling \$14 from T. B. Escoff, of this city.

—St. James' Presbyterian Church choir purpose giving a concert in the lecture hall of the church next Tuesday evening, when a most popular programme will be rendered, consisting of vocal and instrumental solos, duets, quartets, choruses, recitations, etc. Mrs. James McCormick has been selected as honorary secretary, which is a guarantee the programme will be a good one, and a large audience will be present. The proceeds of the concert will be devoted to securing music for the opening of the new church.

—Mr. P. H. Beattie, on behalf of Frances Blackwell, of 752 York street, yesterday afternoon issued a writ against the street railway company, claiming \$2,000 for injuries alleged to have been received through the negligence of the company on May 1. On the day mentioned the plaintiff was walking across Dundas street at the corner of Glee street, and was knocked down by a trolley car. He is alleged to have sustained internal injuries that have resulted in partial paralysis.

DR. HOBBS IN NEW YORK.

A dispatch from New York says Dr. A. T. Hobbs, of the London Asylum for the Insane, read a paper on "The Role of Wound Infection as a Factor in the Causation of Insanity," before the 55th annual meeting of the American Medico-Psychological Association, which commenced at New York today. Dr. Hobbs' paper created considerable discussion. This association is composed of medical superintendents and medical assistants in the insane asylums throughout the United States and Canada. President Hardy made the annual address.

BACK IN THE TWENTIES.

An interesting collection of Col. Talbot's papers, now in possession of Mr. James H. Coyne, of St. Thomas, is shown at the Elgin Historical Society's exhibition at St. Thomas this week. Among them is a memorandum dated Aug. 29, 1829, setting forth a proposal of Mr. Holmes that a mill site and fourteen acres of land in the town plot of London be granted him free of expense, in which case he would build a grist mill, saw mill and fulling and

card mill, at an estimated cost (including mill race and dam) of \$1,250. The surveyor-general writer, Col. Talbot, about the plan of the town plot of London, the site of the court house and jail, etc., in 1826.

ASSOCIATED MUSICIANS. The London section of the Associated Musicians of Ontario met for organization in the lecture hall of the Young Men's Christian Association yesterday afternoon. Delegates were present from the counties of Middlesex, Kent, Lambton, Essex, Elgin, Norfolk, Oxford, Bruce and Perth, and great enthusiasm prevailed. After the routine of organization was effected, Mr. A. S. Vogt, of Toronto, and Mr. S. T. Church, chairman and secretary-treasurer respectively, who were present, delivered stirring addresses on the objects of the organization. The sectional council, consisting of Messrs. W. Caven Barron, St. John Hyatt, Thomas Martin, J. W. Fetherston and W. H. Hewlett, were re-elected for the ensuing year, and the meeting adjourned, to meet at the call of the chair.

EMPIRE DAY

How It Was Celebrated in Various City Schools.

Empire Day was celebrated yesterday in all the public schools of the city. There was no public demonstration, owing to the fact that the board of education overlooked the matter at their last meeting. In every room an entertainment was given, in which the teachers gave a short address on the British Empire and its growth. The scholars took part in song and recitation, every rendition being appropriate to the occasion. In Princess avenue school Rev. Dr. Johnston addressed the scholars, and at Simcoe street school Principal Graham made an instructive address, dealing with education, law, Christianity, government, army and navy, language, commerce, industry, science, philanthropy and colonization. A new map of the Dominion was unfolded for the first time, and lustily cheered, and the boys and girls struck up "The Maple Leaf Forever," after which they united in singing "God Save the Queen."

AT TALBOT STREET. Empire Day was celebrated in all grades of the Talbot street school, with much enthusiasm and profit, patriotic songs and recitations were rendered, and a good time was enjoyed.

The following programme of songs, essays and readings was given in the eighth grade: Opening remarks, "Our Queen, Our Flag, Our Country," Principal Liddlecott; "Queen Victoria," essay, Frances Evans; "The Queen," reading, Ethel Anderson; "God Save the Queen," the school; "The British Western World," Frank Smith; "The Future of British America," Edward Wells; "Notable Women of the Empire," Minnie Coe; "Queen Elizabeth," a sketch, Winnie McBroome; "The Red, White and Blue," the school; "The Army: Charge of the Light Brigade," Jack Grant; "The British Eastern World," Jack Carling; "Great British Women Poets," Nellie Burch; "Great British Authors—A Ballad to Queen Elizabeth," Ellis Hyman; "Later British Statesmen," George Wells; "The Maple Leaf," the school; "The Navy: Ye Mariners of England," the school; "The Improvement of 75 Years," Wilbert McBroome; "Britain: Greatest in Wealth, Morality, Civilization," A. Harley; "What is Noble?" reading, Beatrice Plawstow; "God Save the Queen."

AT HARDING HALL.

Empire Day was celebrated at Harding Hall with becoming enthusiasm. All the classes met in the chapel at 11 a.m. Several papers on national subjects were given, the writers being Misses Lillian Elliot, Katie Buchanan, Annie Woods, Margaret Barclay and Isabel Compilin. Miss Mabel Brown read Tennyson's dedication poem, "To the Queen," which was well received. "Canada" was read by Miss Laura Hyman. Miss Wells gave a very interesting talk on "Our Flag"; Miss Bishop told the story of "How I Saw the Queen"; and Miss Zimmern read the bright article from one of the current papers. Mrs. Wells also made a few remarks on "Patriotism," eliciting much applause. The exercises were varied by the singing of several of our national songs.

In the afternoon the children of the kindergarten and those of the primary department enjoyed a picnic in the grounds at the back of the hall. A May Queen was elected by the girls of the valley, a crown of lilacs, flocks, crowned with a crown of lilacs, and led to her throne by eight maids of honor, adorned with wreaths of pink flowers. Games followed, then refreshments, and 6 o'clock came all too soon.

THE LATE

MR. BROUGH

Interesting Reminiscences of a Former Popular Lion oner.

Referring to the death of the late Mr. R. R. Brough, the Toronto Saturday Night says: "A strong note of sadness mingles with the joyous voice of budding summer and the jollity of race week. News from Winnipeg came of the death of Mr. Richard Brough, son of the late Archdeacon Brough, of London, and brother of Mrs. DuMoulin and Mrs. Lucius O'Brien. Mr. Brough was assistant postmaster at the Prairie City. For some years his health had not been satisfactory, but news of his death recalls to many of us the stalwart, handsome young man, who was one of London's most popular and fine fellows in the early seventies, when Dick Brough's name was another word for manly sport and good fellowship. Mr. Brough was 54 years of age, and leaves a widow and two children."

A well-authenticated story is told of the late Mr. R. R. Brough. After his matriculation at Toronto University, he studied law in the office of Mr. Wm. Elliot, now Judge Elliot, of London. Ont. When entering on his studies he promised his father never to touch whisky. Six years ago, when showing symptoms of his last prolonged illness, his physician ordered him to take it twice a day. He stoutly refused, saying he had never tasted it in his life, and would not then begin. A brave and bright example of a man who in his day was the center of social and athletic life in this province.

BREACH OF PROMISE—\$1,500 DAMAGES.

Whitby, May 23.—At the assizes here Miss Wright, of Toronto, formerly of Listowel, obtained \$1,500 damages for breach of promise from Alex. Howe, a farmer living near Listowel. The engagement dated from 1889.

LABOR SOLID FOR THE MEN

Street Railway Strikers Indorsed by Trades and Labor Council.

Will Win if It Takes a Two Years Fight, Says President Mahon.

Building Laborers Also Express Sympathy—Parade and Mass Meeting Thursday Night.

The striking street railway employees will hold a mass meeting at the Grand Opera House Thursday night. A parade from Labor Hall to the Opera House will precede the meeting.

There was a large and enthusiastic meeting of the Trades and Labor Council last night. Delegates were present from the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees and the United Brotherhood of Railway Trackmen. The delegates of three new unions presented their credentials and were received. The reports from all unions was very encouraging.

In the unavoidable absence of the president, the vice-president occupied the chair. In his remarks on the street railway situation, he said that the test had come to organized labor and he felt sure that the wage-earners of London would be true to their own interests and see that no effort was spared to bring the present unfortunate struggle to a successful termination. He was pleased to know that steps were being taken to form walking clubs in every ward. The various unions must realize that there should be no question of defeat. In the interests of humanity and civilization they must resolve that no effort should be spared if necessary to win.

The wage-earners of London would triumph in spite of the money and the misrepresentation of the street railway company, if it took a year, or even two years, to accomplish it. These remarks were enthusiastically received by the delegates.

It was resolved to stand solidly by the Amalgamated Association and support it by every means in the power of the Trades and Labor Council. The Railway Trackmen, who have not hitherto been connected with the Amalgamated Association, stated their grievances. It was resolved that the Trades and Labor Council is heartily in sympathy with the United Brotherhood of Railway Trackmen in their struggle with a crushing combination, and that they offer them all the assistance in their power to secure recognition of their union and redress for these wrongs. One speaker stated that it was an eternal disgrace to the Dominion that men should be forced to labor overtime from 14 to 17 hours for 95c a day. Arrangements were made in regard to the labor demonstration on Thursday evening, when the various organizations and their sympathizers will parade to the mass meeting in the Grand Opera House, to hear the address of International President Mahon. It was a late hour when the council adjourned and there was a determination on the part of all to prove true to the interests of labor in the crisis now on hand.

BUILDING LABORERS HEARD FROM.

At a largely attended meeting of the Building Laborers' Union, held on Monday, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"That we, the building laborers, extend our moral and financial support to the striking street railway employees in their just and honest cause; and be it further resolved, that no member of this union or his family support the long as the men are on their feet so the difficulty is settled satisfactorily to the employees."

"Signed on behalf of the union, "W. BURLEIGH, secretary."

The strikers held a meeting at Labor Hall yesterday morning and pledged themselves to a man to stand by union. Mr. Mahon, president of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees of America, addressed the meeting at some length, urging them to be steadfast, and cautioning them against lending any countenance to unlawful measures. J. T. Marks also addressed the meeting. At the time of the strike there were employed 87 union and 17 non-union men. It requires 80 regular and regular men to man the cars, which would leave 17 spare union men.

SEEKING PROTECTION.

Messrs. Hellmuth & Ivey, solicitors for the London Street Railway Company, yesterday afternoon wrote Mayor Wilson, notifying him of the strike, and stating that the company was prepared to run the cars according to the bylaw, if the authorities afforded their property protection from any possible violence. The mayor concluded that the company was entitled to have their property protected, and instructed the police commissioners accordingly.

Robert Roe, aged 66, janitor of Grace Baptist Church, Westmount, Que., was struck by a car on Monday night, and his injuries proved fatal on Tuesday morning. His wife was also struck by the car, and her injuries may prove fatal.

They made a rule that only medicines of absolute purity and safety could be admitted to the World's Fair.

When it came to sarsaparillas they accepted but one:

Ayer's

Gentlemen

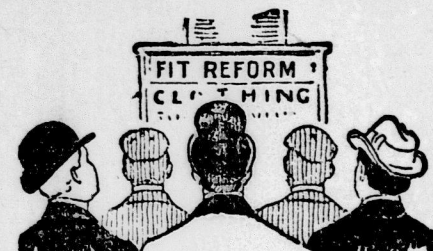
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AMUSEMENTS

"THE HIGHWAYMAN AT THE GRAND MATINEE AND NIGHT TODAY.

For nine years and over, the Broadway Theater, New York city, has been the leading comic opera house of America. The theater was built especially and has been used almost exclusively for comic opera productions. Last season a home company was organized, one of unusual merit, embracing as principals some of the most popular and capable performers on the operatic stage. "The Highwayman," by De Koven and Smith, was the first opera played, and is still being played almost to its 50th time. It will be heard at the Grand, matinee and night, today. It may be said that DeKoven and Smith's happiest efforts have been their pictures of the past. The very name of "The Highwayman" serves in the mental eye to turn the hour-glass backward to the time of stage coaches, country stables, top boots, and what was so often the finish of sundry gentlemen of the road—"the gibbets and the hulks," which make "scarecrows, not beacons," for the unwise to follow; to a time when the shrill whistle of the locomotive was unknown, and when the wayfarer journeyed over hill and dale, stopping ever so often for a change of horses, and to "quaff a bumper of blue ruin"; to a time when Paul Clifford, Gentleman Joe, Old Bags, Jack Ketch and Mr. James Macraigne, in "laced clothes, hat and feathers," were displaying that light-hearted recklessness usually associated with gentlemen of their profession.

OTIS SKINNER AT THE GRAND.

That sterling actor, Otis Skinner, appeared at the Grand last night in a new play, "Rosemary," by Louis Parker and Murray Carson. It is a sweet, dainty comedy—one of the best of Mr. Skinner's many fine offerings. The audience, as was inevitable, the evening before a holiday, was meager. Mr. Skinner is unfortunate in this respect. He made his last appearance here under unfavorable circumstances, which we cannot now recall, and was greeted by a mere handful of people. Actors of his merit do not favor London too often, and the public should encourage them to return. As Sir Jasper, in last night's play, Mr. Skinner had a congenial and versatile role. The transformation from the rollicking Sir Jasper of 40 to the pathetic relic of 50 years later, was touchingly realistic, and exhibited a depth of character acting. Miss Lyons, as Dorothy Cruikshanks, gave Mr. Skinner charming support. It was a clean, pure, wholesome production, and will stand repetition in the city, if Mr. Skinner cares to come again.

FORT ERIE FERRY—REFORM NEEDED.

Fort Erie, May 23.—At an enthusiastic mass meeting, held in the town hall last night, more than 200 people vigorously denounced the present Buffalo-Fort Erie ferry service, and took radical steps toward the abolishment of the system now in existence. A communication was sent, signed by the citizens of Fort Erie, to the minister of inland revenue in Ottawa, petitioning him to force the International

Ferry Company to comply with the terms and conditions stipulated in its charter.

CIGARETTES CAUSE CRIME

Observations of the Superintendent of the Illinois State Reformatory.

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 23.—The 25th National Conference of Charities and Corrections, which began here last Wednesday, will close tonight. Dr. H. C. Rutter, superintendent of the Ohio Asylum for Epileptics at Marietta, opened the general session today with an address on "Expert testimony in Insanity Trials." Other interesting papers were also read.

The section on reformatories and industrial schools was addressed to Geo. Torrance, of Pontiac, Ill., superintendent of the Illinois State Reformatory, on "The Relation of the Cigarette to Crime." After reciting his experience with boys coming to his institution, Mr. Torrance said, "I am sure cigarettes are destroying and making criminals of more of them than the saloons." In his reformatory now there are 278 boys. Of 63, averaging 12 years, 68 were cigarette smokers. Of 122, old, 58 were cigarette smokers. Of 125, cigarette smokers. Of 82, averaging 15 years old, 73 were cigarette smokers. This demonstrates that 92 per cent of the whole number were cigarette smokers at the time of committing crime for which they were committed to the reformatory. The general discussion developed a similar experience with others connected with reformatories for boys.

KIDNAPPERS IN NEW YORK

Ran Off With an 18-Month-Old Child.

New York, May 23.—What appeared to be a bold case of kidnapping of a child was reported to the police yesterday, and a score of detectives were at once sent out to arrest the offenders. This missing child is Marion Clark, the 18-months-old daughter of Arthur Clark. She was taken, it is said, by a nurse named Carrie Jones.

The whole thing seemed to be a cleverly laid plot. The child was taken out yesterday afternoon by the nurse and the empty baby carriage was found by the police in Central Park. Soon afterward Mrs. Clark received this letter:

"Mrs. Clark.—Do not look for your nurse and baby. They are safe in our possession. If the matter is kept out of the hands of the police and newspapers you will get your baby back safe and sound. If, instead, you make a big time about it and publish it all over, we will see to it that you never see her alive again. We are driven to this by the fact that we cannot get work and one of us has a child dying through want of proper treatment and nourishment. If everything is quiet you will hear from us Monday or Tuesday."

"(Signed) THREE."

There is evidence to show that the nurse-girl wrote this letter. The suspense may cause Mrs. Clark's death.