PRICE TWO CENTS.

GIVE UP ADRIANOPLE AND SAVE SALONIKI CITY

Possession of the Turkish Fortress Remains the Stumbling Block to Peace Between Balkan Allies and Turkey-Third Parties May Intervene.

London, Dec. 26.—The possession of the Turkish fortress of Adrianople, which has been the principal bone of contention since the beginning of the Balkan allies and the minimum offer of

subdue. thus leaving Saloniki has been suggested as a their hands. possible bait to induce the Bulgarians to abandon their claims to the northern there is certain to be a gradual ap-city which the Turks refuse to yield.

Perhaps with some such idea in their forward by the Balkan allies and the minds, the Turkish delegates have, it Turks, and when that stage has once is reported, included in the counterproposals they have offered to the chance to intervene in order to recon-

fa line being drawn from that southern

war between Turkey and the Balkan the Turks will thus be before the peace allies, still remains at this moment the delegates when they assemble again in real stumbling block in the way of the St. James' Palace on Saturday, and a attainment of peace. Compensation for definite basis for bargaining will have Bulgaria, however, in some other part formulated. If the Turks are success-of European Turkey, will probably in ful in retaining Adrianople they will the end remove even this difficulty and doubtless consent to limit their de-enable her to consent to the retention mands to a western boundary running by Turkey of the great fortress which from Adrianople southward along the allied troops have been unable to railroad to Enos on the Aegean Sea, due.

Diplomatic circles here consider been reached, third parties may have a peace conference the stipulation that cile the remaining differences between Saloniki shall remain in their hands, the adversaries.

CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY IN NORTH WOODS

A Railway Construction Worker on Way to Sweden With His Savings Found in the Woods Near Chapleau Battered to Death.

mas Eve, in the great north woods, a grim tragedy was uncovered which has all the appearance of murder, ter-rible and sordid. Teamsters engaged on the Canadian Northern Railway In drawing supplies to construction camps of the Canadian Northern Rail-way from the main line of the Canacamps of the Canadian Northern Rail-way from the main line of the Cana-dian Pacific at Chapleau found the Nenemos Station, where he intended All around were marks of a struggle home in Stockholm, Sweden. Elson in the snow, and indicating that the had over three hundred dollars on his odds until at last beaten down by force ters, and this money is missing. Three of superior numbers he had fallen and men who left camp with him have the northern winter.

Battered to Death.

Dr. Sheehan, who found that the man ally murdered.

I had been battered and bruised to North Bay, Ont., Dec. 26 .- On Christ- death, with every evidence of premeditated and brutal murder. Investigation thus far has revealed the identity of the man as Charles Elson, sub-con-

body of a man in the snow frozen stiff. to take a train for a visit to his old man had fought for his life against person when he left camp headquarbeen left to die in the bitter cold of disappeared, and are being sought for by the police, thus far without suc-The body was brought to Chapleau, where it was taken possession of by doubt is felt but that Elson was brut-

SEPARATE SCHOOL TRUSTEES

trustees were re-elected by acclama-

They are as follows: Ward 1, Dr. years, and will vacate that position at the beginning of the year. It is Ward 3, Jeremiah Loughlin; Ward 4. expected that Mr. R. M. Burns will

William McPhillips.

TWO MEETINGS WILL KILLED BY EXPLOSION BE HELD THIS WEEK IN HIS OWN BARN.

First On Friday Night in East Farmer at Carlisle, Ont., Was End and Another in St. Peter's Hall.

Mass meetings, to discuss public queslons, will be held during the week. Two ave been arranged so far. The first vill take place on Friday evening in the 'ast End town hall, and the second on aturday evening in St. Peter's parish past three years had been working on all, Richmond street.

ngs will be held, but at the present barn when his wife and five children ime, this does not appear at all likely.

CHELSEA GREEN GIRL WAS TERRIBLY SCALDED

Elsie Bowden Overcome by Fainting Spell as She Carried a Teapot.

Elsie Bowden, a 13-year-old Chelsea Freen girl, residing at 73 Adelaide street, was severely scalded this morning by vas carrying the pot from the stove when a licked by a fainting spell and she fell to the floor. Her arms were seemingly paralyzed, and when the teapot fell on her she was unable to throw it off and the water poured over her thest and arms. Dr. W. J. Weekes was summoned. Latest reports state that the ittle girl will recover. oiling water from a teapot. The girl

FATAL FIGHT OVER UNION ELECTION

Chicago, Dec. 26.-James an official of the United Steam Fitters and Helpers' Union, Local No 520, was shot and killed today Thomas Freer, secretary of the ganization. A quarrel growing out of an election of officers held a week ago, which led to a dispute over the possession of an automobile owned by the union, is said to have caused the shooting. Freer was arrested. He is said to have declared that he fired

in self defence. GOING TO OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—Rev. Charles R.

Duncan, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Port Huron, Mich., has accepted a call to Fourth Avenue Bap-tist Church, this city. He will assume his new charge early in February.

transcontinental line.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

At the nomination meeting for the 1, P. H. Ranahan; Ward 2, B. C. Separate school board of the city. McCann; Ward 3, W. P. Regan; held at non today the four retiring Ward 4, Frank Forristal.

Dr. Claude Brown has been chairman of the board for the past two be chosen chairman for the next term. The four members whose term ex- Ald. T. J. Murphy acted as return-pires at the end of 1913 are: Ward ing officer,

at Work on a New

Explosive.

Hamilton, Dec. 26.-Frank Wiley. a well-known farmer, was killed by an xeplosion in his barn near Carlisle, yesterday. Mr. Wiley for the new explosive which he intended having patented. He had just eaten It is not known whether other meet- his Christmas dinner and entered the heard a terrific explosion which nearly demolished the barn. Wiley lived only a few minutes.

EX-MANAGER BARRETT IS TO MARRY SHORTLY

Announcement of Engagement of Well-Known Ball Player Received Here.

University of Niagara Falls, N. Y. formerly manager of the London baseball team, to Miss Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Hill, Paterson, N. J., has been received in LIBERAL WINS

The marriage will take place in St. Joseph's P. C. Church of that city on Monday morning, Dec. 30. After the ceremony the young couple will leave on a wedding trip, and will be at home to their friends, 538 Fifth street Niagara Falls, after Jan. 11. The congratulations of a large number of friends will follow Mr. He was very popular among from. sport lovers of this city.

MR. JOHN BROADFOOT

Toronto Man's Father is Dying in That City.

Chief of Police W. T. T. Williams has received a letter from Mr. Samuel Gibson, of 586 College street, Toronto, asking the assistance of the newspapers in locating Mr. Gibson's newphew, John Broadfoot.

M. Broadfoot is earnestly sought as his father is dying in Toronto, and desires to see him without delay. He is possibly employed in some of the local cigar factories, as it is believed that he came to London a few weeks ago.

Tomorrow—Fair and Mild.

Forecasts.

Toronto, Dec. 26—8 a.m.

Moderate southwest and south winds; fair and mild today and on Friday.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations. High. Low. Weather.

LONDON. 35 16 Clear Calgary 30 20 Cloudy Winnipeg 22 6 Snow

Port Arthur. 30 20 Cloudy

Parry Sound. 34 30 Cloudy

Toronto 38 30 Fair

Ottawa 24 16 Fair

Montreal 24 22 Fair

Quebec 18 12 Cloudy

Father Point. 18 14 Cloudy

Why London Needs a Board of Control



By Staff Photographer.

LAYING WATER MAINS ON RIDOUT STREET.

Within a few days after the city had repaired this roadway on the Ridout street hill, the water commissioners came along, and, in order to put down mains, tore it up again. Not only was the surface of the road spoiled, but the labor involved was practically Goubled.

It may not be the fault of the water commissioners that such loose methods prevail; rather, it appears, it is

no more their fault than anyone's, but the vital fact to taxpayers is that they do prevail.

The promoters of the board of control idea believe that the city should have a head engineer, so that such overlapping would not occur. A head engineer would have the work of the water commission and the city council in his own hands. When a street was torn up all necessary work, such as laying pipes and conduits, would be done at the same time under his direction. Not only would it be a great advance from the standpoint of economy, but it would bring about a material reduction in expenses.

During the past summer the city has had a number of streets torn up after work had been done by the

At present the reins of direction are in the hands of half a dozen different bodies or commissions. The head engineer idea is a part of Ald. Richter's program for municipal advancement. A vote for the board control system, which the citizens on two occasions favored, will mean the centralization of authority and bet-

ALL IN THE PLOT SAYS PROSECUTOR

Officials of Ironworkers Charged With Part in Dynamiting

McNAMARA IS ITS HEAD

Jury Is Expected to Take the Case Some Time This Afternoon or Evening.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 26,-At the dynamite conspiracy trial today District Attorney Miller continued to review to the jury Ortic E. McManigal's confession as a dynamiter. Nearing the close of his argument, District Attorney Miller charged that "all of the officials of the International Association of Bridge and Structurel Ironworkers on trial here knowingly entered into this nefarious conspiracy." "Attended by riots, assaults and even by attempts to kill, this great conspiracy against employers who refused to recognize the union, grew, until it reached the murder stage at Los Angeles," said the district attorney.

McNamara Its Head.

"At the head of the conspiracy was McNamara, but behind him was President Frank M. Ryan, directing explosions by writing letters from New York and other cities. On the Pacific coast were Olaf F. Tveitmoe and Eugene A. Clancy, directing the work of destruc tion from San Francisco, and showing by their letters and movements that they had full knowledge of affairs. At Salt Lake City was J. E. Muncey, alias Jack Bright. At New Orleans Philip A. Cooley, clamoring that the dynamite campaign be carried to the Southern States, but disappointed because the men he had retained to do the work got frightened.

"At New York was Frank C. Webb, who failed to take the witness stand here in his own defence, and at Boston was Michael J. Young, a member of the union's executive board, who personally pointed out the jobs to be blown up in New England, At Buffalo was John T. Butler, the vice-president; at Cleveland were the sluggers, Peter J. Smith and George Anderson, carrying on a reign of terorr there. And so throughout the length and breadth of the land, there was carried on between the international officials and the local business agents a conspiracy which was disgrace to organized labor. It was a conspiracy of which John J. and Jas. B. McNamara, Ortic E. McManigal and Edward Clarke, all confessed dynamiters, were only a part." It is expected that the jury will have the case in its hands this evening.

BYE-ELECTION

Prince Albert, Sask., Dec. 26,-The eph Nolin, Liberal, a majority of one

THE WEATHER. TOMORROW-FAIR AND MILD.

CHRISTMAS DRY IN LONDON NOT A DRUNK ARRESTED

Holiday Was the Quietest This City Has Ever Known-Fewer Drunks Were Taken in on Christmas Eve Than Was the Case a Year Ago.

The abolition of the bar in London in the city and according to railway vesterday for the first time under an officials of all lines running into Lonamendment to the liquor license act, whereby it is made illegal to sell intoxicants on Christmas Day, had a marked effect, and as a result of the change not a drunk was arrested on the streets of the city on the holiday. into custody for drunkenness on

Christmas Day. Yesterday morning seven men, arested on Christmas Eve, were brought before the police magistrate charged with drunkenness, but against this number there were seventeen Christmas eve bibulants last year.

"The law was very strictly adhered to," License Inspector R. G. Galpin told The Advertiser. "I was around a lot during the day and saw only one drunken man on the streets. This was

certainly a marked difference." did its share in attaining this object.

don traffic was the greatest in history.

Trains Were Late. All trains were very late, and nail business was phenomenal.

While the most serious efforts were out forward to handle the Christmas One year ago eight men were taken mail the postoffice accommodation here was not sufficient to avoid congestion. Yesterday afternoon the Grand Trunk depot platform presented a rather remarkable sight, a score of heavilyaden trucks being scattered about awaiting handling.

Christmas business was more than satisfactory to the merchants of London, trade being very extensive. The theatres, skating rinks, and different places of amusement were all well attended.

The weather was rather mild and as the roads were in fairly good shape Christmas is essentially a day of re- many motorists who had laid up for unions and family happiness, and the the winter brought out their cars for amendment to the liquor license act the day.

The bars will also be closed on New very large number of visitors were Year's Day, which is election day,

ARTHUR JOHNSTON DIED FROM TERRIBLE SCALDING of the Aberdeen School grounds. The remainder is being negotiated for. It is expected that the deals will be closed with the remainder is being negotiated for. It is expected that the deals will be closed within a few days.

Was Trying to Help His Shopmates and Turned On Valve By M'BRIDE MAY GO TO Mistake-Shower of Boiling Water Struck Him Full in the Face.

died in Victoria Hospital shortly be- sults of Johnston's injuries. When Johnston turned on the valve resulted in his death.

Arthur Johnston, aged 36, of 62 Al- he was struck full in the face by a bion street, West London, who was shower of scalding water and steam. scalded recently at the Greene-Swift the most terrible pain, and everything factory when he turned on a valve possible was done to alleviate his sufby mistake while trying to assist ferings. From the first the attendsome of his comrades in their work, ing physicians were fearful of the reday complications developed which

CHRISTMAS MAIL BREAKS ALL RECORDS IN THIS CITY

Augmented Staff Will Be Retained Until After New Year's.

Christmas of 1912 will live long in the memory of local postoffice officials. y-election in Athabasca gives Jos- Never in the history of the London mail is expected, and it is believed that office was so much mail handled as nundred and ten over G. R. Russell, in the past three days. The Christmas caonservative, for the Provincial mail this year has broken all records. House, with two polls to be heard Bundles of it have been carried in and out, and although there is still a tremendous amount of git to handle yet, the postoffice people breathed a sigh of relief this morning because Christmas was over.

People who received cards and letters this morning that they believed they should have received yesterday, will now understand the reason. though a larger staff than ever before had been put on at the local office, and the mail carriers used several handsleighs and the assistance of several small boys to deliver all the parfound necessary to put on six delivery rigs. These rigs were kept busy all day yesterday, while the mail car-riers had hardly time to snatc ha bite busy to have any regard for such mat-ters at the present time."

The day and night staffs at the postoffice were kept going all night and all yesterday, so that this morning everything was pretty well sorted and the department is running in ordinary channels again.

But the big rush is not over yet. One of the officials stated today that by way has constructed 462 miles of railroad Friday and Saturday another large grade, has laid 362 miles of track, and has given employment to 1,700 teams and mail is expected, and it is believed that the New Year's delivery will be nearly as heavy as at Christmas. The next English mail will be in by Saturday and is believed to be an unusually heavy one.

The augmented staff has not yet been reduced and will not be until the end to the actual construction work the

reduced and will not be until the end tion to the actual construction work the of the month.

SIR JAMES DODGES

Refuses to Reply to Latest Criticism of Ottawa Citizen.

Toronto, Dec. 26.-Sir James Whitney does not feel disposed to add much fuel to the flame of controversy over the Ottawa Citizen's attack charging him cels and letters on their routes, it was with being "the big boss of the Ontario Government." When shown Mr. Southam's reply to his answer to the charge,

UNDERTAKER WAS SENT TO HOUSE OF TRUSTEE

Some Person Played a Practical Joke Upon Mr. E. R. Dennis of the Board of Education-Effort at Humor Was Rather Ghastly.

Mr. E. R. Dennis, a member of the oard of education, is not dead, nor yet a dead one. Some practical joker tried to prove that he was, but the irate "corpse" entered serious objec-

The other evening, Mr. Dennis had retired to bed, and was dreaming of pleasant things. Mrs. Dennis heard a noise at the front of the house, and after some difficulty succeeded in rous-ing her husband. She informed him that burglars or some other desperadoes were prowling about the porch. Mr. Dennis armed himself with a big club, and proceeded down the stairs to give the intruders the time of their

When he got to the front of the house, he saw an undertaker's wagon on the street, with two assistants coming up the walk. He immediately inquired what the trouble was, and he was informed that Mr. Dennis was dead, and they had come to prepare him for burial.

Now, Mr. Dennis dislikes to

thrown into the discard so unceremoniously and politely, but firmly in-formed the gentleman that the reports of his death were like the forecasts of Roosevelt's vote-much out of joint



MR. E. R. DENNIS.

with the facts.

After straightening the matter out, in the has been busy ever since explaining to his friends how some person took.

Mr. Dennis retired to his couch, and him for a dead one.

UNBUSINESSLIKE TREATMENT OF LONDON STREET RY. CO.

Company Wanted Hydro, But Price Was Too High -Then Price Was Dropped After Company Had Ordered Steam Plant.

like methods, is being talked about vantage of the reduction. renerally in municipal circles.

About five weeks ago Superintendent Glaubitz quoted \$28 a horsepower as the lowest price at which the hydroleectric commission could sell 1,000- first of the year or later on, 1,000come to an arrangement with the commission, would not agree to pay this figure, negotiations were dropped completely.

would have reductd the rates in London by several dollars, without the pletely.

The street railway company ordered a new engine for its powerhouse, which will arrive in a few days, and prepared the buildings and foundations for the pletely.

The street railway company ordered

reception of the engine. A Sudden Change. railway people, the price of power for sure is due those who apparently trick-London was dropped to \$24. It is said ed the company, and forced them into that the company was willing to pay further heavy expenditures.

It is expected that the new

How the city hydro-electric officials | had it not been for the fact that the ost the opportunity to sell 1,000- order for the engine had been placed. norsepower to the London Street Rail- In view of the purchase it was imway, by what seems to be unbusiness- possible for the company to take ad-Did no one connected with the local

horsepower to the street railway. It horsepower would be sold by the city, was stated at the time that no better thereby reducing the rates to a greater price could be quoted, and as the street extent than by electrification of the railway directors, though anxious to London and Port Stanley Railway?

The street railway is deserving of public goodwill for having attempted Then to the amazement of the street to come to an arrangement, and cen-

It is expected that the new machin-

cepted it at the time of the reduction, ery will arrive in London in a few days. BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BUYING LAND FOR NEW SCHOOL

Several Houses Purchased on Grey St. Between William and Adelaide Sts.

The board of education are completing the purchase of land for the enlargement of the Aberdeen School grounds. Four parcels have already been secured, and

The lots purchased are: 558 Grey street, belonging to N. Tait; 562 Grey street, belonging to A. J. Poure; 566 Grey street, wned by C. L. Ferguson, and 570 Grey

street, by B. J. Boyle.

The other three parcels are the following: 556 Grey street, E. D. McCann; 572,
Wm. Brown, and 574, Mr. J. Paxman.

It is the intention of the board of edu-

OLD LONDON POST

Slated to Succeed Lord

Strathcona.

[Canadian Press.] Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 26.-A dispatch a strong probability of Sir Richard Me-Bride leaving the leadership of the British Columbia Government to become the Canadian high commissioner in London, in succession to Lord Strathcona.

The dispatch adds that Sir Richard would bequeath the mantle of leadership to Attorney-General Bowser.

C. N. R. IN ALBERTA

Company Has Constructed 462 Miles of Grade in Western Province.

[Canadian Press.] Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 24.—During the present year the Canadian Northern Rail-

company has finished the location surveys of 863 additional miles of road which will be built as rapidly as possible.

In carrying out their operations this year, the company's workmen removed 7,500,000 cubic yards of material, much of it in difficult and rocky country, while the amount of bridge work approached the extent the program of the C. N. B.

in extent the program of the C. N. R. for the whole Dominion a few years ago. Huron County Man Dead. Mr. William Schatz, aged 45, a resident of Brewster, Ont., a village near Exeter, who was admitted to Victoria Hospital a week ago, died there yesterday. His wife, Mrs. Schatz, accompanied the remains on the 8:30 London, Huron and Bruce train.

INEW THEATRE RUMOR IS ONCE AGAIN RIPE

Victoria Dispatch Says He Is New York Man Is Said to Have Bought Land For a

Mr. A. Paul Keith, who is said to be a member of the firm of Keith & Procfrom Victoria to the World say there is tor. New York, is in the city, and those who have seen him say that he has stated that it is his intention to build a vaudeville theatre, and that he had secured property on Richmond street, between King and Dundas streets.

The Advertiser attempted to get in touch with Mr. Keith, who has been staying at the Tecumseh House, was unable to locate him. It was said that he stated his intention of securing apartments in the city and residing here until such time as the deal for building the theatre might be consummated. Confirmation of the theatre deal

could not be secured among any those citizens owning property on Richmond street. The theatre rumor has not been rife for some time, but this one appears to have been more definite than the usual order. In denial of the story it was stated that a local theatre has an agree-

ment with the Keith & Proctor interests, whereby teh latter are bound to refrain from opening a theatre in Lon-

TRAIN HITS A RIG; WIPES OUT FAMILY

[Canadian Press.]
Champaign, Ill., Dec. 26.—The four members of the family of Edward H. Miller were killed early today by being struck by an Illinois Central train four miles south of Champaign. The dead:
Edward H. Miller, 34 years of age; Mra. Maud Miller, 38 years of age; Ruth, 1 years old, and Wayne Miller, 2ged 4. Opal Scott, the 11-year-old child of a neighbor, was fatally hurt.
The Millers were returning from a Christmas celebration, and were taking the Scott girl home.