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Statistics of Old London.

The London County Council has issued a volume of statistics which conveys a vivid idea of the vastness of the world's metropolis.

The "county" of London contains an area of 75,442 acres or about 120 square miles. It has a population of 4,500,000; that the Greater London, however, is 7,113,560, which is 1,742,245, or over 30 per cent more than there were in the whole of Canada at the last decennial census. The marriage rate for London is stated at 17 per 1,000, the birth rate is stated at 29.9 and the death rate 16.9. Infant mortality is responsible for a large proportion of the deaths, 18,600, out of the total 74,990, during the twelve months covered by the statistics just issued.

The figures of London's traffic are large. The number of passengers officially recorded as having been carried aggregating 1,021,355,844. Trams bear off the palm in numbers, nearly 436,000 being carried by these conveyances. Almost 290,000,000 were passengers by the old-fashioned and slow omnibus service, but these only cover two of the principal companies. The number of journeys per head of the population averages more than 200.

London's postal statistics are as impressive as those of every other department of this activity. Over 727,000,000 letters, 166,000,000 postcards, and 163,000,000 bookpackets were mailed. The number of newspapers carried, as might be expected when the less favorable facilities offered by the British postal authorities are considered, is not proportionately as great as in Canada or the United States, yet almost 36,000,000 were posted. About 6,500,000 letters were registered, and 28,500,000 telegrams sent. The postal employees in London number 46,216.

The shipping statistics of London show that as a seaport it is still, despite the competition of Liverpool, Glasgow, Plymouth and Southampton, ranks as among the most important in the world. The vessels entering numbered 27,000, and the number that cleared a few more. The tonnage each way was over 18,000,000. The trade returns for the city show: Exports, about 300,000,000, and imports about 300,000,000.

Among other curious facts concerning London contained in the county council statistics might be mentioned that the prison population of the city is 54,464. In London there are 2,158 miles of streets, and their yearly cost of maintenance is over \$10,000,000. The cost of the London police is about \$8,000,000, while that of the whole of England and Wales is only \$22,000,000. The council spends \$8,000,000 a year in maintaining its systems of parks and open spaces, the area of which is 2,945 acres. In London there are 6,584 saloons, and the number of apprehensions for drunkenness last year was 60,899. The British museum is the most frequented public building, the number of visitors in the year covered by the report being very few short of a million.

G. T. R. Meets Men.

Toronto, Sept. 10.—An important meeting is being held here between the officials of the Grand Trunk and representatives of the men of the entire G. T. R. system from Montreal to Port Huron. The object of the meeting is to discuss a request of the men for an increase of wages and other slight changes in their working rules.

Fourth Vice-President F. H. McGuigan is president, and associated with him are all the superintendents.

Both sides decline to talk for publication. The officials say it is just their annual meeting with the men.

Locked in Tool-Box.

London, Sept. 10.—William Mason, employed as watchman on the King street paving work, had an unenviable experience Saturday. Mason got into the company's tool-box, intending to doze only a short time, but fell into a sound sleep, and a policeman passing by, seeing the box open, shut down the lid, which fastened with a snap lock. Mason awoke, but could not get out, and it was four o'clock in the morning before his feeble cries for help were heard by two men, who broke open the box. Mason was much exhausted when released.

Death in Barb Wire Fence.

Rushville, Ind., Sept. 11.—Three workmen were killed to-day by coming in contact with a barbed wire fence that had been charged with electricity from the plant of the Indianapolis and Cincinnati Traction Co.

CHOP STUFF.

Alvinson defeated Glenoe twice at base ball Labor Day.

The infant son of Dr. and Mrs. Kelly, Florence, died on Monday.

The 26th Regimental Band will furnish music for the Stratford fair.

Alf. Wallis, of Alvinston, had his leg broken while leading a wild heifer along the road.

Rev. B. A. G. Willoughby, of Raywood, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Forest Cong'l church.

The Alvinston Board of Trade has several good propositions under consideration, and we may expect something definite in a few days.

Arrangements have been made to convert the private hospital in Petros into a general hospital. A trained nurse will be in charge.

At the last meeting of the Glenoe council the rate was struck at 20 mills. The council granted the local agricultural society the sum of \$25.

An old fashioned corn roast was held in Adelaide last week. About 100 husky young people were present and everybody went home well corned.

Thos. Benstead, of Stratford, has been secured by the Ontario department of agriculture to act as judge of roots and vegetables at Sarnia fair on Sept. 25.

Glenoe is waking up. The bowling enthusiasts of that place have just completed their greens at a cost of \$800, and the Glenoe band has been re-organized.

Robert Wilkinson, of Aberarder, has been engaged as principal of the Wyoming Public school during the illness of Neil McLean. He commenced his duties Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Flavin removed from Forest to Edmonton last week. The local members of the C. M. B. A. presented Mr. Flavin with a gold headed cane as a mark of esteem.

Frank Maidment, having disposed of his property at Aberarder is moving to Forest, and will occupy the house recently vacated by D. Cooke. He has been engaged by H. Fraleigh to deliver flax seed meal to the farmers.

A. D. McLean, manager of the Bank of Commerce, Sarnia, had a narrow escape from serious injury Friday, while testing a new kind of powder his gun exploded, blowing the barrel to pieces, and inflicting a wound on his arm.

Mr. Jos. LaMantia, Stratford's wholesale fruit merchant, was married at London Monday morning at eight o'clock to Miss Rosie Miles, of that city. Rev. Father McKeon tying the nuptial knot at St. Peter's church. Mrs. LaMantia and her mother are at present enjoying a trip to Baltimore.

The Masonic Sun contains the following:—It is reported that R. W. Bro. J. S. Dewar, of London, Ont., is seriously ill with cancer of the stomach and that his life cannot be prolonged more than a few months. Bro. Dewar has been connected with the editorial work of the London Free Press for many years. At present he is secretary of St. John's Lodge, No. 209, of London, as well as chairman of the committee for the printing of Grand Lodge supplies.

The Times was told this morning that according to plans the electric power house for the St. Clair Tunnel Co. was to have been built over the tunnel shaft on Military street. General Manager Hays of the Grand Trunk railway, vetoed this proposition and ordered the building erected as far north from the tunnel shaft as possible. He says in a year or two it will be necessary for the railway company to construct another tunnel under St. Clair river on the south side of the present one. The approaches were built with this in view, and with the introduction of electricity the Grand Trunk expects that a single tunnel will not accommodate the traffic.—Port Huron Times.

Cooler Weather Promised.

For those who have been finding fault with the intense heat of the past few days there is good news in store to-day, for, as far as can be foretold, the temperature is not likely to be again abnormally high this year. This is the view of the Toronto Observatory experts.

"Do you think we are at last through with the extreme heat for the rest of the year?" one of them was asked last night.

"Oh, yes; I certainly think so," was the comforting reply.

Yesterday the temperature only reached 84, whilst there were no extreme temperatures in any part of Canada. The weather was fine in most districts, except in Manitoba, where there have been a few showers. The prospects for to-day are fair and warm, with local thunder-showers, especially at night.

BORN.

In Boxton, on the 1st September, the wife of Jacob Sitter, twin girls.

In Brooke, on Sunday, Sept. 2nd, 1906, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lightfoot, a son.

In Plympton, on Thursday, Aug. 30th, 1906, to Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Pescocock, a daughter.

In Wrenning, on Monday, Sept. 3rd, 1906, to Mr. and Mrs. Archie McLean, a daughter.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's parents, 2nd con., Bonasquet, by the Rev. Mr. Edwards, on the 3rd inst., Robert G. Campbell, of the 8th con., to Miss, daughter of Councilor H. Williamson.

At the Methodist parsonage, Forest, on Wednesday, Sept. 6th, 1906, by the Rev. Dr. Mead, Mr. Morris George, to Miss Flossie Smith, both of Kettle Point.

DIED.

In Bonasquet, on Tuesday, Sept. 4th, Wm. Burr, aged 74 years, 9 months.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. T. Roche returned Thursday from a two month's visit to relatives in Minnesota and Dakota.

Hilyard Willoughby, London, is spending a few days at his home here.

Miss Kate R. Thompson has returned from a visit to friends in St. Marys and Toronto.

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FOR SALE.—Lands in Moosejaw district and 7,000 acres near Lipton. Party being formed to go and examine the latter on Sept. 25th.—R. GIBSON, M. D.

WANTED.—Men for the lumber woods, leaving in September, October, and November. Highest wages. Fares advanced.—FRED W. SHAW, Forest.

W. E. FITZGERALD has two good houses and stables therewith in Watford to rent and also several dwellings here and some farms in this vicinity for sale cheap.

DR. BUTLER, London, will be at Watford, Roche House, on following days: Saturday, July 14th, Hours 3.30-8.30 p.m. Eye, ear, nose and throat consultations. Eyes tested for glasses. 11

CARD OF THANKS.—The undersigned desire to convey to the officers and members of Minto Hive, L. O. T. M., their grateful appreciation of the kindness and sympathy extended during the illness and death of the late Mrs. Alexander, also to the officers of the Supreme Tent for the prompt and satisfactory adjustment of beneficiary claim.

PLYMPTON.

A happy time was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Culbert, 12th con., Plympton, Sept. 1st, when a family reunion took place. Their daughters, Mrs. Ardeau Isaac and husband and little daughter Ruby, of St. Marys; Mrs. McGillicuddy and husband and two children, of Warwick; Mrs. C. J. Howard and husband, of Lucan, and Miss Bertha Culbert, of London, were present; also Mrs. Will Kent and daughter, of Lucan, and Mrs. Robert McGillicuddy and daughter, of Watford.

Thresher Ran Away.

Guelph, Sept. 7.—Wm. Atkinson, of Eramosa, son of ex-Chief Atkinson, Preston, nearly lost his life yesterday. His threshing machine ran away, the two cylinders blew up, and the fragments flew all around to the distance of 750 yards.

There are thirty-seven students in attendance at the Stratford public school.

County of Lambton.]

Treasurers' Notice as to Lands Liable for Sale for Taxes A. D., 1906.

TAKE NOTICE that the list of lands in the County of Lambton liable for sale for arrears of taxes by the Treasurer of the County, has been prepared by me, and that copies thereof may be had in the office of the Treasurer of the County of Lambton in the County Buildings on Christina Street in the town of Sarnia.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the list of lands liable for sale as aforesaid is now being published in the Ontario Gazette in the issues thereof bearing dates the 28th day of July and 4th, 11th and 18th days of August, A. D., 1906.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that in default of payment of the taxes in arrears upon the lands specified in said list together with the costs chargeable thereon as set forth in the said list so being published in the Ontario Gazette before the day fixed for the sale of such lands, being the 31st day of October, A. D., 1906, the said lands will be sold for taxes pursuant to the terms of the advertisement in the Ontario Gazette.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that this publication is made pursuant to "The Assessment Act, A. D., 1906, Chap. 23," and amendments. DATED at Sarnia this 23rd day of July, A. D., 1906. HENRY INGRAM, Treasurer Lambton County.

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