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**TEMPER, PLUS WORDS, BRING HIM LECTURE**

Webber White Gave Vent to Both and Landed in Court.

Webber White has an extensive vocabulary, and a bad temper. This combination caused the neighbors so much worry on Thames street that he was arrested early this morning and haled into court.

The man, who used vile language, was given a tongue lashing by the magistrate.

"You are going to quit this thing, or you will spend a lot of time in jail," said the magistrate. "You curse and swear, abuse your wife, and make a nuisance of yourself. You want everybody to cringe to you. I am going to take a hand in this. I will suspend sentence on you; bind you over to keep the peace towards your family, but if you ever come in here, I will send you down for a term in jail. I am tired of such a man as you."

"Can I go home and take my things away?" White asked.

"No; you are going to look after your family, and I am going to see that you do," retorted the magistrate. "You are a pretty poor specimen of a man."

White and his wife left the court room together.

**BILLION DOLLAR CROP EXPECTED**

After a thorough canvass of various points throughout Western Canada, Dr. McGill of the Dominion Grain Commission is quoted in Calgary as saying that Alberta would have a crop as good as last year, that the Dominion would have a billion dollar grain crop, and that the grain crop of the three prairie provinces would be "little if any behind that of last year."

"The country as a whole never looked better than it does at present," said Dr. McGill. "The weather was made to order, as you might say, and I am of the opinion that this year's harvest will be another wonderful one."

Those who contemplate going West will do well to remember that the most fertile districts in Western Canada are served by the line of the C. N. R., and that this season they can travel from their home districts to destination Canadian Northern All the Way.

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**SOME DAYS BEFORE TELEPHONE LINES ALL CLEAR AGAIN**

Yesterday's Storm Played Havoc With City Service.

**LINES FOULED ALL OVER**

Cables Down and Private Service Lines Smashed by Falling Trees and Branches.

Telephone communication in London got one of the worst jolts in its history during the electric storm of Tuesday afternoon. As was announced in The Advertiser of last night, more than 1,000 phones were put out of commission, and it will be some days before all the trouble has been reported, according to a report made today by C. B. Baird, local manager.

In many sections of the city cables were fouled by falling trees and lines, while all branch lines suffered more or less heavily. In many instances the private service lines from street to houses were ripped out by falling trees. In other cases again the instruments themselves were put out of working gear by lightning.

"We have more than 1,000 lines to work for, and as this trouble is of different characters, owing to different causes, it will be some time before we have all the phones back in working order," said Mr. Baird to The Advertiser.

"Extra gangs are doing their best to cope with the exceptional demand for repair work, but it will be several days at least before we have completed our repairs."

On some streets, whole blocks have been cut off from telephone communication. William street, between King and Dundas, is cited as an instance of this. Every telephone service in the block was torn out.

Long-distance lines suffered less than was at first supposed, but rural communication was at a handicap last night and today. The rural lines are being cleared by separate gangs from those working on the city services.

**INDETERMINATE SENTENCE FOR YOUNG HOUSE THIEF**

Magistrate Sends George Moore to Prison Farm.

George Moore, who gave his home address as Baltimore, was today sentenced by Magistrate J. C. Judd to from three months to six months at the Reformatory in Guelph on two charges of theft of property.

Mr. Draper, who was found in the house, after stealing some jewelry. On his person was found some pins, and other articles stolen from Mr. Trebblelock.

The young lad pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to one year.

"You have been very frank with me," said the magistrate. "You have told me little about yourself, and I suspect that you are a crook in the Street. However, find that you are suffering from tuberculosis, so I will send you to the Guelph Prison Farm, where you will be cared for. An order to deport you to the United States will be made as soon as I have learned more of your history."

"I cannot," answered the magistrate. "This shows me you know quite a lot about jail life, and you are a young man, and seems to have a severe case of consumption."

**SOME MUST STAY SAYS HUMORIST**

Naively Explains Why He Had Not Enlisted.

Magistrate Judd discovered a rare humorist at the police court today in the person of Frank Draper, who gave his home address as Montreal.

Draper arrived in the city early this morning via the Grand Trunk. He rode a freight, overlooking the necessity of paying his fare. Patrolman William Middaugh picked him up, and he was up in court on a charge of trespass.

In explaining his position, he said that he was on his way west to garner the harvest. He was accompanied as far as London by a soldier from Camp Borden. The latter is now in custody at the Heights.

"You are a widower, and strong and healthy," said the magistrate. "Why did you not enlist in one of the Montreal battalions?"

"Well, some us have to stay home and work," he answered naively.

"And yet they say there is no humor in the world," laughed his worship. "Here you are a vagrant and insist that you want to work. I will fine you \$10 and costs or 21 days. In the meantime, I will make some inquiries about your record."

**INVALID SOLDIER MADE VERY ILL BY TERRIFIC THUNDER**

Shell Shock Sufferer Greatly Affected by Storm.

**WENT OVER WITH DRAFT**

Sergt. Alex Joseph Was Put Out of Action by Jack Johnstons.

Sergt. Alex. C. Joseph, who returned on Friday last, invalided from shell shock, suffered severely during the terrific electrical storm yesterday. After being in British and French hospitals for eight months, he was sent home, and was making excellent progress toward recovery, until the big storm broke. The deafening crashes and the vivid lightning flashes "got" his nerves again, and he is suffering greatly.

Sergt. Joseph went from London with a draft, throwing up his crown as sergeant-major in order to get to the front. He was in the trenches in Belgium, when one day a couple of "Jack Johnstons" came over close together, flat on their faces by the bursting shells, and he remembers little that happened after, until he was in the hospital in England. While in England he had to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

**Praises Russians.**

Sergt. Joseph pays the very highest tributes to the Russian soldiers, many of whom he saw in France and England.

"They are fine physical types of men," he said, "as hard as nails, and will stop at nothing. All that is necessary is to tell them what to do, and they will spend no efforts to do it. They live simply, three loaves of black bread and a couple of bowls of porridge every day. Every soldier carries a big wooden spoon in a place fitted for it in his high boots the Russians wear. There will be no stopping these men."

Sergt. Joseph also had words of praise for the wonderful courage and efficiency of the French.

**Value of Training.**

"The boys in training here," he said, "do not realize how much it means to be physically fit before they go in the trenches. Our boys, myself as well, used to complain about so much physical training, and think it unnecessary. Every bit of it is needed, and you never realize its value until you get in the trenches. A man who is in condition can go through all kinds of hardships and difficulties, where the fellow who isn't drops out."

While the storm was at its height the play of the wind was such that the banks of black clouds that seemed to engulf the city in a mask of stygian darkness, was an awe-inspiring spectacle.

**Rain Brings Relief.**

One result of the rain was an immediate lowering of the temperature and a shower. They told him that he had had one, and when he got there he found it had been broken by a piece of shell and was useless.

"He just stood there with the tears pouring down his face for a minute, and then rushed off to try to find a shovel some place else," said the sergeant.

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Sergt. Joseph has brought home an unusually interesting collection of war trophies and relics.

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Pumps Were Idle With Several Fires in Progress.

**FACTORIES CLOSE DOWN**

Rain Has Helped Water Supply at the Springbank Pumping Station.

In addition to the high tension lines of the hydro-electric being put out of commission by Tuesday's storm, there was a serious interruption at several of the stations. The Horton street plant was out of commission for half an hour, and all the pumps had to be left idle with several fires burning. The only water supply was from the Springbank reservoir. The gas engines which start after some minutes. No. 2 station, feeding the industries in the east end, was struck, and the wires torn down.

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"The trouble with the water pressure was due to the fact that the electricity was shut off," said General Manager E. V. Buchanan. "The lightning was intense, striking a number of lines, especially on the high tension system, and we could get no energy. The McCormick garage was struck, tearing off the roof and breaking our lines. It was very bad, one of those storms that we cannot guard against or protect ourselves against. I guess everybody had their troubles."

The rain helped the water supply greatly. There will not be much low watering for a day or two, and the streams supplying Springbank have materially freshened up.

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Nearly Two and Half Inches Fall in Hour and Quarter.

**FLOODS CAUSE DAMAGE**

Thousands of Dollars Loss Results in Store Basements.

**LIGHTNING PLAYS HAVOC**

Two Congregational Churches Struck—Wires Put Out of Commission.

London yesterday afternoon experienced the most severe rainstorm in its history. Though but an hour and a quarter in duration, the volume of water precipitated on the city reached the amazing total of 2.46 inches. More rain than this has fallen on a single day, but never has there been anything to equal it in the same time.

The monetary loss will run into many thousands of dollars. Floods of water caused partial or total destruction of perishable goods stored therein by downtown merchants represent at least \$9 per cent of the losses.

**Whole Downtown Flooded.**

The whole downtown area, speaking generally, suffered in the unprecedented manner that flooded streets from gutter to gutter and put the sidewalks in places several inches under water.

Coming after three weeks and more of the driest weather ever experienced in London, the havoc that it wrought established a new record of destruction from natural causes. For days London has been gasping for rain. Trees have been offered for fire, but the opening of the heavens and the downpour of rain, which passed even in imagination the storm, that the continued dry spell presaged.

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along the rafters and through a stove-pipe hole, knocking large chunks of plaster of several rooms.

In the kitchen it tore up the carpet and took the glass from a window as if it were a glazier.

**Key Knocked From Hands.**

George Ryan, driver of a Shedd Forwarding Company lorry, and James Mitchell, shipper at the D. H. Nowden wholesale hardware, had a narrow escape from death when a keg of steel being handled by them, was knocked from their hands by lightning.

Mitchell had just handed the keg to the forwarding company's employee, when the lightning struck the keg knocking it to the ground.

Both sustained slight shocks. Lightning entered the chimney of the residence of John L. Johnston, 554 1/2 Waterloo street, during the storm yesterday afternoon. The mirror of a dresser in one of the rooms was shattered and the wallpaper burnt in several places, but no one was injured.

The linoleum and the dresser scarf were scorched, but nothing caught fire. The pieces of the mirror were hurled to the far side of the room.

**Effect Along the River.**

As yesterday's deluge was practically confined to the immediate vicinity, there was no startling rise in either branch of the Thames. Immediately after the storm the river stood several inches, and later in the evening as the water from various parts of the city poured in it rose further. Little damage was done. A number of boats were out, but they all remained fast. The canvas tops were blown from some of the motor boats and they filled with rain to such an extent that they were in danger of sinking. The storm, however, abated before this happened.

The water came down all hills leading to the river in a torrent, and poured over the bank in small cataraets. Whit Lancaster's boathouse was undermined, much of the earth at the back being swept away. Reparation was made for this at his other boathouse where the sediment piled up for several feet along the landing stage.

The water from Carling street cut a course over three feet deep and several feet wide through the back of the Dennis Wire and Iron Company's property, to the river. It swept away the earth from one corner of a house at the water's edge, and filled the cellar of the adjoining house several feet deep with water and mud.

Mr. Lancaster stated to The Advertiser that he was considering suing the city for the damage, as he had several times asked for adequate protection for such an emergency.

Little damage was done along the breakwater, but some of the West London streets suffered almost as badly as those downtown.

In South London the front part of the foundation of the Westminster rink, also owned by Whit Lancaster, has been swept in by the water. The short sidewalk leading to the entrance is undermined and hangs supported only at one end. The owner estimates the damage at several hundred dollars, as the wall was two feet thick, and a large number of skates and

tools stored in the rink were buried in the sand.

A large catalpa tree in front of Clare Jarvis' residence on Hellmuth street was chopped by the storm, and the hydro men were called to clear the ambulance headway in Toronto and it is expected that at least six from this city will be sent on to England at once. They will serve their probation in war hospitals being conducted by the St. John Ambulance Brigade.

A walnut tree at W. Footitt's residence on Hellmuth street was split by the bolts.

Evidence of the storm were numerous about Waterloo street and Central avenue. Limbs were blown from trees on Central avenue on both sides of Waterloo. A large limb was motioned off at the corner of Wolfe street and Waterloo.

A thunderbolt dug a large hole in the lawn at the rear of 359 Central avenue, the residence of Lawrence Moore. Mrs. Moore was overcome for a time by the shock.

**C. G. WOOD KILLED BY FALL FROM TRAIN**

Founder of Wood's Fair and Widely Known in This District.

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Mr. Wood's telegram to Frank E. Jones of Wood's Fair here told of the accident. Mrs. Jones is a niece of Mr. Wood.

He was 65 years old, and resided in London until about eighteen years ago. Another brother who was associated with him in his business died here several years ago.

**NOT ONLY PLACE**

London is not the only city to be suffering from an ice shortage. Some of the local dealers have announced that it will be impossible for them to deliver ice after the end of the month, because of the short supply.

In Toronto the ice famine is reported as acute. Appeals have been sent to the Dominion railway board to rush ice trains to the Queen City from Lake Simcoe, where the major portion of the Toronto ice supply is secured.

W. and E. Cushing, who announce discontinuance of their ice delivery, say that it is impossible to get ice either in or out of London. They said that attempts had been made to import a supply without avail.

**LONDON GIRLS ANXIOUS TO GO AS WAR NURSES**

London girls seem anxious to serve as war nurses at the front. In response to the latest appeal for probationer nurses, issued by the No. 4 Nursing Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, a number have applied. Mrs. Swindall, lady superintendent, has communicated with the ambulance headquarters in Toronto and it is expected that at least six from this city will be sent on to England at once. They will serve their probation in war hospitals being conducted by the St. John Ambulance Brigade.

A large maple in front of New St. James' Church was split and heavy branches were still barring the sidewalk last evening.

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