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MURIEL POWELL WINS THE MEDAL

Governor-General's Prize at the Western University Goes to London Girl.

WINNERS OF B. A. DEGREES

The Scholarship Winners and Other Medallists Will Not Be Known for Some Days.

It was announced today that Miss Muriel Powell of 111 Inkerman street, this city, had won the Governor-General's gold medal, awarded for general proficiency in the fourth year at the Western University.

The following students have been successful in obtaining their B. A. degree as a result of the recent examinations: Mr. D. E. Cameron, Miss E. V. Carrothers, Mr. Charles Evans, Miss S. Giles, Mr. Edwin Hawkins, Miss Muriel Powell, Miss Lenore Taylor (passed last September) and Miss Agnes Vrooman.

Miss Irene Stockwell will be required to write a supplemental examination in history A, Mr. C. A. Redmond in German B, and English literature B.

The scholarship winners and other medallists will not be known for a couple of days as the complete returns are not quite ready.

COURT AGAIN AFTER THE LABOR LEADERS

Are Once More Charged With Alleged Contempt of Court.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, D. C., May 16.—The supreme court of the District of Columbia, on its own initiative, today instituted proceedings for alleged contempt against President Samuel Gompers, Vice-President John Mitchell and Secretary Frank Morrison, of the American Federation of Labor. The sentence of imprisonment imposed on these men by this court was yesterday revoked by the United States supreme court and the cases remanded to the district supreme court.

KILLED HIS PET DOG BURIED IT IN YARD

Joseph Lizotte Appeared in the Local Police Court Today.

Joseph Lizotte, who until recently resided at the corner of Richmond and Horton streets, appeared in the police court this morning on a charge of breaking the public health act.

It seems that Lizotte had a pet dog and when he decided to move, killed it rather than take it with him, and buried it in the back yard.

The landlord, Mr. O'Hearn, objected, and laid the charge.

Lizotte in the meantime had the dog removed, and on paying $5 cents costs the case against him was dismissed.

NEARLY SMOTHERED.

Kingston, May 16.—The family of Harold Timmerman, living on Dufferin street, and two visitors over night, Mr. and Mrs. Knowlton, had a very narrow escape from being smothered to death early this morning by gas escaping from a coal stove. At 5:30 a.m., Mr. Knowton awoke and was deadly sick. He managed to get outside the house, and in a few minutes revived. He went into the house again and found Mrs. Timmerman and four children unconscious. They were taken out of the house, Dr. J. F. Sparks was called, and in a short time he managed to bring them around all right.

TURKISH PROJECT.

Constantinople, May 16.—The railway project for the construction of an extensive system in Asiatic Turkey by an American syndicate, was presented to Parliament today. It was referred to committee without debate.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, May 16—8 a.m.

Today—Cloudy and cooler, with some showers.

Wednesday—Southerly and southwesterly winds; fair.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	Past 24 Hours. Max.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	64	46	Rain
Winnipeg	60	50	Rain
Port Arthur	58	40	Cloudy
Parry Sound	68	48	Fair
Toronto	60	58	Rain
Ottawa	68	48	Fair
Montreal	66	50	Clear
Quebec	64	46	Clear
Father Point	64	42	Clear

WEATHER NOTES.

Showers are occurring this morning in many parts of British Columbia, the Western Provinces and the lake region, while in Eastern Canada the weather is generally fair.

Temperatures of 80° and over were recorded in the peninsula of Ontario yesterday.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Showers occurred very generally yesterday in Ontario and Quebec, and also locally in Southern Alberta. Temperatures were slightly lower from the Ottawa Valley eastward, and somewhat higher elsewhere, and in Western Ontario a maximum of 80° was reported.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 42—83; Dawson, 34—52; Atlin, 32—52; Prince Rupert, 48—56; Victoria, 40—52; Vancouver, 42—56; Edmonton, 28—78; Moosejaw, 39—72; Winnipeg, 44—60; Port Arthur, 40—58; Parry Sound, 50—64; Toronto, 45—80; Ottawa, 46—68; Montreal, 52—66; Quebec, 46—64; St. John, 40—50; Halifax, 32—66.

TODAY'S PROBS.

East—Cloudy, with scattered showers.

Lake Superior—Strong easterly winds; cool and showery.

The West—Cloudy, with some showers.

GREAT FIRE AT ALMONTE, ONT.

Big Business Block in Heart of City Destroyed.

LOSS WILL BE HEAVY

Good Work By Firemen Prevents the Spread of the Blaze.

[Canadian Press.]

Almonte, May 16.—One of the most disastrous fires that ever visited this place broke out this morning in the business block adjoining the railway station, and in one short hour the whole block was a mass of flames, and the buildings, with possibly all their contents, completely destroyed. The fire, when discovered, was well advanced and had apparently broken out at the rear of the "People's Store." All the upper part of Mr. McMunn's building, formerly the old music hall, and now used as a storehouse for buggies and machinery, was a mass of flames, and so rapidly did the light frame structure go that Mr. McMunn saved but little of his large stock of flour and feed.

The attention of the firemen was devoted principally to preventing the fire from spreading to the adjoining blocks. The substantial store building of Mr. F. W. Robertson was instrumental in shutting off the advance of the fire down Mill street.

The loss will be up to the $75,000 mark, as there are three large brick buildings, A. J. McAdams', Mrs. J. S. Patterson's and Mrs. D. H. Davis', and in addition, McMunn's, H. Conn's and J. Francis' frame buildings and White's coal shed with a large stock of coal. W. J. Acton's lumber storehouse well filled with dressed lumber, and Mrs. L. James' ash house.

NO OPINION YET ON HALL SITE

All the Facts Have Not Been Laid Before the City Solicitor.

BANK MAY ASK $2,000

In Case the Deal Falls Through—Impression Is Now That the Sale Has Been Blocked.

City Solicitor Meredith has given no opinion as yet as to the liability of the city council for the expense incurred by the Royal Bank of Canada up to the present time regarding the proposed sale of the city hall site.

The facts have not been laid before him as yet, but they will be in a day or two. The concensus of opinion about the city hall is to the effect, that the city has the right to withdraw from the sale, if the council so desire.

However, no definite action will be taken for some time at least, as the council last night adjourned for three weeks.

Among the aldermen there is no apprehension regarding the legal difficulties of the city.

They point out that they were not given all the information necessary to form a proper conclusion as to exactly what the sale meant, when the limits of the lot were placed at 110 feet square.

Correspondence Wanted.

There will be another debate on the question at the next meeting of the council. It is stated today that some of the aldermen will demand that all the correspondence that passed between Mayor Beattie, the council, and the Royal Bank, before and after the negotiations were opened, be laid on the table of the council for the aldermen to read.

Some of them claim that they are in the dark regarding the question, and they wish to have all the information obtainable.

The majority feel that the deal is now blocked. They claim that they are confident that the bank will not agree to take the site as it stands at the present time, and are not willing to place the Smallman & Ingram Company in the hands of the Royal Bank, or any other corporation.

If the bank will accept the site without a portion of the market there will be no trouble whatever in coming to an arrangement with the council, it is said.

A Rumor.

The rumor was again in circulation today to the effect that the Royal Bank want $20,000 for the land at the rear, if the deal goes through.

That will bring the price of the property down to the figure offered when ex-Mayor S. Stevely was in the mayor's chair—$80,000, making it a cheap one for the bank.

It is also rumored that the bank will ask $2,000 for the expense they were put to in arranging for the transfer of the property, in case the deal falls through. For some months lawyers have been working on the titles, preparing data for a legal contest in case Smallman's or others objected to the sale. They consider that they should be reimbursed to that extent at least, if the city cannot be held to the bargain.

"I think the company can hold the city," said Mayor Beattie. "That is my judgment. However, that matter is now in the hands of the city solicitor, and he will give his opinion as to whether or not the city council can be held to the deal entered into."

TOOK BODY FROM GRAVE

Peterbor Undertaker in Court on an Unusual Charge.

Peterboro, May 16.—An unusual case and one which has caused wide comment, was heard in the police court today, a local undertaker being charged with unlawfully interfering with a dead body. A young lad died recently and the undertaker at the direction of an attending physician, opened the grave after the people had left, cut open the body and took two tubes, which had been left therein by the doctor. He was seen at work by two ladies. The magistrate held there was no intention of committing an indignity and dismissed the case.

SPLENDID VICTORIA MEMORIAL UNVEILED BY KING GEORGE V.

Brilliant Spectacle Before Buckingham Palace in Which the German Emperor and Empress Participate—Eulogy by His Majesty.

[Canadian Press.]

London, May 16.—The great marble memorial to Victoria, fronted by a statue of the late Queen and surmounted by a gilded winged victory, on the plaza before Buckingham Palace, was unveiled today by Victoria's grandson, King George V.

The ceremony was conducted at noon in the presence of Emperor William and other descendants of the Queen, numerous members of the British and German royal families, including Empress Auguste Victoria and Princess Louise, colonial representatives and many other prominent persons.

The weather was perfect and St. James' Park was crowded. The Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of London performed the religious rites, with music by massed choirs from several cathedrals and chapels conducted by Sir Walter Parratt, who was private organist to the late Queen.

Eulogy by King George.

His Majesty referred feelingly to the pleasure afforded by the visit of the German royal family, saying:

"It is a source of deep satisfaction to me and my family that my dear cousin, the German Emperor, accompanied by the Empress, is present at this historic ceremony. His imperial majesty is the eldest grandson of Queen Victoria, whom he always loved and venerated with natural affection, and his presence and sympathy with us during the last days of her life and afterward, will never be forgotten by me and my people. Strong and loving ties of kinship and friendship unite our

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LONDON EDUCATIONISTS TRAVEL BY THE AUTOMOBILE ROUTE

Deputation Left This Morning to Inspect the Manual Training Schools of Half a Dozen Cities in Western Ontario.

A deputation from the board of education—consisting of Messrs. W. W. Gammage, C. M. R. Graham, Dr. A. J. Wyckoff, Dr. Balfour, John M. Gunn, W. T. Strong and Inspector Edwards—left this morning by motor for Stratford, Berlin, Guelph, Woodstock, and other places in the vicinity of these cities, for the purpose of inspecting the manual training and technical education appliances and facilities used there.

For some time the board has had under consideration the extension of the present system of manual training. At the present time there are three centres in actual operation, with two more nearly ready, in the Collegiate and the Alexandra school.

Further Extensions.

It is the intention of the board, if possible, to make further extensions. It is proposed to secure a factory not at present in use, equip it properly, and teach advanced manual training in this place. The Government has made, through Inspector Leake, an offer to pay half the salary of the instructor, provided certain conditions are met. It is on the question of this extension that the board are desirous of obtaining further information, and to that end they will make a personal

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AMAZONS ROUT STRIKE POLICE

A Score of Constables Badly Beaten by Grand Rapids Mob.

FIREMEN TO THE RESCUE

Save the Situation by Turning Streams on the Rioters.

[Canadian Press.]

Grand Rapids, Mich., May 16.—At least a score of policemen were injured and many members of a mob of two thousand striking furniture workers and sympathizers were hurt in a riot at the plant of the Widdicomb Furniture Company last night. Several of the injured may die.

After a fierce battle with revolvers, clubs, stones and missiles of almost every description, in which the police were badly beaten, a fire engine company attacked the men with streams of water, and succeeded in quelling the disturbance to a considerable extent.

The trouble started when a mob of about 300 men, women and boys attacked a closed automobile driven by Ralph Widdicomb, of the furniture company, who was taking some strikebreakers from the factory. One of the policemen on guard at the plant attempted to make an arrest, and the mob closed in on him. Other policemen, with drawn revolvers, quickly arrived, but were overwhelmed. A squad of reserves were rushed to the scene, and soon began firing, and the fire was returned by a number of rioters. Several police officers were knocked senseless by missiles hurled or swung by women.

DOCTOR'S HORSE RAN AWAY

Animal Made Things Lively in South London For a While.

A horse belonging to a South London physician, which had been left standing on Bellview avenue this morning, became frightened at a passing bicycle and snapped the tie strap and dashed away. The buggy just missed several rigs and bumped a delivery wagon belonging to Rowat's grocery.

The physician's outfit was slightly damaged. The horse was stopped at the corner of Elmwood avenue and Wortley road.

ALD. WILSON IS AFTER STREET RAILWAY

Motion Was Referred to No. 2 Committee.

The alleged insanitary condition of many of the city street cars and the uncertainty of the schedule under which they run was brought before the council last night in a resolution by Ald. Wilson, and the matter was referred to No. 2 committee to deal with and enforce the law.

Ald. Wilson claimed that many of the street cars are a disgrace to any city, and said that as far as running on time he had timed many of them and found that they did not. Ald. Tancock thought that under the present conditions the company could hardly be expected to preserve anything like a regular schedule.

CARUSO O. K.

London, May 16.—Dr. William Lloyd, a throat specialist, after another examination today, gave Enrico Caruso a clean bill of health. In an authorized statement, the physician declared that the tenor's vocal chords were absolutely normal and the larnyx free of the catarrh from which he had suffered since his arrival from New York.

STANDARD OIL TO OBEY DECREE

No Contumacy, Says an Official of the Company.

NO PLANS FOR FUTURE

All Companies Embraced in Decision to Carry On Business Under Own Officers.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, May 16.—The first word from the Standard Oil Company on the decision against it yesterday of the United States supreme court came today. It makes two points clear: First, that there will be no contumacy by the company—it purposes to obey the decree, and, second, that it will be some time before any plans of reorganization are given out. The company has insisted throughout that no plans had been formulated in advance of the decree, and the statement made today by Mortimer F. Elliott, general solicitor for the company, takes the same attitude. He says:

"Having only before us the press reports of Chief Justice White's oral opinion, and the remarks of Justice Harlan, and not having yet seen the opinion of the court in full, it is impossible to make any lengthy statement. The full opinion must be read and studied by my associates and myself before it can be intelligently dealt with.

"It may, however, be now said that the Standard Oil Company will obey the decree of the court, and that all the companies embraced in the court's decision will carry on their business as usual, under the direction of their own officers, and through their own corporate organization."

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE IN CHATHAM CELL

Woman Tried to Strangle Herself With Rope Made From Shirtwaist.

[Canadian Press.]

Chatham, May 16. Her mind temporarily unbalanced, Mrs. Hannah Fraser attempted suicide in the police cells this morning. Caretaker Huson heard choking sounds, and found that the woman had made a rope of her waist and was trying to strangle herself. She had escaped from the hospital and was found wandering on the streets.

HAMILTON LOOKS AHEAD

Enlarge Waterworks to Supply 120,000 by Year 1920.

[Canadian Press.]

Hamilton, May 16.—Hamilton is figuring on a population of 120,000 by 1920, and it is going to start in at once to enlarge its waterworks system to meet future requirements. A new twenty-million-gallon reservoir is to be built, also a long four-foot intake from the lake, the filtering basins enlarged and a five-foot stone and concrete conduit built to the wells. The controllers agreed today to engage an expert to assist the city engineer in the work.

AIRSHIP WRECKED AGAIN.

Dusseldorf, Germany, May 16.—Count Zeppelin's new airship, the Deutschland, was wrecked today as it was leaving its shed for flight. Although the dirigible was completely ruined, none of the passengers were injured.

OIL BURNERS.

Winnipeg, May 16.—The C. P. R. announced today that all engines in the Rockies will be changed at once to oil burners. This means oil equipment for locomotives over six hundred miles, from Calgary to Vancouver.

CITY HALL SALE STILL STANDS OVER

Council Are Not Willing to Do Injury to Smallman & Ingram's.

WHERE IS THE CITY AT?

City Solicitor Meredith Will Be Consulted—Bank Claim They Have Spent $2,000 on the Matter to Date.

Moved by Ald. Cooper, seconded by Ald. Mitchell, that the question of selling the city hall be laid over until the next meeting of the city council, and that in the meantime the opinion of the city solicitor be obtained as to the liability of the city in the matter.

The above resolution was passed by a vote of 10 to 2 at 12:30 this morning by the city council, and from present indications it looks as though the deal with the Royal Bank will not go through, and that the vote will be eight to four in favor of not accepting the bank's offer. Those who declared themselves in favor of standing by the sale were Aldermen Bennett, Donnelly, Morgan and Wilson.

Letter From the Bank.

The following letter was read from Messrs. McKillop & Murphy, solicitors for the bank:

"We are instructed by our clients, the Royal Bank, to request the city council to take the necessary steps toward the completion of the sale of the city hall property. The contract between the city and our clients is clear and unrequivocal in its terms.

"It is some time since we approved of the draft deed submitted by the city solicitor, and we are at a loss to understand the reason of the delay. That deed, as you are aware, proposes to convey the property subject to the rights, if any, of any adjoining owners.

"We trust that there will be no further delay in the matter."

A Petition Against.

A petition signed by practically all the businessmen in the central part of the city, asking the council not to sell the city hall, but to remodel it, was presented, and Mr. A. H. M. Graydon, who represented the petitioners, spoke in its favor.

Mr. M. D. Fraser, representing the firm of Smallman & Ingram, outlined the conditions regarding the deal.

"The difficulties that have existed before," he said, "still exist. The bank if it once acquires the property will say it is ours, and we will do as we like with it. The moral obligation the council and the citizens have to Smallman & Ingram is very much greater than to the bank. The firm have been in

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ENGLISH PICNIC DATE IS NOT YET DECIDED

But the Big Outing Will Be Held Some Time Between July 8th and 22nd.

The English picnic committee met last evening in Society Hall. They propose holding their annual outing between July 8 and July 22.

Several committees were appointed, and all were very enthusiastic.

The officers elected for this year are:

President—Bro. John Nutkins.

Vice-President—Bro. Thomas Coleridge.

Secretary—Bro. A. B. Lee.

Treasurer—Bro. J. G. Martyn.

COMMONS' EARLY CLOSE DEPENDS ON OPPOSITION

If Conservatives Facilitate Business, House May Adjourn Friday.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, May 16. — The Opposition wants to go home. John Herron, one of Mr. Borden's western stalwarts, told the House this morning that he wanted to get his berth to Pincher Creek, and thought the Hon. Mr. Fielding should tell him when adjournment is to commence, so that he might get the reservation. He wanted to know if the House would adjourn Friday next.

Hon. Mr. Fielding said he hoped that it would, but it would depend upon how the Opposition facilitated business.

REMAINS ARE TO BE BURIED IN SEMINARY

Final Resting Place of Archbishop McEvay's Body Will Be at St. Augustine's

The late Archbishop McEvay's remains, which were laid in the Ryan mausoleum in Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto, on Friday last, will find their final resting place in the chapel of St. Augustine Seminary, in the establishment of which he took such a large part. This will be according to a request made in his will. The body will not be moved there until the seminary is completed, which will take some years. The practice of burying people in such places is a common one in the Roman Catholic Church. At the Grand Seminary in Montreal, where many students from this diocese now attend, the members of the Sulpician Order are buried under the chapel, each grave being marked with a small headstone. At the St. Augustine Seminary, Archbishop McEvay's grave will probably me immediately under the altar.

GRAND TRUNK ENGINE HIT A STREET CAR ON RECTORY ST. BUT PASSENGERS ESCAPED

MISS MURIEL POWELL.

Winner of the Governor-General's Medal at the Western University

Fact That Locomotive Was Moving Slowly Saved the People.

OCCURRED AT THE DERAIL

Car Was Signalled to Go Ahead When the Engine Bore Down.

Shortly before 9 o'clock last night a southbound Ottaway avenue street car, No. 94, was struck by a Grand Trunk engine at the Rectory street crossing and hurled off the track. As if by a miracle, all the passengers on the car escaped without any serious injuries.

The Ottaway car reached the derail, and as it was against it, the motorman waited for some time until the engine doing some shunting on the line was finished and out of the way. The watchman, it is stated, gave Motorman Ralph the signal to go ahead, and set the derail. The trolley ran on to the Grand Trunk tracks. As it did, a Grand Trunk engine loomed up on the track.

Lifted Off the Ground.

There was no time for the street car to get out of the way, or the engine to reverse, and it struck the trolley just behind the front axles.

It was lifted clear of the ground, supported practically by the rear wheels only. It stood poised in the air for a moment, and then tumbled on to the track, outside the rails.

Most of the windows in the car were smashed, and the side smashed in. There were a dozen or more passengers on the trolley, but all, as if by miracle, escaped injury.

A Narrow Escape.

The engine was moving slowly at the time or many of the passengers on the street car would unodubtedly have been killed or seriously injured.

A number of women were among the passengers and their screams could be heard for blocks away when the engine and car came together.

The passengers were thrown from their seats, but none were seriously hurt.

Everyone left the car as soon as they recovered from the shock of the collision, and so great was the fright sustained that not one of them asked for a transfer.

Even with the engine moving slowly the force of the collision was great enough to tear up the derails and the well-spiked planks in the crossing.

All Escaped.

The noise of the shattered glass and crashing wood, together with the cries of terrified passengers, collected a crowd of people immediately.

To the surprise of eye-witnesses and the others who were attracted by the accident, all the passengers got off the car safe and sound beyond the unpleasant effects of the severe shock.

Those who saw the accident say that after the car had been signalled ahead, the approaching engine was noticed by one of the yardmen, who cried out to the motorman and frantically waved his lantern, but it was too late.

Motorman H. Ralph was in charge of the street car, and Engineer Anderson and Fireman John Jones were on the engine.

Engineer's Story.

The motorman claims that he was within the derail when the semaphore was turned against him, and he had not time to stop. The signal should have been given him when outside the derail, in order to prevent any possibility of accident.

The watchman claims that the semaphore was thrown against the engine in plenty of time to avoid an accident.

The Grand Trunk officials are conducting an investigation.

HER OWN LAWYER BUT LOST OUT

Mrs. Daniels Pleaded Her Own Case Before Mr. Justice Latchford.

NOW SHE WILL APPEAL IT

She Wanted the Time for That Extended, but His Lordship Declined.

The Toronto Star says: Mrs. Daniels, a widow, appeared before Mr. Justice Latchford this morning in the non-jury assize court, to obtain a hearing of a case against the London and Western Trust Company, as assignees of the defunct Birkbeck Loan Company. She claims $3,500 is due her from the assets.

The case is one which has been carried on in the different courts for the past ten years, and originally started in London, Ont., where she claims she obtained an order for trial of the case from Judge Macbeth. From there she carried it to the divisional court, where the decision went against her. Her next step was to take it before the court of appeal, and she claims she there obtained an order for the proceeding of hearing before a high court judge.

Through all these stages of proceedure she was unrepresented by counsel, fighting every court herself, nor did she have any legal assistance this morning, but presented her claims in person, and displayed a wonderful knowledge of the legal intricacies of court procedure.

She Is a Large Woman.

Mrs. Daniels is a woman of considerable proportions, weighing over the 200-mark. She was dressed in a tailored suit of black, with black hat and large willow plume. She was an imposing figure, as she stated her claims to his lordship, and asked for an enlargement of the hearing until the next fall assizes.

This she had practically secured until Mr. Gibbons, counsel for the defence, produced a typewritten document which made his lordship change his mind, and dismissed the action without costs.

When Mrs. Daniels heard this decision she became quite indignant, and remarked that "It's a pretty rummy thing to take a person's rights away from them," and turning to Mr. Gibbons, she said, "this is not the last you will hear about it, you bet. I am not going to have my rights trampled on if I have to fight it with my life's blood."

When his honor granted the usual stay of thirty days, she asked it to be made sixty days, stating that she was a poor widow, and unable to cope with the world like a man.

This his lordship refused to do, and Mrs. Daniels asked that she be allowed to make a statement, that the court reporter might take it down.

"You may make any statement you like, and it will be recorded," answered Mr. Justice Latchford. She then dilated on the merits of her case, and said she would serve notice of appeal.

THIRTEEN BRANCHES FOR INTERCOLONIAL

Great Expansion of Government Systems Is Planned.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, May 16—The expansion of the Intercolonial Railway through the acquisition of thirteen branch lines, totalling almost six hundred and fifty miles in length is indicated by a resolution of which the minister of railways has given notice. This addition coupled with the two Nova Scotia branches which the Government is taken over to build will turn the Intercolonial from a trunk line to a system of trunk line and branches.

The resolution indicates an intention to depart from the legislation of last session, which provided that before a branch was taken over it had to be up to the standard of the Intercolonial. The conditions in the notice now given are that the amount of rental should be determined by the judge of exchequer upon the report of the chief engineer of the Government railways, and the report of the departmental engineer who inspected the road during construction. In arriving at a valuation any subsidy paid for construction is to be delivered. The roads are to be leased for 99 years.

LONDON DISTRICT, NO. 1 LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

A Large Gathering of Masons in This City—Grand Master McWatt Here.

The annual lodge of instruction for London district No. 1, A., F. and A. M., is being held this afternoon and evening in the Masonic Temple.

M. Wor. the Grand Master, Judge Macwatt, Sarnia, is present, and with him are many prominent Masons of this district.

The lodge is being held under the supervision of Rt. Wor. Bro. J. C. Spencer, D. D. G. M., St. Thomas. A number of St. Thomas brethren arrived this afternoon and many more are expected for the evening session.

The lodge was opened this afternoon by Wor. Bro. Wedderburn and the officers of King Solomon Lodge. Following this, Wor. Bro. W. H. Abbott and the officers of Tuscan Lodge exemplified the first degree. This lodge is one of the best in Ontario, and they put on the work in a most finished manner.

Wor. Bro. W. A. Hunter and the officers of Corinthian Lodge opened the lodge in the second degree.

This work was then exemplified by Wor. Bro. E. W. G. Quantz and the officers of St. George's Lodge. As would be expected, this degree was excellently done.

A short discussion took place on the work, followed by comments by M. Wor. Bro. Judge Macwatt.

In the evening, Wor. Bro. Finley Marshall and the officers of Kilwinning Lodge will put on the third degree. The traditional banquet will also follow.