

MANY SUITS FOR DAMAGES: BIG BUSINESS FOR ASSIZES

Numerous Writs Against the Street Railway and Steam Roads—Reid Case Also Figures in the Long List at the Courthouse.

The London street railway, the G. T. R. and the C. P. R. will have no less than ten or eleven damage suits to face at the October assizes, unless some of the cases are settled beforehand.

The Reid disaster, too, has brought forth several writs for actions, notice of which have already appeared in The Advertiser, and altogether the outlook is for a very heavy list of damage suits at the assizes.

Some of the most important writs entered are as follows:

George Nixon vs. G. T. R.—A suit for unstated damages for wrongfully taking and entering lands of plaintiff, part of lot 24, concession 3, London Township, and erecting thereon an embankment as part of a highway crossing their railway without having deposited a map, plan, or book of reference and without having served notice to the plaintiff, giving description of land to be taken, or the price they were willing to pay therefor. Ivey & Drummond for plaintiff.

Kennedy Sues.

Wm. J. Kennedy vs. London Street Railway Company—An action for damages for injuries received while a passenger of defendant's road.

Kennedy stepped off one car on Dundas street at the corner of Water-

loss street, in front of another one going in the opposite direction. J. F. Faulds for plaintiff.

Henry T. Bell vs. London Street Railway Company—Mr. Bell sues to recover unstated damages for injuries received while traveling on defendant's cars.

Bel was riding on an Oxford street car a few weeks ago, when it left the track while going at the rate of approximately 25 or 30 miles an hour. The plaintiff's upper jaw was splintered, and he was otherwise injured. J. F. Faulds for plaintiff.

A Crystal Ball Echo.

Cassandra U. Jeffrey vs. Archibald McCallum and I. H. Brewster—An action to recover possession of lot 7, south side of Dundas street at No. 201, Edgar Jeffrey for plaintiff.

Luce Pritchett vs. G. T. R.—Action for damages for death of son, Hugh Richard Jennings, from injuries received while an employee of the defendants by reason of negligence of defendants' servants or agents. J. F. Faulds for plaintiff.

Against the City.

Frederick G. Willis vs. City of London—Action for unstated damages for having street out of repair. J. F. Faulds for plaintiff.

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Journalist's Trip to the Forest City

Mr. J. T. Dunsford, of the Bridge-water, England, Mercury, who recently visited London in company with the British journalists, writes his paper as follows of the city of London: "London, a city containing nearly 50,000 inhabitants, was reached in the evening, and the journalists found awaiting them at the station the mayor and corporation and numerous press representatives, who escorted them to the clubhouse, where dinner was partaken of under the presidency of Mr. Judd, the mayor, supported by Senator Coffey, of the Dominion Legislature. In responding to the toast of 'The British Journalists,' with which his name was associated, the writer expressed the personal gratification he had experienced in finding that the mayor was, like himself, a Devonian, and that some other members of the company had also come from his native county, and were doing well. After dinner a special car was requisitioned to convey the journalists to the Glenmore, the beautiful home of the London Hunt Club, where another so-

cial hour was spent very agreeably. On the following morning the visitors enjoyed an automobile drive of several miles around the city and its suburbs, accompanied by a large number of the principal citizens, the motor cars, nearly a dozen in number, being decorated with miniature Union Jacks. Westminster Bridge, spanning the River Thames, was crossed, and several of the places visited, including the 'Crystal Palace,' were named after the best known public resorts of our own metropolis. When some distance from the city it was determined to call out the fire brigade in order to give the visitors an opportunity of witnessing their work. Without any preconcerted arrangement, and within an incredibly short interval after the call was given, the powerful engine (with a delivery capacity of 1,100 gallons per minute) and several members of the force, with other apparatus, were observed to be approaching at a marvelously quick rate, and as the horses galloped by the visitors could not refrain from a hearty burst of cheering in appreciation of the smartness displayed."

Numerous Petitions for Fountains City Churches Take Up the Matter

City Council Has Already Referred One Petition to the City Engineer.

Petitions for drinking fountains downtown were sent in large numbers to the chairman of No. 2 committee this morning, nearly a dozen being handed to him. At the last meeting of the council a petition was presented to the council from the Dundas Street Methodist Epworth League asking that fountains be erected in suitable places in the city, and in sufficient numbers to meet the demand of the public.

The communication was referred to the city engineer, who will get figures of cost and suitable places for their erection.

It is expected that the council will act favorably on the matter.

The petitions presented this morning were:

Centennial Methodist Sunday School; Rev. L. W. Wickett, pastor pro tem; Mr. J. A. Page, superintendent, and Mr. L. H. Martyn secretary.

Egerton Street Baptist Sabbath School; Rev. A. J. Bowen pastor, Mr. R. W. Miller superintendent, and Mr. W. H. Moody secretary.

Dundas Center Sabbath School; Rev.

E. B. Lancelley pastor, Mr. D. A. McDermid superintendent, and Mr. L. A. Keenleyside secretary.

Empress Avenue Methodist Sabbath School; Rev. I. B. Wallwin pastor, Mr. W. Gibson superintendent and Mr. W. E. Greenway secretary.

Askin Street Methodist Sabbath School; Rev. J. K. Birks pastor, Mr. A. J. Hunt superintendent, and Mr. John Ward secretary.

First Presbyterian Sabbath School; Mr. Ed. E. Reid superintendent.

St. James' Anglican Sabbath School, Very Rev. Dean Davis rector, and Mr. Reg. S. Williams secretary.

Adelaide Street Baptist Sabbath School; Mr. J. W. Fuller, superintendent, and Miss Ida L. Ryckman, secretary.

St. Andrew's Sabbath School; Mr. A. S. McGregor superintendent, and Mr. A. G. Fraser secretary, and Mr. John Lochard, secretary of session.

The following Young People's Societies have sent in petitions:

Empress Avenue Epworth League; Mr. L. W. Gibson president, and E. A. Greene secretary.

Askin Street Epworth League; Mr. J. P. Maine president, and E. Dunn secretary.

Egerton Street B. Y. P. S., Mr. John Tuphonne president, and Miss Lillie E. Hill secretary.

TWELVE KILLED, TWELVE INJURED IN CRASH ON THE ROCK ISLAND

Waterloo, Ia., Sept. 6.—Twelve persons were killed and twelve others injured in the wreck of an express train on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad at Norris, Ia., today. The express train, northbound, jumped the track while going at full speed and crashed into a freight train standing on the siding.

E. B. Oliver Waterloo; Will Goodman, Waterloo; John M. Watson, Waterloo; C. L. Landpher, Shell Rock, Ia.; W. Ray Johnson, Dike, Ia.; B. R. Christy, Minneapolis; Lepovan Toja, Hammond, Ind.; M. H. Myers, baggageman, and four unidentified men are dead.

The injured will all probably recover. All of the injured and dead were in the smoking car, which was immediately behind the mail and baggage cars. The smoking car was demolished.

The northbound express was ten minutes late at Norris where the freight train was waiting. The express came along at terrific speed in an effort to make up time. Just as the locomotive of the passenger train was about to pass the freight locomotive the trucks of the former left the track and the moving engine crashed into the engine of the freight, wrecking both locomotives and telescoping the baggage and the mail cars and demolishing the smoking car.

FINE SHOOTING FOR PALMA TROPHY

Great Rifle Contest Opens at Ottawa—Weather Favoring Americans.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Sept. 7.—Shooting for the Palma trophy began at Rockcliffe ranges at 9 o'clock this morning. Light was good, and the weather favorable to the Americans. There was some fine scores. The American "Peep Sight" was used to good advantage. But it will be at the 1,000 yards that the trophy will be won. There are three ranges, 800, 900, and 1,000. A big dinner will be given at 6 o'clock, after the match is over. The best of feeling prevails.

Ottawa, Sept. 7.—Results at the 800 yards range Palma trophy shooting was: United States 590, Australia 570, Canada 566 and Great Britain 551.

GIRL KILLED IN ASCENSION

Balloonist's "Cannon" Fails to Work and Woman Falls to Her Death.

Howard City, Mich., Sept. 6.—Encased in a balloonist's "cannon," which refused to work, Pearl Potter, of Big Rapids, fell 500 feet from the balloon to the ground and was killed, at 6 o'clock tonight at the fair grounds. It was the girl's first attempt at an ascension.

The girl and a parachute were taken up by the balloonist encased in the "cannon." At a height of about 500 feet the cannon was cut loose, but something failed to work and neither the girl nor parachute left it. The cannon with its human freight crashed to the earth about 40 rods east of the fair grounds.

It was several moments before the crowd could realize that a fatality had occurred. Three doctors and the coroner pronounced the girl dead. It is thought she died before reaching the ground.

The officials of the fair did not know until after her death that the girl was not experienced. Her maiden name was Pion. Her parents, who reside at Big Rapids, were notified. She was separated from her husband over a year ago.

R. A. Wilson, of Grand Rapids, the balloonist, and his assistant, Schultz, declared they will never send up a balloon again.

BOY RUN OVER BY MEN IN BUGGY

Little Frank Crawford, of Clarence Street, Seriously Injured Today.

A young lad named Frank Crawford, son of Mr. D. M. Crawford, of Clarence street, met with a serious accident today. It is not definitely known how the accident occurred. Mr. Maione and his son, of Wellington street, were driving down Clarence street when they run over the boy as he was playing in the street. Dr. Kingsmill was called and found the young fellow suffering from a fractured bone, which will keep him from attending school for a week.

SULLY-PRUDHOMME DEAD.

Paris, Sept. 7.—Rene Francois Armand Sully-Prudhomme, the French critic, died today, aged 68.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOL.

FORECAST.

Toronto, Sept. 7.—8 a.m. Today—Moderately warm; showers this evening and tonight.

Sunday—Fresh to strong westerly to northwesterly winds; mostly fair and becoming a little cooler.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.

Calgary. 48. 32. Cloudy.

Winnipeg. 50. 32. Cloudy.

Port Arthur. 54. 32. Cloudy.

Parry Sound. 60. 35. Fair.

Toronto. 60. 34. Cloudy.

Ottawa. 58. 34. Fair.

Montreal. 62. 36. Fair.

Quebec. 56. 32. Clear.

Father Point. 54. 34. Cloudy.

The first column records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The depression which was in the St. Lawrence Valley yesterday morning has now reached the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and another depression is quickly approaching the lake region from the Western States. High pressure is filling in over the Western Provinces, indicating a danger of frost. Rain has fallen in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, and some local showers have occurred from the Rocky Mountains to Lake Superior.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 55-70; Adlin, 50-50; Port Simpson, 45-50; Victoria, 52-55; Vancouver, 51-59; Kamloops, 54-75; Edmonton, 50-67; Calgary, 46-62; Prince Albert, 42-62; Winnipeg, 50-71; Port Arthur, 46-64; Parry Sound, 50-74; Toronto, 54-72; Ottawa, 55-65; Montreal, 58-66; Quebec, 52-60; Halifax, 55-72.



HIS LORDSHIP BISHOP INGRAM, Of London, England, "The Workingman's Bishop," Who Will Visit London on Sept. 17.

No Teacher to Fill the Vacancy; W.C. Ferguson's Position Still Open

No. 1 Committee of the Board of Education Met Last Night and Discussed Situation.

No. 1 committee of the board of education met last night, and transacted some important business.

It decided to take no action at this time in regard to filling the chair of English, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. W. C. Ferguson, it was said.

The substitute is doing satisfactory work for the time being, and it was thought advisable to wait until a satisfactory teacher for the position could be secured. This appears to be a somewhat difficult task.

It was recommended that Mr. W. Govenlock be placed in charge of the

upper assembly-room, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Ferguson.

Miss Anna Grant was recommended to take the position in the West London kindergarten made vacant by the resignation of Miss Angus. Miss Anna M. Kennedy, Miss Edna Claris, Miss Lillian E. Owens, Miss M. Nash, Miss Elmore Marsh, and Miss Ethel Teasdale were admitted as students in the London kindergarten.

The committee also recommended that Miss Dixon, of Galt, be given an appointment in the London kindergarten.

Misses Myrtle Justin, Winnifred Gould and Mabel C. Buckle were recommended for the substitute teachers' staff.

The Aberdeen kindergarten is very much crowded, and Inspector Edwards was given power to take whatever steps he considered necessary to re-

Hyman Hall Opening for Season.

The executive of the Young Liberal Club met last evening and it was decided to open Hyman Hall for the fall and winter on Friday, September 20th. A splendid opening programme is being prepared by the executive, and will include one of the leading speakers in the Province. It will be a splendid affair.

Important Move to Help Chelsea Green Roadway Opened to 1st Concession

Talk of a Bridge on the L. and P. S. R. Tracks at the Base Line.

The opening up of Chelsea Green road right through from Adelaide street bridge, over the Thames, to the Commissioner's road, or what is also known as the first concession of Westminster, has been arranged for.

The township council met this morning at the corner of the Wellington and Commissioner's roads, and gave their final consent in the matter.

It is stated that the Chelsea Green Company has given the land free to the township for the roadway, which is to be 60 feet wide from the river to the base line. South of that point, the land for the roadway is being donated by Mr. J. H. McMechan, of this city, who owns the farm lying east of

the L. and P. S. R. tracks and south of the base line to the Commissioner's road.

There will be a spacious avenue, well graded, all the way from Adelaide street bridge to the first concession of Westminster. This will be a big convenience to all the people of that district of Westminster, who have now to come into the city by means of the Wellington road, or Vauxhall bridge.

There is also talk of a bridge being built across the London and Port Stanley Railway tracks at the base line, in rear of the Spettigue farm, to connect with the Chelsea Green roadway.

The base line now runs only as far as the tracks east of the Wellington road, where it comes to a dead end.

It is understood that the Westminster Township Council is giving exemptions to all factories which will locate on Chelsea Green on the ground that the factories will build up the township, and bring many people to live there.

Victoria Street Girl Falls Twenty Feet

Gertie Brennan, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. Jeremiah Brennan, of 184 Victoria street, fell out of a second story window of her home last night, and was seriously injured.

The girl was playing in the room, and was leaning out the window

when she overbalanced. Dr. Tillmann was summoned, and he is of the opinion that she will soon recover.

No bones were broken, but it will not be known for some time whether she sustained internal injuries. She fell about twenty feet.

Wiseman—Trueman.

A quiet wedding was solemnized by Rev. James Livingstone, at the Wellington Street Methodist parsonage, on Wednesday at 7:30, when Miss M. A. Trueman, of Windsor, was united in marriage to Mr. Joseph C. Wiseman, of Walkerville. After the ceremony the happy couple adjourned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Johnston, 486 Central avenue, where a dainty luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Wiseman will reside in Walkerville.

Death of Wm. Dyson.

The death of another old and highly respected citizen of London, Mr. William Dyson, occurred at the family residence, 75 Dundas street, this morning, in his 81st year. The funeral service will take place from his late residence on Monday, at 3 o'clock. The service will be held at 2:30.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Wiseman, of Walkerville, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Johnston, 486 Central avenue.

2,000 Names on Sunday Car Petitions Lord's Day Alliance Will Fight Move

Arguments of Those For and Against the Proposal—A Meeting on Monday.

The local branch of the Lord's Day Alliance will hold a meeting on Monday next, at which the agitation which is now being felt in London for Sunday street cars will be discussed.

A member of the alliance stated to The Advertiser this morning that the alliance will fight the agitation on the ground that Sunday cars are not needed in this city.

The argument is put up by those opposed to the movement, that in a city of 50,000 people, Sunday cars are not at all a necessity, and that they would only lead the people to evil things.

The other side points out, however, that the need for Sunday cars should not be judged by population, but by territory.

For example, London has only 50,000 people, and yet the city covers about 4,500 acres. Hamilton on the other hand has well over 70,000 people, and the city only covers about 2,500 acres.

The point is that in London the people have very long distances to cover, and that the city needs Sunday cars much worse than Hamilton.

It is pointed out, too, by the advocates of Sunday cars that if cars are not a necessity in London the people indulge in frequent luxuries week days, because they are, as a rule, crowded, on all lines.

It was stated to The Advertiser today that there are now over 2,000 names on the petitions being circulated for Sunday cars.

Those behind the agitation claim they will present petitions bearing not less than 15,000 names to the city council very shortly.

It was also stated that several ministers have promised to preach in favor of Sunday cars tomorrow.

Main Tracks Have Not Been Raised

City Engineer Graydon and Engineer Mitchell, who is in charge of the Grand Trunk construction work west of the city, went out to Ridout street this morning to inspect the crossing.

Some time ago complaint had been made to the aldermen that the track at the crossing had been raised contrary to the agreement with the city. The council dealt with the matter at

its last meeting, and the city engineer was instructed to see if the complaints were well founded.

It was shown by Mr. Mitchell that the main tracks had not been raised an inch since they were put down. The switch at the point, however, had been raised a few inches to make it on a level with the main track, but nothing more was done.

NEW TENDERS FOR THE SIDEWALK

The city council held a special meeting at noon today. At the last meeting a contract had been awarded to Mr. W. J. Anthistle for the sidewalk in front of Hyman's tannery for the sum of \$200. It was found that the tender called for \$390 instead of for \$200, and although Mr. Anthistle thought that he could do the work for the lower sum, it was not thought right to give it to him over the Forest City Paving Company, whose tender in the first instance was for \$345.

The council at noon today, on the motion of Ald. Matthews, referred the matter to No. 2 committee, with the instructions that new tenders be called for the work immediately, and that the contract be awarded as soon as possible. It is the intention of the council to finish the sidewalk as soon as possible.

Mr. S. Screaton, chairman of the hospital trust, was given the use of the city hall for several afternoons, to be afterwards decided upon, for the purpose of rehearsing a concert to be given shortly in behalf of the furnishing of the new isolation hospital.

The members of the council present were Mayor Judd, Ald. Screaton, Stevenson, Matthews, Cooper, Gerv. Gillen, Saunders and City Clerk Baker.

HITS WIFE WITH WHISKY BOTTLE AND IS IN FOR STIFF PUNISHMENT

"I have been married nearly seven years, have three children, my husband has been a heavy drinker and has frequently abused me and threatened to kill me on numerous occasions," was the story told in police court this morning by Mrs. Anna Johnson, when testifying against her husband, Charles Johnson, who was arrested last night on a charge of having done bodily injury to his wife.

Johnson was formerly a laborer in a local brickyard, but quit his job some time ago and as a consequence of his drinking habits he and his family were forced to leave their home. The wife went to her mother's home to live, while he got along as best he could.

Last night he became intoxicated and paid a visit to his mother-in-law during the absence of his wife. Upon Mrs. Johnson's return to the house Johnson asked her to step outside as he wished to talk to her. "I want to stay here tonight," said he. "Do you think your mother will stand for it?"

"We have no room for such as you," was the reply he received, whereupon Johnson pulled a whisky bottle from his pocket and threw it at her head inflicting a bad cut and causing several bruises on the woman's arm.

This morning Mrs. Johnson exhibited the injuries to Magistrate Love.

Johnson elected trial by the magistrate and said he "guessed he was guilty."

"Well, you had better not do any guessing in this matter," retorted the magistrate, "if you are proven guilty of this offense you are liable to a sentence of three years." Johnson then pleaded guilty, and was remanded for one week for sentence.

"I am going to put you in a place where you won't threaten any woman or abuse your wife for a long time," remarked Magistrate Love, as Johnson was being led away. "And besides, I will insist that you furnish reliable bonds in the sum of \$500 that you will keep the peace upon your discharge from jail."

Johnson several times interrupted the taking of testimony by calling to his wife to forgive him and to give him one more chance.

Charles Gray, charged with assaulting Anne Purdy, was bailed to appear next Saturday.

"Ten dollars or twenty-one days in jail," was the punishment meted out to Daniel Curtin, 24, of Ottawa, while Frank Legg got off with a fine of \$5.

James Walsh, charged with vagrancy, said he was no tramp and that he was engaged in getting out a theatrical programme when arrested. One of the officers, however, stated that Curtin had been sleeping around the railroad yards for two nights, and that he had no permanent place of abode. Curtin was remanded for one week.

A number of first-time offenders were allowed to go.

London Soldiers at Petawawa Well

A dispatch from Kingston states that several cases of typhoid fever have broken out among the soldiers who were at the Petawawa camp. There are also some cases at Pembroke and other points.

Inquiry was made at the Barracks this morning, and it was found that the soldiers there who had been at

Petawawa were in excellent health, and the same was true of the rest of them who went to Ottawa direct from the camp.

No cases have been reported from the artillerymen.

Major Mills' troops have also escaped, as no cases amongst the men has been reported.

City and County Ask Grant of \$8,000 For Proposed Tuberculosis Hospital

Chairman Stevely and Committee Dealt With the Matter at a Special Meeting.

A meeting of the joint committee of the city and county councils regarding the tuberculosis hospital, was held this morning at the city hall, with Ald. Stevely (chairman), Ald. Beattie, County Councillor S. Frank Glass (secretary), County Councillor Brown, ex-Warden E. W. Jackson and Dr. J. S. Niven present. Mr. J. Lewis Thomas, who drew the plans, was also present.

It was decided to send the plans of the proposed sanatorium to the Provincial board of health at once.

Ald. Beattie and County Councillor Brown moved that:

county of Middlesex have entered into a provisional agreement for the erection by them jointly, at a point in the county of Middlesex near the city of London, of a sanatorium for consumptives at a cost of about \$20,000. Be it resolved that this committee from the city and county do respectfully request that the Government grant to each of the said municipalities the full statutory grant of \$4,000, making a total of \$8,000; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Provincial Secretary of Ontario.

This motion was carried unanimously. It was also decided, on the motion of Dr. Niven and Mr. S. P. Glass, that the Ontario Legislature be asked to grant special legislation to the city and county, empowering them to erect a sanatorium and to issue debentures for the same without taking a vote of the people on the question.

A copy of it will be forwarded to the Provincial Secretary.