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LONDON AND DISTRICT

The Weekly Advertiser, which is now on sale at this office, contains a complete account of the Grand Trunk Railway disaster. Copies ready for mailing may be had at Advertiser office.

—Miss Jessica L. Hamby, of the London Conservatory of Music and School of Elocution, left this city on Wednesday to assist in giving a recital at Barrie on New Year's night.
ANSWERED 185 CALLS.

During the past year the fire brigade answered 185 calls, of which 27 runs during December. The men had 19 runs during December.

POLICEMEN RESIGN.
Police Constables German, Bremner and Case, new members of the police force, have resigned.

SIXTEEN MONTHS IN PRISON.
A sentence of sixteen months in the Central prison for each of three charges—the sentences to run concurrently—was imposed upon Christopher Pabst by Judge William Elliot yesterday. Pabst was accused of obtaining money under false pretenses and was found guilty.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES ELECTED.
Mr. T. J. Murphy acted as returning officer yesterday at the nomination for separate school trustees, which resulted in the election by acclamation of J. E. Costello and H. P. Sharpe (one year), for ward 1; J. P. Murray, for ward 2; J. Louchlin, for ward 3; W. M. McPhillips, for ward 4. Mr. O'Sullivan is still secretary of the board. The only new member is Mr. Sharpe, the highly-esteemed local agent of the Dominion Express Company.

ENGINEER MCKENZIE'S EXPERIENCE.

Mrs. McKenzie, of Woodstock, mother of Engineer McKenzie, of the ex-

Not In The Bottle.

It is not by the appearance of the bottle that you should judge of the quality of the beverage. The real quality is inside the bottle.
The contents of a bottle of our famous Porter is more invigorating and enjoyable than the most gaudy label could promise.

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THE CANADIAN SAVINGS AND LOAN COMPANY.
Dividend No. 54.

A Dividend at the rate of Six Per Cent Per Annum has been declared upon the Capital Stock of the Company for the current half-year, and is payable on and after the 2nd of January, 1903.
The Transfer Books are closed from the 15th to the 31st inst. both days inclusive. By order of the Board,
M. H. ROWLAND, Manager.
London, Dec. 4, 1902.

PRESENTATION COMMITTEES.
This is the season when presentations are made, and committees having to choose gifts should remember that Diamonds are always beautiful. Diamonds are always fashionable. Diamonds are always appreciated. We have a large stock of Single Stone Rings, suitable for presentation, at \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45, up to \$250.

WARD, The Jeweler, 374 Richmond Street.
press demolished at Wanstead, received a letter from him on Tuesday in which he said: "I reached home on Saturday morning at 5 o'clock, feeling deeply grateful for escaping with my life in the awful disaster of my engine the night before. How I got out as I did is a mystery. My engine plunged into the locomotive of the freight, and was hurled completely over. I fell beneath it, but was not pinioned fast. I heard the grinding of the iron wheels, but was able to pull myself out. As to the cause of the

CANDIDATES FOR SCHOOL BOARD.



D. W. BLACKWELL,
WARD 2.

The voters of the city of London are to be congratulated upon having three such candidates as the above men in the field for the vacant chairs on the board of education. Here are three men for whom all public school supporters can cast their ballots on Monday in the full confidence that their interests will be safe in such hands.
Mr. R. H. Oullis, the Wellington street grocer and liveryman, is one of the most respected and popular residents of ward and is favorably known throughout the whole of the city. He is a man of progressive ideas, as is evidenced by the fact that he is a vigorous opponent of the course pursued during the year by Chairman McCormick, whose arbitrary and indefensible rulings prevented the girls of the public schools from obtaining the benefits of the domestic science course taught at the London Collegiate Institute. Mr. Oullis should sweep the first ward. He will stand up for the public schools every time.

Mr. E. W. Blackwell has proved his claim to a place on the board of education by his efficient service as a member of that body for a number of years, during one of which he was the presiding officer. He has made a strenuous fight this year against the old-fogy influences which have unfortunately been in control of the board. Mr. Blackwell is one of the best-known business men in London, and is a champion of the public schools, whose interests the majority of last year's board have tried to sacrifice. He should be sent back to reinforce the progressive element of the board.

accident I know nothing, save that we were running on orders. Because of the blinding snowstorm I did not see the headlight of the freight until my engine was almost upon it. I had only time to grasp the lever which applies the air-brakes when the two locomotives came together." He said further: "When I reached home on Saturday morning, I found that my eyes were crossed, and they remain so. My arms were so helpless I could not raise them to my shoulders." It will be at least two weeks, the attending physician states, before the engineer will be fully recovered from the severe shock.

From Kingston Post-Office.
James McGuire, letter-carrier, who was almost totally disabled by corns on the soles of his feet, has been cured by Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor. It's the best.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE WEDDING

Interesting Event Celebrated at
Palace Street Home.

Miss Louisa Braund Becomes the
Bride of Mr. John Adams.

A pretty wedding of a quiet nature was celebrated last night at the residence of Mr. George Braund, Palace street. It was the marriage of his third daughter, Miss Louisa Braund, to Mr. John Adams, of this city. Rev. Dr. Johnston performed the ceremony and about twenty friends and relatives were present. The bride was becomingly dressed in pearl gray, trimmed with satin applique lace, and was attended by Miss Florence Haugen, of Detroit, who wore a gown of cream voile. Mr. Frank Adams, brother of the groom, was best man. Miss Clara Murray, of Wilton Grove, played the Wedding March. A wedding luncheon was partaken of after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Adams left on the 3:30 train for eastern cities. They will reside in this city.

CANDIDATES FOR SCHOOL BOARD.



R. H. OULLIS,
WARD 1.

Dr. W. J. Stevenson is opposing Dr. English in Ward 3. The latter has been a persistent upholder of Chairman McCormick in his anti-public school policy, and he should be defeated. Dr. English is not a resident of that section of the city. He may be depended upon to uphold the rights of the public schools. He will put up a strong fight and the close of the polls should see him at the head.

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Vote for Matthews.

To the Electors of the City of London:
Ladies and Gentlemen—I have not been waited upon by any influential deputation requesting me to become a candidate for a seat at the council board. While standing quite alone on a street corner I made up my mind to offer my services to my native city, believing that every citizen should do so at some time in some way. If elected as one of your aldermanic representatives, I will conscientiously endeavor to carry out your wishes, which I believe, are similar to my own—that of clean, capable and economic administration of public affairs.
I take this means to solicit your hearty support and influence in the coming contest.
Wishing you the compliments of the season and trusting to be your obedient servant,
RICHARD F. MATTHEWS.

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Is sent direct to the diseased parts by the Improved Ejector. Heals the ulcers, clears the air passages, cures drooping of the throat and permanently cures Catarrh and Hay Fever. Blower. All dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Toronto and Buffalo.

MR. COFFEY FOR SENATOR

Representative Journals Favor
the London Man.

Words of Commendation From Eastern Canada.

[Montreal True Witness.]
We observe, in connection with the vacancy caused in the senate by the death of a representative from the sister Province of Ontario, the late Senator O'Donohue, that the name of an esteemed Irish-Catholic journalist, Mr. Thomas Coffey, of the Catholic Record, London, Ont., is prominently mentioned in the daily press. While we do not desire to interfere in matters which immediately concern our fellow-countrymen in another province, we may be pardoned for expressing the pleasure it gives us to notice the name of our co-worker in the cause of Catholic journalism spoken of in such deservedly flattering terms by the Protestant newspapers of the city wherein he resides.
[The Freeman, St. John, N. B.]

We know that outsiders who interfere in the game are liable to be shot, but we cannot help saying that if the Government has any wish to please the Catholics of all Canada, as well as of Ontario, there is no more certain method of doing it than the appointment of Mr. Thomas Coffey, of London, Ont., to the senate vacancy, caused by the death of Senator O'Donohue; for the Catholic Record has made his name known and honored in every Catholic in the land.

[St. John, N. B. Globe.]
The London Advertiser, one of the leading Liberal papers in Western Ontario, strongly advocated the appointment of Mr. Thomas Coffey, of the Catholic Record, to the Senate of Canada, in the place of Mr. O'Donohue, of Toronto, who died last week. Mr. Coffey is described as "a broad-minded man who has used his influence to promote harmony and good feeling among all classes and has identified himself closely with the interests of the city," a man whose "long and useful career would be worthily crowned by such an honor, and his experience and strong ability would make him a valuable public servant."

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THE G. T. R. WILL MAKE A SEARCHING INVESTIGATION

Manager McGuigan Comes to
This City, It Is Understood,
for That Purpose.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—F. H. McGuigan, manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, passed through Toronto today in his private car on his way from Montreal to London. It is stated on good authority that on arriving at the latter city he will open at once an investigation into the recent disaster at Wanstead. The inquiry will be conducted purely from a railway standpoint, and will be of the most searching character, every detail to be looked into minutely and carefully. Nothing less will satisfy General Manager Hays and other officials. It is understood that Mr. McGuigan, who is a thoroughly practical railway man, will personally conduct the investigation, but will be assisted by Supt. C. C. Jones, Assistant Supt. Costello and one of the company's chief solicitors.

CHATHAM GUSHER MAY HAVE RIVAL IN LONDON TOWNSHIP

John Littles, of Cherry Grove
Farm, Found Oil While in
Quest of Water.

Mr. J. Littles, of Cherry Grove Farm, which is situated on a sideroad between the 2nd and 3rd concessions of London Township, has informed The Advertiser that he has discovered oil mixed with water which came from a well he was digging. The oil was noticed first by Mr. Littles floating on

the top of the first few bucketfuls which were drawn. He drew the attention of the well-digger to the fact. The latter confirmed him in his discovery, and Mr. Littles has determined to get advice as to whether or not his find is valuable.

During the time since the discovery the oil has shown in larger quantities than at first. The proprietor of the well is pumping the water off, in the endeavor to come to the true vein if possible. The find was a mild sensation among the people of the district, who are awaiting developments with interest.

LOCAL SHOPS GET ANOTHER BIG ORDER FOR FREIGHT CARS

Authorities at Montreal Evidently
Appreciate Master Builder
Treleven's Work.

Master Builder Treleven, of the Grand Trunk carshops, has just received another order for 400 flat cars from Montreal, which shows that the head officials are well satisfied with the way the last big order was carried out. The previous orders, all of which were extraordinarily heavy, have been

filled, and immediately after the New Year the work upon this new one will be started. The cars will be of the ordinary flat description, and will be put together from wheels to bumpers at the local shops. Through the energy of the master mechanic and his assistants other assignments have been gotten out in remarkably short order. Speaking statistically, each man of the 400 who work in the carshops will turn out his car in a couple of months—a very short time in which to do all the work.

The new electric lighting plant at the works has been completed.

STRANGER'S INVESTIGATIONS INTO GENEROSITY OF CITIZENS

He Came From We Don't Know
Where, and Told a Tale of
His Day's Work.

The door of the editorial room of The Advertiser was swung widely open last night and a stranger walked in. Even the police court reporter did not know him. He was very tired looking, yet there was that in his eye which showed that he was not as forlorn as he looked. When he spoke everyone knew that he had been combating the exit of the old year and was feeling pretty good.

"What do think I've been doing all day, fellows?" he asked. "Don't know? Well, I'll tell you."

No one objected, so he went on. He said that he had heard a lot about the kindness and generosity of people at this time of the year and he had decided to find out what was in it. He knew that no one in town knew him, so he started out on a tour of the city, with a friend of his, another investigator, to find out what he could do in the way of getting supplies of food. "Did I get it?" he said. "Just listen to me. I got enough stuff for several happy homes."

By this time the banquet reporter was aroused and told the seedy one to proceed, that his story interested him. He worked off a few statistics. He visited 27 houses in the city and asked for something to eat. In nine places he didn't get any. "I got everything from pork pies to angel cake," he said, "and my pal carried a basket along and put the stuff away when I came out. I got 87 sandwiches, filled with ham, celery, hard-boiled eggs, raspberries, jam and cold beer. I got a whole chicken, three pounds of cooked beef, a bunch of cod liver oil, and three pairs of shoes. I asked for something to eat and they told me to take the shoes. In

place I was nearly knocked silly. The girl gave me a turkey because the missus was going to spend New Year's with her mother she told me. It was a shame to do it, but I took it."

He got so much that two baskets were crammed so that the strands cracked and the handles threatened to give way.

He said that the people of this city were so generous that he believed that if he was ever out of work and couldn't get any, he could just start out asking for food and live here happily ever afterward.

Someone asked him what he thought of the results of his investigations. "Generosity," he said, "is as scattered as a dandelion seed when a western wind hits it." The commercial editor inserted a request that he cut out the poetry and get down to facts.

All parts of the city were the same, he said, in the matter of giving. The poor were as good as the rich, better in some cases. None were too busy to see that he got something to eat. Doors didn't better him.

One thing, he said, which impressed him was that most people are either careless or very trustful. The women were the careless ones. They would leave him alone with silver knives and forks, and one time he could have slipped out with a bunch of good silverware if he had wanted to.

They weren't all so trustful, however. Once a young housewife embarrassed him, he said, by calling out to her servant, not to leave that tramp alone. "She's an old crank," the girl said to him and helped him to some more pudding, and he had to put the piece that had least of the pudding in his pocket, because he couldn't eat any more. This same girl was kind enough to tie up three dainty little sandwiches and a generous tin of raspberry pie. "A Happy New Year," was another much appreciated contribution.

This student of social conditions told of numbers of other incidents of his trip, adding that he sent the two baskets of eatables to one of the homes here.

ATHLETES, BICYCLISTS AND others should always keep **HAYFAR'S YELLOW OIL** on hand. Nothing like it for stiffness and soreness of the muscles, sprains, bruises, cuts, etc. w

Lifeforce Soap—disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases.