

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL IS DROPPED BY THE COUNTY

Council at Meeting Last Night Refused To Spend \$1,500 To Take a Vote of the People—Good Roads Resolution Was Adopted By Councillors.

Good roads and the tuberculosis hospital were the chief topics of discussion at last night's session of the county council.

After a brief debate the council adopted a motion by Councillors Knapton and Ulen, which practically means that the council washes its hands of the hospital matter.

The Good Roads resolution was adopted.

The council could not see its way clear to spend \$1,500 for a special vote to appropriate \$4,000 toward the project, and decided to adopt the following motion:

Resolution Adopted.

Resolved, that this council do not now consider the bill respecting the Middlesex Sanatorium for Consumptives, as we do not deem action advisable in the face of an expenditure of \$1,500 for a special vote of the people, as required by law.

Some Action Necessary.

Councillor Knapton thought that some action was necessary on the part of either the Government or the city in reference to the tuberculosis question, but could not see just how the county could afford to spend over a thousand dollars in obtaining the opinion of the people of Middlesex on the subject.

Special Legislation.

"In the first place we could not accept Mr. Blair's grant without special legislation," said Councillor Knapton, "and in the second we cannot give anything toward the hospital without the consent of the people."

By our action in not taking action at this time the city will be given to understand that we have practically dropped the matter. I am sure that the prevailing conditions will right themselves. Mr. Blair may possibly be brought around to see that by giving Continued on Page Six.

Young Idea and How It Should Start East Middlesex Teachers Discuss It

An Interesting Convention Was Brought To a Close. Today.

The afternoon session of the East Middlesex Teachers' Association closed yesterday afternoon after one of the most successful meetings that has ever been held.

The meeting yesterday afternoon commenced with an excellent address on constructive work by Miss Belle Campbell, in which she pointed out

that self-activity is one of Froebel's laws.

If you give a child materials to work with it will put into form its ideas.

The farther he goes along these lines, the more his self-control, accuracy and sense of symmetry and neatness will be developed.

The busy teacher can employ this kind of work to the greatest advantage.

Miss Campbell advised having a lesson of this kind at the closing hour every day.

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County Will Rebuild Guest Bridge Matter Was Debated Two Hours

Historic Gifts Will Be Presented County By Englishman.

After a debate of two hours duration, the county council of Middlesex at the special sitting yesterday decided to rebuild the guest bridge in London Township at once.

The townships of London and West Nisour have passed resolutions accepting the guest bridge in lieu of a bridge over the Thames River opposite concession 4.

London Township will at once enter into an agreement with the county to reimburse the county to the value of the guest bridge in case it is ever

found necessary to build another bridge across the town.

Militia Grant.

Capt. Robson, of the Twenty-sixth Regiment, appeared before the council on the question of the customary grant of 25 cents a day to officers and men residents of the county during the annual encampment.

Through an oversight the matter of a grant had been overlooked at the last session of the council.

Captain Robson explained that it was unofficially understood that no encampment would be held at London this summer, and that instead, 50 per cent of the men and non-commissioned officers, and all the officers of the regiment would go to Quebec to the tercentenary.

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VICTORIA HOSPITAL SITE FOR THE HYGIENIC INSTITUTE

Recommendation Made By the Board of Works, But This May Be Changed When the Matter Comes Before the City Council at Its Next Meeting.

At the meeting of No. 1 committee last night, it was recommended that the council recommend the site chosen on Victoria Hospital grounds as the site for the new hygienic institute.

Ald. Beattie pointed out that in order that this matter be brought before the council at the next meeting, a recommendation must come from the committee. He was informed that a petition would be presented at the council, asking that the site be chosen on the grounds of the Western University. However, the committee could not act on that at this juncture, but if that petition was just in at the council meeting, the recommendation could be amended. It was rather a difficult matter to settle, he

declared. His idea would be to send both sides to the Government, and allow the latter to choose between the Victoria Hospital site and that near Victoria Hospital.

This would relieve the committee of a great responsibility.

Let Government Settle It.

Ald. Ferguson concurred in this view, and thought it would be a wise thing to let the Government settle the matter.

However, to bring the matter before the council, as it had been referred to the committee, he would move that the site for the hygienic institute be on the ground adjoining Victoria Hospital. The motion carried.

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Washington Wants Prince of Wales

[Special to The Advertiser.] Washington, April 6.—There are indications here that the Prince of Wales will visit the United States this summer, after he has completed his trip to Canada, in July or August.

Tentative plans for his reception are already being arranged, and every effort

will be put forth to make his presence a noteworthy diplomatic event.

It was decided today at the state department to request that the new battleship New Hampshire be sent to Canadian waters for her maiden cruise, that she may pay the respects of the United States to the prince.

Rev. Mr. Garratt May Go To Toronto

It is not unlikely that Rev. Mr. Garratt, who recently took charge of the King Street Christian Workers' Church, will resign and accept a pastorate in Toronto. Mr. Garratt is at present in Toronto meeting the board

of managers of the church, and it is understood that they have made him an offer which he will accept.

An announcement will likely be made to the London congregation when Mr. Garratt returns on Sunday.

MAY GO TO POLLS ON JUNE NINTH

Provincial Elections To Be Held Before June 13th.

A CALL TO CONSERVATIVES

Have Been Asked to Get Candidates in the Field Without Further Delay.

Toronto, April 16.—The Provincial Government has, it is understood, definitely reached a conclusion to hold the general elections before Saturday, June 13. Reports of the preparation of the voters' lists in Northern Ontario are now of a character which does away with all necessity for the consideration of an autumn election.

While the matter will, doubtless, be discussed at the session of Cabinet this afternoon, it is not probable that the actual day will be announced until definite information concerning the lists is before the ministers. The Government has also reasons, it is believed, for not desiring a dissolution before they are assured that all technical preparations are completed. There are important matters pending which make a hurried dissolution inadvisable.

The date of election in view by some of the ministers is Tuesday, June 9, although it is not improbable that the previous day (Monday) may be selected out of consideration to the great number of commercial travelers who have asked for a Monday. The Government, it is believed, would have welcomed the opportunity of going to the polls a week earlier, but this does not now seem possible.

A "Conservative" Call.

It is reported that the Conservative Provincial Association yesterday sent out communications to the various ridings in which candidates have not yet been named asking them to call conventions at once to consider the date and prepare for the campaign.

President Owens, of the Toronto Central Conservative Association, will probably call the executive together the beginning of next week to set the date for conventions.

Two of the cabinet ministers may be tendered more than one nomination. Hon. Frank Cochrane's name will be submitted to the conventions for both Sudbury and Temiskaming. While Hon. Adam Beck's name will be placed in nomination at the conventions for London, Port Arthur and North Toronto. Neither minister is in the city today, but it is unlikely they will come to contest more than one constituency. Both will probably choose their home towns, Sudbury and London.

INSTANTLY KILLED

Young Englishman Meets Death on G. T. R. Track at Prescott.

Prescott, April 16.—Last night between 7 and 8 o'clock Walter McKean, a young Englishman, who came from London, England, a year ago, was killed on the G. T. R. track, just east of the Junction bridge. He was found this morning badly broken up. Death must have been instantaneous.

McKean lived at Johnston, where he was employed at the C. P. R. dump. He leaves a widow and child in destitute circumstances.

NOT A CANDIDATE

Mr. T. H. Preston Says He Is Done With the Legislature.

Brantford, April 16.—T. H. Preston, M. P. for South Brant, left for Atlantic City today. Before his departure he gave an emphatic denial to reports that he would be again a candidate for the Legislature, and that he was likely to be appointed to the Dominion Railway Commission.

FIGHTING NEAR SEOUL

Tokio, April 16.—Advices received here state that four Koreans were killed in a recent encounter near Seoul, when 200 bandits attacked a village. The bandits, however, were driven off. The insurgents are working in bands of a few hundred, and the active number of revolutionists does not exceed 4,000, according to reports.

THE WEATHER.

TODAY—MILDER.

Toronto, April 16.—The pressure, which continues high along the great lakes, is spreading eastward to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. While in the western provinces pressure is becoming low again. Fine, cold weather extends from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, and fine and very mild conditions prevail in the western provinces.

TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 28-42; Alton, 30-42; Port Simpson, 28-48; Vancouver, 42-54; Victoria, 42-58; Edmonton, 32-40; Calgary, 32-44; Battleford, 30-42; Prince Albert, 24-40; Regina, 30-42; Winnipeg, 22-34; Port Arthur, 16-26; Parry Sound, 16-28; Toronto, 24-38; Ottawa, 16-32; Montreal, 16-30; Quebec, 8-26; St. John, 20-24; Halifax, 22-46.

FORECASTS.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fresh easterly to southerly winds; fair and a little milder.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Fine; stationary or a little higher temperature.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fresh northerly to westerly winds; fine and cold.

Maritime Provinces—Moderate to fresh northerly to westerly winds; fine and cold.

Lake Superior—Fresh east to south winds; fair and a little milder.

Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—Fair and moderately warm.

ALL TRAINS RUNNING LATE EASTER TRAFFIC VERY HEAVY

Seven Extra Coaches On the C. P. R. Express Last Night—The Officials Report Phenomenal Business All Along the Line East and West.

Trains on all roads are running late, owing to the very heavy Easter traffic that has been carried.

Railroad officials and ticket agents say that the crowds handled yesterday surpass any previous record for years back. The traffic all along the line has been exceptionally heavy, and extra coaches have had to be put on at many of the stations.

The C. P. R. express from Toronto arrived last night with seven extra coaches. Every coach was well filled. The C. P. R. afternoon train was also well filled, and several coaches were put on here, notwithstanding that a large number of passengers from points west arrived here to spend the holiday.

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ALTAR ENVELOPED IN FLAME AS CROWDED CHURCH WORSHIPS

Famous Basilica of Quebec City Narrowly Escapes Destruction—Hundreds of Worshippers Thrown Into a Panic, But Brave Sacristans Save Perilous Situation.

Quebec, April 16.—The Basilica narrowly escaped being visited with a disastrous fire this morning. The venerable pile was filled with people devotedly assisting at the services, when on these special occasions are especially long and solemn. The procession of the blessed sacrament had just been finished, and the officiating dignitaries had just reached the altar, which was elaborately decorated for the exposition, when an electric wire, in some way defectively connected,

ignited one of the lace curtains, which immediately blazed up and enveloped the entire altar in flames. The scene that followed was frightful, the congregation, mostly composed of women and girls, flocked to the doors, panic-stricken, and many among them fainted. In the meanwhile, however, the sacristans had rushed to the altar and regardless of the flames tore down the burning curtains, and in a few moments the danger was passed and calm was quickly restored among the people.

FARMER FLED BECAUSE OF DEBT AND LEFT HIS STOCK TO STARVE

The Emaciated Forms of Eleven Animals Found in the Stables.

Brockville, April 16.—The story of the inhumanity of an Elmley Township farmer has come to light here, the details of which are shocking and most revolting in their cruelty.

The man lives about fifteen miles from here in the northern part of the county. He had thirteen head of cattle, eleven cows, two yearlings, two horses, a colt, and one pig. He was not a prosperous farmer, and not only was his farm mortgaged, but so was his stock. Like many others in this section, he had a poor hay crop last year, and food was scarce. A few days ago he was in town, and when told he was going away, laughed at the idea, and denied it.

The next day he and his sister, who lived with him, left, and it is said, have gone to Dakota.

When the holders of the cattle mortgage heard that he had gone, they made an investigation, which disclosed one of the most revolting stories of man's inhumanity to dumb animals that has been heard for many a day. When they drove to the farmhouse there were no signs of life about the place. In one stable they found six cows lying dead, five more cows and two heifers on the barn floor, two horses in another place, and the colt and the pig in another. All were dead.

The bodies were little more than skeletons, and their protruding bones and emaciated forms told the story of the slow starvation that had come to them. Six of the cows were lying fastened in the bales, the colt had climbed into the granary, evidently in quest of something to eat, but of food for any kind of stock there was not a particle to be found about the place.

Fool Trick in Big Office Building Rowdies Turn Water Into Fire Hose

Policeman Happened Along in Time To Prevent Serious Damage.

The police are on the trail of a number of young men who, early this morning, did a fool trick that, but for the fortunate discovery of a policeman, would have resulted in a good many dollars damage to the offices on the ground floor of the Masonic Temple.

About 2 o'clock this morning the officer on duty, while passing the Temple heard water dripping, and at once proceeded to investigate.

There was a great deal of water on the first floor and it was coming in a stream from the ceiling. The policeman gained the stairs and went up.

On the second floor he found that the fire hose was twisting about on the floor and that the water had been turned on full force.

A powerful two-inch stream was playing on the wainscoting and flooding the floors, running into the offices and down the stairs.

It only took a moment to shut the water off but it is likely that considerable damage was done to some of the offices.

Further down the hall another valve had been opened, but as the hose had not been untwisted, the water could not get out very fast.

The hose was so strained by the pressure, it was standing, that it seemed likely to burst at any time. Several young men who were in the vicinity of the building at the time are known to the police, and it is expected that arrests will follow shortly.

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FORTY JAPS KILLED IN SNOWSLIDE

Winnipeg, April 16.—An unconfirmed report has reached here that forty Japs have been killed by a snowslide in the Cascades. The Orientals, according to the story, were in a boarding-car on the C. P. R. when the avalanche, without a sound of warning, came down from the mountain and buried them.

A COUSIN OF ASQUITH

For Many Years a Farmer Now Resides at the Capital.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, April 16.—T. Bernard Williams, first cousin of Mr. Asquith, British Premier, and who for many years has been engaged in farming in the Canadian West, is now a resident of the capital, and a member of the Ottawa Reform Association. Williams came to Canada nearly 20 years ago, and with the view of getting a thorough knowledge of agricultural conditions spent two years at the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph. Afterwards he went west.

INCREASED ACREAGE

Seeding Operations in Manitoba Three Weeks Ahead of Last Year.

Winnipeg, Man., April 16.—Seeding will be general by the end of the week throughout Manitoba and the Northwest. With a few exceptions the farmers who held back have entered the fields and taken to spring work. The weather is fine and cold in the western provinces with rising temperature today. Reports indicate a greatly increased acreage of wheat in many places, and operations three weeks ahead of last year.

ACCEPT THE NUTTER PLANS OR GET NO DEBENTURES

TODAY IN LONDON.
The day in London.
Sham battle on Carling's Heights.
Parsifal at the Grand.
McClary road race.
Odlifflows welcome to Grand Sire.
Services in St. Peter's Cathedral and St. Mary's Catholic Churches.
Services in Anglican churches of the city.
Concert in Dundas Street Methodist Church.
Excursions to Springbank.
Springwood Gun Club shoot.

KING COMES BACK FROM BIARRITZ

Holds Privy Council in Buckingham Palace.

London, April 16.—King Edward, who reached London today on his return from Biarritz, held a privy council at Buckingham Palace this afternoon, when the seals of office were transferred from the old to the new members of the cabinet.

ONTARIO BORROWS A SIX-MONTH LOAN

The Province Gets \$2,000,000 in London at Three Per Cent.

Toronto, April 16.—When asked this morning as to the report by cable that a loan had been arranged in London by the Province, Hon. Mr. Matheson, the provincial treasurer, admitted the fact with his usual smile. "The amount he stated to be \$2,000,000 sterling, being one-half the \$4,000,000 which the Province was authorized to borrow during the session just past."

He wrote to the agents of the Province in London of the Bank of Montreal, and was informed by them that the time was favorable for placing a temporary loan. The Government decided, therefore, to discount six months treasury bills to the amount of half the authorized loan to carry things along. The rate paid is the present Bank of England rate of 3 per cent, which is considered eminently satisfactory.

It is fully expected that before the end of the six months' period a permanent loan for the full amount will be floated on advantageous terms.

A BIG STRIKE-OUT.
Washington, April 16.—The House today struck out of the naval bill the provision of eight submarine torpedo boats.

The cost of maintaining county jails increased last year from 22 cents a day to 27 cents, while the number of persons committed were 11,804, an increase of 994 compared with 1906. There were 23 commitments for murder, a decrease of one, and 23 for manslaughter, an increase of six; 258 insane persons were committed to jail, a decrease during the year of 31. The number of prisoners sentenced to penitentiary was 7,959, an increase of 663.

"That he is competent is absolutely beyond dispute," said Mr. Graydon. "I have not seen the plans that have been accepted, but I am quite positive, and have not the least doubt, that Mr. Nutter's plans are superior in design, construction and utility in fact I am so sure, that I suggest that both sets of plans be submitted to either City Architect McCallum, of Toronto; Darling & Pearson, Toronto; Lennox, Baker & Dennison, or to any other architect in Toronto, Hamilton or Montreal, and let him decide which is best."

The Fees.
"I understand the local architect agreed to accept 3 1/2 per cent for sub-

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COSTING MORE TO RUN PRISONS TWENTY-SEVEN CENTS PER DAY

Twenty-three Commitments for Murder and Manslaughter Each.

Toronto, April 16.—The annual report of the inspector of prisons, Dr. Bruce Smith, shows that the cost of maintaining the prisons of Ontario in 1907 was \$164,852, an increase of \$6,678 over 1906.

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Dreamers Planned Many Murders Says a Former Member of Sect

Believed in Killing All Who Did Not Believe Them.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Medicine Hat, April 16.—In the preliminary trial of the nine Dreamers who were arrested for the burning of the premises of John Lehr, of Josephsburg, held here today, sensational evidence was given by Michael Brost, who had been a Dreamer but severed his connection with the organization when the members began to talk of burning and killing. He

alleged that Jacob Merkle, Sr., and David Hausman, of Dakota, were the heads of the order. Merkle was the "Sun" and Hausman the "Moon."

Yesterday's meeting dreams were told by the members and interpreted by young Merkle. The dreamer had to carry out the purport of the dream as instructed. John Lehr's name had come up at the meetings, and it was agreed to burn him out. Corporal Barschall, N. W. M. P., who had been killed at the first opportunity, it had been arranged that Michael Gill was to be shot through the window, and Fadalis was to be killed with an axe while working in the fields. He said the Dreamers believed in killing everyone who did not believe in them.

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