

TWO BAGGAGEMEN INJURED WRECK AT LUCAN CROSSING

Special Train, With Doctors, Ordered, and Victoria Hospital Notified—Car Wrecked While Backing Up.

At Lucan Crossing this morning the baggage car on the London, Huron and Bruce train, due in London at 10:10 o'clock, was wrecked, and Baggage men Flynn and Sneath were seriously injured, according to reports received at the Grand Trunk offices this morning.

From meagre information that could be secured at 10:30 o'clock, it was learned that the baggage car was wrecked when it was backed up. The car is believed to have gone off the track and the baggage men were caught by the trunks and heavy packages and seriously crushed. By some means the car was seriously wrecked.

A special train and doctors were asked from the Grand Trunk, and Victoria Hospital was asked to be ready for an operation.

At 10:45 the London auxiliary, with Superintendent H. Davidson and a party of London doctors, left for Lucan Crossing. The doctors had been called from Victoria Hospital on first reports of the accident, and left on the special.

HALF OF THE TOWN OF BROOK HAS BEEN WIPED OUT BY FIRE

Brook, Sask., July 26.—Fire, which broke out in a barn here, spread rapidly, and more than half of the town was wiped out. Two men are missing, and supposed to have perished. The damage is estimated at \$150,000.

A special train brought the Kindersley fire brigade, and fully 1,000 people from the surrounding country were in town when the fire broke out.

Six horses were burned in the livery stable, which was packed to the limit when the fire started.

At a late hour the fire was still burning, and a change of wind threatens to destroy all the remaining buildings.

BOY HURT BY WAGON IN CRITICAL STATE

Garfield Smith Passed a Bad Night and Is Suffering Considerable Pain.

Garfield Smith, the young lad who was seriously injured about the head Friday morning when the wheels of a heavy wagon passed over his head, tearing his scalp, was reported to be in a critical condition at Victoria Hospital this morning.

EARLY EDITION TODAY

The Advertiser picnic is being held at Port Stanley today, and an early paper is delivered to all subscribers. Forms were closed at 19:30. The bulletin service will be in operation as usual.

WHITNEY GOVT. WAS TWO-FACED OVER LICENSES

Said Meaford Would Have None After August 1 To Get Votes.

Told the Liquor People Not to Worry if Conservative Was Elected.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, July 26.—It is a little too early to obtain sufficiently definite information about the renewal of licenses in Meaford, but there are indications that the issue may become a live one.

Whether or not Mr. Hanna and the license branch at the provincial secretary's department were right in renewing the licenses which they had formerly decided not to renew, there are some significant facts that should be known.

During the recent by-election in the constituency of North Grey, of which Meaford is a part, the Conservatives made much party capital out of the action of Mr. Hanna in refusing to renew the Meaford licenses although local opinion in the town had been defeated by a fraction of a vote less than the required three-fifths.

In the government press throughout the province and on all the government platforms in the riding it was stated that the decision of the department was final, and that there would be no licenses in Meaford after August 1. This action was loudly praised as being a definite proof of the Whitney Government's advocacy of temperance and of its generosity to the temperance voters.

Two-Faced Policy.

At this very same time, however, it was being sedulously whispered about the town that if the government candidate was elected the licenses would be renewed. This underground rumor secured for the government the support of the liquor men and of those favorable to the liquor interests.

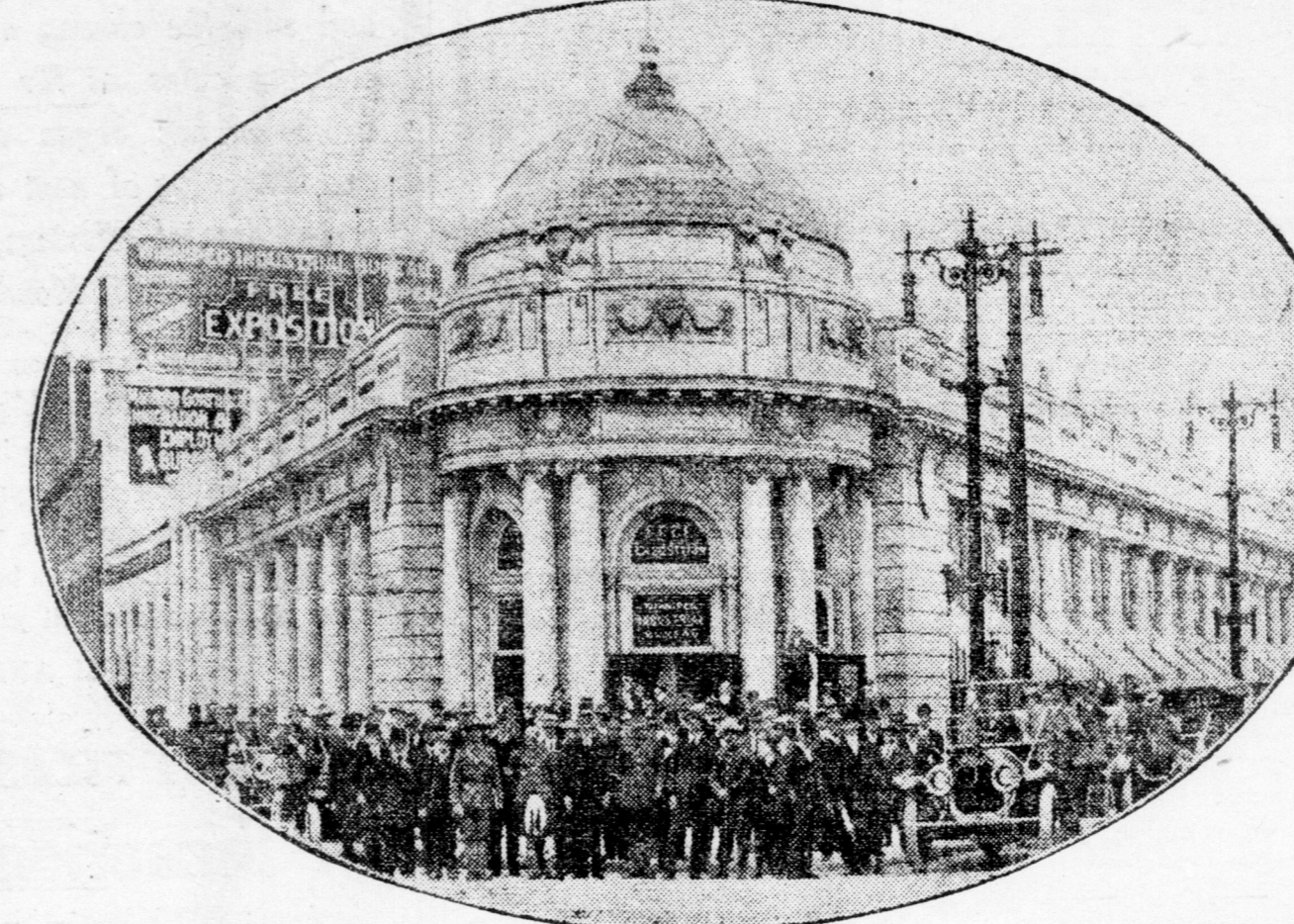
In Meaford, it is, however, the result was not favorable to the Whitney forces. What had been begun as a "whispering campaign" gradually became noised abroad, although not to any extent outside of the confines of the town and the temperance people of Meaford rallied against the Government to the extent of giving Mr. McQuaker and the Liberal party the unusual majority of 29.

People Want to Know.

Whatever the polling result, however, the people are being insistently asked today not only by temperance people but by those interested in Provincial politics. Why did the Government try to hide the whispered rumor on a basis in fact after all, in view of the decision of the department this week to renew the licenses?

Mr. Saunders, chief officer of the license branch, who officially gave out the Government's statement this week can not be saddled with the responsibility. Every person knows, of course, that no such important action would be taken except by order of the Government. In fact it is stated in the press that before Mr. Saunders made his announcement he had been closeted with Hon. W. J. Hanna and other members of the Government.

London Will Aspire To Have Such a Bureau



Headquarters of the Winnipeg Industrial Bureau, with industrial commissioner's offices, complete exhibition of local manufactured goods, and the natural resources of the west; convention hall (seating 5,000), lecture and banquet hall, with catering facilities, art gallery and museum, central farmers' market, etc., comprising probably the most progressive medium for civic development on the continent.

GET ALL LONDON PULLING TOGETHER, BUILD THE MADE-IN-LONDON EXHIBIT SAYS THE PUBLICITY COMMISSIONER

Mr. Gordon Phillips Announces His "Platform"—All Organizations To Be Banded Together for Community Betterment—Home Reunion For New Arrivals Planned.

Acting under instructions from the manufacturers' and entertainment committee of the city council, the new industrial commissioner, Mr. Gordon Phillips, has since his arrival in the beginning of the week been engaged in an active canvass of the administrative, financial, commercial, professional and educational interests of the city, with the view of establishing here a definite organization along the lines adopted with great success in western Canada and United States cities.

Most of the bodies, organized in the first place solely for the purpose of expansion and securing new industries, soon learned that the surest way to secure improved industrial and commercial conditions was by interesting and educating the whole community in cooperative plans for civic betterment. They discovered that the most practical method of bringing men, money and manufacturers, is to make the city not only a place in which to live, but a place in which to prosper.

It was recognized measures towards this end must be carried out, not only by a few enthusiasts, but by a representative organization all the available public-spirited and progressive citizens. This has been successfully brought about, in some instances, notably that of Winnipeg, by an affiliation of every civic organization of importance, with a central organization, usually known as the "Industrial Bureau," and annually standing committees, for the city, the voluntary and practical assistance of individuals, whose training and experience render their service valuable in one or other phase of civic development, and together form an organization which having no axe to grind, other than community betterment, gives opportunity for right-minded people to "get together" and accomplish more than a little for the public welfare.

Standing Committees Named.

From the representatives of the various organizations are appointed annually standing committees, to carry on the various undertakings of the bureau. By this means, it is found possible to secure enthusiasts in the movements which the various committees instead of being cumbersome are split up in such a way that they fall on all. The chairman of the standing committees act on the executive, to which matters of more than ordinary importance are referred.

In the work of aiding civic improvement, special situations, which call for special treatment, are best dealt with by special committees, but generally by the standing committees, can handle all the regular work. Some standing committees, which have been found useful elsewhere, follow, and it should be noted that the city will adopt only those improvements, which have proved worthy by actual experience and trial. Home Reunion Association.

It is expected that at an early date London will follow the example of some twenty-eight cities of the Dominion in the establishing of a "Home Reunion Association." This organization which was originated by the Winnipeg Industrial Bureau, and later adopted throughout the Dominion, is designed to secure the settlement and immigration work now being accomplished.

By this means the wives and families of worthy British workmen, employed in this city, can be assisted to this country, to the mutual advantage not only to the husbands and fathers and their wives and families, but to the community in which they reside, and which supplies them with the necessities of life.

By these combined associations it is estimated that thousands of dollars annually are being saved for the Dominion, representing the money necessarily sent over the water for the maintenance of these families, as carried out elsewhere, this splendid and patriotic work is accomplished without the smirch of charity, and also without loss to the association, the money advanced being repaid by those benefited in small sums.

Another valuable work is done by an educational committee, in which the work of the public school authorities is assisted. This committee arranges for vocational talks, given to the school boys, by leading local men, who have made success in life in their various occupations. Printed copies of these talks are given to the elder boys, for whose benefit they are prepared, and by this means incidentally arouse the interests of the parents, who are thus helpfully drawn to consider the practical information set forth, with a view to assisting the boys to make a choice of life occupation, for which they are best fitted, towards which they are drawn, and at which they can be efficient workers.

This work incidentally helps boys at a crucial time in their lives—on leaving school when they are apt to drift in a haphazard way. The lectures also point out the folly of not learning a trade or profession, and the importance, after making a choice of a life occupation, of becoming efficient at it.

Another committee which has proved beneficial elsewhere—an entertainment and convention committee—carries on Continued on Page Eleven.

REBELS RETIRE AFTER HAVING 1,200 KILLED

Chinese Are Taking Every Precaution to Protect All Foreigners.

Assassination and Intimidation Are Features of the Latest Revolution.

[Canadian Press.] Shanghai, July 26.—The fighting between the rebels and the Government forces, which was resumed at 9 o'clock last night, after fruitless negotiations for an armistice, closed at daylight today, when the southerners withdrew. Their attack again was unsuccessful.

The consular body is considering expelling Dr. Sun Yat Sen, Gen. Huang Sing and Gen. Chen-Nel, who are conducting the revolution, from the safety of the foreign settlement.

It is estimated that there are 100,000 Chinese refugees in these settlements, and many are removing from Nanking, Ku-Kiang and other Yang-Tze ports.

The casualties of the southerners around Shanghai total 1,200. The losses of the northerners are much less.

Feeble Warfare.

[Canadian Press.] Peking, July 26.—Many of the picturesque features of the anti-Manchu rising of several years ago, and also the terrible slaughter of Manchus are absent from the present revolution, but assassination, intimidation, and robbery accompany, as before, what foreigners here consider very feeble warfare.

Quantities of ammunition are expended with little result, because of the lack of training of the men in modern arms; armies march against each other and fire a few shots, and then negotiate or retire.

It is believed there is little patriotism in the ranks and that the soldiers fight primarily for loot or for pay. An indication of the character of the struggle is given in the central government's fear that Gen. Chang Hsuey, of the northern army, may transfer the allegiance of his 5,000 men to the rebels.

Careful of Foreigners.

The same careful regard for foreign life continues. Only a few of the old partisans talk of re-establishing Manchu dynasty. Manchus troops now form the chief guard of Peking, as well as of the court, which still remains here.

The fighting on the Mongolian and Tibetan borders no longer attracts attention.

Has Serious Effects.

[Canadian Press.] London, July 26.—The defeat of the southerners at Shanghai, says the Peking correspondent of the Times, is calculated seriously to affect the prospects of the southern movement. Many rumors are current in Peking, indicating the probably early collapse of the movement unless the Nanking army shows unexpected spirit, and certain provinces prove their sympathy by immediate assistance to the southerners, the Government success is inevitable.

HAMILTON OLD BOYS DISCUSS HOME WEEK TRIP

Large Delegation Expected to Attend the Celebration at Ambitious City.

Hamilton Old Boys to the number of about forty, gathered in the Board of Trade rooms Friday evening, to discuss plans for Old Home week in the early part of August. It was decided to hold a private meeting of all Hamilton Old Boys in the Board of Trade rooms on the evening of August 2, at eight o'clock when final arrangements as to the date and time of going will be made. It is expected that a large delegation of former residents of the Ambitious City will make the trip. Each one of the members present Friday evening promised to bring another former Hamiltonian with him to the next meeting. A delegation of at least 100 is expected.

A deputation comprising the Board of Education of Hamilton stopped on its way to Detroit to visit the local organization and to extend a hearty invitation to re-visit the home town. Members of the deputations were, Messrs. George Armstrong, W. J. Mahon, W. J. Clarke, E. E. Linzer, J. Foster, Col. Close, Capt. A. W. Penno, Major Yeates and others.

DEALERS PAY 320,000 FOR BLACK AND RED LIVE FOXES

One Consignment of Ten for New York Firm—The Prices Are Coming Down a Little.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Edmonton, July 26.—Two hundred and nineteen live foxes ranging from black silver to red crosses, valued at \$320,000, have been shipped from Edmonton to points in the provinces of Ontario, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Alberta, and New York, and Pennsylvania since the opening of the season.

The most valuable consignment, which went forward recently consisted of ten pure black puppies, for which Kane Brothers, of Brooklyn, N. Y., paid \$30,000. The animals were sent to Ogden, Penn., for propagation purposes.

Frederic M. Lee, president of the Western Fur Company, who recently shipped 34 foxes, valued at \$90,000, to breeders in Prince Edward Island, announces that he will not dispose of any more animals to eastern ranchers, having decided to establish a fox farm at Tees, Alta., where 40 foxes are now domiciled. He said:

"Advice from eastern Canada are that prices of live foxes have decreased from 25 to 50 per cent, during the last thirty days. This slump is accounted for by large shipments through Edmonton from all over the northern country, between the Yukon and the province of Saskatchewan. There will be reaction next fall, when prices will be higher than they have been during the last few months.

"Fur trappers in the north are reaping a veritable harvest now, as the foxes are easily obtained by digging the pups out of the holes before they have left the nests. After this month the young foxes will leave their dams and can only be caught singly in traps. This means fewer animals and higher prices."

Farmers Saving A Splendid Crop

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ingersoll, July 26.—The worries of the farmer have been increased. As was predicted recently wheat, oats and barley are ripening almost at the same time and the farmer has scarcely time to breathe.

Wheat cutting was commenced early this week on a general scale, but there is still considerable cutting to be done before the crop has been harvested.

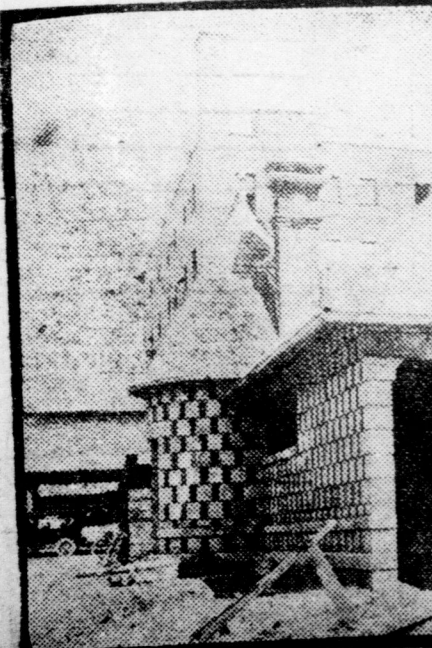
The barley has reached the stage where it, too, is ready for the binder and next week oats will be ready.

With all the crops coming on at the same time the farmers are at their wits' end to know just when and where to start. The weather of the last two weeks has been almost unprecedented, and the growth has been phenomenal. From all sides reports of good crops are coming in.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

July 25. Reported at. From Snowdon Range, Montreal, Hull, Smp. of India, Hong Kong, Vancouver, Shenandoah, St. John, London, Seditre, New York, Liverpool, Caroline, New York, Havre, Saxonie, New York, Havre, Sant' Anna, New York, Marseilles.

COMFORT STATION, erected on a \$50,000 lot on the market square. The grand opening of the building has been fixed for Sept. 1.



OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF RAILWAY ON THURSDAY NIGHT'S CRASH

Superintendent W. R. Davidson, of the Grand Trunk, who has been out on the road for several days, gave out an official statement this morning, in which he declared that after a thorough investigation he did not think his company was in any way to blame for the collision Thursday night between a street car and a string of freight cars, when fifteen passengers were injured, two of the seriously.

The Foreman's Report. Yard Foreman Eli Calk, in his report of the accident, says in part: "I was coading north on the interswitching line with a string of seventeen cars on Thursday night, I was standing on the top of one of the cars near the end of the train. Before coming to Dundas street I signalled my mate on the other end to stop the train, which he did. The train stopped a short distance south of Dundas street and I got off. I walked across the tracks, and there being no street car close I gave the signal for the train to start again. We then proceeded at about three miles an hour. The first I knew of the accident was when the train was almost over the crossing.

No Street Lights. We left the cars in the exact position they were in after the smash at cover.

the request of the police until the coroner could arrive. When I got off the cars to see that the crossing was clear and when I boarded the train ground, I was carrying a white hand lantern. A flare torch lighted at the East London depot was also burning brightly on the end of the train. There were no street lights for a block, but the East London Torpedo Co. Flare factory was working, and the front of it was brilliantly lighted, illuminating the crossing. The engineer whistled for all crossings over to Dundas street, but I cannot say whether the bell was ringing."

Superintendent Davidson could not say this morning whether an investigation would be held to fix the blame for the accident, but as Manager King of the street railway, intimates that the Grand Trunk is to blame it is likely that something will have to be done. Practically no change has taken place in the conditions of Motorman Frank Swadling and Mr. Charles Nickles, who were the most seriously injured in the collision.

Both men are suffering considerable pain, but it is thought they will recover.

THE WEATHER.

LONDON TEMPERATURES. The highest temperature yesterday in London was 76; the lowest, 46.

FINE AND WARM. Meteorological Office, Toronto, Ont., July 25.—Moderate depressions exist tonight over the Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Western Provinces, while a widespread area of high pressure covers the Great Lakes and Eastern States. The weather has been mostly fair and moderately warm from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces. Some local showers have occurred in Saskatchewan and Alberta, with a change to cooler. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 56, 70; Vancouver, 58, 74; Kamloops, 70, 84; Calgary, 52, 62; Edmonton, 56, 64; Battleford, 50, 74; Prince Albert, 58, 78; Moose Jaw, 52, 60; Regina, 55, 66; Winnipeg, 58, 84; Fort Arthur, 48, 72; Parry Sound, 46, 74; London, 45, 76; Toronto, 53, 77; Kingston, 54, 76; Ottawa, 56, 72; Montreal, 58, 70; Quebec, 54, 70; St. John, 56, 68; Halifax, 62, 74.

Precipitabilities. Lever Lakes and Georgian Bay—Southernly to easterly winds; fair and moderately warm.

Lower St. Lawrence—Moderate to fresh westerly winds; fair and moderately warm.